

# NY-PENN NEWS

NY - PENN MILITARY VEHICLE COLLECTOR'S CLUB

## MARCH 2018 NEWSLETTER

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### Easy Co Meeting October 22, 2017

Meeting called to order by Brant Messer at 1:25 with the Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag.

Members present: Bob Hill, Lorne Coon, Gerry Malerba, Florence Stacconi, Bill Harris, Jim Green, Leon Rutkowski, Ralph Richter, and graciously hosted by Brant Messer.

Lorne read the previous minutes and were accepted.

Old Business:

We reviewed Ralph's participation at the Wampsville Car Show and some of us who wanted to go, but couldn't make it. Next year we will have to try harder.

Gilbert, PA Show, Ralph, Brant, Leon, Bob, Lorne, Jim, Scott & Dan all went. Brant rented a Port-A-Potty which was greatly appreciated as well as Ralph securing the 2 spots to sell and hang-out in.

New Business:

Veteran's Day At The Fair - this year they will have 3 Grand Marshals, highlighting Women in Service with Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow. We will all park inside the Center Of Progress Bldg. before the Parade. Enter Gate 12 by 8:30 am. Those driving the Grand Marshals will have their vehicles decorated around 10:00. Parade starts at 12:00.

Leon brought up that Rule #9 for Armed Forces Day At The N.Y. State Fair Parade said that we were not to sound any sirens for safety reasons. While watching the News on TV at Firemen and Police Day, Parade participants blew their sirens thru the parade. This irked Leon, um, very much.

It is nomination time for Easy Company's 1st and 2nd Vice Presidents. As with previous meeting, where more members were present, no one came forward to be nominated. Brant and Lorne have served as 1st and 2nd V.P.'s, respectively, for the last 2 years, as no one expressed interest before. Lorne has been the recording Secretary for the last bunch of years and doesn't mind continuing that function.

As before, when NY-PENN was going thru the tax-exempt 501(c) process and all the rules that the club would have to adhere to, a brief discussion was held about breaking Easy Co. from NY-PENN and just having an informal club, no officers, dues, minutes, etc. Ralph brought up that his tenure as NY-PENN President is also up. He has been in contact with Hudson/Mohawk and they are as vital, or more so, than ever before. They are getting very organized, beginning of the year list of events and other things. Binghamton remains dormant.

*Minutes Submitted By Lorne Coon*

Next meeting will be the 3rd Sunday in February. Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.

## **HUDSON MOHAWK MEETING JANUARY 14, 2018**

- Meeting called to order at the Home Front Café at 2PM by VP Bob Muller
- Members commented on what a great time they had at the Holiday Party and the auction was a “hoot” in the words of one member.
- A lively auction was held with items from Bill Maetta and Bob Muller.

A resolution was presented to Bill Maetta from the club recognizing all the many contributions he has made to our club (see attached)

- Bob announced flyers will be out shortly for the Spring Banquet on April 29. Banquet is only \$15 each for a paid member and guest. Bob is also making arrangements for the club to visit the Norwich Car Museum in the afternoon prior to the banquet. Members will get a discount once they identify the fact they are with NY-Penn.
- Bill Harris has done a great deal of investigating and gave a comprehensive overview of the club’s status including whether it makes sense to restructure. There have been some lapses and it was agreed we need to get back on track. The members present agreed that we should vote on each of the respective issues to provide clarity, especially since Ralph was present.

### **Resolutions #1 – Renew our insurance policy with the MVPA for a not-to-exceed amount of \$300/year.**

*(Discussion: This is peanuts for what it provides us; it was noted we DO need to notify them of events however)*

Motion made by Jack Pollard; second Jamey Darrah 20 members for – 0 against; CARRIED

### **Resolution # 2 – To join the MVPA as an Affiliate Member**

Motion made by Jamey Darrah - second Karl Remmers 20 members for – 0 against; CARRIED

*Discussion: This is required to get insurance and does not cost the club any money but does require some reporting of officers, meetings, etc*

### **Resolution # 3 – Dues to remain \$20/year and be collected from all members as a condition of membership**

Motion made by Fred Wilms – second Jamey Darrah 20 members for – 0 against; CARRIED

*Discussion:*

- Any member can take advantage of the trips, banquet etc. at a discounted rate. Doing just the banquet and Collings trip more than paid the dues back.
- Point made that dues should cover ongoing expenses and a little but not be a money maker
- Note that the parent club also helps to subsidize trips and banquet; the treasury has slowly decreased. We can’t run a deficit for ever and all members should contribute
- Point made that only PAID members should be considered active members and eligible for club activities and discounts.

