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ON THE COVER: MTA Member Ray Bentley's M16A1 Self-Propelled Gun. (Photo courtesy of Sheila Zelaskowski).

he is continuing to add upgrades and photos to the MTA Website at www.mtaofnj.org.

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NOTICE: The June 2004 MTA monthly meeting will be held on Monday, June 14th at the Whippany American Legion Post, Legion Place, Whippany NJ. Refreshments at 7:00 PM-Meeting at 8:00 PM.

Newsletter/Membership: Newsletter Editor **David Steinert** thanked **Fred Schlesinger** for taking minutes at the last MTA meeting and **John Dwyer** and **Randy Emr** for their contributions to last month's newsletter. Anyone out there with an interesting article or photo for the newsletter, please contact Dave.

Parade/Events Report: **Frank Eichenlaub** passed along sign up sheets for what is turning out to be another record-breaking year for our events and parade committee. Frank passed out printed copies of our MTA upcoming events. I counted 25 different parades and activities between now and September, start marking your calendars early! Remember if you didn't get an event printout they are all posted online at our web site or will be included in the next newsletter. Some urgent highlights of parades that Frank still needs help with are:

- Berkeley Heights, need one more vehicle to make the minimum contractual agreement.
- Roxbury is willing to pay us \$100 for just one vehicle on Monday May 31.
- Montville, July 3rd we still need 6 more vehicles.
- Those attending the Picatinny event on May 13th, you need to sign up to get in....by the time you read this the Picatinny event will be over...I saw over 20 vehicles on the list!
- There will be a convoy to the NJ Vietnam Memorial on June 12th.
- **Bob Rooke** advises us that Chatham is having a static display on June 12th, if you are interested in details give Bob a call or email him at bobrooke@verizon.net.
- The MTA static display at Costco on May 22nd... Costco is also willing to donate \$500 worth of supplies to our Company B support effort.

Minutes of the Military Transport Association Meeting for May 10th, 2004

The meeting started at 8 PM with MTA President **Randy Emr** leading the group in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in support of our boys in Company B now stationed in Iraq.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer **Ellen Moore** gave the following report:

Starting Balance: **\$2973.26**

Disbursements

Dave Steinert (Postage for Newsletter)	\$92.50
Legion for 4/04 Meeting	\$25.00
Action Copy (4/04 Show and Reg Nesletter)	\$368.00
Total Disbursements	\$485.50

Deposits

Memberships	\$185.00
50/50	\$64.00
Food	\$24.00
Total Deposits	\$273.00

Ending Balance: **\$2760.76**

Show Account

Starting Balance: **\$7921.25**

Disbursements:

Donation to N.G. Family Organization	\$500.00
Dash Plaques	\$107.00
Total Disbursements	\$607.00

Ending Balance: **\$7314.25**

Website Report: MTA Webmaster **George Wagner** was not able to make the meeting tonight but passed along that



Company B Adoptee Committee Report: **John Dwyer** and **Fred Schlesinger** report that they mailed out our first packages to the Dover Boys this month. They should be getting our supplies soon. Items the Adoptee Committee are still looking for donations are:

- Skin care products
- Flashlights, batteries, toy for kids
- Snack or other non perishable food items

Fred reminds us that any items that get donated but can't be shipped will be donated to the Company B family support group. Money to support our Adoptee program is always needed. **John Dwyer** chipped in his support of \$50 and a pass of the hat (in this case a doughboy helmet) brought in another \$187 to support the teams efforts!

Gun Truck Committee: **Ed Pavlick** says all is going well...no new news to report.

Although, have we thought about a donation of the Gun Truck its self! Imagine the press coverage for the MTA and the hobby in general if the Army actually accepted a donation of a restored Gun truck to the war effort. Our "Lil'Angel" may be a little old, but I am sure the Boys in Company B would appreciate a sturdy well-armored deuce that runs like new!

There was an article in the paper several weeks ago about an entire town's support in Missouri that was chipping in to build and install armored plating for the local National Guard unit's Humvee's before they were schedule to be shipped out to Iraq. Local merchants donated supplies and metal plating and the local Vo-Tech school students did the installations!

We could one up them and donate an entire Gun Truck! (Just a thought!)

New Members: The following new members introduced themselves...**Gregory Pizzini** from Hoboken signed up at the March Dover Show...**Matt Kelly** from Paramus owns a 1974 M35A2.

Restoration Committee: **John Sobatka** was not in attendance tonight, but passes along the following update: During restoration and paint removal efforts the team found the locomotives original markings under several layers of paint. The markings read "Erie Proving Ground - Ordinance Department". New lights are also being installed on the train. The next meeting for the train detail is May 15th.

