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# THE HILLHOLDER

The official newsletter of the North Georgia Chapter SDC

## **NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER JULY 2015 MEETING**

### **HIGH FLYING AT THE PIZZA WINGS 'N' THINGS**

Pictures at Right  
More Inside



## **DON'T MISS THE NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER ANNUAL PICNIC AT FORT YARGO STATE PARK**

Fort Yargo features a 1792 log fort built for protection by settlers against the Creek and Cherokee Indians. The park contains 18 miles of hiking trails and a 260 acre lake for swimming, boating, and fishing. Overnight visitors have accommodations ranging from fully equipped cottages to campsites. Of particular interest are the yurts.

## **MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS**

for the SDC International Meet  
August 16-22 2015



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***YOU JUST CAN'T KEEP A GOOD VINTAGE  
CAR LOVER DOWN***

North Georgia Chapter member Alan Ziglin has been incapacitated for the past few months by surgery to both feet, which has resulted in a lot of pain for him. He has been virtually homebound during this time. As you have read in articles that Alan has written over the past four years for this newsletter, he had a wish list of cars that he wanted to add to his stable of cars that currently includes three Studebakers—a 1929 Commander (Stu), a 1951 Commander Starlight Coupe (Bullet) and a 1984 Avanti—plus a vintage 1952 Chevy Bel Air and several vintage Pontiac's. The lure of adding one more car from his wish list was enough to inspire Alan to ignore his physical condition and find just one more vintage car. His story follows below.

"The only thing that I was really lacking in my car collection was one with a 4-on-the-floor manual transmission. I have been aware for years that there is an auction in Raleigh NC twice a year where many of the cars are survivors (which I like). Rochelle and I have lifelong friends going back to Graduate School days in the very early 1970's who live in Raleigh. I have tried to get to one of the auctions and to visit with our friends for the last couple years, but it never worked out. As we planned our 2015 travel plans (old cars and otherwise), we said we would go to Raleigh in June 2015. As things turned out with my foot issues, we have canceled over half of what we had planned to do so far this year, but Raleigh seemed like a trip to keep since if we got half way there and my foot was not tolerating the trip well enough, we could simply turn around and come back home.

In past years, the auction catalogue has often had survivor cars I would have loved to have. The catalogue for June 2015 had lots of interesting cars but none that I really wanted to own. That was fine since I wanted to go and see how the auction was handled so I'd know for the future if a car came up that I was especially interested in. Well, as it turned out, a car was offered that was not in the catalogue. A 1968 Pontiac Grand Prix 2-door hardtop with the larger 428 engine; 3 two barrel carburetors; and a 4-on-the-floor. It had been restored some time back and while it needs some work, as I have now gone over the car carefully with my mechanic, it appears I got a very good car. This is the last year for the full size Grand Prix's. In addition, it comes with lots of documentation, including a GM document specifying there were only 195 of these cars produced !!

So, I now own three cars with clutch pedals (Stu, Myrtle and the new one) which I cannot drive because of my left foot problems...but all the more reason to get past this frustrating period and back on my feet. (Literally!)"

(Editor's Note: The new Grand Prix went into the shop shortly after Alan got it. But, as he says, "Why not since I can't drive it.")

See picture on page 4.



# TECHNICAL TOPICS

This month's Technical Topic is an excerpt from the "Odds N Ends" column written by Pete Yuen. Mr. Yuen is a retired newsletter editor and writes his column for other SDC newsletter editors.

Mr. Yuen's contribution is greatly appreciated.

## Erratic Steering

There are two reasons for erratic steering on a car, the first being caused by a driver who had been partying too much or it may be a problem of mechanical nature. The first problem could be solved with a police officer. We will look at the other causes, mechanical in nature.

