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The HILLHOLDER

The official newsletter of the North Georgia Chapter SDC

Photos from the August meeting



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Our next meeting will take place on Sunday, October 1, in Winder, GA. See details on page 8.



Acrylic painting on canvas by Guadalupe Taylor



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Announcing the 60th Studebaker Drivers Club international Meet in Dubuque Iowa June 25-29, 2024. Dubuque is not the flat Iowa landscape you might expect. Come see us in 2024! Our registration starts November 1. Watch Turning Wheels and GroupWorks for details.

President's Message

From Bill Startt

Recently I have been spending my "Studebaker Time" traveling to several car shows in the area. I traveled to Maggie Valley, NC for the NC Chapter Tri-State Studebaker show (55th) and just last week the "big" Car Show at the Cumming Fairgrounds. Both are worthwhile! I'm certain there are some upcoming car shows in your area – Buford, Loganville, Sugar Hill and other locales. Even if you no longer drive or own a Studebaker, you will enjoy these.



Sept / Oct CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

Dianne Smith	9/12
Rochelle Ziglin	9/13
Joe Flannery	9/21
Kathy Startt	9/23
Beverly Petru	9/24
Snell Buchanan	9/27
Susan Duncan	10/01
Tracy Jones	10/14
Marsha Byrd	10/27
Dotty Carto	10/27

ANNIVERSARIES

Ray & Dianne Smith	9/17
Joshua McCord / Susan Duncan	9/22
Pete & Deborah McCaffrey	10/09
Terry & Dora Smith	10/19

SDC – North GA Chapter – Meeting Minutes for August 6, 2023

The Great Chow Chinese Buffet – Morrow, GA

Hosts: Terry and Dora Smith

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Bill Startt at about 3:00 PM. Minutes from our prior meeting were approved by consent.

Introduction of Guests: We had a good turnout today - seventeen chapter members and three guests. Guests included Oscar and Kaira Escarcega from Mexico, the son and granddaughter of Tim and Guadalupe Taylor. Also present as a guest was Trent Stockman.

To Keep in our Thoughts and Prayers: Jim Fisher suffered an attack of heat stroke and is recovering at a rehab facility in Cartersville, GA.

Birthdays and Anniversaries: Meeting attendees pointed out that Dora Smith is having a birthday on August 2, and Rochelle Ziglin in September. Of course, a complete list of July and August birthdays and anniversaries can be found in the July-August issue of the Hillholder. September and October celebrations are shown on page 2 of this Hillholder

Vice-President's Comments (Joe Flannery): Joe was absent in order to attend his son's wedding in New Jersey.

Treasurer's Report (Wayne Ziemer): Wayne provided a treasurer's report showing a current balance of \$4,191.81, which is \$25 more than the balance in the previous report. Our club chapter donates \$250 annually for the maintenance of a Studebaker Commander at the Studebaker National Museum in South Bend, IN. This is done in the name of our members who have passed away relatively recently, which currently includes Dot Hunt, Dan Miller, David Stone, and Richard Knoblock. It turns out that David Stone's last name is misspelled on "Adopted by" sign. This will be corrected.

Membership Chairperson's Report (Terry Ziemer): Terry Ziemer provided a Cornerstone Report as found in the latest issue of Turning Wheels. Alan Stewart and Tina Davis are potential new chapter members as well as Trent Stockman (guest today). Also, Terry has learned of a man with many cars stored in a warehouse who is interested in hosting a visit.

Alan Z. reported that a membership to the SDC is available with no newsletter for \$12, if one chooses to join at a lower dues rate.

Newsletter Update (Tim Taylor):

Tim Taylor provided a newsletter report. He asked if anyone was having any issues with getting their newsletter. Tim sends out each bimonthly Hillholder newsletter approximately two weeks prior to the next meeting. Reminders for future meetings will be sent on our NGSDC group Facebook page. Tim would appreciate more articles, stories, photos, etc. You are welcome to call Tim and discuss possibilities.

Website and Facebook Update (Rick Kamen): Facebook is being kept up-to-date by Rick with new activities and upcoming events.

Old Business: There was further discussion by Bill on ways to financially support the Studebaker legacy. We will vote on options at our October meeting. Please review thoughts and suggestions listed under "New Business" on the next page.