Old Business: No Old Business

New Business: **John Dwyer** reminds us that he is planning a trail ride for May 16th through the old Tock Island Reservation. The run will be on paved and dirt roads. Meeting time will be at 9am at the Blairstown Dinner. (by the time you read this we will have had the trail ride and I can tell you we had a blast....5-WWII Jeeps, 1- M151, 1-CUCV, 1-WWII Dodge and Fred in his M-35. Breakfast, great company and nice roads were enjoyed by all!)

Andrew Torrieri, offered the club the use of his fenced in and paved yard for a club picnic.

Summer Outdoor Meetings: It was decided that we would once again hold our summer monthly meetings outdoors.

The normal Monday monthly meetings for July and August will be replaced with the following outdoor events:

Andrew Torrieri yard on July 18th or 25th (actual date yet to be confirmed). **Vinny Schwartz's** house in Chatham on August 8th.

The September Ray Bentley Antique Truck Show: **Dave Ahl** advises that the MTA is taking over coordination for what we normally refer to as the Bentley Truck show. Ray Bentley has offer to let the MTA run the event this year and will be supporting our start up efforts as much as he can. Expect a full planning update by Dave Ahl in upcoming issues.

Meeting closed at 8:45 PM.

Minutes submitted by Gary Schultz

The Military Transport Association of North Jersey would like to **WELCOME** the following new members:

Matt Kelly of Paramus, NJ..

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"From the prodigious hilltops of New Hampshire, let freedom ring. From the mighty mountains of New York, let freedom ring. From the heightening Alleghenies of Pennsylvania, let freedom ring ... Let freedom ring from every hill and molehill"-**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.**

Aberdeen –A cure for OD Disease?

By John Dwyer

This was my first time at Aberdeen – Ripkin Stadium to be more precise – and it was a real eye-opening experience for an MV enthusiast. The number of vendors and the variety of items offered was simply overwhelming – I don't know that you could comfortably see it all in a weekend. The absolute plethora of tentage, tarps, shelters, and habitats made the place look very much like a bazaar on the road to the Khyber Pass.



If you wanted uniforms, they were available from any era. If it was weapons, you could find those (replicas of course) in every caliber and nationality from 1890 to the present. I would not have been surprised to find a blunderbuss there as well, however! If you wanted a specious left-handed widget for your 1943 flying foytwynder – I am sure one of the dealers had it mixed in with the MB, GPW, and CCKW parts. In short, it was an “any-war-anywhere” flea market. If you have a bad OD (olive drab) habit, this was the place to go to get your fix.

Mules were very well represented as runabouts at the show – I saw many acting as taxi's for those (like the MTA) who were on the situated edge of the universe. Golf carts ran a close second as the vehicle-of-choice for the show, and ATV's made a good showing as well. Because the real estate was so spread out, having a “ride-about” was a very effective way to see it all. Since this was my first time, I relied on old fashioned LPC (leather personnel carriers) for transport.

The MTA was well represented and set up base at **Fred Schlesinger's** RV. By my count, we had more than 25 members visit, display, sell, or participate in the show – many of them for several days. The MTA had a bunch of vehicles on site as well - **Bruce Kalin** and **Art Swain** drove down in convoy with their Deuces, **Randy Emr** had his M-38, **Lou Cavaluzzi** was there with his Encore M151A2, **Bill Peaslee** and **Brian Hueschkel** were there in Unimogs, **Ziggy Orlowski** had his military police car and I had convoyed down in my M151A1.

I was introduced to the tradition of the Golden Corral dinner on our first night there. Lots of food, lots of friends, lots of acquaintances from the Dover show – a real good time. Certainly didn't leave hungry that night!

Logistics for the show seemed to be pretty good. The port-a-johns were clean and serviced, the garbage was emptied, and the show folks were helpful. When the rapidly moving thunderstorm hit on Friday afternoon, they effectively got the warning out in time for all to get their stuff under cover and secure their tents and tarps. If anything could be improved, it might be to get more word out to the public, so the vendors could sell to more folks than just those in the MV hobby.



If you had the money, and you had a need for your MV, you could probably find it there somewhere. Lots of MV's for sale as well, so you could even drive your purchases home! I was fortunate enough to have satisfied my OD habit at Dover pretty well, and came away only a little poorer.

One real highlight from the event: While we were at Aberdeen, we mailed out first two MTA care packages to our adopted soldiers in Iraq. The MTA is not just a bunch of folks who talk about doing stuff – it actually does get done.

