



# The HILLHOLDER

The official newsletter of the North Georgia Chapter SDC

*Photos from the December 2021 meeting.*



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*Our first meeting for 2022 will take place on Sunday, February 6, at the Diner at Sugar Hill. See details on page 7.*



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## True Story Heard on a Saskatoon (Canada) Radio Station Reporting the Incident.

A guy buys a new Lincoln Navigator from Merlin Motors in Saskatoon for \$62,500.00 (with monthly payments of \$560.00). He and a friend go duck hunting at Tobin Lake in mid-October; and of course, the lake is frozen. These two guys go out onto the frozen lake with their guns, a dog, and of course the new Navigator. They decide they want to make a natural-looking water area for the ducks, something for the decoys to float on. Making a hole in the ice large enough to invite a passing duck is going to take a little more power than the average drill auger can produce.

So, out of the back of the new Navigator comes a stick of dynamite with a 40-second fuse. Now our two rocket scientists, afraid they might slip on the ice while trying to run away after lighting the fuse (and becoming toast, along with the Navigator), decide on the following course of action: They light the 40-second fuse; then, with a mighty thrust, they throw the stick of dynamite as far away as possible.

Remember a couple of paragraphs back when I mentioned the Navigator, the guns, and the DOG? Let's talk about the dog - a highly trained Black Lab used for RETRIEVING, especially objects that are thrown by the owner. You guessed it; the dog takes off across the ice at a high rate of speed and grabs the stick of dynamite, with the burning 40-second fuse, just as it hits the ice. The two men start waving their arms and, with veins in their necks swelling to resemble stalks of rhubarb, scream and holler at the dog to stop.

The dog, now apparently cheered on by his master, keeps coming. One hunter panics, grabs the shotgun, and shoots at the dog. The shotgun is loaded with #8 birdshot, hardly big enough to stop a Black Lab. The dog stops for a moment, slightly confused then continues on. Another shot, and this time the dog, still standing, becomes really confused and of course terrified, so he takes off to find cover, under the brand new Navigator. The men continue to scream as they run. The still-hot exhaust pipe on the truck touches the dogs rear end, he yelps, drops the dynamite under the truck and takes off towards his master. Then BOOOOOOOM! The truck is blown to bits and sinks to the bottom of the lake, leaving the two men standing there with "I can't believe this just happened" looks on their faces and a long, long walk towards home. The insurance company says that sinking a vehicle in a lake by illegal use of explosives is NOT COVERED by the policy. He still had yet to make the first of those \$560.00 a month payments. In case you are wondering, the dog is okay, somewhat bewildered, but okay.



*This article was taken from a column called Odds 'N' Ends written especially for SDC Editors by Pete Yuen, retired Newsletter Editor.*

## What's In Our Garage?

By Tim and Guadalupe Taylor



Our detached garage is a 50-foot by 35-foot structure measuring over 16 feet high at its peak. The roll-up doors are extra wide and extra tall - about 16 feet tall and 14 feet wide. We currently have five vehicles parked inside, but there is room for about three more if we should want to add to the collection. The building is heated and cooled, and it has a half-bath.

### Here are the machines that lie behind those doors in "chronological" order:



1953 DeSoto Firedome four-door sedan. All-original 276 c.i. "hemi" V8 engine. We bought the car several years ago in Montgomery, AL. It drove nicely but had nothing but torn pieces of cloth for upholstery and no headliner whatsoever. The new interior, including headliner, was installed by Billy and Charleen Carey using new, genuine NOS 1953 DeSoto material that we were fortunate enough to find from a vendor in New England.

1956 Ford Mainline 2-door sedan. A very pretty "plain Jane" car with a 223-c.i. inline-6-cylinder engine and three-on-the-tree manual transmission. Tim bought the car in Covington, GA, and has owned it for about 40 years now. It has no rust and the interior is flawless.



1960 Studebaker Champ pick-up. We foolishly bought this vehicle on e-Bay about 15 years ago without ever seeing or driving it. But we were lucky because it turned out to be a gem. It is rust-free and runs extremely well. The seller was in Amarillo, Texas, so we trailered it to Georgia from there. It has a Studebaker 259 V8 engine and a three-on-the-tree manual transmission with automatic overdrive. Actual mileage is just over 40,000. No power options, and steering this vehicle in tight spaces keeps Tim's arms in pretty good shape!

