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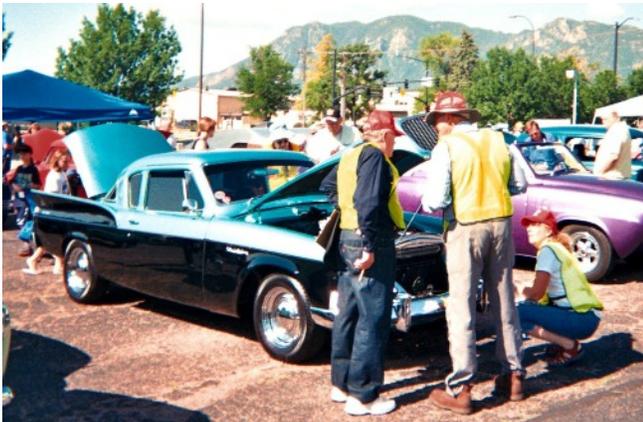
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## SPOTLIGHT 49TH INTERNATIONAL STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB MEET COLORADO SPRINGS CO



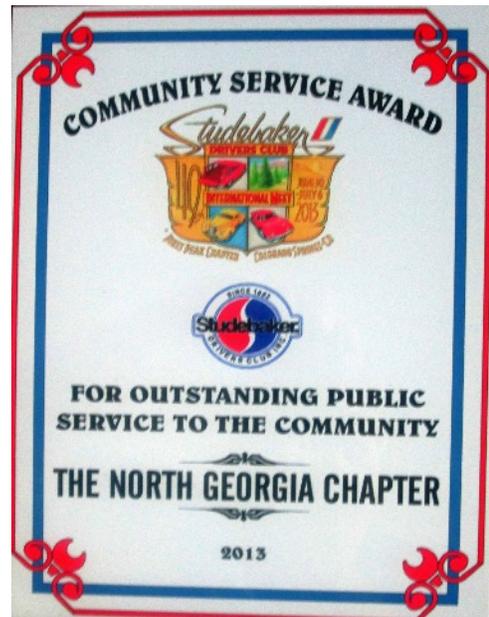
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Judges galore!

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ON THE ROAD...AROUND THE WORLD

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### PRESIDENT'S PROSE

By Ben Alspach



#### HANGIN' WITH THE HUDSON CROWD

This summer we've encountered an unusual set of circumstances that has resulted in our North Georgia Chapter getting together with the local Hudson Club. It's made for interesting observations.

In early July, the SDC International Meet was held in Colorado and many of our members planned to attend. As a result, we elected to forego our normal July North Georgia Chapter SDC meeting. However, not everyone in our chapter was in a position to head west for the "big show." Thanks to some prior contact with the Hudson Club (largely due to the efforts of Alan Ziglin), the white Triangle folks were kind enough to extend an invitation to their July meeting for those of us left behind here in Georgia.

The Hudson meeting was held at a very impressive classic/vintage/muscle car dealership in Lithia Springs GA called "Streetside Classics." There were said to be over 300 beautiful rides on display and we had our run of the place. The gathering included a nice catered lunch (\$7), a brief "program" by a couple of the Streetside Classics folks and, of course, a short business meeting. As I recall, there were maybe thirty Hudson members in attendance and 8-9 Hudson cars in the parking lot. Not that it was a competition, but the North Georgia Chapter was able to muster about 9-10 of our loyal Stude members and at least 5 of our cars out front. All things considered, we made a pretty good showing.

Back in the spring, we'd already made plans to invite the Hudson community to our annual August picnic at Fort Yargo State Park. This came about, in part, as the result of a successful "combined event" hosted by Alan and Rochelle Ziglin in Dunwoody GA in early 2012. We all got to see a lot of new cars that day and had a big group of attendees (not to mention spectators at the park!) Evidently, the Hudson crew liked the collaboration because they were anxious to discuss other cooperative activities between the two clubs. The picnic at Fort Yargo seemed like a natural.

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**Editor's Note:** Another great International Meet was held in Colorado Springs. Hats off to the Pikes Peak Chapter. Bill and I had a great time and saw some really beautiful Studebakers.

I had a chance to have a discussion with two of the newsletter judges who had some good suggestions for The Hillholder. You'll notice the implementation of some of those suggestions in this issue.

Because of space constraints, you will note that the Tasty Treats and Household Hints columns are not included this month. They will return in future issues.

There is another great article from North Georgia member Richard Knoblock about his experiences as a Studebaker dealer's son in this issue. Thank you, Richard, for your contribution.

Have a safe and happy Labor Day and don't forget September 11<sup>th</sup>.

Thought for September: "Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory." Dr. Suess

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### **SOUTHEAST ZONE COORDINATOR REPORT 49TH INTERNATIONAL SDC MEET**

By Wayne Lee

Greetings Southeast Zone Members, I attended the Studebaker Drivers Club (SDC) Board Meeting and also the Chapter President's, Zone Coordinator's and Regional Manager's Meeting.

Following are my notes from these meetings: At the beginning of the Board Meeting, the Board was addressed by an expert on how to conduct meetings in accordance with "Robert's Rules of Order" current/latest edition. The remainder of the Board Meeting was conducted accordingly and the proposed revisions to the National SDC by-laws were reviewed, discussed, and passed. They will be posted to the SDC website in August.

The SDC President now will serve for a two-year term and can serve for a maximum of 3 terms. Zone Directors may serve no more than 3 consecutive two-year terms—7 consecutive years, if assuming part of an unexpired term. Upon reaching these

limits, they can't run again for least 4 years. This does not preclude them from running for another National Officer position during those 4 years. During discussion, an amendment was proposed and passed that would allow current Board members, who have exceeded the newly established term limits, to run for their position 1 more time before having the term limits applied to them.

I was not present for the afternoon session of the Board meeting, but I have learned that the current National SDC Officers were unopposed and will be returning for the coming year.

