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# **THE STACKTALK**

## **July, 2013**

Arnold Block, President; John Suckoe, Vice President  
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### **President's Message:**

I hope everyone had a good 4th of July!

There are some great events coming up soon and if you can join in you will have a good time, see some old friends and make new ones.

July 25th BRING YOU TRUCK NIGHT with food supplied.  
July 28th Orange County Fair grounds. Meeting at the Jefferson Diner @ 9 am.  
Aug 4th Two Kids show at the Birchwood Monor in Whippany.  
Aug 18th Parsippany Rescue show .

Try to come even if you can't bring a truck.

Just a reminder the we have a good supply of METRO JERSEY CLUB tee shirts that you can get at our meeting or I can ship them. (See page 3 for details.)

Thanks,

Arnold

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### **Our Membership Roster will be distributed this month!**

#### **Deadline for Stacktalk Submissions**

To get an article or ad into Stacktalk, it must be received before the tenth of the month in which

it is to be published. Send it to volunteer editor Caity Chciuk at [StacktalkNews@gmail.com](mailto:StacktalkNews@gmail.com).

**If you are on our Stacktalk email list, you will receive the roster via email.**

**If you do not receive Stacktalk via email, you can pick up a copy of the roster at one of our meetings or request that a copy be**

**mailed to you by contacting Arnold Block at 973-263-8095.**

A Note from the Editor: There will be no August Stalktalk, as your editor will be on vacation. All July/August business will be reported in September's Stacktalk. Enjoy your summer!

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# Calendar of Upcoming Metro Chapter Events:

Thu., July 25, 2013	8:00 PM	VFW	Hot Dog night, bring your trucks!
Sun, July 28, 2013	9:00 AM	Meet @ Jeff. Diner	for Orange Cty. Show (see pg. 3)
Sun., August 4, 2013	Two Kids Foundation Classic Car Show, Birchwood Manor, Whippany		
August 18, 2013	Parsippany Rescue & Recovery show at Lanidex Plaza		
Thu., Sept. 26, 2013	Time TBA	61 Iowa Ave., Paterson.	Visit Frank Malatesta's collection.
Thu., Oct. 24, 2013	8:00 PM	VFW	Guest speaker & Officer Nominations.

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## Report of the June 27, 2013 Business Meeting

President Arnold Block opened the 298th meeting of the Metro Jersey chapter on Thursday, June 27th at 7:58 P.M., with a salute to the American flag followed by a moment of silence for our troops and deceased friends.

Minutes of the May 2013 meeting were approved as distributed in Stack Talk.

Treasurer's report:	May Balance of	\$4,132.39
	Income	\$5,930.28
	Expenses	\$3,678.97
	June Balance	\$6,383.70

Discussion of the Metro Jersey truck show ensued. Most felt it was our most successful show, and the board thanked all who helped. Some of the items noted were to have one person in charge of transport parking. In addition, copies of the volunteer list need to be available on show day at membership table. The entry to the show area is be relocated as several vendors were easily bypassed. We will need a new picture taker next year as Dave is retiring from that assignment (thanks Dave for years of doing it). We also need some additional signage to direct in vendors, and parking lot status.

George Petrask & Bill Wagner reported on the outstanding show in Yakama Washington. 830 trucks, beautiful area, friendly people & a perfect venue. First year of sharing our show with the modern show trucks, worked well for both and was a real success.

As we will have to leave the ASCO site at some time in the future, a committee was appointed to look for potential truck show sites for the Metro Jersey ATHS show. The committee is George Petrask, Stan Chciuk, Tom Amaducci & Bill Wagner. It was noted we have had 23 good years at ASCO.

George asked if the group was interested in attending the Orange County Club show at Montgomery NY show on July 28, 2013. (Editor's note: See page 3 for more information.)

A club roster is being prepared. Those with internet access will have it e-mailed. Hard copies will be at future meetings for those without e-mail. 20 pages make it too costly to mail.

George has placed pictures of the national show & our show on SMUGMUG. The link is as follows: <http://oldirongarage.smugmug.com/Trucks/ATHS-Metro-Jersey-2013/>

Shirts are available and can be purchased after the meeting or ordered and mailed out. (See page 3 for more info.)

A motion was made and carried to donate \$200.00 to the Two Kids Foundation. This money goes directly to the kids.

Lou Rebecchi invited the club members to attend an open house of the collection of Andy Leider, August 10th, Fire Truck Museum, 2618 Route 302, Circleville, NY. Additional Info at [www.catskillfire-cats.com](http://www.catskillfire-cats.com)

Please sign in at the meetings; we will distribute this list to entice other members to attend the meetings.