1985 Chevy G20 custom van. Tim inherited this vehicle from his mother shortly after his father died in 1990. With a 305 V8 engine, it is a workhorse that we use to pull the car-hauling trailer, among other things. It has plenty of Wisconsin rust along with some bumps and bruises, but it runs nicely thanks to a rebuilt engine and transmission that were installed around 20 years ago.



1999 Chevy Astro van. We bought this vehicle at CarMax when it was just a couple years old. Back in 2006, we took it on vacation to upstate New York and had a few minor problems with it, so we decided that since it had well over 100,000 miles, maybe we should get a newer, more dependable vehicle for long trips. So we bought a Honda Odyssey for that purpose. Now the Astro has nearly 270,000 miles and runs as well as it did the day we bought it. We use it for occasional hauling and for getting from home to the Silver Comet Trail and back for our bicycle rides. Not sure whether this vehicle will ever die but its longevity amazes us.

**North Georgia Chapter SDC Meeting Minutes**

Sunday, December 5, 2021

Provino's Italian Restaurant, Kennesaw, GA

Report by Bill Startt, Recording Secretary

**Standard Items:**

- Terry Ziemer, President, thanked Chuck Lampman for arranging the meeting and acting as parking lot attendant for those who drove their classics.
- Terry congratulated members with birthdays or anniversaries in the months of November and December.
- Terry also requested prayers for those who are ill or in need. Member Ed Burris has been ill.
- Terry welcomed special guests David Ford and Henry Dabrowski.

**New Business:**

- Terry presented an award certificate to Wayne Lee for his time and efforts, serving as Vice President and his massive efforts in planning and coordinating the 2020 SDC International meeting in Chattanooga, TN, which was eventually canceled due to Covid.
- Election of Officers for 2022: Our newly-elected Officers, agreeing to serve in 2022 are:
  - Bill Startt – President
  - Joe Flannery – Vice President and Recording Secretary
  - Wayne Ziemer – Treasurer
  - Brenda Bodkin – Membership Secretary (until Feb. 2022)
  - Tim Taylor – Newsletter Editor
  - Rick Kamen – Website/Facebook Coordinator
- We are soliciting additional nominees for all open positions.
- Rick requested members to submit news of upcoming events to him.
- Allan Dias, our Southeast Zone Coordinator has suggested that the N. GA and S. GA Chapters coordinate a plan for an International Studebaker Meeting, in Chattanooga, TN for 2023. Bill solicited a show of hands for following up on this request. At this time, there was no interest from our attending members.
- Bill and Kathy Startt will host our February 2022 meeting. It will be held at the Diner at Sugar Hill, 4500 Nelson Brogdon Blvd in Sugar Hill (GA Route 20). Please note the time has changed to a 3:00 PM start time, not the usual 2:00. Take GA Route 20 W. past the Mall of GA or I-985 north from I-85, exit at GA Route 20, turn left for about 2 miles. It will be on the left at the traffic light (Frontier Drive). A deposit is required for less than (20) in attendance. Wayne Ziemer confirmed that a deposit of \$100 (if necessary) will be covered by chapter funds.

**Reports:**

- Treasurer report by Wayne Ziemer: Balance of \$ 4333.86. Wayne awarded a gift certificate (\$50) to Chuck Lampman for his long time (18 years) service as Web Master.
- Recording Secretary Bill Startt noted a correction to family condolences for Cindy Lampman's passing.
- Membership Secretary Brenda Bodkin will not be serving in 2022 but agreed to stay on until a new Membership Secretary is elected/appointed at February's meeting In Sugar Hill.
- Hillholder Newsletter report by Tim Taylor: The Hillholder will begin featuring a new column called "What's in my garage" where members can share pictures and information about their garages, especially those Studebakers.



**Adjournment:**

- President Terry Ziemer adjourned the meeting at 2:45 PM.