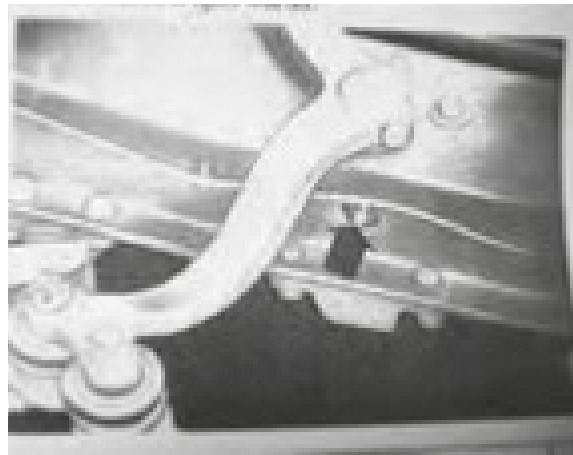
Erratic steering on our Studes if it is equipped with a Center Pin steering system as used in the GT Hawks, Larks and basically the Studebakers with the independent front suspension from 1950 through the rest of the years of production, can be caused if the bolt (Keeper) which binds and locks the bell crank on to the center pin is loose or Insufficiently tightened. **The bolt on the bell crank should not be replaced with another bolt of the same size unless it has the same strength, Grade 8.** The original bolt has the 6 of 8 strikes or marks radiating to the outer edges of the hexagon head. This denotes or identifies a bolt with a tensile strength of approximately 180,000 pounds per square inch. The Grade 5 bolts that are most commonly used on cars have 3 strikes on the head. Its rated strength is 120,000 PSI. The bolts without strikes on the heads are Grade 2 bolts and have a tensile strength of 64,000 PSI.

Excessive wear on the center pin and/or the bearings or bushings can cause the car to steer improperly also. If the center pins were well lubricated, especially in the '62 and earlier models that had needle bearings, they would last thousands and thousands of miles. The '63 and later models of Studebakers used bushings in the center pin

assembly. These assemblies are considered inferior to the ones used in the preceding models. The assemblies are interchangeable. Parts numbers 155437 and 1542212.

Much of the premature wearing of the pin is due to the assembly being overlooked or ignored when the car gets a lube job. If you are handy around the car, you could do the lubrication yourself.

The grease fitting is located in the middle of the front cross member of the frame and found on the engine (inboard) side of the member.



The arrow points to the grease fitting. Picture is taken from the engine compartment after the engine was taken out.

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## ADD NEW MEMBERS TO ROSTER

Molinelli, Kenneth and Mary  
130 Ridley Lane  
Decatur GA 30030  
Phone # 404-372-0719  
E-mail: kmolinel@gmail.com  
Birthdays: Kenneth 8/5, Mary 7/21  
Anniversary: 8/27  
Club Member Since 2015  
National Member Since 2012  
National Member #A014508M  
Studebaker: 1962 GT Hawk



North Georgia Chapter SDC Minutes  
Sunday, July 12, 2015  
Loganville GA

Wayne Ziemer, President, called the meeting to order at 2:50 p.m. Meeting was hosted by Wayne and Terry Ziemer. Sign-in Sheet being passed around. He welcomed our guests and new member, Kenneth Molinelli.

Terry Ziemer moved, Barbara Miller seconded, to approve the June minutes as published in The Hillholder. Motion carried.

Charleen Carey moved, Charlie Attaway seconded, to approve the May treasurer's report as published in The Hillholder. Motion carried.

Wayne congratulated those with July birthdays/anniversaries. Those to keep in our thoughts: Brenda Bodkin, surgery; Alan Ziglin getting better (he bought a new car!)

#### Announcements

Wayne asked how many would be going to the National Convention in St. Louis. 3 responded yes.

#### Reports

Bill Delli (Treasurer) – Balance 6/1/2015 was \$5721.66. Balance 6/30/2015 is \$5686.62. Complete report will be in The Hillholder.

Barbara Miller (Membership Secretary) – no report

Charlotte Delli (Editor) – no report

No Unfinished Business

No New Business

Next meeting is the annual potluck picnic, August 2, 2015 at Fort Yargo State Park hosted by Billy and Charleen Carey. Details will be in the July Hillholder.