### **Resolution # 4 – NY-Penn MVCC should continue as a 501C-7 non-profit social club.**

Motion made by Bill Harris – second Karl Remmers 20 members for – 0 against; CARRIED

*Discussion:*

- Bill noted it is like a marriage; easy to get in and expensive to get out.
- It would cost the club nearly \$5,000 to end the incorporation for no perceived benefit.

**Resolution # 5 – NY-Penn Secretary is authorized and designated by the Club to update our corporate books as needed**

Motion made by Marc Pollard Second by Jack Pollard 20 members for – 0 against; CARRIED

- Tim Ryan did a “Tech Tip” on how to identify WWII jerry can holders from post war models as well as identifying WWII pioneer racks. This was followed by Bob Muller doing a brief historical overview of the “US Schoharie” that was built in WWI and saw service in WWII and beyond. As usual the Home Front provided excellent hospitality and fine fare for the members to enjoy as the meeting wound down.
- Next meeting will be held February 11 at 2pm at the Home Front Café’ Special presentation by Fred Wilms on his Navy experiences during the Cold War (especially carrier activities).

**NY MILITARY VEHICLE COLLECTORS CLUB -PENN**

**WHEREAS, Bill Maetta has been an active and steadfast supporter of our hobby for many years; and**

**WHEREAS, he honorably served in the US Army as well as being supportive of our and other Veteran outreach efforts such as ESAM; and**

**WHEREAS, Bill has generously supported the Hudson Mohawk Chapter through years through donations of valuable historical and unique items for our auctions; and**

**WHEREAS, through the beneficence of Bill’s donations the organization has been able to undertake multiple events for the first time at a fair and affordable price for all members; and**

**WHEREAS, many of the donations have also gone to support such not-for-profit organizations such as the USS Slater, SCHS History Days and many others; and**

**WHEREAS, his wide variety of unique items have added immeasurably to the fun and interest of the club members; and**

**WHEREAS, he continues to be an active participant and supporter of our events and efforts; and**

**NOW, THEREFORE, the chapter leaders, along with all our members, do hereby extend to William Maetta this expression of our sincere appreciation and gratitude.**

**FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that this certificate shall be delivered to him with our best wishes at our 2017 Holiday Social.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the 2017 NY-Penn MVCC Holiday Social to be dedicated to recognition of his achievements, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, in the year 2017.**



Bill Maetta with NY-PENN Resolution

## **HUDSON MOHAWK MEETING FEBRUARY 11, 2018**

Hosted by the Homefront Cafe, our meeting was called to order at 2:00pm by James Darrah with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by attending members.

Our annual banquet is April 29th at Brooks Chicken in Oneonta at 4:30pm.

- We will be starting at 12 noon at the Norwich Car Museum and will then drive over to Brooks Chicken. We have a group discount rate at the Museum, tell them you are with NY-Penn. This museum tour and annual banquet is for ALL members of NY-Penn. The cost of the banquet is 15 per person, payable to Bob Muller or Lorna before the banquet by mail. (See below.)

Next meeting is March 11th 2018 at the Homefront Café at 2 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 PM

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## **Auburn Pride Football Game June 23, 2018**

*Submitted by Stephen Gage*

On June 23<sup>rd</sup> the "Auburn Pride" -a Semi-Pro football team in Auburn- is playing a game for Armed Forces Day and as a fundraiser for the "Wounded Warriors" Project. They would like NY-PENN members to bring our vehicles to display near the stadium. The game will be played at Holland Stadium next to Cayuga Community College in Auburn.

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## **HUDSON MOHAWK MEETING MARCH 11, 2018**

1. GREAT meeting 03/11/18 with a record 27 members in attendance. It was great to see old faces and some new ones who are members but have not had the opportunity to attend the meetings before. I do think I put on 4-lbs though between the cherry cheesecake Liz W brought and the Jack's Black Forest Birthday cake!
2. Per our discussion yesterday I am attaching the minutes of the January meeting. They may also appear in the newsletter when it comes out (Pg. 2) but it was requested to go ahead and email them.
3. Some sad news. Dr. Gary Kolanchick contacted me last night to tell me that John has been fading over the past few weeks. Tomorrow he is being placed in a nursing home. He has been more confused and Gary thinks that staff changes at his facility may be partly to blame and he hopes the routine at the nursing home will help some. Tough time. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers. I have to admit the music video from the meeting yesterday about the Vets from the Home Front made me think of John and more emotional than I care to admit.
4. We are up to 28 already for the banquet. Still time to reserve a spot. Just \$15 each for member and guest.
5. Haven't paid your dues? I will be getting a list of members at the end of the month and those not paid up will not be getting these mailings so please renew!

