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28TH ANNUAL STATE MEET

One side of the show

The 28th annual Florida Studebaker State Meet was held on October 28-29 at the Orlando Marriott - Lake Mary. Unlike the record setting meet held at the same location in 2002, the turnout was far less than anticipated.

After setting a record for the number of cars at the show in 2002, we felt we would be able to surpass that total. By offering a low registration fee (\$5.00), free swap meet spaces, and no fee to enter a car, 110 Studebakers seemed within the realm of possibility. However, high gas prices, hurricane Wilma, and probably general apathy had a great effect on the numbers.

To give some examples:

ITEM	2002	2005
Studebakers	104	71
Banquet	168	132
Registrations	130	100

We certainly had plenty of room on the show field as the Marriott allowed us 140 spaces. The sparse turnout left huge gaps on the lot.



View of the show field
Neal Denisco photo

Despite the low turnout, the quality of the cars entered, was excellent. The Avanti cars were split

into three classes this time, instead of the usual two. Those, and the modified class made up a good percentage of the show field entries. It was interesting that 1956-1961 C-K class consisted solely of Golden Hawks, one 1957 and three 1956 models.

Rusty DeFazio, Larry Golub, Don Dodgen, and Frank Ambrogio arrived around 9:00 AM on Friday to set up the signs in the show area. They also placed signs along International Parkway and Lake Mary Blvd directing drivers to the hotel. As was the case three years ago, Rick Courtier already had his modified pickup parked in the lot.

Don Dodgen did yeoman's service directing the Studebakers to their proper class for parking. He worked tirelessly both Friday evening and Saturday morning. He made this phase of the show run smoothly. Dean Gessner, John Gormican, and Frank Ambrogio counted the ballots from the participant choice judging.



Karen, Joann, Jean, Ann, and Marion
Hospitality room - Don Dodgen photo

Karen DeFazio, Jim & Ann Morgan, and Marion White handled the hospitality room which was a

great success. The banquet ran like clockwork. Bill Coffield did an excellent job as Master of Ceremonies. He seemed quite at home behind the microphone, and kept the proceedings running along. He even mixed in a few jokes which everyone seemed to enjoy.



Studemino - Don Dodgen photo

His services only cost us two banquet tickets for him and Esther, and a swap table for Esther to sell her books, "Secrets of the Sassy Old Broads." Esther reported brisk sales, so it was one of those win-win situations for both parties. We got a great Master of Ceremonies, which meant none of us had to do it, and they got to participate in the meet. It was good to see Bill & Esther again.

Dave & Sharon Cramp, along with granddaughter Sarah, handled the door prize and 50/50 drawings, while Don Dodgen, Rusty DeFazio, and Sarah were kept busy handing out the awards.



Two of the table center pieces made by Anita Ambrogio and Karen DeFazio

SDC National Board Member, Ed Burriss spoke to the group and gave everyone a little information on what was going on at the National SDC level.

Rusty DeFazio presented Don Bales a special license plate as thanks for his letting us use his dealership for our meetings. Rusty found the plate on Ebay, and it was unique in that it apparently was a dealer plate from Sanford Motors, Don's place of business.

Someone at each table went home with one of the table centerpieces, which were made by Anita Ambrogio & Karen DeFazio.

Congratulations and welcome to new members Steve & Nancy Eversole. They registered for the meet, joined our chapter, entered their 1964 GT Hawk in the show, and came away with the Best of Show award. That's a pretty good way to break in.

All in all, the meet appeared to be a success, with the only negative being the flank steak dinner at the banquet. Thanks to everyone who helped out, and to all of those who participated.

28TH STATE MEET

Another side of the show

By Frank Ambrogio

One thing I'm especially not interested in hearing at a state meet, is a complaint. People simply do not realize how much work goes into hosting an event of this magnitude. It goes without saying that there are going to be a few problems. There are simply too many things to cover, and not enough qualified people to take care of them.

By the end of the meet, I was so sick of explaining to one person after another, why I didn't bring my Studebaker to the show. It wasn't because of the long drive, as we live but 6 miles from the Marriott. It wasn't because I don't like putting my car in a state meet show. And, it wasn't because I'm afraid to drive it anywhere. It was simply that I had too many other things to do.

For me, the meet started at 9:00 AM Friday when I met Larry Golub and Don Dodgen at the hotel. We planted signs at the I-4 exit, CR-46A and International Parkway, directing people to the Marriott. Then Rusty DeFazio arrived and we began putting the class show signs together.

After that, Larry and I set up the signs in the parking lot. Based on pre-registrations, we determined the number of cars in each class. We allowed a few extra spaces in each class for those registering the

day of the show. As noon approached, I unloaded the trophies, T-shirts, and dash plaques, and brought them to the hospitality room for storage. Don Fifer gave me a hand with this. I brought our clothes up to our room and took a minute to unwind. By 12:30, I, along with my aching back, drove home so I could have lunch.

After lunch, Anita and I had to haul all the banquet table centerpieces, registration forms, more signs, as well as some of the food for the hospitality room. The car was completely full. Once at the hotel, we had to unload everything and try to get the registration area set up. As all this was going on, we had to field questions from attendees, and the hotel staff.

I don't know how we would have managed without help from Don & Edie Fifer. They helped carry most of the heavy items from one place to another, allowing me to rest my aching back a little. And registration would have been a total disaster without Edie helping out.

Two trips were required to get everything to the Marriott. By the time we got everything unloaded and set in the proper location, we were already worn out, and the meet hadn't even started yet. I wasn't in any mood to make another round trip just so I could park the Studebaker on the show field, and not see it again till Sunday morning.

Once the show ended, while the rest of you were relaxing, showering, and getting ready for the banquet, I was helping John Gormican and Dean Gessner count the voting ballots. Then I had to tally the results and transfer all the names to the winner's sheets so Bill Coffield would have something legible to read at the banquet when he announced the winners.

There was no time to double check the results as we had to be down stairs by 6:00 PM to help set up the banquet. There was also no time to visit with, Neal & Annette, our friends from Jacksonville who came to see the show. I was so happy to see the meet end that I headed straight for the bar. We enjoyed a glass of wine with our friends, and relaxed after an exhausting two days.

The only way I got to see all the cars that were at the show was from pictures. Don Dodgen sent me some about a week after the meet ended. The North Central Florida Chapter had photos of probably all the cars that were at the show.

Very early Sunday morning, we went home, had bite to eat, and brought the Studebaker to the show. We had a sign in the front window which read, "Are We Too Late?" We then had breakfast with our friends before saying good-bye and driving the Studebaker back home. So, to everyone who asked why I didn't bring my Studebaker to the show, the answer is, I did. You just weren't looking in the right place, at the right time!

