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# STUDEBAKER Spotlight



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## Next Meeting:

**Thursday, October 17th at 7:30 p.m.  
Marjorie Post Park Community Room**

## SEPTEMBER MEETING RECAP



Our September meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 8 P.M. I read the recap from the August meeting. The recap was accepted by Tom Portesy, and seconded by Kurt Larsen.

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

In the absence of Treasurer Frank Sammon, I read his report. Checking expenses included the newsletter and June and August refreshments. Income included member contributions for our refreshments, 50/50, June vendor table and interest on our account. There was no activity in our savings account. The report was accepted by Tom Portesy, and seconded by Bob Andreocci.

### CAR SHOW ELIGIBILITY DISCUSSION:

President Carl Carilli discussed how vintage cars are classified. This included what makes a "Classic" car, an orphan car, and an antique car. All agreed that any car in our show must follow the AACA guidelines of 25 years old or older. For the purpose of our Reunion Sunday, all cars should be at least 25 years old.

An orphan car is from a company which no longer exists. (i.e. Edsel, Mercury, Oldsmobile, etc.) Kurt suggested a "Special Interest" category. This would involve a car which could attend, but ineligible

## MEETING INFORMATION

**Third Thursday of every month**

**7:30 p.m.**

**Community Room**

**Marjorie Post Park**

**Massapequa**

**New members welcome!**

for judging. For these autos, we could designate a special section of the parking area. Tom asked how do we qualify a special interest auto, and, do we want to do this?

The bottom line is this: We voted not to change the meaning of our show. It is what the title says, "Studebaker Reunion and Orphan Car Show." It was brought up that our show is unique to Long Island. It's a one-of-a-kind.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Our picnic was a success. Everyone who attended had a great time. The weather was terrific and the food was good. Tom was singled out for the great job he did organizing our picnic. Tom gave credit to all those who jumped in to help. There were suggestions on how to make it even better. Among those were the need to recycle all the soda cans and the need for sugar-free soda. Attendees could volunteer to bring various salads, i.e. macaroni, potato salad and coleslaw.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Hershey starts on October 8<sup>th</sup>. Lanning Baron invited anyone who is visiting the Hershey meet to come to his spot by the old grandstand.

Bob Andreocci has booked Molly Malone's in Bay Shore for our annual Holiday Brunch which will be on December 15<sup>th</sup>. As in the past, the cost to members and their spouses or significant others will be \$10 each, with the club picking up the balance of the cost. Additional people will pay \$28.95 per person. More information will follow.

Tom Portesy is going to the Reedsville swap meet on October 26<sup>th</sup>. If anyone has any parts to sell, let Tom know at our next meeting in October.

Long time member, Henry Malin is now the proud owner of a Studillac from the estate of Bob Bee of Leesburg, Virginia. Tom Portesy has known about this car for many years. The engine is a 331 cu. in. Cadillac engine and body is a '54. The car is still in Virginia, and Tom will fly down to Georgia to meet with Henry. They will then drive up to Virginia to retrieve the car. Real excitement!

### **GOOD AND WELFARE:**

I brought to the meeting a thank you card sent to me from Ellen Glass for our contribution to the American Lung Association in memory of Bill. Ellen

was most appreciative, and she said that Bill was a good friend of the Long Island Region.

### **CAR STUFF:**

In addition to Henry's purchase of the Studillac, he's looking for a '54 Starliner body.

50/50 was won by Tom Portesy, who donated his winnings back to the club.

Our meeting adjourned at 9 P.M.

Roger Price, Recording Secretary

## **THOUGHTS FROM AN SDC MEMBER**

### **DON'T USE THE INTERNET? HERE'S A GREAT REASON TO START!**

By Bob Shaw, SDC member

Okay, I admit it. I am one of those who think the Internet is one of the greatest things since sliced bread, canned beer and duct tape. Using excellent search sites like [www.Google.com](http://www.Google.com), I can find information on almost everything. Just the other day, I was able to find a source for a replacement range hood filter that was discontinued 25 years ago. I was able to ID a Studebaker part simply by typing the part number in the search box. And, a while back I went to [www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com) and watched current radar images as a storm moved across my location. I've even applied for my Social Security Retirement benefits online without putting my pants on. (Okay, too much information.) What does this have to do with Studebakers? A lot. Fact is, the Internet is a gold mine for Studebaker enthusiasts and you really need to start prospecting!

First and foremost, if your chapter has a web site, be sure to check it out regularly. Plus, your chapter's site serves as an informative and friendly cyber-welcome for new Studebaker owners (and potential new chapter members).

The official Studebaker Drivers Club website is the mother lode for Studebaker owners! This website is your portal into the Studebaker hobby around the world. The SDC site includes:

- Club events happening across the US and Canada and around the world.
- Contacts in other SDC chapters wherever you may be traveling.
- Sites with thousands of Studebaker pictures to view, including the International Meets.
- Technical tips, specs, and how-to information.
- Owner-submitted Studebaker stories.
- Resources for chapter officials like meet insurance forms.

- Official SDC Judging Policies Manual and forms.
- Join or renew your SDC membership online.
- Read and participate in the very active SDC Discussion Forums.

I especially want you to check out the SDC Forums. As I write this there are more than 7,000 registered forum members who have written over 618,000 posts. What that means is there are ALWAYS Studebaker-related discussions going on in the General Discussion Forum and there is a really great Tech Forum where some of the SDC's most experienced and knowledgeable Studebaker experts pass on their tips and assist with owner's problems. Many of the names you know from Turning Wheels magazine are forum regulars. The forum has a "Search" feature where you can type in, "brake drums" for example, and get all the previous discussions on that subject. So, if you have any questions or mechanical/electrical/driveability problems with your Studebaker car or truck, you WILL get help there.

Plus, because it's a "moderated" forum, it doesn't have those spammers who logon to other forums and, best of all, the members typically conduct themselves appropriately and respectfully. They don't talk politics, religion or economics... THEY TALK STUDEBAKERS 24/7!

Speaking of spammers, you should know that joining in on the SDC Forums DO NOT mean you will start getting a ton of spam emails. We have some security features in place that prevent the spammers from using programs to collect email addresses. In fact, your email address is even hidden from the other forum members.

To get to the SDC Forum, go to the SDC Home Page ([www.studebakerdriversclub.com](http://www.studebakerdriversclub.com)) and click on the "Studebaker Forum" link in the left-side menu. Registering is easy as it only requires a "username" and password of your choice along with a VALID email address (another security feature).

So, if you thought that the Internet had nothing of value for you, think again.

Think [www.studebakerdriversclub.com](http://www.studebakerdriversclub.com). See you there!

## CHAPTER BARBEQUE

Everyone who attended our Chapter barbecue had a great time. We had a few Studebakers in attendance, all of which got lots of attention from park visitors, and it was great fun watching all the men handle the cooking duties! Good food, good company; good conversation and car talk! It was a fine way to spend a sunny Sunday afternoon.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Chapter Holiday Brunch:** We will be holding the brunch at Molly Malone's again this year, as they have completed repairs from Hurricane Sandy. Brunch will be held on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 11a.m. to 3 p.m.

# LONG ISLAND CHAPTER STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Mo/Day): \_\_\_\_\_  
 SPOUSE: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Mo/Day): \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary (Mo/Day): \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**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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