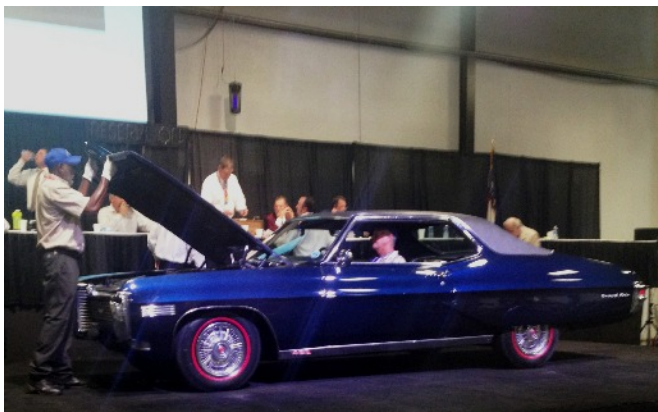
Motion to adjourn by Vicki Green, seconded by Bill Delli, at 3 p.m. Motion carried.

Door prizes given out. Charleen won \$ 47.00 in the 50/50. The club banked \$47.00.

Submitted by

Terry Ziemer, Recording Secretary

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Alan Ziglin's latest acquisition. It is not a Studebaker, but it is beautiful just the same.

NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER  
JULY 2015 MEETING  
ATTENDEES

Charlie & Hellen Attaway	
Hobo & Brenda Bodkin	
Melvin Bohannon	
Mike & Marsha Byrd	1962 Hawk
Billy & Charleen Carey	
Jim & Dotty Carto	1964 Champ
Solon Couch	
Bill & Charlotte Delli	
Richard Forgay	
Billy Greene	
Dot & Buddy Hunt	
Richard Knoblock	1956 Hawk
Rick Kamen	
Wayne & Ann Lee	
Bob Lytle	
Pete McCaffrey	
Dan & Barbara Miller	
Kenneth Molinelli	1962 GT Hawk
Vicki Greene Noreen	
Tim & Guadalupe Taylor	
Wayne & Terry Ziemer	1953 Coupe
Guests:	
Oscar & Lizet Escarcega	
Kaira Escarcega	
Tammy Lytle	
Marguerite Smith	
Ethel Young	

## AUGUST CELEBRATIONS

### BIRTHDAYS

Chip Branch	8/1
Linda Fisher	8/1
Dora Smith	8/2
Billy Carey	8/3
James Palmer	8/4
Kenneth Molinelli	8/5
Ben Alspach	8/9
Brenda Phillips	8/9
Loren Nelson	8/24
Deborah McCaffrey	8/29

### ANNIVERSARIES

James & Kathy Palmer	8/13
Bill & Doris Cope	8/16
Mike & Marsha Byrd	8/23
Ron & Arlinda Martinez	8/26
Kenneth & Mary Molinelli	8/27
Lenny & Phyllis Major	8/31

### Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Bill Delli, Treasurer

Beginning Balance	\$5721.66
June 1, 2015	
Deposits	44.00
June 50/50	
Withdrawals	79.04
Postage Mailing Newsletter & Roster	\$15.84
Flowers	\$63.20
Ending Balance	\$5686.62
June 30, 2015	

Editor's Note: Well, I am on the downward slope. Only four more issues until your new editor, Tim Taylor, takes over. Take time to thank Tim for volunteering the next time you see him. My feelings are bittersweet. I will miss doing the newsletter, but it is time to hand over the reins to someone new.

Not much else to talk about. Hope to see you all at the picnic in August.

Thought for August: "Remember to be gentle with yourself and others. We are all children of chance and none can say why some fields will blossom while others lay brown beneath the August sun." Kent Nerburn (American Author focused on Native American and American culture)



## **NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER**

### **JULY MEETING PICTURES**

#### **NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER SEPTEMBER MEETING**

A question has been raised about why the September 2015 meeting of the North Georgia Chapter is scheduled on the same weekend as the Tri-state Meet in North Carolina.

The meeting schedule for the Chapter is finalized about 6 months before the start of the new meeting year. This is necessary for planning and to allow time to notify the *Turning Wheels* Editor so that the schedule can be included in the SDC magazine. *Turning Wheels* likes to have a year's whole schedule at one time for efficiency. Having the meeting schedule in *Turning Wheels* is a real benefit for the Chapter. For example, the meeting schedule for 2016 is being finalized right now. North Georgia member Ann Lee is arranging the meeting schedule and has done so for the past few years. This is not an easy task and doing the scheduling in such a timely manner provides a great service to the Chapter.