But, I see a way out of this predicament! We have figured out how to bring the Studebaker to the meet, the next time our chapter is the host. I won't be one of the meet coordinators, and Anita won't do registrations. We'll just go as participants and leave the work to everyone else..

That way, not only will we have time to bring our car to the show, but we might even be able to do a little complaining too!

MORE, FROM THE MAILBAG

Don & Edie Fifer - Port Charlotte

Both Don and I enjoyed the State meet. We were glad to help out.

I have added your name, Frank, to our list of "volunteers" for the Zone Meet. Just as soon as I find a job that doesn't involve any of your "disabilities such as breathing," I'll let you know. Seriously, I hope that both you and Anita can come to Gainesville in April; you can do the Charleston or the Hokey Pokey with us!

I can see why everyone loves Anita so much; she works so effortlessly and gets things done. All clubs need an Anita!

There are quite a few of us who are concerned about declining participation and "old age" in the SDC chapters. I'm hoping that things will turn around and that we will see more and more club participation. Sometimes I am amazed with all the nice weather that we don't have more of a turn out than we do.

Bob and Trish Edwards - Jacksonville FL

I hate to tell you that both Nollie Hinton and Trish (not my fault) forgot our camera's and didn't get pictures. Were any taken and published on a WEB site? Did you take any that you would share with

us? By the way, GREAT SHOW ! (NOTE: A ton of pictures is at the home of the North Central Florida's web site at www.bulletnose.org.)

Thanks for the web site with pictures. I forwarded it to all 22 members, watch the hit meter climb. I have an Aunt living in Leesburg FL, whom I haven't seen in 12 years, so we left around 10 to spend two days over there. Again, you'all put on a great show and the hospitality room was super too. Good coffee and treats.

Don Dodgen - Orlando FL

Thank you for the kind note of last week. I enjoyed the meet. I'm sorry that it created so much stress for the two of you. I understand.

We had a nice picnic, just not too many people. The day was perfect and the park was not crowded.

Here are my extra pictures. Enjoy them.

***Bruce Larsen - Event Services Manager
Orlando Marriott - Lake Mary***

Thank you for choosing the Orlando Marriott Lake Mary and giving us the opportunity to host your Studebaker Drivers Club - 2005 Conference. Our goal is to always provide the very- best in service and accommodations. We strive to exceed our guests' expectations. I have enclosed a form so that you may evaluate us. Ultimately, we want to ensure that each guest's upcoming visit is better than the last. We would greatly appreciate your input. Please fax or mail the evaluation to us after you have completed it. Our fax number is 407-995-1101.

It has been a pleasure working with you and I look forward to working together again in the future. If I may be of any assistance, please contact me at 407-995 7009. Thanks for your continued support.

Frank & Anita Ambrogio - Sorrento FL

On December 3, Don Dodgen presented us with a thank you card, a beautiful floral arrangement, and some chocolate. The gifts were from the Orlando Area Chapter for our involvement in the State Meet.

Thanks to all of the OAC members for the wonderful thought. The flowers are dead, the candy is gone, but we still have the memories.

ANNUAL FALL PICNIC

by Karen DeFazio

It was a beautiful sunny day, a nice breeze, and perfect weather for our annual picnic at Kelly Park in Apopka on Sunday, November 6th. Everyone brought their own entrée and a dish to share.

There was plenty to eat and it was a good time for all. Attending were Jim & Ann Morgan, John & Joann Gormican, Dean & Jean Gessner, Don Dodgen, Karen & Rusty DeFazio.

We had a short meeting after the picnic. We discussed the success of the State Studebaker meet held in October and the upcoming Christmas Party, that would be held at Sergio's in Sanford on December 3, 2005. We unanimously decided to honor Frank and Anita Ambrogio for their "Above and Beyond" preparation and work involved in our State Studebaker meet. Don volunteered to pick up the awards and present it to them at the Christmas Party. We also discussed different meeting places that we're going to look into.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Our annual Christmas dinner was held on Saturday, December 3 at Sergio's Italian Restaurant.

Thirteen members attended this year's event. The total was down considerably from just a few years ago, when we normally had about 40 members showing up. Putting in an appearance this year were: Larry & Barbara Golub, Marion White, Rusty & Karen DeFazio, John & Joann Gormican, Dean & Jean Gessner, Jim & Ann Morgan, and Frank & Anita Ambrogio. Later we were joined by John Resch, who planned to join our chapter.

Following dinner, we had our Chinese Auction Gift Exchange. With fewer participants, it wasn't as lively as in past years. Everyone had a good time, and following the exchange, we had a short discussion about finding a new meeting site. We discussed meeting at Sergio's, but they were going to be closed during our meeting period in January.

The Ambrogios stated that they had checked out the IHOP Restaurant on 17-2 just North of Sanford Motors. It was not very busy, nor was it loud, when they visited there on a Saturday night. The owner said we could have the separate meeting room at

no charge, as long as we ordered food. The club decided to meet there for January and February and see how things go. Special thanks to Karen DeFazio for setting up the Christmas dinner.

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

November 27 Don Dodgen (1963 GT Hawk), Dean Gessner (1952 2R Pickup), Frank & Anita Ambrogio (1956 Golden Hawk), Bob Coolidge, Rusty DeFazio, John & Joann Gormican. Bob passed some ads which he believes are the first to indicate that a car was being offered, and the first car (electric) ad. Rusty amused us with his views of TV's wrestling.

NOTE: No breakfast was held for October as the date coincided with the end of the State Meet. The December breakfast was also canceled due to it being on Christmas.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Thanks to everyone who helped out at the State Meet in Lake Mary. All reports I've heard have been favorable. Those of you working behind the scenes know that there were many problems that had to be handled on the fly.

I thought Bill Coffield did an excellent job as Master of Ceremonies. We certainly got our moneys worth on that deal.

It was a lot of work for some of us, and it got a little frustrating. But, everything worked out well and everyone seemed to enjoy the meet.

We will have our January & February meetings at the new IHOP Restaurant in Sanford. If anyone has another suggestion, please check it out and let me know.

Attendance at our picnic and Christmas dinner was down considerably from just a few years ago. It seems we get complaints because we don't do very much, yet when we plan something, no one shows.

OAC WEB SITE

Photos needed

We have added a page to the web site featuring cars owned by our members. So far, we only have five posted. If you'd like your Studebaker included, send us a photo and mention that it is for the web site.

EDITOR'S NOTES

We desperately need more members to send in articles for the newsletter. The last issue was very small, due to the lack of input from everyone. This issue would have been just as bad if it weren't for one person who submitted everything. The newsletter isn't just the editor's job. It is every member's job also.