# From the December Meeting

## ATTENDEES

Wayne & Terry Ziemer  
Wayne & Ann Lee  
Bill Startt '64 GT Hawk  
Hobo & Brenda Bodkin  
Tim & Guadalupe Taylor  
David & Sharon Stone  
Ron & Arlinda Martinez  
Alan & Rochelle Ziglin '51 Starlight Coupe  
Jim Fisher  
Loren Nelson  
Pete McCaffrey '63 GT Hawk  
Chuck Lampman  
Rick Kamen & Dee Roper  
Bruce Rawley  
Joe Flannery  
David Ford  
Henry Dabrowski



# Celebrations



## JANUARY CELEBRATIONS

### BIRTHDAYS

Phyllis Major	1/07
Rick Kamen	1/08
Frank Petru	1/08
Barbara Loftin	1/12
Wendell Geiger	1/13
Bruce Rawley	1/13
Linda Soncraut	1/14
Arlinda Martinez	1/16
Terry Ziemer	1/16
Richard Forgay	1/17
Bill Startt	1/18
Marilyn Sullivan	1/25

### ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Carol Nichols	1/01
Buddy & Dot Hunt	1/06
Terry & Pat Cloud	1/08
Robert & Yvonne Langford	1/18
Wayne & Terry Ziemer	1/01



## FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS

### BIRTHDAYS

Pete McCaffrey	2/01
David Stone	2/06
Melvin Bohannon	2/08
Wayne Lee	2/20
Kathy Ensley	2/23
Wayne Ziemer	2/25

### ANNIVERSARIES

Billy & Charleen Carey	2/10
Ron & Marilyn Sullivan	2/18
Tim & Guadalupe Taylor	2/27

## North Georgia Studebaker Drivers Club Membership Dues for 2022

Dues are payable now for 2022. \$10 per family gets you the Hillholder and fun times at the meetings. Send checks to Terry Ziemer, 1301 Kristen Lane, Loganville, GA 30052, payable to North GA SDC.

Please remember that to be a member of the North Georgia SDC, you must be a member of the National Studebaker Drivers Club. To join the National SDC, go to [www.studebakerdriversclub.com](http://www.studebakerdriversclub.com), click "About," and then click "Membership."

### North Georgia SDC 2022 Meeting Schedule

- April 3, 2022: Loganville, GA, Host: Wayne & Terry Ziemer, 706-255-5492
- June 5, 2022: Canton, GA, Host: Frank & Beverly Petru, 678-493-0658
- Aug 7, 2022: Douglasville, GA, Host: Guadalupe & Tim Taylor, 404-512-7431
- Oct 2, 2022: Annual chapter picnic at Fort Yargo State Park, Winder, GA, Host: Billy & Charleen Carey, 770-867-2060
- Dec 4, 2022: Cumming, GA, Annual Christmas Party & Chapter Officer Elections. Host: Loren & Helen Nelson, 770-781-3722