All in all, driving down with the convoy, camping with the MTA, sharing some good food and a couple of cold ones (bottled water of course) with friends is what makes this hobby great. If you missed Aberdeen, I recommend you mark your calendars for next year – it's worth the trip.



MTA Member **Andrew Torrieri** was a winner at the Aberdeen Show. Andrew's 1943 M3 White Half Track won the following awards, “Ordnance Museum-Director's Choice”, “Best of Show” and “Best Armored Vehicle Award”. Congratulations to Andrew who is pictured at the left wearing camos.

Armed Forces Day at Picatinny Arsenal

by David H. Ahl

On August 31, 1949, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of an Armed Forces Day to replace separate Army, Navy and Air Force Days. The single-day celebration stemmed from the unification of the Armed Forces under one department—the Department of Defense. Each of the military leagues and orders was asked to drop sponsorship of its specific service day in order to celebrate the newly announced Armed Forces Day.

In a speech announcing the formation of the day, President Truman “praised the work of the military services at home and across the seas” and said that maintaining a strong, unified military “is vital to the security of the nation and to the establishment of a desirable peace.”

Today, some 55 years later, Armed Forces Day has become a generally neglected holiday. Banks and businesses are open, mail is delivered, and school is in session. There are few parades and if you asked the average person in what month Armed Forces Day fell, he wouldn't have a clue. On the other hand, to the men and women in uniform, Armed Forces Day is still something special. This is a holiday that honors people on current active duty, not veterans or presidents or a civil rights figure or the day of victory of a decades old war.

Here in northern New Jersey with most of the men and women in the National Guard and Army Reserve having recently departed for Iraq, this year's celebration of Armed Forces Day was particularly meaningful. With all of the local armories down to a bare skeleton crew, most of the participants in the parade and celebration at Picatinny Arsenal came from our military vehicle club, the Military Transport Association of North Jersey, from other states, and from Picatinny Arsenal itself.



Picatinny is not a standard arsenal, but rather is the home of the U.S. Army's Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center (ARDEC). Situated on a 6,500-acre military installation located in the northwest corner of New Jersey, Picatinny plays a unique role in the United

States' ability to wage war. There is no other comprehensive armaments facility like it in the country; it is a one-of-a-kind facility that provides virtually all of the lethal mechanisms used in Army weapon systems and those of the other military services. Much of the work on computerized weapons and guidance systems is done at Picatinny and one would not be surprised to see driving on the base unpretentious old trucks loaded to the gills with the most advanced computers and electronics gear. Two years ago, before 9/11, when the military was still auctioning off surplus equipment, I used to go to Picatinny and be astounded to see them disposing of computer hardware

more advanced than the average consumer could buy in retail stores or on the web.

At 9:30 a.m. on May 13, the MTA, all 26 vehicles and 40 participants, met at the nearly deserted Dover Armory to form up for the convoy to Picatinny. Rockaway Township provided a police escort to the township border from which it was a straight shot up the highway to Picatinny. Upon arrival, the ID of each person was carefully checked after which we wound around on a series of back roads to our staging point for the parade. All lined up and ready to go by shortly after 10:00 a.m., we then found out that the official start for the parade was noon, not 11:00 a.m. as we had thought. But what would participating in an Armed Forces Day parade be if it did not abide with the military motto, “Hurry up and wait?” Actually, as the last unit in the parade, we didn't even “step off” until nearly 12:45. It turned out to be one of the shortest parades on record; although the line of participants stretched for more than a mile, the spectators had been herded into a short stretch along the roadway probably no more than 100 yards long.

At the end of this short stretch, participants pulled into a humongous parking lot where we were then directed to park as close together as possible. This made no sense at all. “Why not,” more than one participant was heard to ask, “park the vehicles in rows with some space between each vehicle to give spectators room to wander around and take photos without being all jammed up cheek to jowl?” The answer was, of course, the typical military “Ours is not to ask the why...”



Entertainment was provided by several bands ranging in style from the 40's era big band sound to military marches to 70's rock 'n roll. A number of sponsors—

banks, veterans groups, and local businesses—had display and sales tables. A play area and rides on various vehicles was provided for the kiddies. But the biggest draw was, as usual, the car crushing by an M60 tank. I don't know what it is about seeing a perfectly good automobile reduced to a 4" thick piece of scrap metal that is so fascinating, but I watched and cheered with hundreds of other spectators until the last car was flat as a pancake.

