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"Corporal Luke Johnson, USMC, is seen raising an American Flag at his unit, Bravo Battery, 1/12 in Camp Fallujah, Iraq. Cpl Johnson's father is retired Marine MSgt Jeff Johnson who works with the WI Dept of Veterans Affairs.

On April 25th, John Stern mailed out KetMorDet Care Packages to Cpl Johnson and three of his buddies in Iraq. The packages contained: magazines, Fleet Farm beef jerky, Kewaskum Frozen Foods beef sticks, hard candy, three pair of Menards socks per man, Woodman's eye drops, Sam's Club AT&T phone cards, and St Vincent de Paul Thrift Store donated hand sanitizer, baby wipes and disposable razors. In addition, the Marines had requested Copenhagen smokeless tobacco and some of that and Skoal from Smokes in West Bend were shipped to them. Total weight of all boxes shipped to these Marines exceeded 60 pounds of goodies."

**Our next Meeting is 0900 hrs Saturday May19th, 2007 at the Trenton Town Hall.
Located at 1071 State Hwy 33 East, West Bend Wi 53095.**

**Kettle Moraine Detachment 1203, Marine Corps League
Minutes of Monthly Meeting Held on April 21st, 2007
23 Members and 1 guests present**

The Meeting was held at the Trenton Town Hall in West Bend, WI.

The Sr Vice Commandant called the meeting to order at 0904. The Sgt at Arms presented Colors and the Chaplain said the opening prayer.

Roll Call of Officers

Commandant: John Stern excused
Sr. Vice Commandant: Bill Wallace present
Jr. Vice Commandant: Glen Brewer present
Adjutant: Jason Waier present
Judge Advocate: Charlie Keller excused

Paymaster: Roger Cross excused
Chaplain: George Wujcik present
Sgt at Arms: Barry Oelerich present
Historians: Jason Waier present
" Jim Krudwig present

Other Members in Attendance

Bertling, Greg	Bollmann, Paul	Conde, Ted	Dan Coulter	Erdman, Don
Fleischman, John	Heiman, Carl	Huf, Wally	Krause, John	Mathews, Glen
Moericke, Rollie	Montag, Fred	O'Toole, Danny	Racine, Cal	Schleif, Paul
Smith, Doug	Unertl, Ken			

New Members

No new Members were presented this month.

Guests

George Kasmayk attended as a potential transfer from Badger Det.

Reading of the Minutes

During the Feb Meeting, a motion was made for the Detachment to reimburse Gil Lucka for his Fallen Warrior statue if it was ever needed. During the March Meeting, a motion was made to simply purchase the statue and keep it as Det. property until needed. That motion did not state a KetMorDet policy about who would be eligible to receive the statue. Clarification was needed as to who would receive a statue from KetMorDet. During the April Meeting, Paul Bollmann made a motion to present a statue to the next of kin of any service member who is killed in action, from any branch of service, and who is from the area served by Kettle Moraine Detachment. John Krause seconded. Motion carried. With no other questions or comments Paul Bollmann made a motion to accept the Minutes as posted in the April Newsletter. Dan Coulter seconded. Motion carried.

Paymaster's Report

The Paymaster was excused from the April Meeting so the KetMorDet March Financial Report was distributed by the Adjutant. The report was briefly reviewed and with no questions or comments from the Membership. Jim Krudwig made a motion to accept it as written. Motion seconded by Paul Bollmann. Motion carried. If any Member has questions pertaining to the report, contact the Paymaster.

Chaplain's Report

The Chaplain stated he has sent out "Get Well" cards to Dave Bertling (pneumonia), and Dan O'Toole's wife, Phyllis, who has undergone surgery. The Detachment hopes both have speedy recoveries.

Correspondence Received/Delivered

The Milwaukee County Zoo is holding "Operation Freedom" again this year on July 1st. Members of the "Military Order of the Purple Heart" are handling the program. The Marine Corps Silent Drill Team performed there last year. That was an unexpected opportunity and nothing that grand is planned yet for this year. At this time it looks like there will be free admission to the zoo and lunch. A limited number of tickets are available. Contact the Adjutant if interested.

