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Next Meeting:

**Thursday, July 19th - 7:30 p.m.
Marjorie Post Park Community Room**

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



It's July and its hot! As the summer heats up and we work on our cars, let's be safe and chock those wheels set those jack-stands.

The Nutmeg Chapter in Connecticut will be holding their Studebakers Drivers Club Summer Picnic Sunday July 22, 2018 at Hubbard Park 999 W Main Street Meriden, CT 06451 (Bring a salad or desert). If anyone would be interested in attending let me know, we can get a Studebaker caravan going.

Also, the International Meet for 2018 is in Seattle, Washington August 29th thru September 1st. Contact Laurel Berry at 253-631-5076 for more information.

Our upcoming events are listed here in our Newsletter. Please notify or remind your friends and others who have attended our show in the past that the Venue has changed to Heckscher Park in Huntington off Main Street. It will be important to get the word out as we attend car shows before ours. Last month a copy of the flyer for our show was included in the "Spotlight" newsletter along with a sponsor letter for your convenience. Please make copies and pass them out when you attend other show.

As members of the Studebaker Drivers Club Long Island Chapter which is in good standing for over 50 years, it is important for each of us to build membership for the future. Often times, people I meet and speak to about Studebakers, remember owning one or their parents owned a Studebaker years ago. I try to urge them to join or try to buy

MEETING INFORMATION

Third Thursday of every month

7:30 p.m.

Community Room

Marjorie Post Park

Massapequa

New members welcome!

their favorite Studebaker. I recently had a young man visit the shop and he was most interested in an Avanti that was outside the shop. We spoke for a while and he may be looking for an Avanti himself very soon. Building the club membership is a way we can preserve the History of Studebaker and pass the hobby to some younger folks.

Our meeting will be on the 19th of July and I hope to see you all there. If you have any projects you are working on, please share. If you are looking for parts, let us know.

Be safe and stay cool!

Kevin Healion, President
Long Island Chapter Studebaker Drivers Club

JUNE MEETING RECAP



Meeting start and Flag salute at 8:27 P.M.

MAY RECAP:

Recording Secretary Roger Price read the Meeting Recap from our May meeting. This was accepted (Howard Naval, seconded by Dave Evans).

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Our treasurer, Frank Sammon, was absent from our May meeting. He will report all expenses and income for May and June at our July meeting.

Frank did report our current checking and savings account balances.

REUNION SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

There was a lengthy discussion regarding our upcoming Reunion Sunday and Orphan Car Show. I brought a box of 50 Hagerty goody bags filled with back issues of *Turning Wheels*.

Our membership was encouraged to solicit sponsors for trophies to be awarded.

President Kevin Healion stated that he would like to have a table set up, at the show, to hold the trophies as well as items to be raffled off. If any of our members would like to present an item to be raffled, the club would reimburse the member for any expenses incurred.

Kevin reminded everyone that, on the last page of the Spotlight, there is a paper to be used to record any contributions to our club for trophies. Just copy it and use it.

Kevin urged all in attendance to get out and distribute flyers for our show. Cruise nights and other car shows should be targeted.

MEMBERSHIP

There was a discussion regarding how to retain members or former members in our club. There was a decision to send those people a final newsletter asking them to consider renewing their membership.

THE GREAT RACE

The Mohawk Chapter, SDC, is trying to be a sponsor of a car entered in the Great Race, scheduled to begin the end of this month. They are requesting some financial assistance. So far, they've raised \$350. We, by unanimous vote, decided to send them a check for \$100. We hope it helps.

DISCUSSION OF PAST SHOWS THIS YEAR

Kevin commented that the Old Westbury Car Show was terrific. He took a number of photos, which you can see in the Spotlight.

I reported on the Bayport Aerodrome show and encouraged all our members to participate in the show next year. They will not be disappointed.

The Automat Car Show will be on June 30th.

Our picnic/barbecue will be at **Belmont Lake State Park** on **Sunday, August 26th** with a 9 A.M. start.

We decided that our **Holiday Brunch** will again be at **Capt. Bill's** in Bay Shore. If all goes well, the date will be **Sunday, December 9th**. More information will follow. Kevin will try to lock up the date for us.

CAR STUFF

Tom reported that former member Joe Rodriguez gave him a bunch of Studebaker stuff. Tom is looking for someone to take it off his hands. One possibility would be to bring the stuff to our car show to sell.

Charlie Lanza gave us a brief update on the status of his Packard Hawk.

50/50 was won by Cathy Sammon, who donated the winnings back to our treasury.

Our meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Roger Price, Recording Secretary

NORTHEAST ZONE NOTES

Well, summer is finally here! The car that looked so good in the dark garage last winter is now seeing the light of day. Where did all those paint scratches and road rash come from? Oh well, at least I am out

driving and enjoying my Studebaker and fielding all the usual comments, “Who built Studebakers,” “Is that a 289 engine from a Mustang,” “My grandparents had a Studebaker.”

A lot has happened so far this driving season. The Nutmeg Chapter held another successful Zone Meet in Enfield, CT with over 50 Studebakers in attendance. The Great Race had all of the five Studebaker entrants finish the 2,300 mile journey, I mean endurance event. The Studebaker Drivers Club was represented by two SDC Chapters, John Corey (1954 Landcruiser) from the Mohawk Chapter, who provided a daily blog, “Team 39”, of his experiences and the Hamilton Chapter with Ron VanderMarel (1937 Coupe) from Waterdown, Ontario who won Best in Class . Other Studebakers included Annegret Reichman (1955 Speedster) from Kirkland, Washington; Dan Elliott (1956 Sky Hawk) from Marietta, Georgia and Neil Myerscough (1960 Hawk) from Brooksville, Florida. A special thank you goes out to the Atlantic Canada Chapter, Iroquois Chapter, Kinzua Chapter, CNY Chapter, Mohawk Chapter and the Long Island Chapter for the financial support they provided for our own John Corey, from Melrose, New York.