We all hung around for a while marveling at the high-tech weapons on display, oohing and aaahing at the size of the sheer size of an 8" howitzer, and climbing on and in the M1064A2 120mm mortar, the monster Oshkosh M1070, and M1A1 Abrams tanks (four of them!). We also congratulated each other on getting our vehicles running again after a hard winter, finishing up some lengthy restorations, and acquiring some nifty new hardware.

You'll find more photos of this event and others on our MTA web site, www.MTAofNJ.org. You can also visit the Picatinny Arsenal web site at <http://w4.pica.army.mil/PicatinnyPublic/index.asp>.

MTA Does Dirt....

By John Dwyer



...roads that is!

On a perfect May 16th Sunday, the MTA took to the back roads in Warren and Sussex Counties to see the scenery and get a little dirt on the tires of their

military vehicles. The event began with a hearty breakfast at the Blairstown Diner where olive drab trucks were more than welcomed by the restaurant staff. The Diner's huge "breakfast special" was enjoyed by many of the members and made lunch nearly unnecessary. After a briefing about the route, the convoy set out for the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area with 6 Jeeps, a '42 Carryall, a CUCV, and one big M35A2 at the back of the pack.

Big, steep hills seemed to be abundant along the ride, but every one of the WWII vehicles (5 of the Jeeps and the Carryall) pulled their weight without missing a beat. Impressive feat considering the newest was built 59 years ago! The Deuce-and-a-Half also kept up effortlessly and we chugged along with no breakdowns the whole day.

After leaving paved roads for dirt we encountered our first challenge – a narrow truss bridge over the Flatbrook River. No problem

for the ¼ tons and small trucks, but we all breathed a bit shallow until the Deuce negotiated the span without issue. We bumped over potholes and through puddles for miles, surrounded



by the sights, sounds and smells of damp New Jersey coming alive in the springtime. It was a rare day to be in the Garden State.

The convoy stopped at Buttermilk Falls, the tallest waterfall in New Jersey for a short respite and an opportunity to see one of the hidden treasures the state has to offer. Only **Sheila Zelaskowski** braved the 300+ steps to the observation deck at the top of the Falls. A pair of off-roaders in modern vehicles parked and took the opportunity to look at our "military SUV's" while at Buttermilk. Nothing like OD trucks to start a conversation and meet people.

The convoy had the opportunity to answer a very basic MV question once we were underway again – "why do you carry that axe, anyway?" A tree had fallen across the road, hanging on the wires. It was high enough to let the ¼ tons crawl under, but the Deuce wasn't



going to make it without taking down some wires. **Jim Moore** initially attacked the problem with his penknife saw blade, but when someone asked if anybody had a saw on board, the observation was made that EVERYONE had an axe strapped to their vehicles! Some declined to remove their tools, citing the impossibility of getting them back on right again, but **Gary Schultz** stepped up to the task and



hacked away at the tree with his axe. Jim Moore finished the job and we were soon on our way – Gary having proved just why we carry pioneer tools.

A lunch and pit stop was made at the Layton General Store where the nice folks there prepared sandwiches and drinks which we enjoyed on their porch as modern traffic bound for Dingman's Bridge passed by. The convoy resumed, following the Old Mine Road from Peter's Valley to Millbrook. A final stop was made along the way to see the Van Campen Inn – a pre-revolutionary building which was a tavern and coach stop – before heading back to Blairstown where the convoy dispersed. Total mileage for the trip was 56 miles, not counting the journeys to and from home to Blairstown.



To sum it up it was a great day – perfect weather, good company, fine dining, no breakdowns, the opportunity to use those rarely touched pioneer tools, no bugs and a great ride. I recommend the route to all – especially those who think New Jersey is only what you can see from the Turnpike.

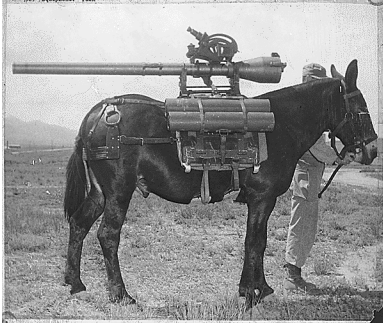
MTA Participants: Jack & Penny Bennett, John Dwyer, Frank & Eileen Eichenlaub, John Headley & Family, Jim Moore, Dan Muchmore, Fred & Sue Schlesinger, Gary Schultz, Dave Steinert, George Wagner, Dave Young and Sheila Zelaskowski,



THE END

Guns in Trucks – An Editorial

Parade season is upon us once again in a big way. Many of our MV's carry some heavy weaponry, much the same as they did when they were still serving – and some of that hardware upsets the local Gendarmes in the towns we drive through.