The KetMorDet ballpoint pens that were authorized to be purchased at the Feb Meeting were passed out with the intent that they be passed on to people interested in getting info on the Detachment.

St. Gabriel's School in Hubertus is having a Spring Concert on May 17th. They have requested a Color Guard for the evening. Charlie Keller has stated, since the April Meeting, that a Color Guard will be available for this event.

Report of Standing Committees

Honor Guard Team: The Honor Guard has not participated in any events this month.

Flag History Presentation Team: The Boy Scouts in Cedarburg sent a Thank you note for the FHP program conducted for them during March. Several new dates have been set up including: St. Francis Cabrini Scouts in West Bend April 26th; Christ Lutheran Church Scouts in Jackson April 30th; Peace Church in Kewaskum May 16th with dinner at 1730 followed by the program at 1830; Hartford Health Care at 0930 May 18th. A FHP will be conducted on May 15th at 1800 at Ridge Run Park for a Scout Pack/Troop. For this presentation only, the FHP Team will try something different and will be wearing the modified dress blue "Delta" uniform worn by the Color/Honor Guard (blue trousers with red NCO stripe, short sleeved Khaki shirt, black dress shoes, authorized Marine Corps ribbons and shooting badges, and the red MCL cover.)

Additional Members are needed for the FHP Team. If interested in participating in this enjoyable Det. function, contact Jim Krudwig.

For Members who have ideas on how to make the Det FHP better, write them down and send them to Jim via email or regular mail or simply pass them to him at the next meeting. The FHP program is undergoing changes and any constructive ideas could be incorporated into the presentation. It was requested that Members do not voice differences of opinion at a FHP. If a Member does have a suggestion on a particular subject, address it in private and not in front of the public. It is not very professional for our Members to be seen arguing at a FHP function.

More flags have been added and several changes are being made to the presentation. A written contract will be prepared so groups requesting a presentation will know what is needed by the Detachment.

Scholarship: Three student relatives of KetMorDet Members have submitted applications for scholarship awards. They are Alicia Sweetland (Roger Cross), Stephanie Bertram (Tim Bertram), and Kyle Thurlow (Ken Unertl). The applications were reviewed by the Scholarship Committee and all recommended for a KetMorDet Scholarship Award. Jim Krudwig made a motion to accept the three nominations for \$100 scholarship awards. Seconded by Paul Schlieff. Motion carried. These will be presented to the students at future Det. Meetings.

Quartermaster: Quartermaster Paul Schlieff has requested that all Members provide a list of Det. gear that they possess so that he can keep track of it.

VAVS: Tim Bertram has been given more responsibilities at work and will not be able to take on this position. This would be a good job for retired Member(s). Any volunteers? Contact Commandant John Stern if interested.

PAO: The Detachment is looking for a hardcharger to fill this needed position which entails getting the word out about KetMorDet activities. Any volunteers? Contact Commandant John Stern if interested.

Uniforms: Several Members have picked up the red waist length jackets ordered at the February Meeting. There is still one L and one XL left for sale. Orders are being taken for another batch. The jackets are made in multiples of 6. When there are 6 requested, they will be ordered. The cost is \$60 per jacket. See Paymaster Roger Cross to order yours.

Newsletter: Members should contact the Editor Jim Krudwig to get their bio completed. The Detachment is interested in your story and needs your bio for historical purposes.

Color Guard: The Color Guard has been asked to be in the Mequon/Thiensville Parade for Memorial Day. This is another great way to get some Detachment visibility.

Care Packages: Several packages are being prepared to be shipped out.

Fundraising: The Commandant is looking for a Member to chair the committee for this important KetMorDet function. Fundraising is the backbone for many aspects of this Detachment. Everything we do costs money. Donations to charitable organizations are a prime example of the need for fundraising. Equipment is expensive. Several fundraisers for 2007 have already been scheduled and others are planned. The first scheduled Rose Distribution fundraiser for 2007 will be at Walmart in Saukville on Memorial Day weekend. This will be followed by a two day Rose Distribution at Miller Park prior to the Brewers/Cubs games on Mon-Tue June 4 & 5 and the Brewers/St Louis games on Aug. 14-15 & 16. Other scheduled dates are: Walmart in Germantown on July 6, 7, 8 and again on Aug 31, Sept 1 and 2. A brat fry at Piggly Wiggly in Kewaskum is scheduled for Aug 11.