# North Georgia Chapter SDC February Meeting

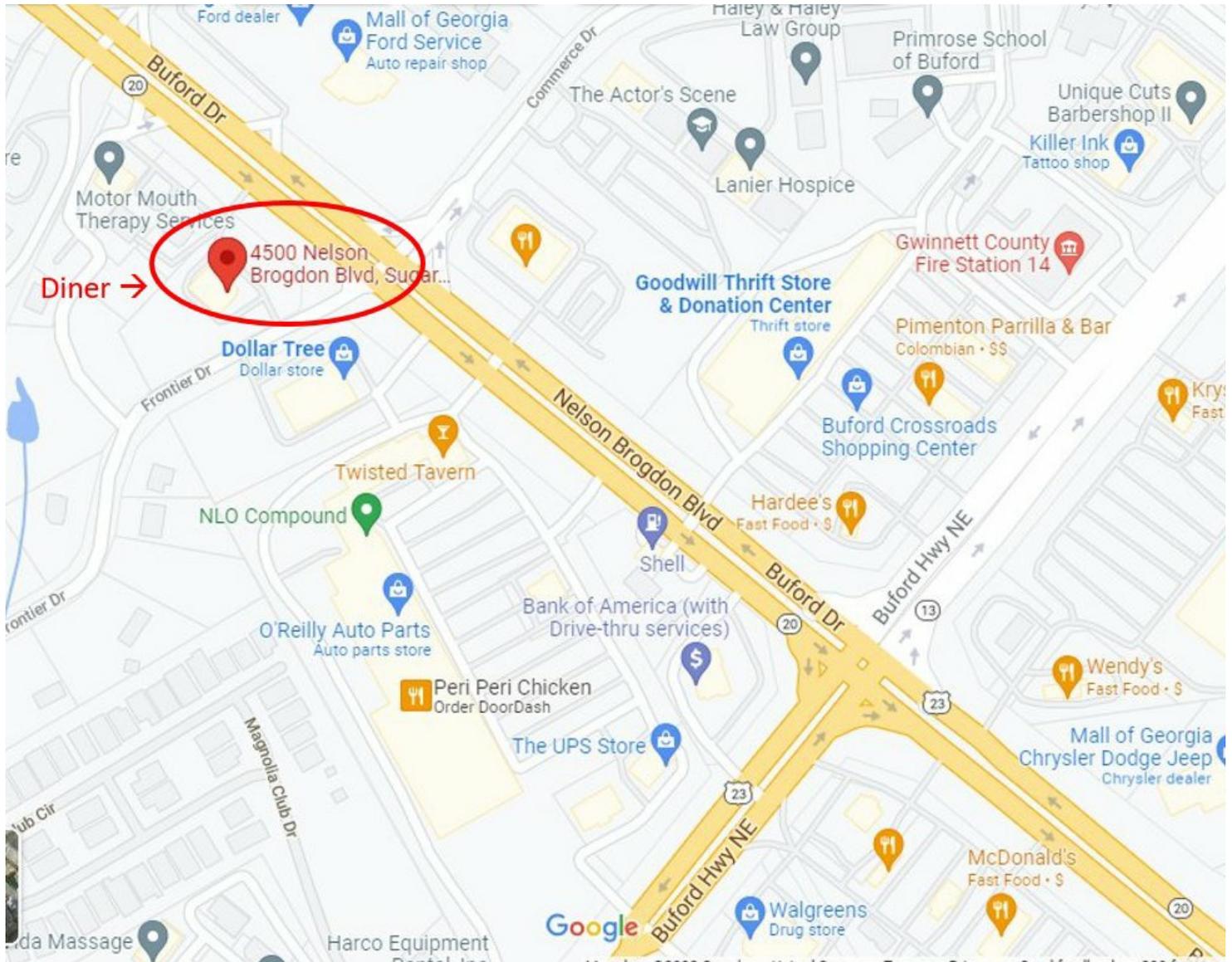
Date: Sunday, February 6

Time: **3:00 PM** rather than the usual 2:00 PM.

Location: Diner at Sugar Hill, 4500 Nelson Brogdon Blvd in Sugar Hill (GA Route 20).

Directions: Take GA Route 20 W. past the Mall of GA or I-985 north from I-85, exit at GA Route 20, turn left for about 2 miles. It will be on the left at the traffic light (Frontier Drive).

Questions? Contact Bill Startt, 678-852-8536.





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These advertisements are provided as a service.. Ads will be posted on a "first come, first served" basis with preference given to Studebaker-related ads. North Georgia Chapter members will be given priority when space does not permit all ads.

Each ad will be posted for 3 months. If space permits, ads can be posted for additional 3-month periods. To extend or delete an ad, contact the Newsletter Editor at e-mail [studebiker@hotmail.com](mailto:studebiker@hotmail.com). One photo may be included for each ad. All ads and photos should be sent to e-mail [studebiker@hotmail.com](mailto:studebiker@hotmail.com). The Newsletter Editor and members of the North Georgia Chapter SDC shall not be responsible for the accuracy and authenticity of the contents of the ad. The advertising party shall be solely responsible for the ad contents, although the newsletter editor reserves the right to reorganize ad contents, without changing facts, to best fit the space available.

## CARS AND PARTS FOR SALE



**1963 GT Hawk.** New Rosemist paint, re-chromed bumper, new fuel pump, water pump, motor mounts, brakes, rebuilt carb, 289 2-bbl duel exhaust, automatic, manual steering and brakes. Original interior. From the Bill Tilden Estate. \$14,000. Richard, 770-775-2064



### SOME THOUGHTS ON RESTORING A STUDEBAKER

Written by Chuck Lampman, this 99-page book is based on articles written by Chuck Lampman, North Georgia Chapter SDC member, that appeared in *Turning Wheels* in the early 1990's and won the SDC Churchill Award for Best Article, Non-paid. Some material edited out of *Turning Wheels* is included

in the book as well as updates and several new items written after the *Turning Wheels* series was published. "Some Thoughts" is aimed at the first-time restorer but will be of value to the more experienced. It is not intended to be a "how to restore" book but gives a look at the decision-making processes, tools, spaces, and basic skills needed to do a restoration. It also provides a framework to help structure a project and contains several chapters of Studebaker-specific advice.