At the Chapter President's, Zone Coordinator's and Regional Manager's meeting, Carl Thomason, Mimi Halgren and Tom Curtis spoke.

We learned the Board will now meet quarterly via its "Go to Meeting" Internet meeting tool. Also, a new executive committee was established, composed of the SDC President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer plus one Board member. This committee will meet monthly and will handle the day-to-day routine Club business. It was felt these changes will reduce the amount of time the Board needs for its meeting during the annual International Meet.

Current positions for *Turning Wheels* Editor (Ann Turner); *Turning Wheels* Printer (Sheridan Printers); and Membership, Registration and Web page (Mark Wheeler) were all renewed. Additionally, the SDC Store is now being managed by the Studebaker National Museum.

Tom told us that \$10,000 was approved at last year's Board meeting for the redesign of the SDC Internet web site. He reported that work is proceeding and the revised design will feature a Chapter Support Platform, which will be a place where chapters can go to find answers to their questions and interact with other chapters to discuss chapter recruiting, growth and membership.

Tom also mentioned that the Board approved the Marketing Committee's budget request. Recent marketing activity includes creating and publishing multi-generational Studebaker family ads in *Turning Wheels* and *Hemmings Motor News* and the creation of new replacement SDC (Continued on page 10...See Report.)



North Georgia Chapter SDC  
Meeting Minutes  
August 4, 2013  
Fort Yargo State Park GA

Ben Alspach, President, called the meeting to order at 3:13 PM. He thanked the meeting hosts, Billy and Charleen Carey. He welcomed our guests from the Hudson Club; the Miller's son, Michael, and his new family; and Earl and Janice from South Carolina (owners of a Champion convertible). The Hudson Club presented Ben with a brochure for a 1949 Studebaker.

Sign-in Sheet being passed around.

Barbara Miller moved, Charleen Carey seconded, to approve the June 2013 minutes as published in The Hillholder. Motion carried.

Alan Ziglin moved, Mike Byrd seconded, to approve the May 2013 Treasurer's Report as published in The Hillholder. Motion carried.

Ben congratulated those with July and August birthdays/anniversaries.

#### Reports

##### 1. Wayne Lee (Zone)

- a. SE Zone meet is September 6-8 at Maggie Valley NC.
- b. SE Zone has a new marketing plan, including a restyled window cling decal with a scannable QR code that takes you to the SDC website.
- c. Remember the new membership campaign and recruit a new member to the SDC to get a button that says "I Got One."
- d. There will be a survey in the October or November *Turning Wheels* about SDC. Please fill it out and return for a chance to win an iPad mini.
- e. September 14 is National Drive Your Studebaker Day.
- f. Jeff Rice, SDC member, is planning a Studebaker Swap Meet for April 11-12, 2014, in Statesboro GA.

2. John Hollier (Region) Recommended visiting the Dusenburg Museum in Indiana.

3. Bill Delli (Treasurer) Balance 06/01/2013 was \$5171.79. Balance 07/31/2013 was \$4797.34. Complete report will be in The Hillholder.

4. Charlotte Delli (Editor) The Hillholder received 3rd place in the newsletter competition at the International SDC Meet. Point spread for the 3 top places was 74, 72.8, and 72.

##### 5. Barbara Miller (Membership)

- a. The North Georgia Chapter has 2 new memberships:  
Frank and Patsy Lawson from Athens GA, 1956 Transtar Pickup, and  
Macey Lane Smith from Statham GA, 1955 Champion
- b. We have 1 renewal, the Ensleys.

No Unfinished Business

No New Business

Next meeting is Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, hosted by Ben and Janet Alspach at the Varsity in Town Center Mall, Kennesaw GA. It will be in the back parking lot at 1:30 PM. Details will be in The Hillholder.

Alan Ziglin moved, John Hollier seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried at 3:47 PM.  
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**AUGUST MEETING ATTENDEES**

**STUDEBAKER CLUB**

Ben & Janet Alspach	
Chip & Kaye Branch	1956 Golden Hawk
Edward Burriss	1963 Cruiser
Mike & Marsha Byrd	1963 GT Hawk
Buddy & Charleen Cary	1957 Commander
Jim & Doty Carto	1964 Champ
Bill & Doris Cope	
Solon Couch	
Bill & Charlotte Delli	
Sam & Kathy Ensley	
Lory Healy	
John Hollier	1970 Avanti R1
Buddy & Dot Hunt	1961 Champ
Dale & Pat Jakupca	1962 Hawk
Richard Knoblock	1955 Commander
Frank & Patsy Lawson	1956 Pickup
Wayne & Ann Lee	
Peter McCaffrey	1958 Scotsman
Dan & Barbara Miller	1959 Hawk
Jim & Carol Nichols	1960 Hawk
Wayne & Terry Ziemer	
Alan & Rochelle Ziglin	1984 Avanti

**HUDSON CLUB**

Michael Chavez	1954 Hornet
Nancy Duff	
Dan Fullerton	Hudson Pickup
Bob & Lynn Hunt	1941 Hornet
Bobby & Gail Jennings	Vet '76
Henry, Ann & Kelsey Babronski	
Buck & Dolores Scuffram	1964 Hornet
	1963 Hawk
Preston Stevens	

**OTHER GUESTS**

Ethel Young	
Michael Miller Family	
Mike & Carol Rowan	1962 Hawk
Becky Baile	
Tanner Lee	
Doug Legg	1955 T-bird
Faron Stephens	
Bill Swley	

**OTHER CLASSIC VEHICLES DRIVEN**

Hemi RAM Truck by Wayne & Ann Lee



**CELEBRATIONS**

**BIRTHDAYS**

Dianne Smith	9/12
Rochelle Ziglin	9/13
Cindy Lampman	9/14
William Cope	9/15
Beverly Petru	9/24
Charlotte Delli	9/25
Barb Smith	9/30