Old Business

The Sr Vice Commandant asked Jim Krudwig to go over the details of getting the Marine Band for a performance in mid-August. The Band would be available to possibly play the National Anthem Aug. 16th for an afternoon Brewer game at Miller Park. A rose fundraiser is also scheduled at Miller Park that day by either KetMorDet or Badger Det. On Aug. 17th, the band would tentatively have a free West Bend concert for the public, at a venue not yet determined. The Band is doing a Change of Command Ceremony in Chicago on Aug. 18th. They then will march in the Allenton Parade Aug. 19th. A high estimate of \$10,000 for the entire weekend includes food and lodging for the Band will have to be covered by supporting units which would include KetMorDet and the Allenton Parade group. Several Members voiced that they felt it would be a great public relations coup for KetMorDet to sponsor having the Marine Band here even if it meant the Det. might have to pay the entire bill itself. Dan Coulter stated he would work with the Allenton area to raise funds for this effort. Paul Bollmann stated he would work with Roger Cross in the West Bend area. Dan O'Toole agreed to work in the Germantown area. With the Allenton Parade Group having agreed to cover half the expense, the Detachment would be responsible for the balance of the amount that could not be raised from Corporate donations. Knowing this could cost the Detachment up to half of the entire high estimated \$10,000, the Members present still felt that planning for this should continue even if no funds could be raised. Paul Bollmann made a motion to go ahead with the planning and affirm the schedule. Seconded by Dan Coulter. Motion Carried. The Commandant will be contacting Members to work on this project and forming a committee.

New Business

Another MCL Detachment is beginning to form in Ozaukee County. State Commandant Baranzyk originally envisioned the area of operation for KetMorDet being Washington/Ozaukee Counties. Now it is felt that there is enough area to cover for 2 Detachments to exist. Members may see pamphlets that are being distributed by the proposed Ozaukee County Det.

Jim Krudwig was asked to speak at a Marine recruit "poolee" dinner by the local recruiters. Following his speech, he was presented with a Viet Nam era Marine K-Bar by Gunny Merrill. Over 200 family members were present for the function. It was an entertaining and insightful evening with five Drill Instructors from both San Diego and Parris Island present to answer questions from eager parents. Lots of interesting questions by concerned mothers.

Meeting Closed

With no further business to be conducted, the Sr. Vice Commandant gave the order to close the Meeting. The Sgt at Arms retired the Colors, the Chaplain gave the closing prayer, and the Sr. Vice Commandant thanked all for attending and asked that they secure new members. The Meeting closed at 1015 hrs. The next meeting will be held at 0900 hrs on May 19th, 2007 at the Trenton Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jason Waier, Adjutant

VIETNAM WAR FACTS:

Facts, Statistics, Fake Warrior Numbers and Myths Dispelled

9,087,000 military personnel served on active duty during the official Vietnam era from Au 5 1964 to May 7, 1975.

2,709,918 Americans served in uniform in Vietnam.

240 men were awarded the Medal of Honor during the Vietnam War.

The first man to die in Vietnam was James Davis in 1958. He was with the 509th Radio Research Station.

58,148 were killed in Vietnam.

75,000 were severely disabled.

23,214 were 100% disabled.

5,283 lost limbs.

1,081 sustained multiple amputations.

Of those killed, 17,539 were married

11,465 of those killed were younger than 20 years old.

Average age of those killed was 23.1 years.

Five men killed in Vietnam were only 16 years old.

The oldest man killed was 62 years old.

As of January 15, 2004, there are 1,875 Americans still unaccounted for from the Vietnam War.

97% of Vietnam Veterans were honorably discharged.

91% of Vietnam Veterans say they are glad they served.

74% say they would serve again, even knowing the outcome.

Vietnam veterans' personal income exceeds that of our non-veteran age group by more than 18 percent.

87% of Americans hold Vietnam Veterans in high esteem.

There is no difference in drug usage between Vietnam Veterans and non-Vietnam Veterans of the same age group (Source: Veterans Administration Study).