Frank asked Karen if she would submit a story on the picnic. Otherwise, there would have been no report. We can't expect the same person to report on each event. It would be great to have multiple stories on the same activity.

STUDEBAKER RACING HISTORY

Information Update November 2005

Studebaker participation in the NASCAR Short Track Series has been added to the Race Results section. This series ran through 1957 generally on tracks of ½ mile or less in length. The race staged on August 14, 1954 at the Westport Stadium, Baltimore, Maryland featured 36 race cars on a 1/5 mile track. That must have been a sight! I hope to have race results from 1956 and 1957 soon.

Also, added this month is a section on Hill Climbs in the USA. This can be found in the Race Results section. Hill Climb results in Australia have been added under Australia in the International Race section.

I will have additional information added shortly.

Best Wishes, Bob Coolidge DeLand, Florida
www.StudebakerRacing.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

What's Happening in our area

2006

GA STATE MEET - March 31-April 1, Comfort Inn & Suites in Savannah GA. georgiastudebaker.com

SE ZONE MEET - April 28-30th, Best Western Grand at I-75 and NW 39th Avenue Gainesville. There are 50 double rooms (\$79.00) and 50 king (\$89.00) set aside for the meet.

FL STATE MEET- JACKSONVILLE, date and location to be determined.

November 12 Annual OAC fall picnic at Kelly Park in Apopka (tentative).

December 9 Saturday Annual OAC Holiday dinner at Sergio's in Sanford (tentative).

* * ABOUT SDC & OAC * *

Information about our parent club and our chapter

✓ SDC NATIONAL OFFICERS

President	Ed Reynolds
Vice President	Richard Dormois
Secretary	Jan Lockmon
Treasurer	Brian Millette
Board Member	Edward Burris
Zone Coordinator	Gordon Sheldon
Editors	Art Unger & Ann Turner

✓ OAC CHAPTER OFFICERS

President	Dean Gessner
Vice President	Jim Morgan
Secretary	Anita Ambrogio
Treasurer	Rusty DeFazio
Membership Director	Bob Coolidge
Activities Director	Dave Cramp
Editor	Dean Gessner

✓ JOIN OUR CHAPTER

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✓ NEWSLETTER

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✓ MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Meetings are held normally on the second Saturday of each month. Time and locations will vary. We do not meet during June, July, and August. Check each issue of Greasy Prints for the current information.

✓ MONTHLY BREAKFAST

8:00 a.m. Last Sunday of each month. Toojays Gourmet Deli, 3577 Lake Emma Rd (off Lake Mary Blvd), Lake Mary, FL. BYOB (*Bring Your Old Baker*).

WANT ADS

Ads for Studebaker items are free

For Sale: 1965 Cruiser 4 door sedan, V-8 Chevy engine, made in Canada. Real nice car, new tires. Drive anywhere. \$5500. Stan Faibisy, 1273 Linden Circle, Deland FL 32724-7516, 386-734-6350, Email sfaibisy@aol.com (Deland)

For Sale: '57 Silver Hawk for sale. Rebuilt 289 with automatic. Solid body. Ready to drive. Call Gene Young Home 352-621-1655 or cell 352-297-1080 (Homosassa)

For Sale: 1964 Studebaker sliding roof Wagon, disk brakes, overdrive manual transmission, good tail gate, Harmonic dampers at front end (important, not on all cars of this model), 6 cylinder good mileage, driven into present storage 24 years ago, rust proofed at First Class in Melbourne (drains for gutters over doors & rear quarter windows too small, so rust under roof side edges and rear quarter panel), tread on tires O.K. John MacNeill, 1320 S. Riverside Drive, Indialantic FL 32903-3553, Tel. 321-723-5550 (Melbourne).

For Sale: '63-'64 GT Hood; '64 GT grill shell with grill and emblems. Larry Golub 407-788-0117 (Longwood).

www.StudebakerVendors.com has links to the major vendors doing business on the web. Most vendors have email, so you can correspond electronically and save the phone calls and SASE.

REMINDER

The monthly meetings for January and February will be at the IHOP Restaurant, 3150 S. Orlando Dr (17-92) Sanford, FL 32772, Tel: (407)688-0899.

This is about 1000 ft. North of Sanford Motors, between Lake Mary Blvd and Airport Rd, where we used to meet.

Southeast Zone Meet 2006 April 28 - 30, 2006 Gainesville, FL 32607

Hosted By: North Central Florida Studebaker Drivers Club

Meet Registration: (Special gift for those who pre-register)

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____ SDC Chapter _____

General Registration: (All must register to participate in the meet event)	\$10.00	\$ _____
Late registration after April 1, 2006		15.00 \$ _____
1st Vehicle	\$10.00	\$ _____
2nd Vehicle	5.00	\$ _____
Each additional Car	5.00	\$ _____

Special Original, Unique Studebaker-Wood Trophies--"Display Only" cars will also receive special Studebaker-wood trophies.

Judging: SDC judging policies will be used. Division and Class are listed on the back of this form.

<u>CAR #</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>MAKE/MODEL</u>	<u>DIVISION/CLASS</u>
1	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____
4	_____	_____	_____
Display	_____	_____	_____

Swap Meet Space Outside (no charge) \$ 0.00

Awards Ceremony & Banquet Buffet:

Adult Buffet	@ \$28.00	# _____	\$ _____
Child	@ \$14.00	# _____	\$ _____
TOTAL			\$ _____

Payment: Registration and/or Banquet-please make check payable to:
North Central Florida Chapter, SDC, and mail to
Edith Fifer, 5322 Johnson Terrace, Port Charlotte, FL 33981

(Your cancelled check is your receipt; however, we will be happy to send you a receipt if you request one.)

Host Hotel: Best Western Gateway Grand, 4200 NW 97th Blvd., Gainesville, FL.

To make your reservations: Please call: 1-888-324-6061 or call the hotel direct at 352-331-3336.

You must make your reservations by calling the above numbers; **NOT** the Best Western 1-800 number. To get the special discount rate of \$79, plus taxes, for rooms with a double bed, or \$89 for rooms with a king bed and sitting room, you must mention "**SE Studebaker Drivers Zone Meet.**" For general information, contact: Stephen Allen's Auto **352-472-9369** OR Charlotte Delli 813-657-9233.

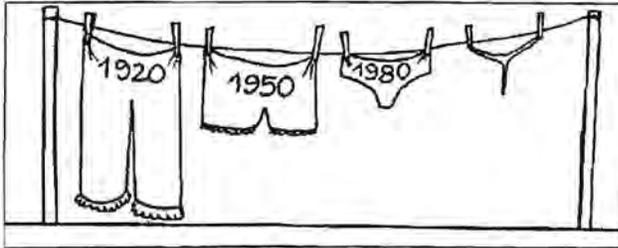
e-mail address:delli35@yahoo.com; or visit our web site: www.bulletnose.org.

