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Next Meeting:

Thursday, February 20th at 7:30 p.m.
Marjorie Post Park Community Room

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Welcome to 2020!!!

Our January meeting got off to a good start with stimulating discussions on a number of subjects.

ORPHAN CAR SHOW:

We have tentatively scheduled our 2020 Orphan Car Show for Sunday, September 13, 2020. It will again be at Heckscher Park in Huntington.

Frank mentioned that Kevin is already in discussion with Town Hall regarding the date. Lanning Baron will obtain the necessary SDC proof of insurance to present to Huntington Town Hall.

We will keep our members informed about the date when it's confirmed, and the insurance form has been presented to the Town.

HOLIDAY BRUNCH:

We are considering Sunday, December 6, 2020 for our Holiday Brunch to be held at Capt. Bill's in Bay Shore. Kevin has volunteered to arrange the date.

MEETING INFORMATION

Third Thursday of every month

7:30 p.m.

Community Room

Marjorie Post Park

Massapequa

New members welcome!

CLUB FINANCES:

Treasurer Frank Sammon provided a detailed summary of our club's 2020 income and expenses. From this information, it was easy to see that we have been losing money. After some good discussion amongst our members in attendance, we feel that we need to increase dues for next year. At our February meeting, we will vote on a proposal to increase our dues to \$25 per year.

Please try to attend this very important meeting.

Speaking of dues, it's time to pay your 2020 dues. Your club depends on that to exist. It is still \$15.

Also at our February meeting, we will decide on an April date for a run to the Garage Eatery in Islandia. The proposed date is Saturday, April 18th.

UPCOMING EVENT:

The Vanderbilt Cup Region of AACA is holding its annual indoor flea market on Sunday, March 8, 2020 from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at our February 20th meeting.

I'll see you down the road.

Rog

MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER



As discussed at our January meeting, it is time for the Chapter to take a look at our overall financial picture and determine what we can do to keep the club solvent.

At our January meeting, I presented a summary of the Chapter's income and expenses for the last nine years. Over the course of that time, I noted that, with the exception of one year (2014, when we came out \$17.37 ahead), the club's expenses exceeded its income every year. In some years, our losses were

over \$900, while others were in the \$400-\$500 range. The last two years were somewhat better, with losses around \$125.

Our recurring expenses include our website fees and our newsletter, meeting refreshments, our club picnic, and subsidizing our Holiday brunch.

Our income is primarily from dues, 50/50 and raffle proceeds, and our Car show.

Since the car show also has fairly significant expenses as well, we had a few years where unexpected venue charges, weather, and conflicts with other clubs drastically curtailed any income from the car show.

While the car show will most likely still be our major source of income, club dues are another area that can be considered for change. Several of our members belong to other clubs as well (whether car-related or not), and they noted that their dues are higher than ours. Our membership has also been declining over the years, and this affects the bottom line as well.

A club depends on active, engaged members to sustain itself, so I urge those who have not yet paid their dues to come to the next meeting to participate in the discussion on what would be a fair dues amount going forward. If unable to attend, please send in your dues for this year, as we still have only 14 members paid.

I still have some copies of the financial reports presented at the January meeting, and they will be available for anyone who missed that meeting to review.

DUES



The following is a summary of 2020 dues received to date:

Victor Clausen	Meredith Jaffee
Peter Lee	Frank Sammon
Jerry Trapani	Charlie Lanza
Tom Portesy	Mitch Ross
Tony Defesi	Bob Andreocci
Lanning Baron	Kurt Larsen
Roger Price	Charlie Peifer

MEMBER NOTICES



- **TO RENT:** Barn Space, 1,000 sq ft steel barn, cement floor. Secure area in Riverhead. \$600/month or single car \$125/month. Contact Vic: (631) 375-6520.

FOR THE LOVE OF OLD CARS ...



I receive Hemmings Classic Car magazine, which is monthly, and the column by Pat Foster is always the first thing I read. Pat is a great guy who I met at York, when the Keystone Chapter had their Swap Meet there every March. Pat is always writing about independent car companies. But this month he did a column on some of the cliché statements that sellers put in advertisements for their cars. Pat tells you what these statements REALLY MEAN, in his opinion. Some of them are quite interesting.

The table from Pat's column explaining the ads is copied below. Hope you enjoy reading them!

Bob Andreocci

SO WHO KNEW?

(with thanks to Kurt Larsen)

- Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears never stop growing.
- Peanuts are one of the ingredients of dynamite.
- Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.
- The cruise liner, QE2, moves only 6 inches for each gallon of diesel that it burns.
- Winston Churchill was born in a ladies' room during a dance.

UPCOMING EVENTS



- **Dust Off.** Proposed date is Saturday, April 18th. As is our custom, we will meet at the Garage Eatery in Islandia to kick off the start of car season.
- **Reunion Sunday and Orphan Car Show.** Sunday, September 13th at Heckscher Park in Huntington.
- **Holiday Brunch.** Proposed date is Sunday, December 6th, at Captain Bill's in Bay Shore.

WHAT THE AD SAYS	WHAT IT REALLY MEANS
Stored in same location for 30 years	It was in a field
Needs complete restoration	It's a parts car
Extremely rare	One of only 3,000 with twin cigarette lighters
A genuine survivor	It's in pretty bad shape
Selling due to illness	My wife's sick of it
Has a lovely patina	It's dented and rusty, and the paint is bad
Recent convertible top	It was new 10 years ago
Partially rebuilt engine	I replaced the water pump 12 years ago
90-percent restored	Just needs paint, interior, brakes, and engine work
Divorce sale	My wife left me because of this money pit
Project car	You're never going to finish this
A Classic!	It's a Rambler Classic
An appreciating Classic!	It's 10 years old
Some rust	The floors are gone
Rolls down the road fine	Has no engine or brakes
Shows 45,000 miles	I'll never admit the real mileage
Needs interior love	Has no interior
Completely original	Never maintained
Restoration started	I took a lot of parts off, then lost them
Would make an excellent rat rod	Not enough left to restore
Needs interior restoration	No instrument panel or seats

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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