WE know it is fake, de-milled, de-wat, rubber or whatever, but the police only know what it looks like and what it potentially might be. My suggestion (advice, sage words, counsel) is that when traveling to and from events or parades, to have all that stuff cased, unmounted, and way out-of-sight. I think it would also be unwise to carry any live firearms or ordnance with you unless you are 100%

confident that the law is on your side. It just ain't worth the mountains of legal bills to explain to some constable or worse, some judge, just why you think it necessary to have a .30 caliber machine gun in their town. Worst case you could lose your expensive replicas to a zealous legal system which does not find that history is as important as some citizen's anti-gun hysteria.

I am not advising removing the guns and stuff that completes our vehicles, just be careful on the journey. We know that the members of the MTA are some of the best Americans and patriots in the country, but some of our law enforcement folks just think this hobby, and those who enjoy it are just plain dangerous. –**John Dwyer**

Military Vehicle Club donates \$500 to help support families of deployed soldiers.

The Military Transport Association of Northern New Jersey (MTA) donated \$500 April 28th to help the families of soldiers deployed to Iraq. The money will be used by the Company B Family Readiness Group for programs, newsletter, mailings, and general assistance for families having a difficult time with a parent or spouse deployed.



The Military Transport Association of Northern New Jersey (MTA) presents a \$500 check to the Company B Family Readiness Group (FRG) in the Dover National Guard Armory. The money will go to help the families of local National Guard members deployed to Iraq. Pictured Left to Right: Heather Burns (Vice President of the FRG), Meredith McCracken (President of the FRG), Lorenda Thiemann (Treasurer FRG), Ellen Moore (Treasurer MTA), Randy Emr (President MTA).

The money was raised by the MTA during its annual spring swap meet and military vehicle show held in March at the Dover NJ National Guard Armory, home base for Company B, 50th Main Support Battalion. The MTA is also collecting food, skin care products, and other comfort items to provide a continuous series of packages for B Company soldiers while they are deployed.

The Company B Family Readiness Group is a support network for the spouses and families of soldiers called to duty in Iraq. The organization acts as a clearing house for information about health care, benefits, and problem solving for military families. It also ensures that no family is forgotten while their soldier is away. They meet regularly and hold several family-oriented events during the year. They also serve as a communications link between the families and the military.

B Company, 50th Main Support Battalion has already had 20 members mobilized in March 2003, deployed and returned home as part of the 253rd Transportation Company from Cape May, NJ. In January 2004, a 50-soldier platoon was mobilized and shipped to Iraq in March to haul supplies, personnel, and armored vehicles in support of operations in the northern part of the country. They are actively engaged in highly dangerous convoy operations every day. The remaining members of Company B are preparing for mobilization and deployment in the next few weeks as part of the 50th Main Support Battalion. They will train in the United States with other units of the 42nd Infantry Division and are expected to ship overseas this fall for a tour of duty in Iraq.

The Military Transport Association of North Jersey (MTA) is an organization dedicated to the preservation and use of historic military vehicles. The MTA has more than 200 members throughout New Jersey with almost two hundred privately owned military vehicles ranging from Jeeps, to 2½ Ton trucks, to Armored fighting vehicles. Many members are military veterans and have first-hand history with the types of vehicles they own. The MTA is a non-profit educational group that supports dozens of community events and parades every year, in addition to Toys-for-Tots, DARE, and disaster relief. This year the MTA "adopted" the 70+ members of the NJ National Guard from the Dover Armory who were mobilized and deployed to Iraq and will support them until they are home. –**John Dwyer**

MTA Member Services

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Fox Hollow Landscaping.....Don Covart
973-263-8106 or 973-335-4367

Tree Service

Boyle Tree Service.....John Boyle
908-964-9358

Welding, Sheet Metal Work, Machine Work

Brian's Custom Fabrication & Repair
Brian Bancale.....973-209-0454

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Emr Construction Co.....Randy Emr
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Mobile Sandblasting-Commercial, Residential

John Peterson Enterprises.....John Peterson
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Joe Detanda.....570-686-3121