Cost for the book shipped to continental US addresses is \$22.50 plus \$4.00 for handling and postage. Payment can be made through PayPal sent to [chuck@lampman.com](mailto:chuck@lampman.com) or by mailing a check or money order to Chuck Lampman, 4141 Lynette Court, Kennesaw GA 30144-2293.

Contact Chuck Lampman directly for purchases outside the continental U.S.



**1954 Commander** hard top. New paint, bumpers, brakes with finned front drums. Carb rebuilt, new Coker wide whites, original red vinyl interior. 232 V8 3-speed with overdrive. Most exterior chrome replaced with NOS. From the Bill Tilden estate. \$18,000. Richard, 770-775-2064

1956 Golden Hawk, \$19,995. Excellent appearance, excellent driving, always garaged, maintained by Studebaker mechanic, daily driver. Only reason selling making move and no place to house. This car is an eye catcher and people like to have their picture made with it! Chip Branch, 770-532-8993.

Bill Sudderth of Macon GA is interested in purchasing a 1963 or 1964 non-supercharged Avanti. If you have one or know of one for sale, please contact Bill at [jusudd@cox.net](mailto:jusudd@cox.net)



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**1962 GT Hawk.** \$15,000. 289 V8, Flight-O-Matic transmission, power steering, factory air conditioning, white with red interior. We are the second owners. Dan and Barbara Miller, 770-932-1615.

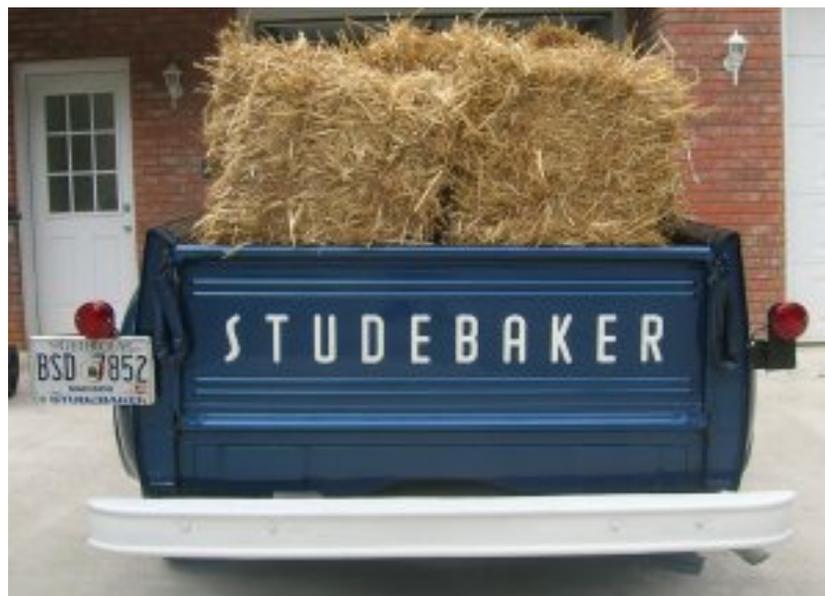


## AVANTI and OTHER PARTS

**Chuck Lampman** has sold his Avanti and has two complete disassembled 259 engines, complete with heads, clutches and bell housings free to somebody who will put them together and get at least one good engine out of the parts. One block has a cracked cylinder wall, so it would have to be sleeved. Also have a 232 crankshaft and various used transmission and other parts I need to get rid of.

Also, for sale, various shop equipment- industrial Lincoln welding machine, bead blasting cabinet with exhaust fan, hydraulic press, other stuff.

Call Chuck at 404 483-5380 to discuss what you need and what he needs to get for the stuff.



**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION  
NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER, SDC**

To join this chapter, complete this application and mail with \$10 dues (\$5 if joining after July 1<sup>st</sup>) check or money order in US funds to the following:

North Georgia Chapter SDC  
c/o Brenda Bodkin  
PO Box 2895  
Loganville, GA. 30052

Note: You must be a member of the National Studebaker Drivers Club to join this chapter.

National SDC Member Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date joined National SDC \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (month/day) \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Companion \_\_\_\_\_

His/Her birthday (month/day) \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Anniversary (month/day) \_\_\_\_\_

Street address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Studebakers owned (Year/Series/Model)

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