

MTA Newsletter - January 1992

Next Meeting - Monday, January 13, 1992
Septembers Restaurant, East Hanover.
Dinner at 7:00 PM
Meeting at 8:00 PM

(No classified ads this month because your editor was out of town for most of the December meeting.)

THOUGHTS FOR TODAY -- The Unsung Heros of a Club.

Did you ever think about where our MTA would be (or any other club like ours) if we didn't have members that put themselves out to do something extra for the club's common good? It is typical of any club that a great deal of the work necessary to keep a club going is done by about 25% of the members.

I do not mean to throw rocks at the other 75% of our members. Everybody is important to the club, but maybe because of your personal problems, work schedules, temperament or perhaps personality, you find it difficult to participate more fully in the club's activities.

This little editorial then, is to give a few "atta-boys" to the guys who do find it possible and satisfying to give a little bit more. They are:

Al Axelrod, Parade Chairman

Unless you have done it, you have no idea of the amount of effort it takes to do the job as well as Al is doing it.

Steve Krentler, President

Works a full work week of probably 60 hours or more but gives time to the MTA on top of that.

"Big Lou" Slizias

Does a lot of work behind the scenes that most of us do not even know about, like communications with other clubs, working the rally, etc.

Tom Hauck

Without his work, the rally's success would not have been possible.

Peter Berendson, Treasurer

Keeps our books in order and is always available when needed for meetings and other time consuming events.

Keith Adams

Provides the services and supplies of his mailing company to this editor to make it easier to get this newsletter out every month.

Mark Ziegler

Researched and purchased the club's loud speaker system for the rally.

Scott Thompson

Obtained the loan of walkie talkie radios from this local civil defense unit for use at the rally.

Dave Smith

Hustled for two days at the rally to organize and keep it going.

Doug Stuber and Forest Engelman

Working like crazy to design a chic T-shirt and cap logo. Its going to be great.

Ray Bentley

The supplier of our big stuff at the rally.

Denise Spence

Our quiet man but great with communication in the military magazines.

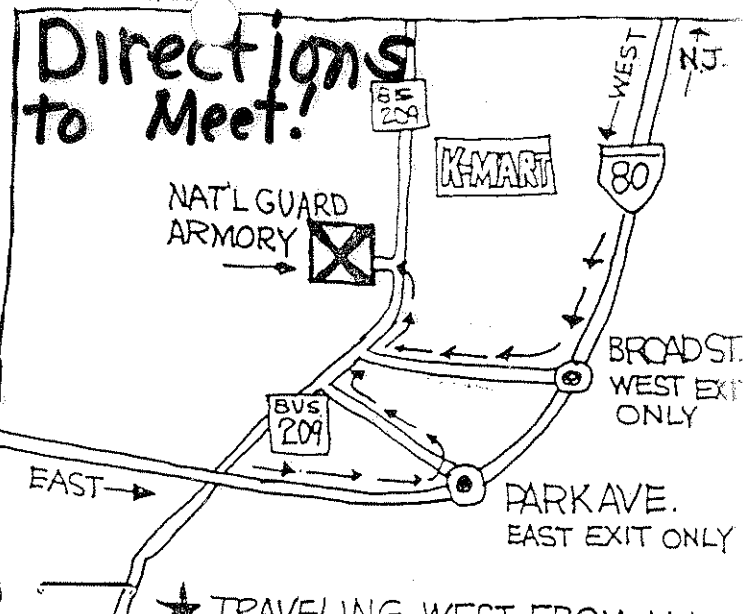
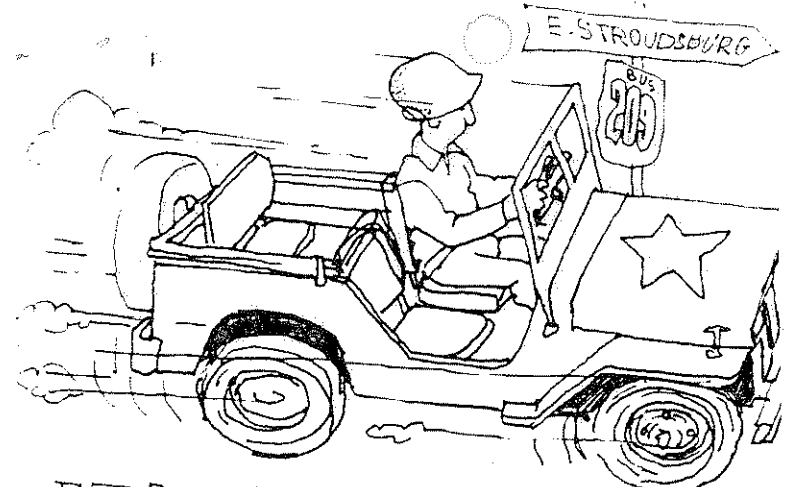
Parade Participants