Vietnam Veterans are less likely to be in prison - only one half of one percent of Vietnam Veterans have been jailed for crimes.

Interesting Census Stats and "Been there" Wannabees:

1,713,823 of those who served in Vietnam were still alive as of August 1995 (census figures).

During that same Census count, the number of Americans falsely claiming to have served in-country was 9,492,958.

As of the current Census taken during August 2000, the surviving US Vietnam Veteran population estimate is: 1,002,511.

This is hard to believe, losing nearly 711,00 between 1995 and 2000. That's 390 per day.

During the Census count, the number of Americans falsely claiming to have served in-country is: 13,853,027. By this census, FOUR OUT OF FIVE WHO CLAIM TO BE Vietnam vets are not.

The Department of Defense Vietnam War Service Index officially provided by the War Library originally reported with errors that 2,709,918 US military personnel as having served in-country. Corrections and confirmations to this eroded index resulted in the addition of 358 US military personnel confirmed to have served in Vietnam but not originally listed by the Department of Defense. (All names are currently on file and accessible 24/7/365).

Common Myths Dispelled:

Myth: Common Belief is that most Vietnam veterans were drafted.

Fact: 2/3 of the men who served in Vietnam were volunteers. 2/3 of the men who served in World War II were drafted. Approximately 70% of those killed in Vietnam were volunteers.

Myth: The media have reported that suicides among Vietnam veterans range from 50,00 to 100,000 - 6 to 11 times the non-Vietnam veteran population.

Fact: Mortality studies show that 9,000 is a better estimate. "The CDC Vietnam Experience Study Mortality Assessment showed that during the first 5 years after discharge, deaths from suicide were 1.7 times more likely among Vietnam veterans than non-Vietnam veterans. After that initial post-service period. Vietnam veterans were no more likely to die from suicide than non-Vietnam veterans. In fact, after the 5-year post-service period, the rate of suicides is less in the Vietnam veterans group.

Myth: Common belief is that a disproportionate number of blacks were killed in the Vietnam War.

Fact: 86% of the men who died in Vietnam were Caucasians, 12.5% were blacks, and 1.2% was other races. Sociologists Charles C. Moskos and John Sibley Butler, in their recently published book "All That W Can Be" said they analyzed the claim that blacks were used like cannon fodder during Vietnam "and can report definitely that this charge is untrue. Black fatalities amounted to 12 percent of all American killed in Southeast Asia, a figure proportional to the number of blacks in the US population at the time and slightly lower than the proportion of blacks in the Army at the close of the war."

This info was taken from the internet and only partially provided due to limited space. Credit and research is given to: Capt. Marshal Hanson, USNR (Ret) and Capt Scott Beaton, Statistical Source

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What:
A multi-event sports and rehabilitation program for military service veterans who use wheelchairs for sports competition due to spinal cord injuries, amputations, or certain neurological problems. Attracting more than 500 athletes each year, the National Veterans Wheelchair Games is the largest annual wheelchair sports event in the world.

Where:
Events will take place at the Midwest Airlines Convention Center, Greendale High School, Grant Park, Whitnall Park, Schroeder YMCA Aquatic Center, AMF Bowlero Bowling Center, Milwaukee County Zoo and Veterans Park.

When:
June 19-23, 2007

Kids Day June 22, 2007
At 10am to 2pm at the Milwaukee County Zoo

Why:
The sponsors of this event are committed to improving the quality of life for veterans with disabilities and fostering better health through sports competition. While past Games have produced a number of national and world-class champions, the Games also provide opportunities for newly disabled veterans to gain sports skills and be exposed to other wheelchair athletes. Usually, one quarter of the competitors have never before participated in any type of organized wheelchair sports competition.

Presenters:
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA), with financial assistance from corporate, civic, and veterans service organizations.

Hosts:
The Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center in Milwaukee and the Wisconsin Chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of America.

Events:
Competitive events at the Wheelchair Games include swimming, table tennis, weightlifting, archery, air guns, basketball, nine-ball, softball, quad rugby, bowling, handcycling, wheelchair slalom, power soccer, a motorized wheelchair rally, track and field. Exhibition events are also being planned. Athletes compete in all events against others with similar athletic ability, competitive experience or age.