Schedule of Events:		
Friday, April 28	Check in, registration, hospitality hours	3:00 - 8:00 PM;
Saturday, April 29	Registration 8:00 - 11 :00 AM; Hospitality	9:00 - 3:00 PM;
	Judging 11 :00 - 3:00 PM; Cocktail Hour	6:00 - 7:00 PM;
	Banquet & Awards 7:00 - 9:00 PM	
Sunday, April 30	Doughnuts and Coffee at Stephen Allen's Auto	9:00 AM until-

DISCLAIMER

I agree to abide by all rules of the Meet and release the North Central Chapter, SDC, from all liability for any damage, injury, or loss to property or person that may occur at this event:

(Signature Required) Date: _____



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SE ZONE MEET CLASSES

Division I: Prewar • 1902-46

Class	Description	Years
	Electric & 4-cylinder	1902-19
	E-Series Studebakers	1913-28
	Studebaker-Pierce Arrow 6 & 8cyl	1927-33
	Studebaker 6 & 8 Cylinder	1934-38
	Studebaker 6 & 8 Cylinder	1939-46

P. (Division II: Early Postwar • 1947-58

Alt Class	Description	Years
32	Studebaker Cars	1947-49
	Studebaker Cars 6 & 8 cylinder	1950-52
	Studebaker Cars (non C&K body) 6 & 8cyl	1953-55
	Studebaker Cars & Packards (non C&K)	1956-58

Division III: Lark-Types • 1959-65

Class	Description	Years
	Larks 6 & 8 Cylinder	1959-61
	Larks 6 & 8 Cylinder (all)	1962-63
	Larks 6 & 8 Cylinder (all)	1964-66
	Lark convertibles (all)	1960-64

Division IV: C & K Coupes & Fin Hawks • 1953-61

Class	Description	Years
	Starliner, Starlight, Speedster	1953-55
	Studebaker & Packard Hawks	1956-58
	Studebaker Hawks, finned	1959-61

Division V: GT Hawks • 1962-64

Class	Description	Years
	GT Hawks	1962
	GT Hawks	1963
	GT Hawks	1964

Division VI: Avantis • 1963-91

Class	Description	Years
	Avanti (Studebaker)	1963
	Avanti (Studebaker)	1964
	Avanti II (Nate Altman)	1966-82
	Avanti (Blake, Kelley, Cafaro, etc)	1983-up

Division VII: Trucks • all years

Class	Description	Years
	Trucks under 1-ton (except T-cab)	all years
	Trucks T-cab	1960-64
	Trucks 1-ton and over	all years

Division VIII: Studebaker Powered Altered / Non-Stock

Class	Description	Years
	Prewar & Postwar (non C&K)	1902-58
	C&K	1953-64
	Lark-type	1959-66
	Avanti	1963-91
	Trucks	all years

Division IX: Non-Studebaker Powered Altered / Non-Stock

Class	Description	Years
	Prewar & Postwar (non C&K)	1902-58
	C&K	1953-64
	Lark-type	1959-66
	Avanti	1963-91
	Trucks	all years

3rd Georgia State Studebaker Meet

Savannah, GA
March 31- April 1, 2006



Hosted by the South Georgia Chapter SDC
at the Comfort Inn & Suites, Pooler, GA
301 Governor Treutlen Drive (Exit 102, I-95 at U.S. Hwy. 80)
(912) 748-6464; (888) 895-6464

(Mention the Studebaker Meet for special rate of \$55; a limited no. of suites available at \$70, deadline for registration at this rate March 10, 2006)

Name _____	Spouse _____
SDC Chapter Affiliation _____	E-mail _____
Address _____	
City/State/Zip _____	Phone (____) _____
General Registration (you must register to participate in any event) \$ 5.00	
Car Show _____	Car #1 _____ @ \$20.00 _____
Additional Cars, Free Registration (please list below) 0.00	
One Free T-shirt with first car if registered by March 17, 2006. 0.00	
T-shirt size: S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____	
Additional t-shirts available for \$8.00; indicate size _____ Extra T-shirt \$8.00 _____	
Banquet/Awards Saturday Night	
Low Country Boil	Total # _____ @ 16.00
(please indicate if you would prefer chicken)	# _____ @ 16.00
	Children 10 and under # _____ @ 5.00
Swap Meet Space, outside (vendors free with general registration) 0.00	
Total (make check payable to: South Georgia Chapter SDC) _____	

Mail Registration to: Joel Daniel, 2006 Meet Chairman, 103 Loraine Forest Ct., Macon, GA 31210
For more information see our website at www.georgiastudebaker.com or call Joel at (478) 994-6927.

#	YEAR	MODEL/STYLE (President 2-door, etc.)	CLASS
1st	_____	_____	_____
2nd	_____	_____	_____
3rd	_____	_____	_____
4th	_____	_____	_____

CLASSES:

- | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 - PREWAR | 6 - 1959-63 LARKS | 11 - 1965-85 AVANTI (II) |
| 2 - 1947-52 ALL | 7 - 1962-64 GT HAWKS | 12 - 1987-Present AVANTI (II) |
| 3 - 1953-55 COUPES & HARDTOPS | 8 - 1964-66 STUDEBAKERS | 13 - MODIFIED CARS |
| 4 - 1953-58 SEDANS & WAGONS | 9 - 1963-64 STUDEBAKER AVANTI | 14 - MODIFIED TRUCKS |
| 5 - 1956-61 HAWKS & HARDTOPS | 10 - COMMERCIAL | |

(Classes subject to change at the discretion of the judges.)

I do hereby release and hold harmless the South Georgia Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club and its members from any suits, actions, damages or claims which may arise from any loss or damages to me or my personal property.



Signed _____ Date _____
Registration will not be accepted without your signature

THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

The Orlando Area Studebaker Club was organized on October 15, 1983 and was chartered as the Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club on June 19, 1984. The Charter was presented to the Chapter at the International Studebaker Drivers Club meet in Kissimmee on July 6, 1984.

The Chapter was formed to:

- Encourage the acquisition, preservation, maintenance, and enjoyment of Studebaker and related automobiles.
- Provide accurate historical and technical information on Studebaker automobiles, the Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Studebaker Corporation.
- Promote good fellowship and pride of ownership among Chapter members.
- Publish a newsletter containing news and information concerning both national and local activities, technical advice, and items wanted or for sale.

Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

Ownership of a vehicle is not a requirement for membership. Many members are either looking for some special model or are simply interested in the colorful history of the Studebaker Corporation which spanned 114 years (1852-1966).