Mentioned last but certainly not least appreciated -- are the members who give up part of their Saturdays, Sundays or holidays to make up our parade contingent. They are: Franz, Al, Ray, Peter, John, Forrest, John, Tom, Pat, Frank, Lou, Dave, Doug, Scott, Tom, Dave and Mark.

Anyhow, if I've missed anybody, it is probably because my old memory ain't what it used to be.

So in closing, Happy Holidays to all. See you at our next meeting.

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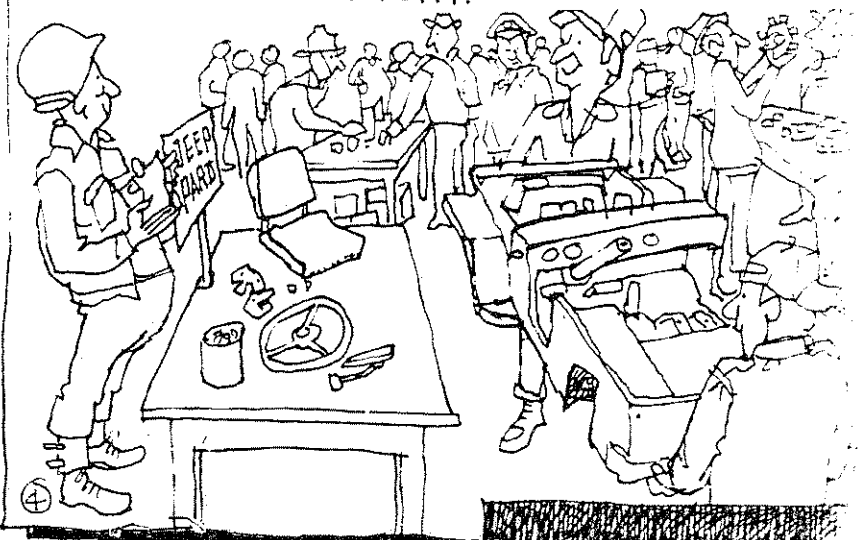
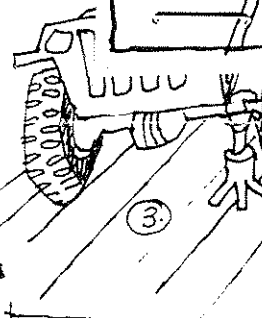
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USS Ling likely to ship out

By Elizabeth Llorente
Record Staff Writer

The USS Ling, moored on the banks of the Hackensack River since 1973, may head south.

Tough economic times and a dwindling number of visitors to the World War II submarine have prompted its overseers to consider moving the ship and an adjacent naval museum from Hackensack to Monmouth County.

Two months ago, the town of Highlands invited the Submarine Memorial Association, the non-profit organization that oversees the museum and submarine, to join its developing waterfront park near Sandy Hook.

Museum director Herbert Georgius said the move to the tourist-

rich shore area would save the submarine — one of four of its kind in the United States — from going under financially and being scrapped.

"We're just barely hanging on right now, just making our bills," said Georgius.

And Highlands officials believe the new attraction could reinvigorate their economically depressed town.

"We would like to move as quickly as possible on this," said Highlands Mayor Ray Ramirez.

The town is working on getting state grants and private donations to bring the submarine to the Shrewsbury River and the museum to Veterans Memorial Park.

The Planning Board and the Borough Council have endorsed plans for the project, which calls for dredging and the construction of a dock.

About three-quarters of a million people — about 34,000 a year — have visited the submarine since it was towed to Hackensack. The museum's overseers estimate that the busy tourist season at the shore could quadruple the annual number of visitors to the USS Ling. The prospective site is within a five-minute drive of two museums at the Sandy Hook unit of Gateway National Recreation Area, as well as a museum at the Twin Lights lighthouse complex in Highlands.