When the 2015 schedule was arranged, the date of the Tri-state Meet was not known for sure and was not announced in the *Turning Wheels* until May 2015. The North Georgia Chapter could not wait this long to establish its 2015 schedule. Also, after last year's September meeting, many North Georgia members expressed a desire to have the 2015 September meeting on "Drive Your Studebaker Day," which is on September 12, 2015.

That is why the 2015 September meeting is on the same weekend as the Tri-state Meet.





# STUDEBAKER CALENDAR

## NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER MEETINGS

### 2015 MEETINGS

**August 2, 2015:** Winder GA. Hosts: Billy & Charleen Carey. Annual Chapter Picnic at Fort Yargo State Park. 770-867-2060.

**September 12, 2015 (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday):** Snellville GA. Hosts: Lenny & Phyllis Major. 770-207-6129.

**October 4, 2015:** Acworth GA. Hosts: Ben & Janet Alspach. 770-693-7259

**November 1, 2015:** Hiram GA. Hosts: Tim & Guadalupe Taylor. 706-788-3061 NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS NOTICE.

**December 6, 2015:** Marietta GA. Hosts: Hobo & Brenda Bodkin. Annual Chapter Christmas Party and 2016 Officer Elections. 770-696-5665. NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS NOTICE.

MANY THANKS TO ANN LEE FOR  
PUTTING TOGETHER THE NORTH  
GEORGIA 2015 MEETING SCHEDULE.

**38<sup>th</sup> Annual Studebaker State Meet**  
"Studebaker: The War Years"  
Gateway Grand Hotel  
Gainesville FL  
OCTOBER 9-11, 2015

Friday 6:00 PM: USO Party honoring veterans  
Saturday: Concours & awards banquet. Guest speakers Andrew Beckman and Tuskegee Airman Daniel Keel  
Sunday: Coffee & Donuts at the Cade's Studebaker collection. Newberry FL

## SOUTHEAST ZONE EVENTS

**September 11-13, 2015:** Maggie Valley NC. The North Carolina SDC Annual TRI-STATE MEET. Smokey Falls Lodge (828-926-7440). Contact David Hauser at 336-945-3818. E-mail: westbend-dave@triad.rr.com.

**October 9-11, 2015:** Gainesville FL. 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Studebaker State Meet. Gateway Grand Hotel. Hosts: North Central Florida Chapter SDC. For more information, go to [www.bullethead.org](http://www.bullethead.org).

## OTHER STUDEBAKER EVENTS

**August 16-22, 2015:** St. Louis MO. 51<sup>st</sup> International SDC Meet. Hosts Gateway Chapter SDC. HQ: Sheraton Westport. Go to [www.sdc-meet.com](http://www.sdc-meet.com) for information. Contacts: Don Hart at 636-928-1443 e-mail: dscth@swbell.net or Lew Schucart at 314-298-9991 e-mail: lschuc@mac.com.

**September 12, 2015:** International Drive Your Studebaker Day.

**2016: Warrick R.** 52<sup>nd</sup> International SDC Meet.

**2017: South Bend IN.** 53<sup>rd</sup> International SDC Meet.

## NON-STUDEBAKER CAR EVENTS

For a complete listing of cruise-ins in the southeast, go to the following web site: [southeastwheelevens.com](http://southeastwheelevens.com)

### OFFICER ELECTIONS!!

Nominations for 2016 officers takes place in November. That is just 3 months away.

This year at least 2 officer positions will have to be filled by new members because of term limits.

Volunteers are needed. Think about this and ask yourself what can you do for your Chapter!!!

***NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER SDC  
ANNUAL PICNIC  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2015  
2:00 PM***

