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Next Meeting:

**Thursday, February 19th at 7:30 p.m.
Marjorie Post Community Room**

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



I have a few nuggets of information for all. Last Sunday, Tom Portesy and I attended the Annual President's meeting hosted by the Long Island Street Rod Association. I must say they ran a very smooth meeting and it was very productive. We thank them for their time and effort.

As many of you know, the meeting is held at the beginning of the year to organize all the Car Shows and events for the up-coming year. All the car clubs announce their dates for their own club shows and if conflicts arise, the presidents can, in a friendly manner, approach the President of the conflicting club and try to change dates.

Naturally, each club wants as many visitors as they can get for their show. If two big clubs have the same dates then it could affect the outcome of the car shows. This problem gets even more complicated if they are in the same area. Sometimes three Clubs may have to duke it out for the date. It's the "duking out" that's fun to watch. All kidding aside it works out just fine, usually.

The date for our Reunion Sunday is on the 28th of June which happens to be the same date as one of the largest Car shows, Sponsored by the "Gold Coast Cruisers" at Morgan Park in Glen Cove and another by the Long Island Street Rod Association. I am not sure if the Long Island Street Rod Association's show will affect our show, but it is possible that the Cruiser's Show at Morgan Park will. It was said they

MEETING INFORMATION

Third Thursday of every month

7:30 p.m.

Community Room

Marjorie Post Park

Massapequa

New members welcome!

are expecting close to 1000 cars and Dennis Gage of "My Classic Car" will be attending.

Another nugget is the "One Time Registration Bill" for Antique and Hot Rods in New York State. **S.B. 1899 has been reintroduced in the New York State Senate to provide that a one-time registration fee of \$100 upon initial registration of an historical vehicle. The bill has been referred to the New York Senate Transportation Committee for consideration. The bill was approved by the full Senate last session, but died in the Assembly when the legislature adjourned for the year.**

It would benefit all owners of Antique and Specialty cars to contact Senate Transportation Committee members immediately to request their support for S.B. 1899

The reduced registration fee would be available to owners of historical vehicles owned and operated as an exhibition piece or collector's item and used for club activities, exhibits, tours, parades, occasional transportation and similar uses.

The \$100 one-time fee would replace the current annual fee of \$28.75. Contact members of the New York Senate Transportation Committee immediately by phone and / or e-mail to request their support for S.B. 1899.

The other nugget of information is that our rain date cannot be in July and August according to the Town of Oyster Bay due to the opening of the public swimming pools as reported by Lanning Barron. This leaves us with a Rain Date in September. As of now we have a "To Be Announced" rain date.

Tom Portesy has suggested a possibility for having our show on Saturday the 27th of June and a rain date the following day Sunday the 28th. We can discuss this matter in detail this month at our meeting on the 19th of February.

To all, have a safe winter and I'll see you all at the meeting on Thursday the 19th.



Kevin Healion
President, Long Island Studebaker Drivers Club

FEBRUARY MEETING RECAP



Our meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 8:20 P.M. The November meeting Recap was read. It was accepted by Bob Andreocci, and seconded by Hy Pupkin.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

CHECKING ACCOUNT:

Frank reviewed all expenses and income for both November and December, 2014. Income included money paid by members for our annual Holiday Brunch, raffle and 50/50. In addition, regular income included refreshments, meeting 50/50, dues paid, and interest on our checking account.

Expenses included the Holiday Brunch deposit, plus final payment, tips to waitresses and poinsettias for the tables.

SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

No activity except for interest earned on the account. In addition, Frank summarized the checking and savings balances.

The treasurer's report was accepted by Tom Portesy, and seconded by Hy Pupkin.

HOLIDAY BRUNCH:

There were 32 people who attended our Holiday Brunch at Capt. Bill's Restaurant in Bay Shore. The food was excellent, and we had a private area, which looked out over the Great South Bay. We all thanked President Kevin Healion for selecting Capt. Bill's. We had a vote to have our 2015 Holiday Brunch at the same restaurant. Kevin will investigate the possibility of reserving the restaurant now for December.

SAD NEWS:

We are sorry to report the passing of our friend and fellow member, Ward Melvin. He died on January 13, 2015. Ward was well-liked and was an active participant in our club activities. I heard some very positive comments about Ward, from our members in attendance. He will be missed.

Ward was a long time member of the Smithtown Fire Department, Captain of the Emergency Medical Service, Company 6. He was a founding member of that service. Ward owned two Studebakers, a 1921

Light Six and a 1962 GT Hawk. He also owned two Model T Fords.

A contribution from our club is being made to the Smithtown Fire Department in Ward's memory.

If anyone would like to express condolences to his family, here's the information:

Mrs. Carol Melvin and Family
150 Juniper Avenue
Smithtown, NY 11787-3444

NEW BUSINESS:

REUNION SUNDAY AND ORPHAN CAR SHOW:

Our Reunion Sunday Car Show is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, June 28th, with a rain date of TBD. This is pending our supplying the Town of Oyster Bay with the necessary proof of insurance from SDC. Lanning Baron will take care of this.

Kevin mentioned that the Car Club Council Meeting will be soon. He will investigate the time and place.

Finally, we decided that our 2015 officers will be the same as 2014.

President: Kevin Healion
Vice President: Tom Portesy
Treasurer: Frank Sammon
Newsletter Editor: Cathy Sammon
Recording Secretary: Roger Price

Our meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Roger Price, Recording Secretary

WEBSITE NEWS FLASH



As webmaster of the Chapter's website, which is www.longisland-scd.com, I notice that there are a lot of aspects of the site that are not being accessed often. It occurred to me that there are probably a couple of reasons for this, aside from the one that we're all so busy! (Can't help with that one!)

Reason #1 may be that you don't remember your username and password. There are some areas of the website where you must be logged in as a user to access them. Those include the Member Directory and the Forums, so while you can see the forums

while just viewing the site as a guest, you won't even see the Member Directory tab unless you're logged on. There are two ways to fix this problem. First is to try your first initial and last name as your user ID, and then click on "Forgot Password." (Remember that if you have a nickname that starts with a different letter than your full name, we may have used that). A password will be sent to the e-mail that is used to send the Spotlight to you. The second is to call me, and I'll tell you your user name, and I'll reset your password and give you the new one, and set the website to force a password change once you log on. This keeps your new password secure.

Reason #2 may be that you don't know when something new has been added to the website. I was recently asked a question regarding putting e-mails onto the website, and I believe the desire was to put a link on there to something that others might find of interest. This can be done on the Forums area of the website. However, how would you know when something new has been added? There is a way to set up your account to send a notification e-mail to you when something new has been added to any of the Forums. You must be logged on to your account, and then you would go to the Forums tab, click on "My Settings" at the top of the Forum box, go to the + next to "Tracking/Subscriptions" and click on it to expand it, and then either check the box next to "Member Forums" for all, or expand that list by clicking on the + and then checking only those Forums you're interested in. Once that's been done, click on "Update" and you are all set. You should get an e-mail notification whenever someone posts to any forum, or to only those forums you have selected.

The instructions for setting up your account this way are also provided right on the Forums page of the website.

If there are other reasons why anyone may not be getting the best out of our Chapter website, just let me know. I will do my best to make the website a better communication tool for the members. Raise your issue or question, and I'd be happy to help out.

Cathy Sammon, Webmaster

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **LI Chapter SDC Reunion Sunday Car Show. SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, June 28, 2015** at Marjorie Post Park in Massapequa. 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Rain Date: TBD.

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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