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Bill & Charlotte Delli	9/3
Ed & Del Lane	9/3
Ray & Dianne Smith	9/17
Joshua & Susan McCord	9/22
Ron & Connie Bergeron	9/25

**Treasurer's Report**

Submitted By Bill Delli, Treasurer

June 1, 2013	\$5171.79
Beginning Balance	
Deposits	67.00
June 50/50 \$47.00	
Dues \$20.00	
Withdrawals	(441.45)
June Flowers \$58.45	
July Adopt-A-Car \$250.00	
July Deposit Christmas Party \$125.00	
Bank Service Charge Feb/May/Jun/Jul \$8.00	
July 31, 2013*	\$4797.34
Ending Balance	

\*Covers two months because there was not an August meeting



**PICNIC MISHAP**

Did anyone see who tore down the parking signs at the picnic in Fort Yargo State Park and left the American flag on the ground? Please contact Billy Carey at 770-867-2060 if you did.



## RECOLLECTIONS OF A STUDEBAKER DEALER'S SON PART 3

By Richard Knoblock

As I mentioned in the first of this series, I became very defensive of the Studebaker brand. My friends were not attracted to Studebakers and drove the usual Chevys, Fords, and SOBs (some other brands). The single exception to that was my friend Paul who, while favoring the V-8 Oldsmobiles, was impressed with how responsive my '54 Starliner was. He purchased a 1953 Commander coupe with an overdrive transmission and hot rodged that for awhile; however, he then purchased a 1935 Ford pickup and replaced the flathead with an Olds V-8. While my friends thought my Studebaker was great looking, they just couldn't bring themselves to actually buy one.

Another friend, Tom, had a 1956 Chevy Bel Air convertible. It was painted lavender and had a nice rake. In the fifties, you either lowered the rear end of a car to achieve a certain look or you raked it by lowering the front. You could actually lower the front suspension or put larger tires on the back to get the same result. Tom and I faced off a few times with our cars—my Starliner and his Chevy. He would always beat me but never by a lot. Even after I installed the 4-speed, I still came up short. Thinking back, I believe I could have beat him if I had shaved the heads and changed the cam on the 259. I also had a problem getting the secondaries on the WCFB four-barrel to open reliably. I accepted the limitations of my Starliner and was never apologetic about it. It was a sharp looking car and fit in very well at any drive-in hangout I went to. I really enjoyed watching other guys duke it out with their hot rods.

Things changed when I got my 1957 Golden Hawk. The average Power Pack (four-barrel dual exhaust) Chevy or Ford was no match for the Hawk. My friend Ed had a 1957 Chevy Bel Air hard top with a Power Pack 283. He always wanted to race but knew in his mind that he would be beaten. When we finally did race, it was no contest. The Golden Hawk was a true factory hot rod that did not need constant care and attention to be quick.

It was great around town and answered the call whenever I floored it. I got my one and only racing citation with the Golden Hawk while racing from a stoplight with my friend Joe and his Ford. We both hired the same lawyer and paid a fine for careless driving—better than losing my license for racing.

My 1963 Daytona convertible was truly a memorable car—blue mist, white convertible top, blue bucket seats, R-2 engine, 4-speed transmission and 3:73 Twin Traction. It was not a package car, which meant that I had to order everything as a line item. Later, a Jet Thrust Package could be ordered and would include traction bars and proper names plates. My car did not have traction bars, but the factory mailed "Avanti Supercharged" name plates to me with instructions for mounting. I was considering a "Super Lark," a stripped down two-door coupe with all the performance goodies, but my friend Tom convinced me to get the convertible. While I was waiting for the Daytona to be delivered, a factory representative drove into my father's dealership with a program car he wanted to sell. Program cars are vehicles that auto manufacturing managers drive for a short time and then offer them for sale below dealer cost. This particular car was a 1962 Daytona convertible, black with black top and 289 with 4-speed. Since the dealer cost on my 1963 Daytona was \$3200.00, my father was hoping I would cancel the order and buy the black one for a price around \$2500.00. I am pretty sure I thought about it for about a full second before I decided not to take the offer. I happened to be at the dealership the day the hauler pulled up with my car. It was on the top level of the hauler, and I nervously watched as the driver drove it off the hauler. After he parked it, he said, "Somebody's got a real hot car here." I proudly told him that the somebody was me.

It was a hot car and looked great. I had a lot of fun beating up the average SOBs. The most notable loser was a 1964 Ford Galaxie 500 convertible with a 352 ci engine and a 4-speed. The guy was really cocky and wanted a piece of my Daytona. My friends talked me into it. We went to one of our favorite straight roads to have it out. It was a beautiful summer evening and we both had the top down. I was a little anxious, but there was no need to be. I handily beat the Ford. He was in so much shock; he kept repeating that his car needed a tune up. He didn't need a tune up. He flat out got beat!

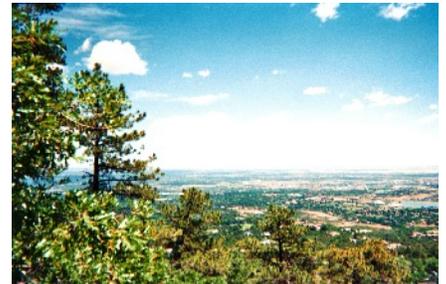
My most notable loss was to a 1963 Tempest with a 326 ci engine with a 4-speed. I was really surprised at how quick that car was. I later found out that it was a (Continued on Page 12...See Dealer.)