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**NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT THE IHOP ON 17-92
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OAC MEETING MINUTES

January 14, 2006 Submitted by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at approx. 7:20 p.m. Members present were DeFazios, Marion White, Don Dodgen, Gessners, Ambrogios, Morgans, Gormicans, and long distance members, Stu and Thelma Chapman from Canada. This was our first meeting at IHOP and everyone seemed to feel it was a good location.

No minutes were read, as the last minutes taken by this secretary were from September.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$2321.29 minus \$92.60 paid to Dean for newsletters, and a deposit of \$20.00 from John Meinelt for membership. Report was approved.

Dean suggested we might plan an outing at John Meinelt's home if he is willing. We could have a meeting/picnic there in perhaps March or April. Dean will contact him and see if he is agreeable to having us there. He has about 20 cars of different makes.

It has been requested that members submit articles for the newsletter. It was good to have reports from different members in this past newsletter about some of our events.

Marion mentioned that she had been in South Bend in early October and was disappointed that the new museum had not opened. Stu and Thelma gave a report on the opening which took place in late October. They said everyone would be impressed with the result. There are 3 levels and about 106 cars. Gift shop is smaller, but they also have a café. The lower level has the wheelbarrow thru 1942 vehicles, and the upper levels have post-war vehicles. Hummer had a 2 vehicle display including the #5 Humvee which was an experimental vehicle. Overall the museum is in an excellent location in the historical area of South Bend.

Dean also brought up our "annual" breakfast outing at DeLeon Springs. We could perhaps have that in place of our regular breakfast in either March or April. He will wait to see how the event with John Meinelt comes out as far as dates are concerned.

The South Georgia Chapter meet is in Savannah Mar 30-Apr 1, and the SE Zone meet is in Gainesville at the end of April. Registration forms were provided in the newsletter.

Some discussion was held on a visit to one of the air museums. This was tabled as we would probably not be able to plan it until fall.

A 50-50 drawing was held and the winner was Marion White. She returned her winnings to the treasury as a donation. Meeting was adjourned at about 8:30 pm.

OAC Meeting minutes February 11, 2006 Submitted by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at approx. 7:10 p.m. Members present were DeFazios, Marion White, Don Dodgen, Gessners, Ambrogios, Morgans, and Gormicans.

Minutes from January were read and approved. Treasurer reported a balance of \$2274.00 was reported and approved. Membership Director was not present.

Dean had not been able to reach John Meinelt. He contacted DeLeon Springs, but all the Sundays in March are taken. April is a possibility, but with the Georgia meet on the 1st weekend, Easter on the 16th and the SE Zone meet the last weekend, it might be difficult. The only date available is the 23rd, or perhaps we could have it in May.

Just a reminder that the South Georgia Chapter meet is in Savannah Mar 30-Apr 1, and the SE Zone meet is in Gainesville is the end of April. No one was able to say for sure they would attend the Georgia Meet, but Dean suggested we might arrange to caravan to Gainesville.

Rusty has tickets available for the flat bed truck being raffled off at the Georgia meet for \$2.00 each. Contact him if you would like to buy tickets.

Frank mentioned that we will be having elections in April and nominations are open. Don Dodgen was nominated for President and Dean for Activities Director.

Frank had copies of the ballots for National Director for the Southeast Zone of SDC. Everyone was asked to vote and return the ballots to him to be submitted.

A 50-50 drawing was held and the winners were Rusty & Karen DeFazio. Meeting was adjourned at about 7:45 pm.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Election of officers will be held in April

We will be holding election of chapter officers at our April meeting. So far, we have nominations for President and Activities Director. We need to get new representation on our board. Several officers have held the same positions for many years. Dean has been President for 13 years and has served concurrently as Editor for 6.

If you would like to nominate yourself for any office, contact Dean and let your wishes be known. EVERY position is open. Other than the Editor, there is very little time required, less than one hour each month. Most of the effort is expended during the monthly meetings.

If you would like to nominate someone else, you must supply proof that he or she will accept. We will also accept nominations from the floor, at the April meeting.

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

January 29: Ten members participated in the first breakfast of 2006 at Toojay's in Lake Mary. Bob

Coolidge, Rusty DeFazio, John & Joann Gormican, Frank & Anita Ambrogio, Stu & Thelma Chapman, and Larry & Barbara Golub attended.

February 26: John & Joann Gormican, Don Dodgen, Frank & Anita Ambrogio, and Rusty & Karen DeFazio were the only members to attend the breakfast. Don's friend Fred, and John's friend Tim Vaughn also joined us. Tim owns two Champ Pickups. We hope we didn't annoy him too much so that he might consider joining our chapter. We sent him a newsletter and a registration form.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

In April, I will complete my thirteenth year as your President. When this point was brought up at the February meeting, everyone seemed astonished. No one more than I. The time has passed quickly and the job is an easy one. Conducting the meetings is about the only thing that takes any time.

Don Dodgen was nominated for President, at our February meeting, and he accepted. This doesn't mean that others can't be nominated for the same position. A change in the makeup of our board is a good thing, and I hope you will consider running for one of the officer positions.

If you are interested in participating in your chapter, let me know.

REMINDER:

- Unless you hear otherwise, the next two meetings will be at the IHOP in Sanford.
- We will be holding elections at our April meeting. Be sure to attend and be part of the process.

Investment Tips for 2006:

For all of you with any money left in the wake of the Exxon/Mobil deal, the AOL/Time Warner implosion, and the Sears/K-Mart wedding, be aware of the next expected mergers so that you can get in on the ground floor and make some BIG bucks. Watch for these consolidations in the near future:

1. Hale Business Systems, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Fuller Brush, and W. R. Grace Company will

- merge and become: Hale, Mary, Fuller, Grace.
2. PolyGram Records, Warner Brothers, and Zesta Crackers join forces and become: Poly, Warner, Cracker.
 3. 3M will merge with Goodyear and issue forth as: MMMGood.
 4. Zippo Manufacturing, Audi Motors, Dofasco, and Dakota Mining will merge and become: ZipAudiDoDa
 5. FedEx is expected to join its major competitor, UPS, and become: FedUP.
 6. Fairchild Electronics and Honeywell Computers will become: Fairwell Honeychild.
 7. Grey Poupon and Docker Pants are expected to become: Poupon Pants.
 8. Knotts Berry Farm and the National Organization of Women will become: KnottNOW!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

What's Happening in our area

2006

March 31-April -Georgia State Meet at the Comfort Inn & Suites, Pooler GA. Joel: 478-994-6927.

April 28-30th-SE ZONE MEET-Gainesville Best Western Grand at I-75 and NW 39th Avenue. There are 50 double rooms (\$79.00) and 50 king (\$89.00) set aside for the meet.