Software Development Services - Web Site Management

George Wagner..... 973-927-7616

MTA UPCOMING EVENTS						
DATE	DAY	LOCATION	EVENT TYPE	ASSEMBLY TIME	ASSEMBLY AREA	PARADE START TIME
6/12/2004	Saturday	NJ Vietnam Veterans' Memorial	Convoy / Vehicle Display	8:00 AM	Convoy - Home Depot Parking Lot, Springfield Ave. Union, NJ - Departing at 8:30AM.	9:30 AM - 3:30 PM
7/2/2004	Friday	Fairfield	July 4th Parade	5:30 PM	St. Thomas More Church Parking Lot, corner of Horseneck Rd. and Hollywood Ave.	6:30 PM
7/3/2004	Saturday	Montville	July 4th Parade	10:00 AM	Gathering Rd.	10:30 AM
7/3/2004	Saturday	Randolph	Freedom Festival Parade	11:00 AM	Mt. Fern Methodist Church on Quaker Church Rd.	12:00 Noon
7/5/2004	Monday	Florham Park	July 4th Parade	9:00 AM	Shopping center at corner of Columbia Turnpike & Ridgedale Ave.	9:30 AM
7/5/2004	Monday	Chatham	July 4th Parade	10:00 AM	Hillside Ave., Enter Hillside Ave. Watchung Ave.	10:30 AM
7/5/2004	Monday		July 4th Parade	10:00 AM	Plymouth St. Starting at South Fullerton	11:00 AM
7/11/2004	Sunday	Phillipsburg Railroad Historians	Open House	9:30 AM	282 Chambers St, Phillipsburg NJ 08865	10 AM - 3 PM
9/5/2004	Monday	Mendham Borough	Labor Day Parade	9:00 AM	King's Shopping Center, Rout 24	10:00 AM
9/12/2004	Sunday	Ledgewood	18th Annual Vintage Vehicle Show	8:30AM	Adams Metal, Ledgewood	9AM - 5PM
9/19/2004	Sunday	Liberty State Park	CNJ Railroad Festival Convoy / Vehicle Display	8:00 AM Home Depot 9:00 AM Liberty State Park	Convoy - Home Depot Parking Lot, Springfield Ave. Union, NJ - Departing at 8:30AM. Liberty State Park - SUZ-ETTE Fashions Wholesale Outlet, just before entrance to park at 9:00AM.	9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

**June 12, 2004
NJ Vietnam Memorial
Convoy Staging Area
8:00AM
(Rain Date - June19, 2004)**

Setup time at the NJ Vietnam Memorial is 9:30am

Directions to Staging Area
Staging Area is in the **Home Depot Parking Lot** on Springfield Ave.

We will depart the Home Depot Parking Lot at 8:30am.

- From Livingston, NJ.
Take Old Short Hills Rd. which becomes Main St. through Millburn, make right onto Springfield Ave., take Springfield Ave. across Morris Ave., and follow signs for Rt 124 East / Rt 24 West. This will put you back on Springfield Ave., The Home Depot Parking Lot is about 3/10 of mile on right.
- From Dover, NJ.
Take Rt 80 East to Rt 287 South,
Rt 287 South to Rt 24 East.
Rt 24 East to Rt 78 East (Local Lanes)
Rt 78 East to Exit 49B (Rt 124 East - Maplewood)
Exit onto Springfield Ave., take Springfield Ave. to the Home Depot Parking Lot on right.
- From Sussex, NJ.
Take Rt 23 East to Rt 287 South,
Rt 287 South to Rt 24 East.
Rt 24 East to Rt 78 East (Local Lanes)
Rt 78 East to Exit 49B (Rt 124 East - Maplewood)
Exit onto Springfield Ave., take Springfield Ave. to the Home Depot Parking Lot on right.

Note: On Saturday (6/12)

If you are going to be late or not make the event, please call cell phone number 908-313-4496.

For those who are traveling down the Garden State Parkway (GSP) from Northern New Jersey, you can meet up with the convoy just after going through the Union Toll Plaza. This will be between **8:40AM and 8:45AM.**

CLASSIFIEDS

If you miss a meeting and want to post an item in the Classified Advertising column of the newsletter, please feel free to call Dave Steinert at 973-347-9091 or you can email him at: steinert@worldnet.att.net

For Sale-1943 CCKW 352 2-1/2-Ton truck-good running condition, body in excellent condition, just needs a new paint job. Includes ring and machine gun mount, asking \$11000. 50 caliber gas firing Browning machine gun, includes pedestal, \$1400 for package. 1967 F250 Civilian Ford pickup. 352 cu engine, good running condition, \$800. Call Randy (973)-219-4499. (6/04)

For Sale-Small 7.62 MM Ammo Cans, \$5.00 each or Lots of 10-\$3.00 each. **Wanted**-Vietnam militaria for re-enactment. We want to educate people on what life was like for soldiers in Vietnam. Items are not for resale. Ed Pavlick, (973)-347-3866, leave message (3/04)