**STUDEBAKER SPOTLIGHT  
ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH  
49TH INTERNATIONAL SDC MEET**

Forest fires and flash floods couldn't slow down the 49<sup>th</sup> International SDC Meet in Colorado Springs CO June 20-July 7, 2013. Hosted by the Pikes Peak Chapter SDC, the meet offered great Studebakers and events such as white water rafting, going to Pikes Peak, riding railroads, visiting Cripple Creek and its casinos, visiting museums and enjoying the beautiful Colorado weather and scenery. One of the most notable events was the tour of Rambler Ranch with the largest collection of Nash, Rambler and AMC cars in the world.

This meet was held on the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9<sup>th</sup> International SDC Meet, also held in Colorado Springs. Plaques were presented to SDC members who attended the 9<sup>th</sup> meet and returned for the 49<sup>th</sup> meet.

At the Thursday Concours, 103 Studebakers were judged with 150 vehicles on display. There were 75 vendors offering everything Studebaker. 613 SDC members registered for the meet with over 1300 hundred members attending.



**PICNIC IN THE PINES  
PICTURES FROM THE NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER  
ANNUAL PICNIC AT FORT YARGO STATE PARK GA**



**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS (Add to Roster):**

Macey Lane Smith  
Parents and Sisters Bret & Barb,  
Paige & McKenna  
1261 Dials Plantation Drive  
Statham GA 30666  
Phone: 919-285-9029  
E-mail: cre8worldpeace@gmail.com  
Birthdays: Macey 7/18  
Bret 6/24, Barb 9/30  
Paige 4/1, McKenna 11/6  
Studebaker: 1955 Champion

Frank & Patsy Lawson  
117 Inverness Road  
Athens GA 30606  
Phone: 706-353-1032  
E-mail: McLeer31@bellsouth.net  
Anniversary: 6/12  
Birthdays: Frank 8/24, Patsy 6/10  
National Member #A015528L  
Studebaker: 1956 Transtar Truck

**NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER SDC  
WINS  
COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD**

The North Georgia Chapter was awarded the Community Service Award from the National Studebaker Drivers Club at the 49<sup>th</sup> International Meet.

**Nomination:**

The North Georgia Chapter Studebaker Drivers Club is hereby nominated for the Minnie Barnes SDC Service Award. The members of the North Georgia Chapter embody the spirit of this award through their support of the Studebaker and North Georgia communities.

The Studebaker community is supported in many ways. Donations have been made to the Studebaker National Museum Endowment Fund and the Avanti 1001 Project. The Chapter adopted a 1950 Studebaker as part of the Museum's Adopt-A-Car program in 2011 and 2012 and will continue to do so in 2013. The Chapter's detailed and professionally presented web site is an outstanding representative for Studebaker. Chapter members participate in cruise-ins and generic car shows to promote Studebaker. The Chapter provides business cards to its members, at no cost, to handout at events and one-on-one encounters.

The North Georgia Chapter contributes to the non-Studebaker community as well. In the fall of 2009, Chapter members elected to make the cause of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), more commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease, its primary charity. To date, \$3800.00 has been donated to the ALS Association and the ALS Guardian Angels; an annual fundraiser is conducted in December of each year. In addition, the North Georgia chapter sends donations to various nonprofit organizations in memory of members who have passed away, the latest being the Air Force Wounded Warrior Project.

The North Georgia Chapter donates to disaster relief in North Georgia. The latest contribution was in response to an EF4 tornado, which destroyed hundreds of homes in Gordon County Georgia on January 31, 2013. The victims did not receive federal and state disaster aid and depended upon the community and local relief agencies for help. The Chapter donated tarpaulins, work gloves and dust masks (all items identified by relief volunteers) to the cause.

Members of the North Georgia Chapter are motivated to do these things by their generosity and compassion, not for recognition. But, they deserve to be recognized

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## **TECHNICAL TOPICS**

The following is reprinted with permission from the June 2013 issue of *The Echo*, the official newsletter of the Grand Canyon State Chapter SDC, Chris Collins, editor.

### **YOUR STUDEBAKER SHOULD NEVER BURN**

By Dan Kuhl

In the United States, there are approximately 30 vehicle fires every hour. Mechanical and electrical failures cause three-fourths of these fires. One-third (35%) of the injuries occurred when untrained persons attempted to put these fires out.

In the July 2012 issue of *Hemmings Motor News*, there was an article about the best fire extinguishers to use in our Studebakers should they be involved in a fire. As stated in the local news, this week auto fires become more common during the Arizona summer heat. Until I read the *Hemmings* article, I was not aware my Ace Hardware fire extinguisher would leave a powder residue that can cause extensive damage to the car after extinguishing the fire very effectively.

So what's available on the market that is effective against an automobile fire that will not cause damage to our car's wiring and paint? There are two main types that fit the bill, halon and foam. But neither is as inexpensive to purchase as the Ace Hardware fire extinguisher that I have carried in my Avanti's for the last twenty years.

The halon extinguisher that is most commonly used to protect a collector car contains Halon 1211. It works by depriving the fire of oxygen. The halon contains an inert gas that is not environmentally friendly. Even though further production has been banned worldwide, there is a significant stockpile available on the market. It is the best fire extinguishing agent currently available. A good fire suppressing alternative is foam. It has been available (Continued of Page 10...See Technical.)

(Technical... Continued from Page 9.) on the market for almost a century and has been used very successfully in the aviation industry. It functions by providing a cool layer of water between the fuel and foam that prevents the fuel from forming the vapors that are so flammable. Foam does a good job of sticking to the fuel and is not affected by air flow (wind) as is a halon agent. The foam is easily removed from the contact areas and is not damaging as is the contents of an ABC chemical extinguisher. It does, however, require additional cleaning not associated with the halon system.

Both of the above fire suppressing agents work well; however, Halon 1211 has another advantage. It comes in a convenient small 2.5 pound canister that is easily stored in any Studebaker. The foam is only available in a six liter or larger container. This is way too large for an Avanti trunk or even the back floor seat area.

