



# NY-PENN NEWS

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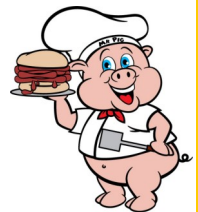
As I am sure many of you feel the same as I do we are ready for warmer weather and bright sun shine. I promise you it will soon be here, though as I sit here writing this article the snow is falling and ground is turning white. I know in talking with many of you and attending our monthly meetings we are all ready to get our vehicles out and take that ride down the road.

As we are moving forward from several years of Covid there are many events being planned for this year. Several ways to share event information is by emailing details to your Chapter 1st VP distribution or by submitting details to be included in our next newsletter which will be published the beginning of July (cutoff date 6/30/22) email—[nypenn.newsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:nypenn.newsletter@yahoo.com). Not only do you want to share the upcoming event, but then you will want to share all the exciting details and pictures for everyone to enjoy afterwards by emailing them to: [nypenn.newsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:nypenn.newsletter@yahoo.com).

I can't wait to hear about and see all the great events.



### *Save The Date!*



As prior to Covid, our annual spring banquets were normally held at Brooks House of Bar-B-Q's in Oneonta. We have learned that they have since closed their banquet facility. In discussion the members liked the idea of doing a barbeque but maybe we host it ourselves, with a combination of catered, club, and members participation. Hudson Mohawk Chapter Members voted at the March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting to move ahead to reserve the Berne Town Park if possible and identify a caterer. June 5<sup>th</sup> was the preferred date.

Since the meeting, Karl Remmers reached out to the Town of Berne and they will allow us to use their Town Park at no charge as we have been supportive of Berne Town events in the past. The Town Park is easily accessed, has a very large pavilion with picnic tables, nice bathrooms and ample parking. We were able to reserve **Sunday, June 5, 2022**. Bob reached out to the owner of Memphis Kings Barbeque and they confirmed they will provide and deliver food items (they are closed for normal business on Sundays).

Final pricing is still being worked out but initial quotes indicate this should be a fun, and relatively inexpensive event for all NY-Penn members and a guest to participate in. Watch for a flyer in the coming weeks from your Chapter VP but hold the date!

## *T-Shirts and Sweatshirts Well Received*

Members that ordered t-shirts and sweatshirts should now have received them, if not please see Stephanie at the next meeting. If you are a current paid member and did not order a t-shirt we may have an extra available for purchase.



## *For Sale*

M416 Trailers in various conditions  
Price ranges from \$500. each to \$1500. each.

Contact George at 518-399-5555 or  
by email: [georgedecresce@gmail.com](mailto:georgedecresce@gmail.com)



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## For Sale

1957 Willys Pickup Truck, restored:

I started to restore my father's workhorse about 15 years ago, taking everything apart. The frame was sandblasted, primed and painted. Body holes were repaired with metal and braised.

The Willys Super Hurricane 6 cylinder, flat head motor, was completely rebuilt by Bloss Machine, Kirkville NY. Bloss also rebuilt the transmission.

Keeping this truck original was the goal. I did change the wiring from 6 volt to 12 volt. New and rebuilt parts were purchased from Walck's 4-Wheel Drive, including:

Radiator and hose, master cylinder, wiring harness, ignition coil, fuel pump. Rebuilt generator, brakes, brake drums, lockout hubs, fuel tank, new tires, and lots of new paint. The seat is an original bench seat, reupholstered. The interior still needs some attention. I have the headliner, armrests, and window sweeps.

This pickup has not been driven enough to break it in, probably less than 50 miles. My health prevents me from driving, so I must part with my project. It is licensed and insured, clean registration. Receipts and manuals included.

Asking \$19,000. Cash or bank cashier's check, please. Local pickup only.

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### **“A Company” & “Easy Company”**

I am sorry to report that I do not have any chapter updates to include in this newsletter but I am looking forward to hearing from both chapters as spring is arriving, members will be attending events and having chapter meetings. Can't wait to hear from you!

### **Hudson-Mohawk Chapter**

A January 2022 meeting was not held.