Admission:
Free. The public is most welcome.

Information:
Brian Walker, 2007 Games Coordinator (414) 389-4009, or brian.walker@va.gov.

Media:
Kim Byers, VA Public Affairs (734) 761-7824 Contacts: David Uchic, Paralyzed Veterans, Associate Director, Media Relations (202) 416-7667 John Zewiske, Community Relations, Milwaukee VAMC (414) 384-2000, ext. 45363

Hosted by:
The Milwaukee VA Medical Center And The Wisconsin Chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of America

Department of Veterans Affairs



Here again is another shot of Cpl Luke Johnson raising morning colors at Camp Fallujah, Iraq.

Flag History Presentation Team Members: (right) Carl Heiman, and Jim Krudwig (below) Barry Oelerich, Doug Duffin, Don Erdman, Hugo Straub, Rollie Moericke, and Ken Unertl performing for Cub Scout Pack 3760 in Horicon April 19th.



DEPT OF WI MARINE CORPS LEAGUE 2007 STATE CONVENTION - All Members Invited

When: June 8, 9, 10 2007 - For complete details and copy of schedule see Adjutant Jason Waier

Where: Olympic Resort, Oconomowoc, WI

Deadline: May 16th **Cost:** \$83.31 per day other hotel info available

Schedule:

Friday June 8th Rifle/Pistol Shoot, \$10.00, M-16 & Ammo furnished, Bring your own pistol & Ammo
" " Devil Dog Growl

Saturday June 9th 0800 Memorial Volunteer Service
0915-1145 Classes for: Paymaster/Adjutant, Chaplain, Web Site, How to form a Det, How to work
Committee, Commandant - Anyone filling these positions or aspiring to become a Det. Officer
should consider attending.
1300 Joint session MCL & MCLAuxillary
1330-1700 General Session
1730-1830 Cocktails
1905 Dinner & Speakers
2215 White Elephant Sale

Sunday June 10th 0900-1100 Any other classes
Resumption of Business Session

Detachment Ads are due by June 1st

Marines bar 17 Year Olds from Combat. This was recently announced by Headquarters Marine Corps and went out on-line to many different blogs, websites and lists of Marines. One that I participate in includes an old Chief Warrant Officer Glenn Bouck who was originally from Milwaukee but has retired near Camp Pendleton, CA. He is a prolific talker and somewhere along the way earned the nickname "Gabby" which he wears proudly. When the above headline about 17 year old Marines got to him, Gabby wrote back:

Ha, Ha, Ha, Ha. That was the exact same story the recruiter told my mother and father when he came to my house. "Your son will not be sent to a combat zone till at least his 18th birthday. HA! (Circa 1942/43) That statement was made when I went down to the recruiting office and the Marine said he would have to talk to my parents. We were seated around our kitchen table when he sold my Dad (a former Marine) and my Mom (who was against it). Anyway, after all the training etc, I found myself a member of the 4th Marine Regiment, located on Guadalcanal. I did go to a promised school before going overseas. It was MOS 636, Combat Intel, and was located at Jacques Farm East of San Diego. In fact most all the schools were in the general area. Jacques Farm had the Tank School, Sniper School and a few others.

Anyway, I made the landing at an island (Emirau) that closed the noose surrounding the Island of Truk (Navy, Army, Aussies, etc were all included in the overall scheme of things.) The largest Japanese Supply Depot at that time in the Pacific Ocean. Did I mention that I was still SEVENTEEN? For what it is worth, the following is a statement made by the Camp Pendleton newspaper: "May 10, 1945" The 22nd Marines, 6th Marine Division executed a pre-dawn attack south across the ASA River Estuary and seized a bridgehead from which to continue the attack toward NAHA, the capital of Okinawa. Yeah, I was on one of those Amtrak's, an "old timer" at 19 when I joined the 22nd upon my return after the Emirau Island operation. Signed: Glenn B, Gabs, Gabby, and GB.

Ed. Note. Gabby went on to serve in Korea and eventually Viet Nam where I met him. He was an advisor to the Korean Marines there and anyone who served in Viet Nam knows of the reputation of the Korean Marines. They were Mean Mothers. His stories go on and on and many of us enjoy hearing his reminiscing.