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Meeting Minutes from August 6, 2023, continued**New Business:**

Regarding our supporting the Studebaker legacy:

- The club currently has adopted a car in the Studebaker National Museum, possibly we can adopt another.
- Bill suggested something going towards a legacy fund. He suggested that as a chapter or on an individual basis we could donate to a charity for scholarships such as the RPM Foundation for young adults interested in auto restoration and vintage car repair.
- The SDC has just approved an internship at the National Museum in honor of Bob Palma. The Board of Directors has approved funding for two years. Bob was an active contributor and author to both Turning Wheels and Hemmings Classic Car magazines.
- Hemmings Magazine also has a foundation towards similar pursuits. As described in the magazine, the Internship will afford experience in transportation museum studies and research, preservation and conservation, collections management, and exhibit R & D.
- Alan Z. inquired as to how much money the chapter would be interested in donating. It was suggested that a \$100 donation would be appropriate. A member suggested that possibly a committee could be formed by the chapter to think about that or possibly on an individual basis; good vocal support. Terry Z. suggested any ideas could be submitted to the Hillholder.
- Bill S. reported the South Georgia chapter takes money from the club treasury from their dues to give to charity on a regular basis. Dues would need to increase if our club were to pursue that practice on a regular basis.

Terry Smith has fashioned wood Studebaker table settings for our chapter meetings and donated these to the club. He offered to fashion others for interested members. Thank you, Terry!

An Avanti on display at the Miles through Time Museum in Clarksville was reported by Bill Startt.

Adjournment:

A motion for adjournment was made by Terry Ziemer and seconded Alan Ziglin. For logistical reasons, we did not have door prizes or a 50/50 raffle. Having completed the agenda and concluding all discussions, Bill adjourned the business meeting at approximately 3:10 PM.

Next Chapter Meeting: October 1, 2023 @ 2:00 PM, Fort Yargo State Park, Winder GA. This will be our fall picnic and it is always "pot luck." Hosting the event will be Billy and Charleen Carey. Check page 8 of this Hillholder for more details.

DUES ARE DUE

2024 dues are payable now. \$10 per family gets you The Hillholder and fun times at the meetings! You can give me your payment at the October or December meeting or mail a check to Terry Ziemer, 1301 Kristen Lane, Loganville, GA 30052, payable to North GA SDC. Should you not want to renew your membership in the chapter, please let me know so we can remove your name from our roster and email list. Please remember that to be a member of the North Georgia SDC, you must also be a member of the National Studebaker Drivers Club. To join the National SDC, go to www.studebakerdriversclub.com, click "About," and then click "Membership."



Treasurer's Report, September, 2023

Opening balance:

7/5/2023 \$4,191.81

8/8/2023 adoption \$250.00

1951 coupe \$3,941.81

Submitted by Wayne Ziemer



2023 Meeting Schedule

Oct 1: Winder, GA

Host: Billy & Charleen Carey. Info: 770-867-2060. Annual chapter picnic at Fort Yargo State Park. See page 8 of this Hillholder for details.

Dec 3: Sandy Springs, GA

Host: Joe Flannery. Info: 551-404-8992. Annual Christmas party & chapter officer elections.

2024 Meeting Schedule

Submitted by Ann Lee

Feb 4: Canton, GA.

Host: Frank & Beverly Petru
Info: 678-493-0658

April 7: Powder Springs, GA.

Host: Tim & Guadalupe Taylor
Info: 404-512-7431

June 2: Open

Host: TBD
Info: TBD

Aug 4: Morrow, GA.

Host: Terry & Dora Smith
Info: 404-213-0523

Oct 6: Marietta, GA.

Host: Ron Martinez & Arlinda Eaton
Info: 818-337-9401

Dec 8: Loganville, GA.

Host: Wayne & Terry Ziemer
Info: 706-202-5808
Annual Christmas party & chapter officer elections.