So, let's talk money. The Ace Hardware ABC chemical system costs between \$25-35 plus who knows how much to clean the chemicals out of your car. They also have plastic components that tend to fail when you least expect it. The Halon 1211 system costs \$130 (red) and \$190 (chrome). A foam extinguisher starts at \$160. These prices were obtained from American Fire Equipment Sales on Virginia here in Phoenix (3107 W. Virginia Ave., 602-433-2484). The Manager will offer a 10% discount on any chrome canister system. The web has many more suppliers, as well. An example from the *Hemmings* article is the following: [www.firefightproducts.com](http://www.firefightproducts.com). You might say these systems are a little expensive, but they are far cheaper than having to pay to replace your Studebaker, and they are refillable/repairable.

So, Studebaker lovers, save your nickels and dimes and purchase a fire extinguisher before you need it. In closing, take a minute to look at the picture of one of David Walker's burned Studebakers. He lost 50 Studebakers in a fire at his Chesnee SC home in February.  
(Editor's Note: Picture could not be reprinted.)

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(Minutes...Continued from Page 4.) Door Prizes were given out.

Ann Lee won \$67.00 in the 50/50. The North Georgia SDC banked \$68.00.

Addendum

Report on National Board from Ed Burris:

1. The SDC is a shrinking, aging club. In 2000, the SE Zone had 1750 members. Today, it has 1349. New members join and stay for just 1-2 years. We need to think of ways to get new members and to get them to stay.
2. National SDC is getting new bylaws. The latest change is that the president has now picked an executive committee. This committee leaves the board with little power (Ed's opinion).
3. National SDC will now be doing Internet meetings through "Go to Meetings" software.

Submitted by

Terry Ziemer, Recording Secretary

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**CALLING ALL COOKS!!**

Break out those aprons and rev up those recipes. The North Georgia Chapter SDC is having its first ever Chili Cookoff.

Bring a crock pot of your best Chili to the October meeting in Winder GA on October 6<sup>th</sup>!

Prize will be awarded by a blind tasting and vote from the members of the North Georgia Chapter.

(Report...Continued from Page 3) window decals (now in a "cling" format that can be easily moved to another window or car). The new clings will be sent to members with their SDC renewals and to new members and can be purchased through the SDC Store.

That's all I have for now. You always can visit the SDC website for the latest news:  
<http://www.studebakerdriversclub.com>.

See you at the SE Zone Meet.  
Wayne Lee  
Southeast Zone Coordinator

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## DON'T FORGET!!!

September 14, 2013 is Drive Your Studebaker Day. Let's set a record for the number of Studebakers driven to a North Georgia Chapter meeting.

SEE YOU IN KENNESAW



## BUDDY AND DOT HUNT



Buddy and Dot Hunt have been members of the North Georgia Chapter and the National Studebaker Drivers Club since 1995. They are well known for driving their 1961 T-Cab Studebaker Champ.

In addition to their Studebaker activities, the Hunts are active members of the Jefferson GA Lions Club and help organize and stage its annual car show to raise funds for charity. Studebaker people are the greatest!!

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(President... Continued from Page 2)

At Fort Yargo, it was estimated we had upwards of 70 people in attendance with maybe 12-14 of those representing the Hudson group. I'm sure there were at least a dozen Studebakers in the parking lot (or under the trees or ??) And I believe five Hudson vehicles made the trip (along with a '55 T-bird). We enjoyed a great pot-luck meal, held a productive business meeting (a little long, my fault) and shared a lot of fun conversation. The Hudson folks surprised me with a nice '49 Studebaker sales brochure (MANY THANKS!) And, I'm also happy to report we took in a couple of new SDC members. It was a full afternoon, but we were definitely hitting on all cylinders!

Our two "orphan marquee" clubs have a lot in common, to be sure. We're both fighting an aging membership trend and it's becoming increasingly difficult to interest newcomers in "odd old cars" that haven't been built in 50 to 60 years. Decent cars are becoming more and more expensive to purchase and keep on the road. I haven't seen a copy of the national Hudson magazine recently so I can only hope it's as well done and "slick looking" as *Turning Wheels*. I suspect the SDC international community is a little larger, probably due to Studebaker's aggressive sales work in the '30's and '40's and a long time presence in Canada, Europe, Australia and other far flung locales. I believe our club also benefits from the continued production of Studebaker vehicles in the '60's. Consider how sparse our car count would be some months without the GT Hawks, Daytona's, Larks, and Avanti's.

I think the occasional meeting with the Hudson club, the Kaiser/Frazier/Willys group or even the Packard club is a healthy thing for us. We can share ideas, meet some new folks and see some different cars while also getting a good "reality check" on our own condition. We have to keep up the energy!

Looking forward to seeing everyone next month (Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>) at the Varsity Drive-in, adjacent to Town Center Mall in Kennesaw. If we have a nice showing of cars, I can almost guarantee we'll attract a curious crowd!

(Editor's Note: For pictures from the picnic at Fort Yargo go to page 8 and from the meeting with the Hudson Club at Streetside Classics go to page 12. )

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(Dealer...Continued from Page 6) sleeper with some engine modifications that were not obvious by looking at the engine. I took my losses in stride, not like the guy with the Ford.

Since the Daytona did not come with traction bars, I enlisted the help of my friend Jim, who was a welder by trade, to install a set on my car. I had the car up on the two post lift so Jim could work on it. Since I was standing around doing nothing, I thought it would be a good time to change the oil. I drained the oil, installed a new filter and waited for Jim to finish. When he was done, I let the car down, backed it out of the shop and locked the shop. The engine was making an unusual noise like a tapping valve lifter, but I did not think much about it. I was excited to have the trac bars. I drove down to a gas station I used to hang out at and talked to some of my friends, all the while wondering about the strange noise. I drove up to the highway thinking that maybe if I cranked it up that would help. That made sense, didn't it? If something is acting strange, beat it up until it stops. Well, I wound that engine tight through three gears, but the sound never went away. All in all, I traveled about 5 miles and then drove home to have something to eat. I made a sandwich and sat down to eat. What the heck was that noise? In mid-bite on the sandwich, it came to me! I ran out to the garage, pulled the dipstick (it was HOT) and got a sinking feeling when I realized that I did not put any oil in the engine. May God strike me down. I swear I then put oil in the car and never had a problem of any kind with the engine. By the way, the noise also went away. That is a testimony to the benefits of STP oil additive. STP was a division of Studebaker, run by the Granitelli brothers, and all Studebakers were delivered with STP added to the oil. It works!