Stay safe in our next *-and hopefully, final-* Nor'easter!

(Photos, pg. 8)

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## HAVE YA' HEARD THE NEWS?



### It's Time for the NY-Penn MVCC Spring Banquet!

**Where:** Brooks House of Bar-B-Que Banquet Room, 5560 State Rt 7, Oneonta, NY 13820  
*(Banquet Room is behind Restaurant; park in restaurant parking lot and walk down)*

**When:** April 29, 2018 4:30 – 7:30pm      Dinner served at 5:00 sharp

**What:** All you can eat buffet including their famous BBQ chicken, St. Louis Pork Ribs, roast beef, three salads, coleslaw, rolls, NA beverages and make your own sundae.

**Cost:** Just \$15/per person for member and one guest. Payment to be made to Lorna Eaker, in person or by mail to Lorna Eaker, PO Box 10 VanHornesville, NY 13475

#### PAID RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

*(Reservation cut-off 4/24/18)*

**ALL Companies welcome!**

***We have made arrangements for club members and guests to visit the Norwich Car Museum, 24 Rexford Street, Norwich, NY 13815 at a group rate of \$8/person this same day. Mention you are with NY-Penn. Arrive anytime after noon. This is a large museum so plan a few hours!***

*Sponsored Hudson Mohawk Chapter membership and the banquet committee*

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An Army coach gave his Army football team a few days off. Several decided to go down to Panama City Beach for fun and relaxation.

Coach saw the players the first day back at practice and asked about their vacation.

"Not good coach," said the players. "We never made it to the beach."

"Why not," the coach asked, "bus trouble?"

"No," they replied, "every few miles down the interstate we saw signs that said, 'Exit, Clean Restrooms'. You have no idea how many restrooms we cleaned between West Point and Panama City."

The Reason the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines squabble among themselves is that they don't speak the same language. For example, take the simple order, "Secure the building."

- The Army will put guards around the building
- The Navy will turn out the lights and lock the doors
- The Air Force will take out a 5-year lease with an option to buy
- The Marines will kill everybody inside and make the building their C-P.



"Goodbye, old friend." — Bill Mauldin

During a dust-storm at one of the army camps, a recruit sought shelter in the cook's tent.

"If you put the lid on that camp kettle you wouldn't get so much dust in the soup."

"See here, Private, your business is to serve your country."

"Yes," replied the recruit, "but not to eat it."

## Easy Co Meeting February 25, 2018

Meeting called to order by Brant Messer at 1:20pm with the Pledge of Allegiance To The Flag. Twelve members present: Ralph Richter, Brant Messer, Lorne Coon, Stephen Gage, Bob Hill, Scott A. Wendt, Dan Delaney, Tommie Bryant, Jim G., Robert Good, Leon Rutkowski, Chad Waybright and visitor, John Beckwith.

### Old Business:

Brant informed members of Richter 1st Vice NY-PENN was elected by Hudson Mohawk MVCC and opened nominations for any EASY Co member wishing to run for position of Pres. NY-PENN. The only nomination was for Ralph —nominations were closed and a vote was taken. Ralph was unanimously elected. Brant then turned the meeting over to Richter.

**New Business:**

Richter then opened elections for 1st Vice EASY Co. by requesting nominations from the floor. The only nomination by Bob Hill was for Ralph Richer. Richter then acknowledged his conference with senior members of NY-PENN that would allow Richter to serve in both positions.

Richter then presented his platform for the position and discussion followed. A vote called and he was unanimously elected 1st Vice. (Richter's Platform on Pg. 8.)

Richter's platform Items 1-3: *Social and Event Interaction*; accepted by membership with Hudson-Mohawk MVCC, Military Officers Association and American Truck Historical Society were three groups mentioned with inclusions left open to club for others.