August Meeting ATTENDEES (22 people)

Members

Alan Ziglin 1951 Starlight Coupe
Bill & Kathy Startt
Wayne & Terry Ziemer
Guadalupe & Tim Taylor
Helen & Richard Forgay
Loren Nelson
Terry Smith
Chuck Lampman
Ron & Arlinda Martinez
Wayne & Ann Lee
Henry Dabrowski
Richard Hickok
Rick Kamen

Guests

Trent Stockman
Oscar Escarcega (Tim & Guadalupe Taylor's son)
Kaira Escarcega (Taylors' Granddaughter)

Tri-state SDC Meet in Maggie Valley, NC Photos by Bill Startt



August Meeting Photos

Photos by Guadalupe and Tim Taylor



More August Meeting Photos

Photos by Guadalupe and Tim Taylor



North Georgia Chapter SDC October Meeting

The October, 2023 meeting of the North Georgia SDC will take place at Fort Yargo State Park in Winder GA. **This is a “pot luck.” Bring your favorite dish to share.**

Date: Sunday, October 1, 2023 Time: **Please arrive by 1:30 so we can start eating at 2:00 PM**

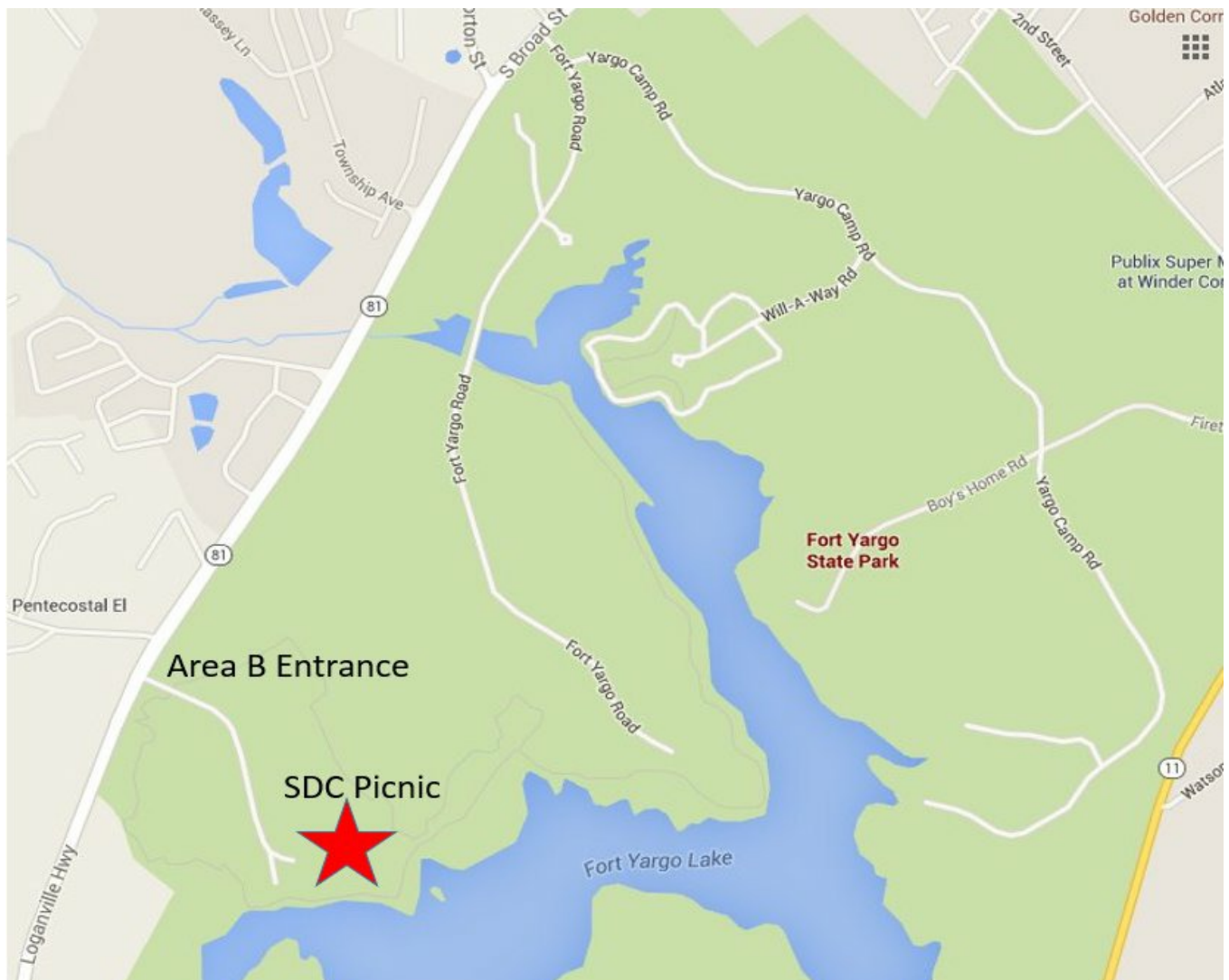
Address: 210 South Broad St., Winder, GA - Use the entrance for Area B! Watch for sign and/or balloons.