On February 20<sup>th</sup> a meeting was held at the Home Front Café. This was a great opportunity for members to get together and visit after the holiday rush. We did still have a few members unable to attend due to the weather or not having returned from warmer climates. A moment of silence was taken for Milton Hart Jr. who passed on February 7<sup>th</sup>. Milt served in the US Army during WWII with the 20<sup>th</sup> Armored Division. Milt was a club guest and participated in several club events.

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Two members were mentioned for being part of published books; Glen Preece is featured in the book "SkiBirds" and Bill Lichliter has written a chapter in the book "The True Ghost Stories of Altamont and Surrounding Area". A trivia question was presented by Bob Muller-a great job stumping the membership as no one had the correct answer.

New members to the club are MaryAnn Ryan and Kathi Fredette, welcome, this brings our club membership to 39. Many members were able to pick up their sweatshirts & t-shirts.

A thank you to the Pollard Family for providing pizza; hosting this event and always supporting the club and its members. As a special feature to our meeting we thank Cindy & Jack Pollard for their presentation of the history and memorabilia of the Home Front Café.

The members choose to end the meeting with a birthday celebration in honor of Jack Pollard. Cake and coffee was served for all present.

The next club meeting is scheduled for Sunday March 20, 2022 at the Home Front Café.





The Hudson Mohawk Chapter met on March 20<sup>th</sup> at the Home Front Café. This was likely our last meeting there as it is being remodeled into office space. The club certainly appreciates the extreme generosity the Pollard family has exhibited in providing this meeting place to us for many, many years. We will surely miss the many good times there.

We had 22 members in attendance with a counter overflowing with goodies and treats. As usual, a lively auction was held that even included some farm produce this time. VP Bob Muller reviewed upcoming events including the upcoming WWII Show held each year in Reading, PA and a flyer was passed around. Steve Garry mentioned that there was interest having us do a display at an area historical flying foundation but they wanted a \$50 entry fee for each vehicle. Everyone agreed this “would not fly!” Steve noted we would actually be the draw and they should pay us if anything. Steve was going to speak with them again but it didn’t look favorable.

Bob followed up on some questions that were raised at the last meeting:

Bill Harris retains all the corporate records. In discussion with Bill, we thought it would be a good idea for him to do an overview of what is required to maintain our status. Bill has graciously agreed to do that at our April meeting – consider it our “Tech Tip!” Bill is also going to talk to the Directors about a continuity plan so it is clear who has responsibility to keep the legal side of the club viable.

At this point we do not have insurance for our club. Although it was approved in 2020, no action has been taken. The membership made a motion which was approved to look into this immediately as they felt that given the number of events we do, it is critical. Steve Garry indicated that the car club he has membership in has their own \$1,000,000 liability policy and it only cost about \$350/year. Ours may be somewhat more due to the nature of our vehicles. Steve volunteered to look into it and get quotes for us that would cover the whole organization. He will also check to see what an additional \$1M would cost for a total of a \$2M policy. Steve will report back with pricing and next steps at the April meeting.

Kathi Fredette confirmed for us that Brook’s banquet house is permanently closed. Bob reached out to a local barbeque place to see if they would be willing to cater something and they were. They would also discount a few items for the club. Club voted that Bob get pricing and confirm with barbeque caterer and to confirm a date with Berne Town Park as previously discussed. June 5<sup>th</sup> was the preferred date and Karl Remmers was able to reserve the date and get the site for no charge due to the support we have given the Town. Bob will provide final pricing and proposed menu at April meeting. A quick poll by hand indicated about 45-50 would be interested in attending.

Lorna Eaker provided a great “Tech Tip” presentation on restoring worn bearing surfaces on spindles. A good discussion followed on the use and sizing of “Speedi-sleeves” which was timely for a couple members in the middle of restorations.

Next meeting will be held on Sunday, April 24, 2022 at 2pm at Bob Muller’s shop at 149 Marcus Rd, Delanson, NY 12053.

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March 20, 2022  
meeting at  
The Home Front Café

### *Your Pictures and Articles are Needed*

With all the upcoming events being planned please remember to submit your events, pictures and write-ups to the club newsletter to share with all members. Without your information a newsletter is not possible. Items for sale may also be included.

Email: [nypenn.newsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:nypenn.newsletter@yahoo.com)

Thank you for your support.

SHuuuuuuuuu, I think I hear a military vehicle.....