One evening in 1992, while I still lived in New Jersey, I was at a Tuesday cruise night at a local restaurant with my Sky Hawk. I was a member of the Cruisin' Knights and we sponsored the informal gathering every week. A man I did not know came up to me and introduced himself. He said he wanted to share a memory with me. He was at a red light on the highway when I pulled along side with my Daytona; when the light went green, we raced. This type of racing was common and I lived for it. He didn't think I would remember that night since it was almost 30 years before. I asked what car he was driving and he said it was a Chevrolet Corvair Monza Spyder convertible. I told him I remembered it just like it happened yesterday. I was out "checking the posts" with four friends in my car. Checking the posts involved driving through local towns just to see what was happening—if anything, just killing time. When we pulled along side the Spyder, we had a discussion about the car. We all agreed that we did not know how fast it was

but we knew it was turbocharged. There were five people in my car so I felt handicapped. You want to know the outcome of the race? The man said, and I quote, "I've never been beaten so bad in my life and I was totally embarrassed. I just wanted to share that with you." Just gotta love those Studebakers, don't ya? I know I do.

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## PICTURES FROM THE HUDSON CLUB JULY 13, 2013



# STUDEBAKER HAPPENINGS

## NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER MEETINGS

**September 14, 2013:** Kennesaw GA. The Varsity at 2790 Town Center Dr. 1:30 PM. Hosts Ben & Janet Alspach. 770-693-7269. Details on Page 14.

**October 6, 2013:** Winder GA. Winder Woman's Club. Hosts Bill & Charlotte Delli. 770-547-4871 or 4897. Note change in date and location from previous listings.

**November 3, 2013:** Loganville GA. Hosts Wayne & Terry Ziemer. 706-255-5492.

**December 8, 2013:** Buford GA. The Diner at Sugar Hill. Hosts Dan & Barbara Miller and Billy & Charleen Carey. 770-932-1615.

## SOUTHEAST ZONE EVENTS

**September 6-8, 2013:** Maggie Valley NC. 45<sup>th</sup> Tri-state Meet and Southeast Zone Meet. North Carolina Chapter SDC.

**October 11-12, 2013:** Nashville TN. Music City Meet. Middle Tennessee Chapter SDC. Fiddler's Inn. Contact Paul Wallace at 931-703-5318 or Gene Cuthbert at 931-454-2408.

**November 1-3, 2013:** Port St. Lucie FL. Florida State Meet. Sunshine Chapter SDC. Contact Butch Figurella at 561-793-4957. Details on Page 15.

**1963 Avanti Wanted.** Paul Doerring, representative for Hilton Head Island Motoring Festival & Concourse 'd Elegance is looking a nice 1963 Avanti for display 2-3 November 2013 Hilton Head SC. Details at web site <http://www.hhiconcours.com>. Contact Mr. Doering at 843-384-3868 if interested.

NOTE: This is a great event to attend as a spectator as well.

## OTHER STUDEBAKER EVENTS

March 7-9, 2014. York PA. Fairgrounds York Swap Meet. Host Keystone Chapter SDC.

June 28-July 5, 2014: Doreen DE. 50<sup>th</sup> International SDC Meet. Hosts Delmarva Peninsula Chapter SDC. Dover Downs Hotel & Casino. Mark J. Henning Chairman. Go to [www.DelMarVaSDC.org](http://www.DelMarVaSDC.org).

August 16-22, 2015: Marilyn Heights MO. 51<sup>st</sup> International SDC Meet. Hosts Gateway Chapter SDC. Sheraton Westport.

## OTHER CAR HOBBY EVENTS

October 6-13, 2013. Biloxi MS. 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Cruising the Coast. Go to [www.cruisinthecoast.com](http://www.cruisinthecoast.com).

November 22-24, 2013. Moultrie GA. Annual Automotive Swap Meet. Spence Field. Go to [www.moultrieswapmeet.com](http://www.moultrieswapmeet.com)

## ARE YOU READY???

It's the first ever North Georgia Chapter Chili Cook off! Bring your best Chili to the October 6, 2013 meeting at the Winder Woman's Club, Winder GA.

Entries should be brought in crock pots. Winners will be determined by the North Georgia members in a blind taste test.

If you are going to bring a pot of Chili, please RSVP to Charlotte Delli at e-mail [calh407@comcast.net](mailto:calh407@comcast.net) no later than September 25, 2013.

**NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER SDC  
SEPTEMBER MEETING  
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2013  
1:30 PM**

**HOSTS: JANET & BEN ALSPACH**

**770-693-7269**



VARSITY TOWN CENTER  
2790 TOWN CENTER DRIVE  
KENNESAW GEORGIA 30144  
770-795-0802

The Varsity is known for its quick service and food.