Hosts: Billy and Charleen Carey Phone: 770-867-2060

Directions: **From North GA:** Take I-85 to exit 137 for GA Highway 53. Go south on 53, which merges with GA 11 and becomes S. Broad Street, GA Highway 81. Continue to park entrance B. Look for Studebaker sign and/or balloons.

From Atlanta: Take I-85 north to exit 41 and turn right onto GA Highway 316. Continue until you reach GA Highway 81. Turn left onto GA Highway 81. Continue to park entrance B. Look for Studebaker sign and/or balloons.

NOTE: \$5 parking fee will be collected upon entry. The building is air-conditioned.



Bring your favorite dish for an old-fashioned pitch-in meal. (Can be meat, vegetable, casserole, salad, dessert, or drinks. Call Charleen if you need help deciding.) Plates, cups, utensils, iced tea and napkins will be provided.



V-8 Heat Riser Replacement

By, and thanks to, Jerry Blount
Studebaker Center of Oregon, 503-658-6914



Or, as the Shop Manual calls it: “Manifold Heater Valve”

This valve is installed on the passenger side, between the exhaust manifold and the front exhaust pipe connection.

During warm up, the valve is held closed by spring tension and deflects hot exhaust gases into the lower passages of the intake manifold. As the engine warms up, the spring loses its tension and the weight on the valve operating shaft opens the valve, enabling the exhaust gases to pass directly from the exhaust manifold to the exhaust pipe. The valve improves the engine economy by heating the fuel-air mixture, and reduces the time for engine warm-up.

The main failure of these valves, as used on 1955 - 1964 models, is cracking of the main body casting at the shaft pivot points. The valve may seem to be intact up to the time of unbolting the front exhaust pipe from the manifold, but it will come off in two pieces - thus needing replacement.

There has never been an exact reproduction Studebaker heat riser valve ever made, and one reason may be that a certain Cadillac valve has always been available. It fits and functions well on any Studebaker V-8, '55 - '64 (except R-3, R-4 Avanti).

For years, all after-market exhaust system suppliers had this Cadillac valve available. I was selling them myself in the 1980s. Then, they gradually became less available until they were finally reproduced, and those reproductions are what Studebaker parts dealers sell today.

These function perfectly fine on a Studebaker but don't necessarily look the same. They should be installed with the larger side of the internal valve opening to the downstream of the exhaust flow.

Lately, our local Studebaker mechanic, Mr. Chuck Tubens, has dealt with several cars with the valve installed upside down. Chuck then had to remove the valve and install it properly.

So, make certain that your new replacement valve is installed “correct side up”. I typically will mark “top” or “up” on the ones I sell.



Want to see what you missed at the 2013 International Meet? Here's a link to a 2-hour video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?si=hkfwOKfuu6c1xFU3&v=1GC76RAmZb8&feature=youtu.be>

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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. One photo may be included for each ad. All ads and photos should be sent to e-mail 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.



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



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 Forgay, 770-775-2064.



1960 Champ pickup. 42,000 original miles, 259 V8, three-speed with automatic overdrive. Near perfect exterior, decent interior. My only Studebaker since 2004. Well-documented history and maintenance records going back to the original owner in Arkansas. \$14,000 obo. Tim Taylor, 404-512-7431.

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 he needs 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.



1930 Commander, California car. Frame-off restoration in 2005. Needs a few details. Straight Eight engine with manual shift transmission. Runs, drives, and stops. Terry Brooks, Richmond Hill GA, 912-656-3581.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER, SDC

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

North Georgia Chapter SDC
c/o Ms. Terry Ziemer
1301 Kristen Lane,
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)

NOTICE

To be a member of the North Georgia SDC, you must be a member of the National Studebaker Drivers Club.

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