FAMOUS QUOTES TO LIVE BY:

"All that we have has been given to us. What we do with what has been given is how we honor those who gave." Kilo 3 Bravo Gunnery Sergeant Adam Lockert.

"If there must be trouble let it be in my day, that my child may have peace!" Thomas Paine

"If it weren't for the United States military there would be no United States of American" Anonymous

"The easy way is always mined."

"Don't ever be the first, don't ever be the last and don't ever volunteer to do anything."

"No combat ready unit has ever passed inspection."

"Any ship can be a minesweeper.....Once."

"If your attack is going well, you have walked into an ambush."

"If you ever find yourself in a fair fight, your tactics suck."

"Never tell a platoon sergeant that you have nothing to do."

"The more you sweat in peace, the less you bleed in war."

"Friendly fire - isn't."

"Sometimes I think that war is God's way of teaching us geography."

"Mines are equal opportunity weapons."

KETMORDET OFFICER REPORTS FOR MAY 19TH, 2007 MEETING

NOTE: In order to expedite the regular meeting time, the Commandant has requested that all Officers and Committee Chairs to provide their input to the Newsletter Editor by the first weekend of each month. Should a Member have something to share, it can also be included but will be edited. This will enable the Members to review items of interest and reduce discussion at the meetings. Additionally, it provides any Member who cannot make it to a regular meeting, the opportunity to remain abreast of Detachment activities.

COMMANDANT JOHN STERN REPORTS:

Honor Guard: The Honor Guard did not participate in any funerals or memorials during the month of April. Payment for an earlier Honor Guard provided for former Marine David B. Chartrand was received from the Dept of Veterans Affairs and deposited into the Major/Corporate account to purchase more uniforms and equipment.

Care Packages: A total of ten packages were mailed in April. Total weight of packages sent for the month was 56 lbs, 12.98 oz. Recipients included: LCpl Robert Miller, a WI Marine who celebrated his 21st birthday this month. (Submitted by Jim Krudwig via the internet.) PFC Cole Ladwig (Submitted by Jim Krudwig - acquired from an attendee at the Marine Recruiters Poolee program.) PFC Andrew Braun (Submitted by Jim Krudwig through his church.) Cpl Luke Johnson (see cover photo), Cpl Ian Skelton, Cpl Tom Rosinski, and Sgt Brent Bishop (All submitted by Jeffery Johnson of the WI Dept of Veterans Affairs). All of the latter Marines are members of Bravo Battery 1/12. I was with A/1/12 in Vietnam so there was a strong connection. Major David Lahti US Army who is currently on his third deployment to Afghanistan. (Submitted by John Stern) Total weight of shipments since I took over the Support Our Troops function in June 2006 is 153 pounds.

Monthly Membership Meetings: In an attempt to familiarize the "names with a face", I am requesting that if I don't call you by name when you request to speak at a meeting, that you identify yourself. For example, if you request to speak and I haven't addressed you as Marine John Doe, please identify yourself as Marine John Doe before addressing the membership.

Reminder: The Detachment is still seeking Marines to fill the following positions: **Public Relations/Information Officer, VAVS/Veterans Service Officer, and American/Education Officer.** If interested in filling any of these positions, see the Commandant for a complete job description.

SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT BILL WALLACE REPORTS:

As the news media continues to bombard the American people with all the "bad news" in the War Against Terrorism, it becomes more important than ever that we do all we can to support our troops. I heard retired Marine Colonel Ollie North recount a meeting with a young Marine while walking through an airport. The young Marine said "*Colonel North, until I came home and listened to the media, I thought that we were winning the war.*" I urge you all to participate as much as you can in our Detachment's fund raisers this year to support these young Marines. The patriotic spirit that we've enjoyed may be waning.

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDANT GLEN BREWER REPORTS:

During the absence from the area of our Commandant, I led an Honor Guard at Phillips Funeral Home in West Bend on May 10th for former Marine Thomas Stenberg who had served in Vietnam. Participating Honor Guard Members were: Roger Cross, Charlie Keller, John Krause, Barry Oelerich, Hugo Straub and Bill Wallace.