Reading the President’s Column in the July issue of Turning Wheels, (yes that is my GT Hawk on the cover, thank you Steve Magione) you can see that the SDC is looking to better define the positions of Regional Manager and Zone Coordinator. This is a direct result of an analysis of our membership provided by Cornerstone Registration, Ltd. Below is a partial representation of the Northeast Zone, by state, over the past seven years, from 2007 to 2013. New member recruitment has been good but member retention needs some work. This is how the states in our Northeast Zone stack up.

Year	CT	MA	ME	NH	NY	RI	VT	CANADA
2007	125	174	56	60	423	32	44	266
2008	122	163	54	55	423	32	38	267
2009	118	160	54	52	409	32	44	274
2010	123	160	53	51	424	33	47	277
2011	116	163	59	53	410	31	45	286
2012	109	149	58	50	383	28	40	269
2013	109	144	51	60	388	27	40	267

Regional Managers, Bill Waterhouse and Bill Jarvis are now receiving monthly updates on the status of the members in their areas. We still need Regional Managers for New York and the Maine/New Hampshire/Vermont locations. Much thanks to Paul Shuffleburg and Charlie Davis, who have been filling in until those positions can be appointed. The intent is to have the Regional Managers monitor the activity in their area and promote retention of members who decide to leave SDC.

I realize that folks leave for various reasons: sold their Studebaker, passed on to that big dealership in the sky or just are not happy with us. The specific reasons need to be identified and where possible, resolved. I will be sending out some material to help them with that task. I will also be looking for people to fill the previously mentioned Regional Manager vacancies. We need to keep SDC strong by keeping our Chapters strong. If you are willing to help in this endeavor, please contact me.

Upcoming events include the 54th International Meet in Tacoma, Washington and the annual All Studebaker Swap Meet in Dunkirk, New York. I will be attending both events and will report back to you.

Locally, I hope you can attend the cruise nights and car shows in your area. Get a couple of Studebakers together and make a grand entrance!

Thank you for taking the time to read this. Your loyalty means a great deal to SDC and the Northeast Zone. Only you can make it better for all of us.

Keep on doing the miles and you will get the smiles...

Respectfully, Peter Bishop, Director
Northeast Zone, Studebaker Drivers Club

UPCOMING EVENTS



- **Chapter Barbecue.** Save the date: Sunday, August 26th at Belmont Lake State Park. More details to follow.
- **Reunion Sunday and Orphan Car Show.** Sunday, September 23, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Heckscher Park in Huntington Village. For information contact Bob (631) 834-6785, or Roger (631) 724-1382. raprice22@aim.com.

Orphan Car Show

STUDEBAKER AND ORPHAN CAR SHOW



**HECKSCHER PARK, HUNTINGTON, NEW YORK
MAIN STREET AND PRIME AVENUE**

2018

September 23rd 2018 9:00am-2:00pm

SUNDAY

**1st place awards for Studebaker classes
1st, 2nd & 3rd place awards for orphan makes**

Also Specialty Trophies

FOR INFO CONTACT: BOB: 631 834 6785 S

OR

ROGER: 631 724 1382 ra PRICE22@aim.com



Car registration application

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____

Print name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

REQUIRED EMAIL _____

Registration fee: \$20 by August 31st \$25 DAY OF SHOW

CHECKS MADE OUT TO: STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB

Send check to: Frank Sammon, 105 Ridge Ave., North Great River, NY 11722



June, 2018

Studebaker Trophy Sponsor
Name _____

Dear Sirs,

As the president of the Long Island Studebaker Club, I want to say thank you for your past support. This year the date for this event is September 23, 2018 at Hecksher Park in Huntington and we sincerely hope you can join us in support of this great event.

An Orphan Car is typically the result of an automobile manufacturer going out of business and or not merging with a major automobile maker.

Often at our shows in the past, one might see such autos as Packard, Nash, Cord, Hupmobile, Graham, Studebaker and more.

In an effort to maintain these annual shows and cover some of the costs of showing these great autos of the past, we offer sponsorships for the trophies which are given to the winners for best of show and best in class.

To sponsor a Trophy, just check mark the type and send a check payable to "The Long Island Chapter Studebaker Club"

Show trophies	\$35.00 _____
Best in Show	\$60.00 _____

Each Trophy shall display Sponsor's Company Name and shall be recognized at the time of award.

Thank you in advance for your support.
Best regards,

Kevin Healion
Long Island Studebaker Club member

LONG ISLAND CHAPTER STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: _____ **Birthday (Mo/Day):** _____
SPOUSE: _____ **Birthday (Mo/Day):** _____
ADDRESS: _____ **Anniversary (Mo/Day):** _____
PHONE: _____ **CELL:** _____
E-MAIL: _____

STUDEBAKERS OWNED:

YEAR	MODEL	BODY STYLE

To join or renew your membership, mail completed membership form, with membership fee payable to "LI Chapter SDC" to Frank Sammon, 105 Ridge Avenue, No. Great River, NY 11722-3430

DUES: Annual Dues are \$15.00. New members joining January – June: \$15.00, after July \$10.00.

NOTE: YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OF THE SDC TO JOIN A LOCAL CHAPTER.



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