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## OLD-FASHIONED COOKOUT MARKS THE MILLER'S MEETING

Leave it to Dan & Barbara Miller to do it the old-fashioned way: have a cook out. Serving scores of hamburgers and hot dogs, everyone had their fill. Add



to that some great desserts brought by some members and you have topped off a good meeting with

good food. What more can you ask?

Many ignored the rain and showed up at the Millers. It was a good attendance and really special to see Marty Comstock back.

See the "Agenda" page 3.



Henry Malin and his granddaughter, Allison.

Pete adds another Studebaker why? Because he just sold one of his Studebakers!



Buddy Hunt talks with Henry Hernandez.



We love it when the kids show up (above). Always great to see Marty Comstock.



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## STUDEBAKER MUSEUM HAS A CHECKERED PAST OF DISAPPEARING DONATIONS ACCORDING TO SOME

Being an ex-journalist, I want to be very careful about what I have been told about the history of the Studebaker Museum. I wanted to post this information, however, to get some feedback that this is either false information, old information, or still a problem or never was a problem. So the other day I posted this on the Studebaker newsgroup and got some interesting responses.

My problem is that I heard it from a most reliable and knowledgeable Studebaker person. Here is some of what he said:

1. Rare, whole cars in good shape have been donated to the museum which were stripped and sold for parts at a great profit without the owner's permission.
2. A rare Studebaker watch was donated to the museum that somehow disappeared.
3. Museum cars were sold to "pals," "friends and family" from the museum at ridiculously low prices.

This person actually names the person who donated the car/s and watch. I will not name this person (now deceased). Please remember that this information has not been verified, but I feel the members of this group would know something about this.

**So the response was this:**

*South Bend is the "Home of Leg-ends", and unfortunately, many crazy rumors.*

*I've heard lots of bitching, whining and armchair quarterbacking about the museum in the past 30 years. Though some of the complaints had some merit, most did not. The level of quality of the present museum seems to have quieted many of the rumors most recently. I knew it would only be a matter of time before some crazy rumor would get started.*

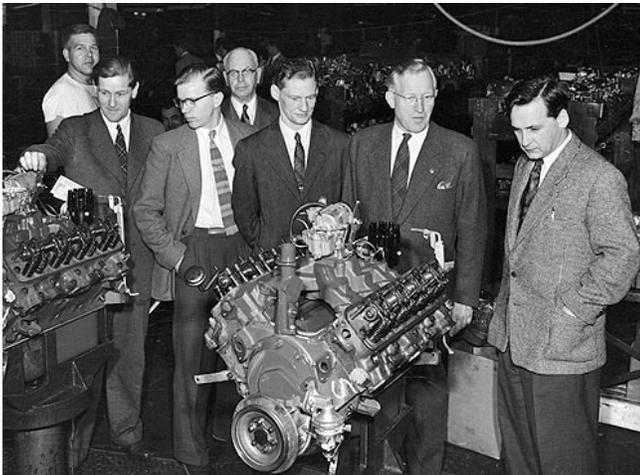
**Another response:**

*Most museums, including SNM, have different contracts/conditions for donations. Most donations can be legally disposed off for the good of the museum. I have been at an auction of Studebakers and parts at the SNM. I have also seen the SNM sell vehicles via eBay. Both of these methods are open to the public and are above board and okay. I personally am out thousands of dollars due to an Avanti that I had loaned to the SNM being given/sold to another individual.*

Bottom line on this is that some of this has gone on but the consensus is that the present management at the museum is of the highest quality. However, it seems to make sense that anything you do with the SNM or anything like it should be in writing with your desires spelled out completely and specifically.

*Don Smith*

### Photos o 1951 V8 engine, Lowey-designed boat at Stude Museum



Many photos like these are displayed at the Studebaker National Museum in South Bend, Indiana. Many will flock to the museum during the International meeting there in June.

## 15TH ANNUAL ORPHAN CAR SHOW

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2007 AT 2 PM T.W.  
BRISCOE PARK  
SNELLVILLE, GEORGIA

Held annually as part of the Snellville Days celebration, the Orphan Car show has been organized by our own Rick Kamen since its inception, and this is his 15th year!

We will have a Chapter meeting at 2pm on the show field, near the officials' tent; look for the club banner (if we can find it!)

***This is a SATURDAY chapter meeting-***  
**one of only a few we have all year long!**

Let's all show up and show Rick our support!



### Meeting Agenda:

Bob Lytle started the lunch with a prayer. During the meeting Chuck Lampman asked for someone to sell ads for the T-Shirts for the upcoming Georgia State Meet. He has already sold three ads. Chuck also asked for all members to go ahead and register for the meet so when the applications start coming in closer to the meeting that ours would be done. Otherwise, please put them in the mail to Chuck now.

The 50/50 drawing was won by **Bob Lytle**.

Bob knows the trick. He seems to always buy the six tickets for \$5 deal. So his odds of winning are very high. This isn't the first time Bob has won.

**Barbara Miller** mentioned that Myrtle Burriss was not doing well and that we needed to call her or send a card.

Chuck's noted that our balance to more than \$4,000 in the treasury.