FL STATE MEET-JACKSONVILLE, date and location to be determined.

November 12-Annual OAC fall picnic-Apopka: Sunday: at Kelly Park (tentative).

December 9-Annual OAC Christmas dinner-Sanford: Saturday at Sergio's (tentative).

* * ABOUT SDC & OAC * *

Information about our parent club and chapter

✓ SDC NATIONAL OFFICERS

President	Ed Reynolds
Vice President	Richard Dormois
Secretary	Jan Lockmon
Treasurer	Brian Millette
Board Member	Edward Burris
Zone Coordinator	Gordon Sheldon

Editors

Art Unger & Ann Turner

✓ OAC CHAPTER OFFICERS

President	Dean Gessner
Vice President	Jim Morgan
Secretary	Anita Ambrogio
Treasurer	Rusty DeFazio
Membership Director	Bob Coolidge
Activities Director	Dave Cramp
Editor	Dean Gessner

✓ JOIN OUR CHAPTER

Contact:

Bob Coolidge 3860 Bird Dog Lane
DeLand, FL 32724-7425 TrnstrTrk@aol.com

✓ NEWSLETTER

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✓ MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Meetings are held normally on the second Saturday of each month. Time and locations will vary. We do not meet during June, July, and August. Check each issue of Greasy Prints for the current information.

✓ MONTHLY BREAKFAST

8:00 a.m. Last Sunday of each month. Toojays Gourmet Deli, 3577 Lake Emma Rd (off Lake Mary Blvd), Lake Mary, FL. BYOB (*Bring Your Old Baker*).

WANT ADS

Ads for Studebaker items are free

For Sale: 1965 Cruiser 4 door sedan, V-8 Chevy engine, made in Canada. Real nice car, new tires. Drive anywhere. \$5500. Stan Faibisy, 1273 Linden Circle, Deland FL 32724-7516, 386-734-6350, Email sfaibisy@aol.com (Deland)

For Sale: '57 Silver Hawk for sale. Rebuilt 289 with automatic. Solid body. Ready to drive. Call Gene Young Home 352-621-1655 or cell 352-297-1080 (Homosassa)

For Sale: '63-'64 GT Hood; '64 GT grill shell with grill and emblems. Larry Golub 407-788-0117 (Longwood).

www.StudebakerVendors.com has links to the major vendors doing business on the web. Most vendors have email, so you can correspond electronically and save the phone calls and SASE.

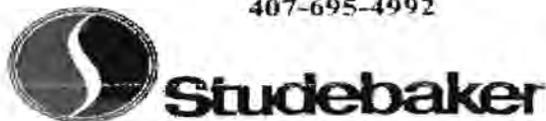
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SE ZONE MEET CLASSES

Division I: Prewar = 1902-46

Class	Description	Years
	Electric & 4-cylinder	1902-19
	E-Series Studebakers	1913-28
	Studebaker-Pierce Arrow 6 & 8cyl	1927-33
	Studebaker 6 & 8 Cylinder	1934-38
	Studebaker 6 & 8 Cylinder	1939-46

Division II: Early Postwar = 1947-58

Class	Description	Years
	Studebaker Cars	1947-49
	Studebaker Cars 6 & 8 cylinder	1950-52
	Studebaker Cars (non C&K body) 6 & 8cyl	1953-55
	Studebaker Cars & Packards (non C&K)	1956-58

Division III: Lark-Types = 1959-65

Class	Description	Years
	Larks 6 & 8 Cylinder	1959-61
	Larks 6 & 8 Cylinder (all)	1962-63
	Larks 6 & 8 Cylinder (all)	1964-66
	Lark convertibles (all)	1960-64

Division IV: C & K Coupes & Fin Hawks = 1953-61

Class	Description	Years
	Starliner, Starlight, Speedster	1953-55
	Studebaker & Packard Hawks	1956-58
	Studebaker Hawks, finned	1959-61

Division V: GT Hawks = 1962-64

Class	Description	Years
	GT Hawks	1962
	GT Hawks	1963
	GT Hawks	1964

Division VI: Avantis = 1963-91

Class	Description	Years
	Avanti (Studebaker)	1963
	Avanti (Studebaker)	1964
	Avanti II (Nato Altman)	1966-82
	Avanti (Blake, Kelley, Cafaro, etc)	1983-up

Division VII: Trucks = all years

Class	Description	Years
	Trucks under 1-ton (except T-cab)	all years
	Trucks T-cab	1960-64
	Trucks 1-ton and over	all years

Division VIII: Studebaker Powered Altered / Non-Stock

Class	Description	Years
	Prewar & Postwar (non C&K)	1902-58
	C&K	1953-64
	Lark-type	1959-66
	Avanti	1963-91
	Trucks	all years

Division IX: Non-Studebaker Powered Altered / Non-Stock

Class	Description	Years
	Prewar & Postwar (non C&K)	1902-58
	C&K	1953-64
	Lark-type	1959-66
	Avanti	1963-91
	Trucks	all years

Southeast Zone Meet 2006 April 28 - 30, 2006 Gainesville, FL 32607
 Hosted By: North Central Florida Studebaker Drivers Club
Meet Registration: (Special gift for those who pre-register)

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____ SDC Chapter _____

General Registration: (All must register to participate in the meet event) \$10.00 \$ _____

Late registration after **April 1, 2006** 15.00 \$ _____

1st Vehicle \$10.00 \$ _____

2nd Vehicle 5.00 \$ _____

Each additional Car 5.00 \$ _____

Special Original, Unique Studebaker-Wood Trophies--"Display Only" cars will also receive special Studebaker-wood trophies.

Judging: SDC judging policies will be used. Division and Class are listed on the back of this form.

CAR #	YEAR	MAKE/MODEL	DIVISION/CLASS
1	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____
4	_____	_____	_____
Display	_____	_____	_____
Swap Meet Space Outside (no charge)			\$ 0.00
Awards Ceremony & Banquet Buffet:			
Adult Buffet	@ \$28.00	# _____	\$ _____
Child	@ \$14.00	# _____	\$ _____
		TOTAL	\$ _____

Payment: Registration and/or Banquet-please make check payable to:
 North Central Florida Chapter, SDC, and mail to
 Edith Fifer, 5322 Johnson Terrace, Port Charlotte, FL 33981

(Your cancelled check is your receipt; however, we will be happy to send you a receipt if you request one.)