JUDGE ADVOCATE CHARLIE KELLER REPORTS:

Investigating the coverage we have under our blanket insurance policy and summary of coverage through the MCL.

Color Guard Commander:

17 May - St Gabriel School Spring Concert and Freedom Concert, Hubertus, WI

28 May - West Bend Memorial Day Parade. Details will follow.

Major/Corporate Fund Raising:

Several ongoing discussion with local businesses.

ADJUTANT JASON WAIER REPORTS:

Marines, I have received from MCL National Hqtrs a reminder that the National Convention will be held in Albuquerque, NM from Aug 5-11. All Members are welcome to attend at their own expense. I have also received a "Delinquent Members List" from the National Jr Vice Commandant and have passed it on to the Det. Paymaster for review/action. National Hqtrs also provided a sheet on ways of honoring MCL Members who have passed away. One way would be to send a donation to the Marine Corps League Foundation. A certificate embossed with a gold Marine Corps emblem and a gold and red Marine Corps League seal can be requested for presentation to the family. The certificate acknowledges donation made to the Foundation in memory of the deceased by name. There is a need within the Det. for a Veterans Affairs person. If interested, please contact the Commandant. In this regard, there is a special form requesting certification which must be submitted. It is good for two years.

PAYMASTER ROGER CROSS REPORTS:

It was a very quiet month. I ordered and received 6 more Member jackets. 5 of them have been sold. I have 2 jackets left for sale, 1 size large and 1 size extra large. I also have orders for 2 more but I need to order a minimum of 4 to get the price we are getting them for.

SERGEANT AT ARMS BARRY OELERICH: Nothing to report.

CHAPLAIN GEORGE WUJCIK REPORTS:

Cards were sent out to Mrs. O'Toole and Don Erdman who are recovering from recent surgeries.

Scholarship Awards will be made at the next meeting to: Stephanie Bertram, daughter of Tim Bertram. (Stephanie currently attends UWWC); Alishia Sweetland, granddaughter of Roger Cross. (Alishia currently attends IIT Technical and Institute Waukesha); and to Kyle Thurow, grandson of Ken Unertl. (Kyle currently attends Ozaukee High School and has been accepted at both UW Madison and Marquette). The awards are to be given out at May 19th meeting of the Detachment. Sponsors are requested to be in in the black uniform with awardees as their guests.

FLAG HISTORY PRESENTATION (FHP) CHAIR JIM KRUDWIG REPORTS:

Since the last report, four FHP's have been conducted.

Apr 19th for Cub Scout Pack 3760 in Horicon with 35 observers. (Participating Members were: Doug Duffin, Don Erdman, Carl Heiman, Jim Krudwig, Rollie Moericke, Barry Oelerich, Hugo Straub, and Ken Unertl.)

Apr 26th for Cub Scout Pack 3796 at Cabrini Church in West Bend with 74 observers. (Participating Members were: Doug Duffin, Don Erdman, Carl Heiman, Jim Krudwig, Fritz Montag, Dan O'Toole, and Ken Unertl. Member Gil Lucka was presented as a Scouting Commissioner.)

Apr 30th for Scout Troops 787 at Christ Lutheran Church in Jackson with 36 observers. (Participating Members were: Doug Duffin, Don Erdman, Carl Heiman, Jim Krudwig, Rollie Moericke, Fritz Montag, and Ken Unertl.)

May 10th for St Gabriel School in Hubertus with 136 observers. (Participating Members were: Dan Coulter, Doug Duffin, Carl Heiman, Jim Krudwig, Gil Lucka, and Rollie Moericke.)

Five additional FHP's are scheduled for May and will be reported next month. See KetMorDet Schedule of Events on last page of this Newsletter for date and time. *Unless otherwise noted, the uniform for all FHP's is the black Det. t-shirt, black trousers, black shoes & red MCL cover with white web belt and SNCO buckle.*

Any Member interested in participating in the FHP Team should contact Jim Krudwig (262) 689-5409. If you are aware of any group that would like to have a Det. FHP conducted, refer them also to the above number. It is best to suggest scheduling at least a month in advance.