Sample menu items include the following:

Hot Dogs 7 Ways \$1.44 to \$2.87

Hamburgers 9 Ways \$1.24 to \$2.83

Also BLT, Grilled Cheese and Chicken

French Fries or Onion Rings \$1.94

Chili Cheese Fries \$2.98

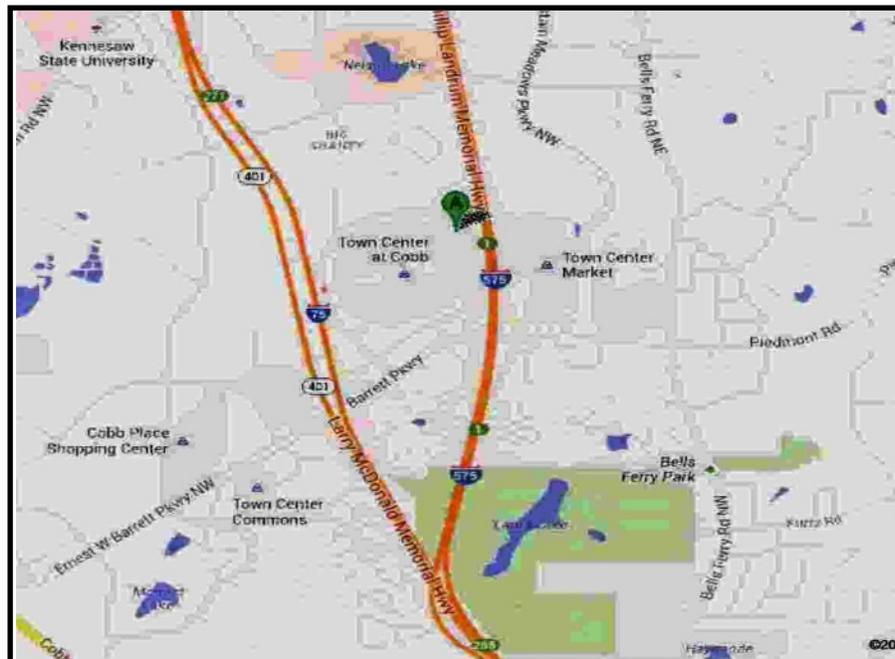
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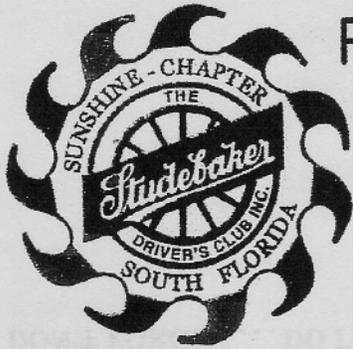
Sandwiches + Fries or Onion

Rings and Drink \$6.24 to \$8.19

FROM I-75: Take exit 269 for Barrett Parkway. Head west toward Town Center Mall. Turn left at any road leading into the Mall from Barrett. There is an outer loop road (Town Center Drive) that goes in a circle around the Mall. Turn right onto this road. Circle around to the back of the Mall until you see the Regal 16 Cinema. The Varsity is next to the cinema.

FROM I-575: Take exit 1 for Barrett Parkway. Head east toward Town Center Mall. Turn right at any road leading into the Mall from Barrett. Then, follow the directions from above to find The Varsity.





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# FLORIDA STATE MEET

"Holiday Inn Port St. Lucie" 10120 South Federal Highway, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1		SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2		SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3	
1 - 9 pm	Registration Open	8 am - 6 pm	Vendors open	9:30 AM	Caravan to Elliot
3 - 7pm	Hospitality - Reception	8 am - 11 am	Registration open		Car Museum
1 - 9 pm	Vendor setup	11 am - 3 pm	Judging entries	Thank you for sharing in our event. --Sunshine Chapter	
7 pm - ?	Fun night activities	7 pm - 9 pm	Awards Banquet		
		9 pm - ?	Fun Auction		

Send registration w/ check payable to John F. Loerop:  
4370 Maurice Drive, Delray Beach, FL 33445  
(561) 498-8280 **Treasurer, Sunshine Chapter**

For Information call Meet Chairmen:  
**Steve Wiley** at (954) 401-7522  
**Butch Figurella** at (561) 793-4957

Holiday Inn rates: \$65 + tax per night standard rm. \$75 + tax mini suite., Cut-off Date FRI OCTOBER 11, 2013 call 1-800-459-5044.  
A pet-friendly hotel. Car wash available Sat. 6:30 am - 9:00 am. West parking lot. Sat. night 6:30 p.m. (cash bar).

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City & State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ No. in Party \_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_  
 General Registration: Individual or family - \$15.00 After September 15, 2013: \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 1st Veh. Registration \$10 Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 2nd Veh. Registration \$8 Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Swap Meet Space Available in the rear parking lot. General Registration is Required.

AWARDS / BANQUET DINNER Choose A = beef or B = chicken or C = fish  
 Record meal choice for each adult attending: A \_\_\_\_\_ B \_\_\_\_\_ or C \_\_\_\_\_ Total meals: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Record meal choice for each child attending: A \_\_\_\_\_ B \_\_\_\_\_ or C \_\_\_\_\_ Total meals: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Adults \$30 X No. of Adults: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Child under 12 \$20 X No. of children: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**TOTAL** - Make check (No cash) payable to John F. Loerop (Treas., Sunshine Chapter) **Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please Register as EARLY as possible. Holiday Inn rooms are limited. Cut-off date Oct. 11, 2013.  
**Holiday Inn Port St. Lucie, 10120 South Federal Highway, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952**  
 Reservations: # 772-337-2200 Fax: # 772-335-7872 or Toll Free # 1-800-459-5044

**Directions: From I-95: Exit Gaitlin Blvd. Go east to Port St. Lucie Blvd. Go north to 10120 S. Fed Hwy.**  
**From Florida Turnpike: Exit east on Port St. Lucie Blvd. Go north to 10120 South Federal Highway.**

I do hereby release and hold harmless **SUNSHINE CHAPTER OF THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB, INC.** from any suits, actions, damages, or claims which may arise from any loss or damage to me, my family, or my personal property during, before, or after participation in this event.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 No registration without signature.



# STUDEBAKER CORRAL



These advertisements are provided as a service for Studebaker enthusiasts. Ads will be posted on a first come, first serve basis with preference given to Studebaker-related ads,, North Georgia Chapter members first.