Richter's platform items 4-5: *Maintaining Affiliation with NY-PENN and MVPA*; accepted by membership, with understanding that extra insurance on club members vehicles offered by the MVPA depends on club membership with NY-PENN. NY-PENN membership offered financial security to club activities and club dues for calendar year 2018 will be \$20.00. NOTE: All vehicles involved in any club activity must be registered, licensed and insured.

Richter's items 6-7: *Commitment To and Phone Call Reminder of an Event*: accepted by membership. When an event is planned by the club at a meeting it is the member's responsibility to inform their ability to attend the event and barring serious complications, appear at the event. The intension is to give the best impression and have the most fun. Extreme weather conditions can result in cancellation and members will be informed.

Richter's Items 8-9: *Club's purpose and member list*; accepted by membership. A club is an excellent source of information and occasional assistance. As a club member we should remember this is voluntary and not a service of the club. A membership list will be created and is to be used with discretion for contacting other members -only- for club related circumstances.

Richter's Item 10: *Use of Military period uniforms*; discussion followed and further definition may occur. There was concern expressed by members of the club over wearing military marked uniforms at Veterans events. After discussion it was recommended and accepted that T-shirts and hats with NY-PENN logo be worn by non-veterans at Veteran's events; military-style and neat attire would be appropriate at show events.

**EASY Co List Of Events:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
March 3	Bethel, PA Redball Winter Swap Meet Mt. Bethel Volunteer Fire Co.
March 10	American Truck Historical Society – Social dinner at Spinning Wheel Restaurant 5:00pm
April 22	Augusta, N.J. annual MV show and Swap Meet
April 29	Franklin Car Museum tour Norwich 1:00 pm
April 29	NY-PENN Families and friends Banquet – Brooks BAR-B-QUE Oneonta 4:30pm sharp.
May 10	12 <sup>th</sup> Annual Aberdeen, MD East Coast Military Rally and Flea Market Ripken Stadium
May 18-20	Findlay, OH 31 <sup>st</sup> Armed Forces Day Celebration, Hancock County Fair Grounds
May 26	Norwich Car Show: Assemble in Burger King parking lot in Manlius 8:30am, then convoy
May 30	Baldwinsville Memorial Day Parade assemble 5:00 pm
June 17	17 <sup>th</sup> Car Show Emerson Park Auburn, N.Y. assemble Early

**Dissemination and Demonstration of Information:**

Value of Vinegar – vinegar other than a useful food and taste enhancer, is first and foremost a mild acid. As such, when painting uncoated metal -particularly steel, wiping the area to be painted with coating of vinegar and letting it dry before painting will give the paint a microscopic rough surface on which to bond. Should you have dirty copper or brass metal objects you wish to clean, applying vinegar then table salt and wiping with steel or brass wool will make that job easier.

**Next Meeting:**

Chad Waybright's Deuce House in Kirkville May 6, 2018 at 1:00pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:00pm.

**Easy's 1st Vice Richter submitted the following:**

**My Platform**

1. Inform and pass on information for any activity of interest to the club members
2. Encourage, suggest and plan social events for members and significant others i.e. picnics, seasonal parties, etc.
3. Encourage participation with other clubs
4. Join MVPA and pay club dues
5. **Encourage all club members to express their feelings or opinions in planning and execution of club activities at regular meetings**
6. Ask for advanced commitment to any activity or event approved by the club
7. Call club members several days prior to meeting as a reminder unless not desired
8. The purpose of a club is to help its' members. This is a **voluntary response and is no way obligatory**
9. Will create a membership list to aid in communications between members
10. I consider myself a re-enactor and wear appropriate uniforms for the vehicle I'm driving. I'm able to tell people viewing about the vehicle and where it was used. My feelings are that it creates more of an interest in the historical use of the vehicle.

**HUDSON MOHAWK PHOTOS MARCH 11, 2018**



*"How else are we going to pay for the war?"*

# NY-PENN MILITARY VEHICLE COLLECTORS CLUB, INC

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## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP (PLEASE PRINT)

DATE \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ /20\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MVPA Member Nr: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Military Vehicles: (yr/mfg/model)		

Check Affiliation:      A Company       Easy Company       Hudson-Mohawk Company   
                                          (Tri-Cities/Southern Tier)      (Central New York)      (River Valleys in proximity to Albany)

Membership will be opened to anyone who supports the purpose of this organization, and, who applies with payment of dues.

Membership dues are \$20.00 per calendar year.

Make checks payable to: NY-PENN MVCC and mail to:

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