We also need, Barbara said, donations for trophies and asked those wishing to donate see **Dot & Buddy Hunt**, head of that function. Barbara noted that the next meeting will be at

the Orphan Car Show headed by **Rick Kamen**. Rick addressed the group and asked for anyone coming to help out. He said he would have his regular tent set up. He mentioned that Tom Elliott would need help parking cars.

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### **May 5 Meeting is on a Saturday**

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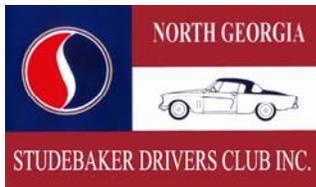
The Orphan Car Show, on a Saturday, May 5, will be in conjunction with Snellville Days.

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## Different by Design



**President's Message:**

Dan and I very much want to take this opportunity to thank all the members that came to the April Meeting at our home. We very much welcomed all the help and the food brought. Also I want to thank Chuck Lampman for the good job of filling in for me as my voice and throat wouldn't cooperate. We had a very good turn out even if the rain kept most of the Studebakers away. A special thanks to Charleen and Billy Carey for all their help and the pot of homemade Chili. I hope to see all of you at the next meeting at Snellville Days Orphan Car Show on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. As you know Myrtle Burris has not been well since her fall in December and we all need to keep Myrtle and Ed in our Prayers and Thoughts. I know we all wish her a speedy recovery and hope to see her soon. Drive Safely,

**Birthdays:**

- 4/1 Lenny Majors
- 4/4 Vince T Geiger
- 4/12 John Hollier  
Don Smith
- 4/14 Maureen Elliott  
Fred Martin
- 4/23 Keith Wilson (New Member)
- 4/26 Del Lane
- 4/27 Arlene Hollier

**Anniversary:**

- 4/4 John & Dorothy Brown
- 4/6 Dan & Barbara Miller



**Member Notices:**

If you would like to put a notice in this special section, email the editor dhsmith@bellsouth.net. New grandchild? Let me know and send a picture and details.



**Sold on eBay for \$6,500**

1953 Studebaker 2 door sedan Deluxe; 50,643 actual miles. Manufactured at the Vernon, CA., plant. The car remained in California until June 2005. Given "on frame" renewal 2002 - 2003. Took 1<sup>st</sup> place in class:

1953 to 1958 post war sedans at the 2003 PacSW Zone meet in San Diego, CA September 2003



**Sold on eBay for \$11,000**

A smooth running 305 H.O engine with a 4 speed automatic with A/C, power windows, power moon roof, power door locks and dual power seats. The tires are like new. The gold interior is in good shape with some wear on the front leather seats but no rips or tears. It even has the original Sony TV in the back!



**Sold on eBay for \$273 (for one!)**

This is an extremely rare new old stock chrome valve cover for 1963 and 1964 Studebaker Avantis. It is factory correct for the Avanti, but will also fit the Hawks and Larks. It is brand new in the factory box and the part number is 1557304. The condition is flawless, inside and out. This rare item is ready to mount on your show car. *And this is just one side!*

eBay Studebakers and parts sales sometimes surprise us

1964 Daytona Hardtop on eBay. Reserve under \$9,700.



Here is an unmolested well maintained "Survivor" cars like this one. It's not a 15K trailer queen that had every part repaired from who knows what condition. This is a "What you see, is what you get", nice honest car that is not perfect, nor is it a car that's had been taken apart and refinished. The car is just as it came from the factory, other then some minor wear and tear. In California with no rust.



Treasurer's

**Report**

From Chuck Lampman

**Inflows**

Badge Sales	10.00
Dues Rec'd	75.00
Misc Income	5.00
Inflows	90.00

**Georgia State Meet 2007:**

Banquet	250.00
Gen Registration	60.00
Judging	60.00

Total Georgia State Meet 2007  
370.00

Total Inflows  
460.00

**Outflows**

Hillholder	18.42
Badges	21.40
Total Outflows	39.82

Net Inflows/Outflows  
420.18

Club Balance 3/31  
3930.41

2007 Meet Balance  
65.00



MEMBERSHIP FORM -  
**NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER**

To join our chapter, please, complete this form and send with

your \$15.00 check or money order in US funds to:

North Georgia Chapter SDC  
 c/o Chuck Lampman  
 4141 Lynette Ct NE  
 KENNESAW, GA 30144

Note: you must be a member of the National SDC to join us.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ ex. 4/12

Spouse or companion \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Studebakers you own (Year, Make & Model)

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MEMBERSHIP FORM  
**NATIONAL SDC**

New Members First Year Only \$19.95

Dues: US & CANADA Periodicals class mail - \$27.50

US & CANADA-1st class mail - \$60.50

Young Adult (to 22) \$19.95

To join SDC, complete this application and send with check or money order in US funds to the following-

The Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc  
 PO BOX 1715, Maple Grove MN 55311

Or use VISA or MasterCard and call toll free

763-420-7829 or fax 763-420-7849

Call or write with change of address. **DO NOT SEND ADS** with your membership. Ads must be sent to Turning Wheels editor.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse or companion \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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