Host Hotel: Best Western Gateway Grand, 4200 NW 97th Blvd., Gainesville, FL.
 To make your reservations: Please call: 1-888-324-6061 or call the hotel direct at 352-331-3336.
 You must make your reservations by calling the above numbers; **NOT** the Best Western 1-800 number. To get the special discount rate of \$79, plus taxes, for rooms with a double bed, or \$89 for rooms with a king bed and sitting room, you must mention "**SE Studebaker Drivers Zone Meet.**" For general information, contact: Stephen Allen's Auto **352-472-9369** OR Charlotte Delli 813-657-9233.
 e-mail address:delli35@yahoo.com; or visit our web site: www.bulletnose.org.

Schedule of Events:		
Friday, April 28	Check in, registration, hospitality hours	3:00 - 8:00 PM;
Saturday, April 29	Registration 8:00 - 11 :00 AM; Hospitality	9:00 - 3:00 PM;
	Judging 11 :00 - 3:00 PM; Cocktail Hour	6:00 - 7:00 PM;
Sunday, April 30	Banquet & Awards 7:00 - 9:00 PM	
	Doughnuts and Coffee at Stephen Allen's Auto	9:00 AM until--

DISCLAIMER

I agree to abide by all rules of the Meet and release the North Central Chapter, SDC, from all liability for any damage, injury, or loss to property or person that may occur at this event:

 (Signature Required) Date: _____

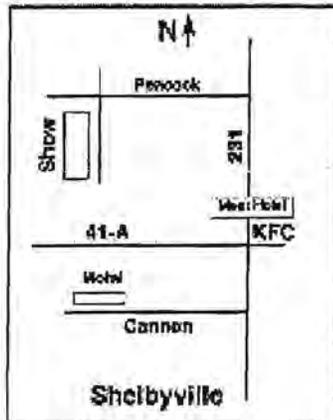
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Middle Tennessee Chapter 34th Annual Car Show

Studebaker Vehicles & Toys & Swap Meet
Orphan Cars Welcome
March 11, 2006

ALL INDOOR Car Show
Shelbyville Agriculture Center
2119 Midland Road, Shelbyville, TN

INCLUDING:
Car & Toy Show!



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, March 10
12-6 pm: Swap Meet Set Up
6-8 pm: Hospitality Room

Saturday, March 11
8 am-3 pm: Car & Toy Show
8 am-1 pm: Swap Meet
2:00 pm: Judging Ends
5:30 pm: BBQ Banquet dinner/
trophies/door prizes

Saturday. Homemade food booth and refreshments

VENDOR INFORMATION

- Inside heated and cooled vendor area
 - Outside vendor area all in enclosed building
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|---------------------|---------|
| Inside Space 10x10 | \$20.00 |
| Outside Space 10x10 | \$15.00 |

MOTEL INFO

Meet Hotel:
Country Heath Inn
Highway 231; 801-680-1000
Single: \$55; Dbl: \$65; King \$75
Mention Studebaker Drivers Club
when making your reservation

Other Choices:
Super 8
317 North Cannon Blvd.
931-884-8050

Best Western
724 Madison Street
931-884-2378

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____
PHONE (____) _____ EMAIL: _____
MODEL/YR CAR SHOWING _____
WATCH/MODEL/PEDAL CAR/
TOY SHOWING _____

General Registration (nothing judged or displayed)	@ \$5.00	\$5.00
Each Car	@ \$10.00	\$ _____
Watch/Model/Pedal Cars/Toys (15 yrs & under free entry for watch/model/pedal cars/toys)	@ \$5.00	\$ _____
Banquet Ticket, Adult	@ \$10.00	\$ _____
Banquet Ticket, Child	@ \$5.00	\$ _____
Inside Vendor Space	@ \$20.00	\$ _____
Outside Vendor Space	@ \$15.00	\$ _____
TOTAL:		\$ _____

Swap Meet Questions, call Gene Cunningham, 931-884-5729

MAIL REGISTRATION TO: GLENN WINNETT; 3333 JIM WARREN RD; SPRING HILL TN 37174

3rd Georgia State Studebaker Meet

Savannah, GA
March 31- April 1, 2006



Hosted by the South Georgia Chapter SDC
at the Comfort Inn & Suites, Pooler, GA
301 Governor Treutlen Drive (Exit 102, I-95 at U.S. Hwy. 80)
(912) 748-6464; (888) 895-6464

(Mention the Studebaker Meet for special rate of \$55; a limited no. of suites available at \$70, deadline for registration at this rate March 10, 2006)

Name _____	Spouse _____
SDC Chapter Affiliation _____	E-mail _____
Address _____	
City/State/Zip _____	Phone (____) _____
General Registration (you must register to participate in any event)	\$ 5.00
Car Show _____ Car #1 _____ @ \$20.00	_____
Additional Cars, Free Registration (please list below)	0.00
One Free T-shirt with first car if registered by March 17, 2006.	0.00
T-shirt size: S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____	
Additional t-shirts available for \$8.00, indicate size _____ Extra T-shirt \$8.00	_____
Banquet/Awards Saturday Night	
Low Country Boil _____ Total # _____ @ 16.00	_____
(please indicate if you would prefer chicken) # _____ @ 16.00	_____
Children 10 and under # _____ @ 5.00	_____
Swap Meet Space, outside (vendors free with general registration)	0.00
Total (make check payable to: South Georgia Chapter SDC)	_____

Mail Registration to: Joel Daniel, 2006 Meet Chairman, 103 Loraine Forest Ct., Macon, GA 31210
For more information see our website at www.georgiastudebaker.com or call Joel at (478) 994-6927.

#	YEAR	MODEL/STYLE (President 2-door, etc.)	CLASS
1st	_____	_____	_____
2nd	_____	_____	_____
3rd	_____	_____	_____
4th	_____	_____	_____

CLASSES:

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 - PREWAR | 6 - 1959-83 LARKS | 11 - 1965-85 AVANTI (II) |
| 2 - 1947-52 ALL | 7 - 1962-64 GT HAWKS | 12 - 1987-Present AVANTI (II) |
| 3 - 1953-55 COUPES & HARDTOPS | 8 - 1964-66 STUDEBAKERS | 13 - MODIFIED CARS |
| 4 - 1953-58 SEDANS & WAGONS | 9 - 1963-64 STUDEBAKER AVANTI | 14 - MODIFIED TRUCKS |
| 5 - 1956-61 HAWKS & HARDTOPS | 10 - COMMERCIAL | |

(Classes subject to change at the discretion of the judges.)

I do hereby release and hold harmless the South Georgia Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club and its members from any suits, actions, damages or claims which may arise from any loss or damages to me or my personal property.



Signed _____ Date _____
Registration will not be accepted without your signature

THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

The Orlando Area Studebaker Club was organized on October 15, 1983 and was chartered as the Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club on June 19, 1984. The Charter was presented to the Chapter at the International Studebaker Drivers Club meet in Kissimmee on July 6, 1984.