Each ad will be posted for 3 months. If space permits, ads can be posted for additional 3-month periods. Month of current posting is placed at the end of each ad. To extend an ad, contact the newsletter editor at e-mail calh407@comcast.net.. One photo may be included for each ad. All ads and photos should be sent to e-mail calh407@comcast.net.

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## VEHICLES FOR SALE

**Restorable 1962 GT Hawk.** Rescued from the crusher but owner no longer can care for it. Details can be found at following web site <http://is.gd/rUZ4mr> or call Chuck Lampman 770-926-7142 or E-mail: [chuck@lampman.com](mailto:chuck@lampman.com). (SEP 2013)

**1952 Studebaker Hardtop.** Undergone careful restoration w/rebuilt V-8, new chrome, complete body. Needs paint. \$7000. Jeter Brock 850-623-8758. Milton Fl (JUL 2013)



**1960 Studebaker Hawk**  
North Georgia Chapter member Jim Nichols, Blue Ridge GA, is Selling his 1960 Hawk. Black with Kelsey Hays wire wheels. Beautiful car, as picture attests, with many special modifications too numerous to list. Jim has 4 pages of information concerning modifications and what history he has on the Hawk which he can mail to seriously interested buyers. If interested, please E-mail your mailing address and phone number to Jim at [hawk60@etcmail.com](mailto:hawk60@etcmail.com). (SEP 2013)



**1988 Avanti Silver Anniversary**  
VIN #12AAV324811000303. One Of 27 built. Paxton Supercharger. Original custom white pearlized paint. Black leather interior, Premium wheels, anniversary center caps, 50K miles, power everything, original all-digital dash, A/C (134), sun roof, Sony 6 disc CD changer-am-fm-cassette, trip computer, Koni shocks, new tires, 2.5" diameter stainless steel exhaust with dual port chrome exhaust tips. Original Owner's manual in black leather pouch. \$28, 600. Contact Ron Bergeron at 404-590-7662 or E-mail [ron@atbergerons.net](mailto:ron@atbergerons.net). (SEP 2013)



**1937 Ford Panel Truck**  
Modified with 350 HP engine, Transmission, exhaust, brake System, etc. Fun to ride and drive. Asking \$26,500. Call 770-554-8057 and ask for Hobo. (SEP 2013)

## PARTS, VEHICLE FLOCKS, AND EQUIPMENT FOR SALE

**Studebaker Overdrive Transmission.**  
Make an offer. Contact Preston Stevens at E-mail: [HUDSONEWSS@aol.com](mailto:HUDSONEWSS@aol.com). (SEP 2013)

**Two Vinyl Front Bucket Seats and Rear Matching Seats.** Bucket seats are reclining and the color is Golden Sand. They are all in excellent condition. They came from a Bordeaux Red 1964 GT Hawk. Price \$650. Contact Dan Miller at 770-932-1615 or E-mail [alexmil@comcast.net](mailto:alexmil@comcast.net). (JUL 2013)

**1962 Studebaker Champ Parts + Radiator** tested to 14 lbs no leaks \$100. Complete front axles assembly \$200. Front springs \$70. Four 59-63 full disc hubcaps \$45. Gauges and housing \$25. Speaker housing \$10. Tailgate P2 bed some rust \$125. Master cylinder \$30. Chrome headlight rims \$ 70. Front wiring harness \$120. Gas tank \$150. Gas tank filler neck \$25. Emergency brake Handle \$20. Heater motor \$25. Front fender stainless \$50. Step Bumper \$35. Front panel some rust \$50. Mark IV air conditioner \$50. York compressor \$75. Condenser \$40. Four brake drums 11 inch no hubs \$20 each. Rear view mirror \$10. Glove box door \$10. Stick shift flywheel 12 1/4 inch \$65. steering box \$75. Avanti master

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# STUDEBAKER CORRAL



cylinder \$75. 6-cylinder steering column \$50. 6-cylinder drive shaft \$65. 289 R2 camshaft reground to 290 lift \$125. All parts "as is" condition. Shipping extra.

3.07 Rear Axle Assembly \$100 #27 no brake backing plates. Contact Lenny Major 770-286-8514. (SEP 2013)

## STUDEBAKER MEDIA/MEMORABILIA FOR SALE



### 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 *Training 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 *TW* series was published.

"Some Thoughts" is aimed at the 1<sup>st</sup>

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.

(Note: If mailing payment, notify Chuck by E-mail that the check is coming so that a copy of the book will be available.)

Purchases from Canada, Europe, Asia, and Australia: E-mail Chuck at [chuck@lampman.com](mailto:chuck@lampman.com) for pricing and payment information.

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(SEP 2013)

## NEED PARTS? STUDEBAKER PARTS NEW AND USED

Contact North Georgia Chapter SDC member Dan Miller. Dan can offer parts for less than out-of-town dealers. He also sells

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Contact Dan Miller.

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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION  
NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER SDC**

To join this Chapter, complete this application and mail with \$10.00 dues (\$5.00 if joining after July 1<sup>st</sup>) check or money order in US funds to the following:

**North Georgia Chapter SDC  
c/o Barbara Miller  
1691 Flowery Branch Road  
Auburn GA 30011**

**Note you must be a member of the National Studebaker Drivers Club to join this Chapter.**

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

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ (This Application)

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

Your Birthday (Month/Day) \_\_\_\_\_

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To join SDC, complete application, send with check or money order in US funds to:

**The Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc.  
PO Box 1715  
Maple Grove MN 55311-6715**

Or use VISA or Mastercard, call 763-420-7829, FAX 763-420-7849 or e-mail [sdc@cornerstonereg.com](mailto:sdc@cornerstonereg.com) for information. (DO NOT send ads with your membership. Send ads to *Turning Wheels* editor.)

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