***Pitch-in Dinner***

HOSTS: BILLY & CHARLEEN CAREY

HOME: 770-867-2060

CELL: 770-967-7186



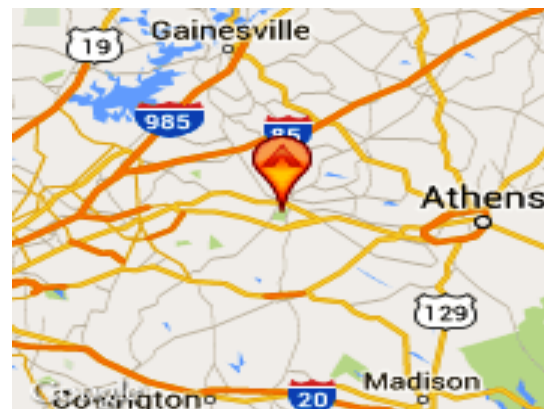
PICNIC SHELTER B  
FORT YARGO STATE PARK  
210 EAST BROAD ST.  
WINDER GA  
USE AREA B ENTRANCE  
PARKING FEE \$5.00  
SEE SIGNS FOR PARKING

Bring your favorite dish for an old-fashioned pitch-in dinner. (Can be meat, vegetable, casserole, salad, dessert or drinks.) Plates, cups, silverware and napkins will be provided.

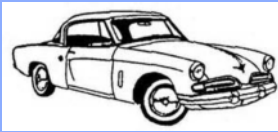
**DIRECTIONS** From I-85 North: Take Exit 137 for GA Highway 129. Go south on 129. Turn right onto GA Highways 11/81. Continue to park.

From I-85 South: Take 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.

THERE ARE **TWO ENTRANCES** TO FORT YARGO STATE PARK. TAKE **AREA B ENTRANCE**. PICNIC SHELTER B WILL BE ON THE LEFT.







# STUDEBAKER CORRAL



These advertisements are provided as a service.. Ads will be posted on a first come, first serve 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. Month of current posting is placed at the end of each ad. To extend or delete 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. 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..

## VEHICLES FOR SALE

**1962 Studebaker Champ.** 7E7 64 259 Engine, AFB Carburetor, 3-speed over-drive floor shift, twin traction, Chevy drums & wheels, newer tires, dual exhaust, rebuilt clutch, many new and rebuilt parts, chrome front bumper, NOS Lark grille & molding, '63 brakes with hydravac. \$8000. Call Lenny at 770-286-8514. If no answer, leave message. (JUL 2015)

**1941 Champion.** Award winning classic car, low actual miles at 49328, inline 6 with overdrive, 3 speed, 4 door sedan. Owner has had it since 1949. It has been garaged in great condition. Two owners—the US Navy and the current owner. Not modified. Original motor, bumper etc. No wrecks. \$19000. Contact Brenda or Benton Wheeler. 918-232-5580 or brenwhlr@gmail.com. (JUL 2015)

## WANT TO BUY

**1950 or 1951 2-door.** Either a sedan or Starlight Coupe to restore. Contact Fred Martin 770-388-9151 (JUL 2015)

## PARTS FOR SALE

**Studebaker Hawk Parts.** Studebaker Hawk parts for sale including a very nice hood that has been media blasted and primed along with some other front end pieces. Includes a few other pieces as well. These are from a 1961 Silver

Silver Hawk:

1. Very nice hood \$250
  2. Decent front valance/air deflector \$200
  3. Front bumper driver quality
  4. Rear bumper, chrome is peeling
  5. Set of Hawk wheel covers
  6. Miscellaneous stainless steel trim
  7. Chrome grill surrounds, some pitting
  8. Pair of fins, rough
  9. Pair tail lights with media blasted surrounds
  10. Three of four wheel opening mouldings
  11. Other miscellaneous parts, inquire.
- Will sell parts outright or consider some trades for 1953 or 1954 Studebaker CK pieces, including a hood, front fenders or front bumper. Contact Don Elliott, Marietta GA 404-915-6434. (JUN 2015)



## 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 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 US. (JUN 2015)

## NEED NEW OR USED STUDEBAKER PARTS?

Contact Dan Miller, North Georgia SDC member, for parts at prices less than out-of-town dealers and "ZDD Plus™" oil additive that replaces zinc.

Telephone: 770-932-1615.  
E-mail: [alexmil@comcast.net](mailto:alexmil@comcast.net)

## 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)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse/ Companion:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse/companion Birthday (Month/Day)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Wedding Anniversary (Month/Day)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_ **ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Studebakers Owned (Year/Series//Model)**

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### NOTICE

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

To join the National SDC, go to the web site [www.studebakerdriversclub.com](http://www.studebakerdriversclub.com). Click on "About" then "Membership."

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