For Sale-CUCV parts-core heads, new fuel pump, misc. parts, all for \$125. Call Tom Weaver (973)-627-9448. (6/04)

FOR SALE: M151, ('cut') Vietnam vintage. Body in reasonable (used) condition. OD Green. No military markings. NDT tires. Canvas seats worn but not ripped. Canvas top, used condition. Also has military radio and antenna mounted in rear. Runs. Has been kept in inside storage. \$6500. Photos available online at <http://bigeddiem37-m151.MyPicGallery.com>
M38A1, 1962. Good Shape. Runs. No canvas top. Canvas seats in nice shape. Has military markings. Military NDT tires. \$7000. Photos available online at <http://bigeddiem37-M38A1.MyPicGallery.com>, **Military Trailers, 6 available**. Some rust but certainly salvagable and very usable. Recent vintage. NOTE: NOT WWII type. \$600 each, photos available online at <http://mil-trailers.mypicgallery.com>. Items are all located in Paterson NJ. Contact Ed for more info: (973)-779-6283 evenings or email at n2te@yahoo.com. (6/04)

For Sale-1986 Dodge Ram250 painted forest green, 318 V8 automatic trans, 2WD, w/16.5 M880 wheels, great work truck, \$900 or BO. 900 X 20 non-directional military tires, good take-offs for spares and trailers, \$35 each. **For Sale** M37 bows complete with leather straps, excellent condition, (3) total \$225.00. Call Bill at (732)-489-1012 or email bpeaslee@aol.com. (5/04)

For Sale-1/4-ton Gen.trailer, flat bed, tilts, 4' X 6' rebuilt, excellent condition, \$300. Call Frank A. Nasto Jr. (908) 687-9644 (home) or (973)-589-3335 (work). (5/04)

For Sale-Siren, large Federal Roller type, like new, \$100. Call Larry (718)-428-1057 or (516)-3531543 (Cell). (5/04)

For Sale-M1919 semi-auto machine gun, .308 Calibre with tri-stand, \$1900. Call Pete (516)-426-5804. (5/04)

For Sale-Water Buffalo, 400-gallon portable water tank with trailer, stainless steel, paint like new, \$1700. Call Sheila (973)-827-7795. (5/04)

For Sale: 1954 WILLYS M170, RUNS AND DRIVES, SOLID VEHICLE FOR RESTORATION, \$3500. OR BEST OFFER. CONTACT PAUL @ (908)-459-4779 FOR MORE INFO. (5/04)

For Sale-1941 WC-54, rough, missing bed, not running, has NJ title.\$1000.00 OR BEST OFFER. Call Brian HeuschKel at (856)-222-1910 or E-mail-bmh1@yahoo.com. (5/04)

For Sale-Four (4) 900 X 20 tires with rims, like new, \$50 each. Ask for Jim, (973)-948-5803. (4/04)

For Sale- 1946 CJ2A, fair shape \$1000...cal Jude (732)-528-5422 (4/04)

For Sale-1976 CJ-7 304 V8 engine 42,000 orig miles body needs minor work, runs ok, 4x4 ok. asking \$1,500.00 call Ivan @ (732)-500-7813 or email: du3id@aol.com(4/04)

For Sale-1952 GMC M211 2-1/2 ton Cargo truck with 50 cal. MG.-\$4500, 1958 M54 5-ton Cargo truck with gas Continental engine-\$4500, 1969 M54A1 Mack diesel 5-ton Cargo truck with 50 cal. MG-\$6000. 1945 Willy's MB Jeep, complete, runs- \$3000. 1975 Chevrolet Automatic C60 Air Force Tanker, \$3000. M151 Jeep curtains-\$50 a set. Complete M151 Jeep engine-\$250. Heavy duty tow bar -\$200. 1964 American La France Fire Truck, Class A Spartan Pumper (1000 gals per minute). Repowered in 1980 with a Detroit Diesel Engine 6-71N, new power steering, new clutch, new air brakes, kept inside, good condition \$6500. 3 heavy duty snatch hooks-\$200. Qty 1, 8 foot pickup cap, \$150. Three M416 1/4-ton trailers, \$250 each., 2 Water Buffalos, good condition, \$750 each. Call Wally Carter after 7 PM (973)-366-5140. (6/04)

Free - Used good condition metal half cap, the type that makes the Jeep look like a pick up. Fits a CJ3A, M38, CJ5 size Jeeps. No doors. FREE to anyone who wants it. Located in Saddle Brook, NJ. Call Robert at (201) 226-9289.