FUND RAISING SEASON BEGINS:

KetMorDet's first rose distribution fundraiser of the year will be in Saukville over the Memorial Day Weekend on Fri through Sun May 25 to 27th. Signup sheets will be out at the May meeting. We need your support to continue our successful fundraising efforts of previous years. A minimum of 5-6 Members are needed between 0900 & 1600 each day.

KetMorDet has scheduled two rose distribution fundraisers at Miller Park prior to the Brewer/Cubs games on Tues and Wed June 5 & 6. Miller Park is always packed for Cubs visits and these are quick and easy events where our Members circulate in the parking area with the tailgaters and fans as they arrive from 1600 to 1900. When the game begins, the 8-10 Members sit down and have their own tailgate party, complements of the Det. In the past, we have done very well in these brief 3 hour stints. Signup sheets will be at the May meeting.

CHANGE TO MARINE BAND SCHEDULE

Due to logistical problems encountered by KetMorDet, the **Marine Forces Reserve Band** from New Orleans will **not** be conducting a concert in West Bend on Friday, Aug 17th as was tentatively reported in the April Newsletter. Unfortunately, the Det. has lost an opportunity to show that we can bring a Marine Band into the community.

However, the Band will march and play as scheduled in the annual Allenton Patriotic Parade on Sunday, Aug 19th. Following the parade the Band will have a concert at the park in Allenton. KetMorDet Members voted at the April regular meeting to help support the Allenton sponsorship of the Marine Forces Reserve Band coming to this area. Detachment representatives will be Dan Coulter and Fritz Montag. Currently, the Allenton coordinator, Ron Naab, has advised that he has not been able to locate a hotel/motel in Washington County which can put the Band members up for five nights. If any Member is aware of a facility that can provide approximately 32 rooms for the Aug 16-20 at a discounted rate, please advise Dan or Fritz.

The Marine Reserve Tentative Schedule (subject to change) is as follow:

- Aug 16 Thu Afternoon - Tentatively play the National Anthem prior to the Brewers game at Miller Park
- Aug 17 Fri - Either perform a concert in Milwaukee OR conduct a music clinic with the Slinger High School Band
- Aug 18 Sat - Drive to Chicago for a Marine Reserve Battalion Change of Command Ceremony
- Aug 19 Sun - March in the Allenton Parade and perform a short concert thereafter
- Aug 20 Mon - Perform at Wood VA Hospital which will be sponsored by the Badger MCL Det in Milwaukee.

KETMORDET'S SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

May 14 Mon	1900	Det Officers Call - MPTC West Bend
May 15 Tue	1800	Flag History Presentation, Cub Scout Pack 3782, Ridge Run Park WB (Dress Blue Unif "D")
May 16 Wed	1725	Flag History Presentation, Peace Church 343 First St Kewaskum (Dinner 1730, FHP 1830)
May 17 Thu	1900	Color Guard at St Gabriel School Spring and Freedom Concert, Hubertus, (Dinner follows)
May 18 Fri	0930	Flag History Presentation, Hartford Health Care Center, Hwy 60, Hartford
May 19 Sat	0900	Det. Regular Monthly Meeting, Trenton Town Hall
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May 24 Thu	0900	Flag History Presentation, Eden Elem School, Eden
May 25 Fri	0900-1600	Fund Raiser at Saukville Walmart & PickNSave (Bring a stool)
May 26 Sat	" "	" " " " " " " " " "
May 27 Sun	" "	" " " " " " " " " "
May 28 Mon	?	Color Guard leads West Bend Memorial Day Parade
Jun 04 Mon	1500-1900	Fund Raiser before Brewers/Cubs game at Miller Park (Tailgate party follows)
Jun 05 Tue	" "	" " " " " " " " " "
Jun 11 Mon	1900	Det Officers Call - MPTC West Bend
Jun 12 Tue	1830	Flag History Presentation at Wayne Crusaders 4H, Wayne (Rescheduled from May)
Jun 16 Sat	0900	Det. Regular Monthly Meeting, Trenton Town Hall
Jun 19-23		27th National Veterans Wheelchair Games, Milwaukee - www.wheelchairgames.org
Jun 29 Fri	0900-1600	Fundraiser at WB Walmart (Bring a stool)
Jun 30 Sat	" "	" " " " " " " " " "
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