



Friends of the  
**NEW YORK STATE  
MILITARY MUSEUM**  
Preserving Our Military Heritage

**Quarterly Newsletter**

**Summer 2017**

***NIGHT AT THE BREWSEUM, APRIL 2017, Canfield Casino. Thanks to all those who supported this event, which is an important fundraiser for our museum. Your support provided needed funds for new exhibits.***



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## SCHOOL TOURS IN FULL SWING!

Our school tours are now in full operation with several area elementary and middle schools participating. Thanks go to Bill Watkins, one of our docents, for organizing these visits.

Most visits take place weekday mornings, with our docents providing tours of our Revolutionary War, World War I, World War II, War of 1812, Mexican-American war, and Civil War Exhibits.

Schools that participated this spring and summer are:

Stillwater 5th graders

Maple Ave, Saratoga Springs, 7th graders

Home schoolers

Schuylerville 5th graders

Maple Ave, Saratoga Springs, social studies, honors class.

Lansingburgh high school history class

Ballston Spa Catholic Middle School

Wilton Recreational Center summer camp

A big thank you to our docents for helping out with these educational visits:

Howie Young

Mark Pollak

Bill Schmeelcke

Garth Lloyd

Kylen Clark

Tim Sinnott

Tim Clark

Jim Brown

Mike Carney

Walter Blair

Mark Lawton

Mary Ann Ling

If you would like your child's school to participate, please contact Colleen Maheux at the Military Museum, 518-581-5100 for further information.

Please remember to renew your Friends of the New York State Military Museum Membership.

You may renew your membership at our museum store, or by phone at 518-226-0490 or on-line at:

<http://www.friendsofthenysmilitarymuseum.com/index.php/store>.

Benefits of membership include:

E-mail alerts on events,

Membership card,

Invitations to special events and lectures,

Special discounts on purchases at museum store,

Friends newsletter.

Your support helps us enlarge and open up new exhibits.

Please support the military museum.



Our Museum could not function without our tireless volunteer docents who come in and man our front desk and greet you when you enter the museum, answer your questions, and help you enjoy our exhibits.

They are the eyes and ears of our museum, and the Museum staff and the Friends of the New York State Military Museum wish to gratefully acknowledge those docents who served our country in the military:

Herb Kopper—USMC

Tim Sinnott-Army

Len Wasserman—Navy, USAF

Bill Schmeelcke-Navy

Phil Imbarrato—Army

William Wardell-Army

John Kelly-Army

John Lemyre-Air Force

Jim Brown-USMC

Robert Kazalski-Air Force

Bill Watkins-Army

Ben Ford-USMC

Lou Schneider-Army

Bobby Banison-Air Force

Paul McCarthy-Army

Jim Morzillo-Navy

Ben Round-Navy

Garth Lloyd-Army

Walter Blair-Army

Fred McCarney-Army

Mary Ann Ling-Army

Jim Spring-Army

Ed Salzman-Navy

Joseph Dewey-Army

Mark Lawton-USMC

**NEW EXHIBITS ON DISPLAY:** On Wednesday, July 5th, we unveiled our newest exhibits: **“New York’s Horse Soldiers—1840-1940, and “Do Your Part-World War I Poster Art”**. These exhibits are now on temporary display while we complete fundraising and design for our upcoming Korean War-Vietnam war exhibit. Now on display:



Squadron A— (above ) Mounted Color guard - Mexican Border-1916.



Captain Elmer Horsfall with his mount (above), 121st Cavalry, New York National Guard, 1940. Horsfall served with Troop B, 121st Cavalry based out of the New Scotland armory in Albany, New York, until inducted into federal service in 1941 with the 101st Anti-Tank Battalion.

The Horse Soldier’s exhibit features a variety of uniforms and cavalry equipment including a Squadron A Enlisted Man’s Full Dress Coat with Baldric, 1910; a Model 1904 McClellan Saddle, 1916, and a Remington Rolling Block Carbine, New York State Contract, 1873.

## MUSEUM HOURS

Tuesday - Saturday  
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

(Closed Sunday &  
Monday)

## RESEARCH CENTER HOURS

Appointments are re-  
quired.

Tuesday – Friday  
11:00 am to 4:00 pm

The museum is closed  
on  
all New York State &  
Federal Holidays.

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Troop H, (above) 1st Cavalry, New York National Guard, Culver Road Armory, Rochester, c. 1917. The horse soldiers from Troop H served dismounted during World War I mostly with the 106th Machine gun Battalion, 27th Division.



Squadron A (above) Officers and non-commissioned officers, c. 1915.

**NEW EXHIBIT ON DISPLAY: DO YOUR PART-WORLD WAR I POSTER ART:** showcases the variety of patriotic and motivational posters created 100 years ago during the Great War. After the US entered the conflict in 1917, the federal government effectively created dozens of motivational posters urging its citizens to support the war effort.

Dramatic posters urged citizens to buy war bonds, join the military, save starving European refugees and donate money to charitable groups including the Red Cross, Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) and Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA). The exhibition features a variety of personal items worn and used by the US Army servicemen such as a Campaign hat, Overseas cap and ID disks. Also showcased in the exhibit are items sent to the Doughboys including a Red Cross supplied razor and small shaving mirror.

From left: "Off to Fight for Old Glory –Third Liberty Loan Poster by Lawrence W. Harris, c. 1917. The federal government held several Liberty Loan Drives in the United States during World War I to encourage every citizen to participate in the war effort. The Third Liberty Drive resulted in the purchase of over two million Liberty Bonds in 1917 and 1918 raising over 40 million dollars for the Allied War effort.

From right: Objects used by Forrest White of Hoosick Falls, New York during world War I included a footlocker, Campaign hat, belt, ID Discs, and Overseas cap.