John Suckoe won \$12.00 in the 50/50.

Meeting adjourned 9:07 PM

*Minutes submitted by Bill Wagner, Secretary*

## Orange County, NY Show Information:

The old truck tour this year will be on Sunday, July 28th.

Once again we will be meeting at the Jefferson Diner, 5 Bowling Green Pkwy (Route 15 Center) at 9AM. We will be leaving at 9:30 sharp; if you plan on eating arrive earlier.

We will be traveling north through Sussex County to make a quick stop at the Double S diner at 154 Route 23 in Wantage. You can meet up with us there, too; this should be around 10AM. From there it's a nice ride through the Sussex County country side

This is a new route this year -- no hills or sharp turns, top speed 45 MPH. The trip takes about an hour and a half ending up at the OCAAC Show in the Thomas Bull Park RT416 Montgomery, NY. Bring your chairs because there is plenty of shade.

Old Cars are welcome along, trailered trucks are welcome; or if you just want to join the chapter up at the show, come and enjoy the day. Please try and pre register for the show but do not send any money, we will be taking a collection up that will be given to OCAAC from our Chapter.

Call George if you have any questions. 908-415-8050.

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*Back of shirt*

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President Arnold Block can ship any shirt order via the USPO Priority Mail for \$5.80 each, or you can pick them up at our next meeting.

You can send checks made out to Metro Jersey ATHS at:

**METRO JERSEY ATHS**  
**c/o Arnold Block**  
**29 Roosevelt Avenue**  
**Lake Hiawatha, N. J. 07034-2121**

**List of those in attendance  
at the May 23rd meeting:**

Joe Camisa	John Keenan
Jim Veevers	Tom Mulligan
Helen Potucer	Steve Kieller
Arnold Block	Tom Amaducci
Rich Phillippi	George Petrask
Bill Wagner	Michael Beyer
Paul Wolfmeyer	Richard J. Arsi
Bill Heinzelman	Bill Amaducci
Bob Perry	Tim Day
John Suckoe	Wayne Dguck
Joe Wajszczuk	Tina and Dave
Stan Chciuk	Vanderhoff
Caity Chciuk	Robert Krygoski
Bob Cunningham	Larry Ashley
Lou Bruno	Scott Baker

**List of those in attendance  
at the June 27th meeting:**

Arnold Block	Ron Hutchins
Bob Cunningham	Paul Wolfmeyer
Stan Chciuk	James Veiner
Caity Chciuk	Joe Camisa
Scott Baker	Steve Kiellar
Lou Rebecchi	Joe Sharkey
Tom Amaducci	Tina and Dave
George Petrask	Vanderhoff

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## *Over the Road*

By Dave Read  
*Chapter Historian*

Hi friends! The picture of the two pretty Macks above was taken in 1958 at Esthers Diner on Route 22 (now I-78) in Fredericksburg, Pa. When I traveled old U.S. 22 back in the 1950's and 60's, Esthers was about the finest place to eat this side of Harrisburg, and she always treated the truck drivers with the greatest respect, and she never hesitated to tell her local public that her truck drivers always got seated first and served first. Consequently she always drew a large volume of the truck traffic her way. Us Eastern Express drivers, as well as many of the Spector drivers would stop nowhere else in that area.

Lots of private haul truckers also knew her place, such as the two Mack B-61's pulling for Frey Trucking out of Hanover, PA. They made a good living hauling Hanover Baked Beans, from guess where? Hanover PA. The Mack B-61 was probably the most revolutionary truck ever built. After heavy truck manufacturers had been building huge heavy trucks, especially Diesels, the B-61, introduced in 1953 was a wonder truck for the big truck operator. It was light, compact and powerful, because it was equipped with the new Mack 673 Thermodyne Diesel engine, which put out 170 horsepower at 2100 rpm's and would deliver 6 to 7 miles a gallon while doing it. They were good looking, were fairly comfortable, and were easy to drive, with the Mack Ten speed (two stick) Duplex transmission.

The two Frey trucks are particularly attractive, with their extended front bumpers, west coast mirrors, chrome spotlights and several other little niceities. How many noticed that one has a vertical exhaust stack and the other doesn't? For it's day, this was really nice equipment.

Nice to drive and be proud of. Dollar for dollar it would have been hard, at that time to buy a heavy, hard working over-the-road truck that would beat a B-61 for the price. In fact it has been said that the B-61 Mack, more than any other truck ever, was responsible for not only putting many a trucking company in business, but for keeping them in the black. Keep on truckin'.