For Sale-1953 CJ3A Jeep. OD exterior and interior. Brown vinyl driver and passenger seat. OD canvas rear bench seat. High mileage, several issues to be corrected, but is complete and runs fairly well. Fair weather Jeep though. No top, sides or doors. \$3500.00 firm. Please view this vehicle at <http://home.att.net/~wagner.gm/mv.htm> or Call George at (973) 927-7616. **For Sale**- Delta Tool Box for small Furrin PickEmUp Truck, resin / plastic type. Used, good condition, w/ key & locks, \$40.00; 5 Gal. Soda Cornelius Keg. great for soda, home-brew, super soaker, \$20.00; NBC Decon bottle/kit \$45.00; Canvas Top Bow Brackets for large military trailer, several sets, \$8.00/set; Remanufactured Steering Box for MB Jeep, \$100.00; Small portable WWII era Army Desk, \$50.00; WWI Sleeping Bag, private issue, good condition \$80.00; Heater Assembly for Jeep CJ, 12 Volt, \$30.00; Please view all these items at http://home.att.net/~gmw.garage.sale/parts_for_sale.html or call George at (973)-927-7616. (6/04)

For Sale-Manuals for your military vehicle(s). Save shipping, I can bring to MTA meetings. Call Dennis (973)-579-2886 or visit www.portrayal.com. (1/04)

For Sale at MTA Meetings Only-50 caliber ammo cans. So marked. New Gov't regulations require all markings painted out and stenciled empty, \$5 each. Bob Benson (973)-293-7101. (6/04)

For Sale/Trade-1942 1-1/2-ton Chevy wrecker. Some restoration done. Have NOS parts to finish the job. Trade for ATV Quad, M151, CUCV Blazer, or cash. Pics on my web site. Four new steel wheels for Chevy S10 (civilian) pickup or Blazer, \$50 for all 4. Book: Dodge M37 Restoration Guide with lots of how-to restoration info, parts catalog, much more. Only \$18 to MTA members. Back issues of Military Vehicles: only 38 of 102 back issues are still available. Get 'em before they run out. List of available issues and prices on my web site. Also, many new MV books just listed on my web site. Dave Ahl, (973)-285-0716 or www.SwapMeetDave.com. (4/04)

For Sale-1952 Chevy 1/2 -ton pickup, brass US Navy data plate on dash, starts, stops, & runs, military oil filter on standard 215 flathead six cyl engine, overall VG cond. \$3500 or BO. NOS Vinyl tops for M151-2 avail, \$60 & \$50. M151 wiper arms, NOS-\$5 each. NOS 6V Dodge starters for WC Series 1/2- & 3/4 -Ton-\$100 each. Radio & vehicle mount-one RT67, one PP112, one handset, one connector, one vehicle mount, came off a M151-\$200. Call Ron at (908)-927-1092. (1/04)

Wanted-50 cal. Dummy Machine Gun for Display. Call Andy (201)-796-3951. (3/04)

Wanted-Turn-key ready WWII Jeep...call Bob Benson (973)-293-7101 (4/04)

Looking for Browning 1919A4 Dummy Gun, C-31 Mount for Jeep. Call Peter, day (201)-348-7565. (4/04)

Free to all members-misc tools, wrenches, sockets, some metric, some SAE items, will be on displayed at the next meeting.

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A Chapter of the Military Vehicle Preservation Association

The Military Transport Association of North Jersey is a non-profit organization for people interested in collecting, restoring, displaying, and operating historic military vehicles. Members of the club participate in 15 to 20 parades every year as well as educational events, militaria and truck shows, rallies, trail rides and visits to veteran's homes.

Members also participate in projects such as restoring a jeep for the National Guard Museum, the National Night Out, USMC Toys for Tots campaign, fund raising for the National WWII and Korean War Memorials, Boy Scout projects, and National Guard recruiting campaigns.

Meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at the Whippany American Legion Hall, Legion Place, Whippany, NJ. You can come between 7:00 and 7:30 p.m. to eat pizza, sandwiches and enjoy other refreshments. Beer and wine is available from the Legion Hall. The meeting starts at 8:00 p.m. and is normally over by 9:00 p.m.

Join the MTA now and receive:

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- FREE classified sales and want ads in the newsletter.
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- FREE annual picnic and FREE annual pizza party.
- FREE MTA embroidered patch (when you attend an event).

To join the Military Transport Association, send this form (or the same information on a blank sheet of paper) with \$20.00 annual membership dues to the address below. Dues are for the calendar year.

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