The Chapter was formed to:

- Encourage the acquisition, preservation, maintenance, and enjoyment of Studebaker and related automobiles.
- Provide accurate historical and technical information on Studebaker automobiles, the Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Studebaker Corporation.
- Promote good fellowship and pride of ownership among Chapter members.
- Publish a newsletter containing news and information concerning both national and local activities, technical advice, and items wanted or for sale.

Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

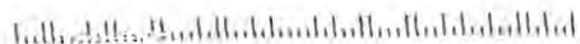
Ownership of a vehicle is not a requirement for membership. Many members are either looking for some special model or are simply interested in the colorful history of the Studebaker Corporation which spanned 114 years (1852-1966).

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FROM YOUR NEW PRESIDENT

By Don Dodgen



A big "hello" to all of you!

My name is Don Dodgen. I am the newly elected President of this Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club.

I have a tough act to follow. Dean Gessner has done an excellent job for the past 13 years, and I will be calling upon him a lot in the future for guidance in various situations - actually I already have! And I will need to call upon others as well, possibly even you!

Most of you know me. I have been in the local chapter for about 15 years, I guess. I've been interested in unusual cars for over 40 years and have owned Packards, Ramblers, BMWs, Citroens, and other vehicles as well as Studebakers. I do some of my own work and aim for driver cars rather than show cars. I have six Studebakers, all in the 1960s in various stages of restoration.

Included with this issue is a stamped, addressed survey. This is for YOU to talk to ME, now that I have talked to you! It will come directly back to me, and I will keep the contents confidential. Please

share your thoughts about the club; write what you would like to share about any topic.

Thanks in advance for your input. This will help us in future plans.

Until next time.

OAC MEETING MINUTES

March 11, 2006

Submitted by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at approx. 7:20 p.m. Members present were DeFazios, Don Dodgen and guest Fred, Larry Golub, Bob Coolidge, Gessners, Ambrogios, Morgans, and Gormicans.

Minutes from February were read and approved, with the exception as to who won the 50/50. Treasurer reported a balance of \$2274.64 and was approved. Membership Director had nothing to add. Under old business, nominations were opened for elections in April. Don Dodgen had been nominated for President and Dean for Activities Director at our February meeting. Ann nominated Frank Ambrogio for VP but he declined. John Gormican was then nominated for VP and accepted the nomination.

Just a reminder that the South Georgia Chapter meet is in Savannah Mar 30-Apr 1, and the SE Zone meet is in Gainesville is the end of April. Rusty and Karen said they plan to attend the Georgia Meet. Dean suggested we might arrange to caravan to Gainesville, but with various working schedules, it was decided to just go on our own.

Dean asked if the chapter would be interested in going to John Meinelt's in May. Members agreed to go. Dean will contact John again, and find out

which day would be convenient for him. We will bring a covered dish and have a picnic.

Fantasy of Flight was brought up again. A motion was made and seconded to have the club pay for all members who decided to go. Karen will get info on rates, times, and location. The tentative date was set for sometime in June.

Frank had received an email from the Notre Dame Club of Orlando. They are having a golf tournament on May 5th at Timacuan Country Club in Lake Mary, and would like to have a 47-52 Studebaker there. The owner would be provided with lunch, a souvenir, and local media attention for the local SDC Club and some recognition at the Studebaker National Museum in South Bend. If you are interested, let Frank know, and he will give you information on the person to contact. He will check to see if they would like more than one Studebaker. A motion was made and seconded to have the club sponsor a trophy for the International Meet in Omaha in 2006. Rusty gave a Frank a check to be forwarded to them.

A 50-50 drawing was held and the winner was Bob Coolidge. Meeting was adjourned at about 8:00 pm.

GEORGIA STATE STUDEBAKER MEET

By Karen DeFazio

Georgia had their 3rd state meet held on March 31st & April 1st, 2006. It was a sunny, warm, weekend held in Pooler Georgia, which is just outside of Savannah, Georgia. They had 50 beautiful cars participating in the following classes:

PreWar: 1947 - 52 (all)
1953 - 55 Coupes & Hardtops
1953 - 58 Sedans & Wagons
1956 - 61: Hawks & Hardtops
1959 - 63 Larks
1962 - 64 GT Hawks
1964 - 66 Studebakers
1963 - 1964 Studebaker Avanti
Commercial
1965 - 85 Avanti
1987 - Present Avanti
Modified Cars
Modified Trucks

The people in the South Georgia Chapter that hosted this meet were very friendly and made

everyone feel welcome. The hospitality room was great and even served lunch to everyone attending. They had a "Low Country Boil" for their buffet dinner. It was delicious! I wasn't sure what that was until that evening, but found it was boiled shrimp, corn on the cob, red potatoes, sausage, and chicken. It was the best food! South Georgia has true southern hospitality with great cooks!

Attending from the Orlando chapter were Cindy & Jerry Shelton and family, Dick & Tina Langlotz, and Karen & Rusty DeFazio. The person furthest to journey to the meet drove 782 miles all the way from Ohio in his Studebaker. Trophies were presented to winners in all classes, door prizes, a small auction, and 50/50. The drawing for the flat/bed truck was won by a 16 year old young man. His parents and grandparents are very active in the Southern Georgia chapter. In fact he was there helping pass out trophies and doing any chore that needed to be done. I'm so glad we are getting more young people interested in Studebakers!

It was a spectacular meet and all attending had a good time!



Corporal Michael Korin, one of Pooler's police officers, is standing beside a 1948 Champion, "Sheriff Car" owned by Joel Daniels. The Pooler police department would patrol the hotel to keep a good eye on all the Studebakers.

EDITORS NOTES

Special thanks to our new president, Karen DeFazio, and Frank Ambrogio for their contributions to this issue.

ELECTION RESULTS

A few new names appear

The slate of officers was approved by those attending the last meeting held on April 8. As you read in the opening story, Don Dodgen has agreed to serve as our sixth President. He relieves Dean Gessner who served in that capacity for thirteen years.

Dean will take over the job of Activities Director, replacing Dave Cramp. He will also serve as Editor of the newsletter with help from Frank Ambrogio (and everyone else.) John Gormican has replaced Jim Morgan as Vice President. The remaining officer positions will be filled by the same people who served before.

The officers are listed in the About OAC section, which appears later in this issue.

MYSTERIOUS COWL TAG

Finally an answer after 22+ years By Frank Ambrogio

We purchased our 1956 Golden Hawk in October, 1983. The first things I checked were the Serial, Body, and Engine numbers. All agreed with the copy of the original production order I purchased from Avanti Motor Company. The cost of that production order was \$10.00.

Looking under the hood, on the passenger side cowl, I was able to easily spot the body number tag. It read, 56J-K7 and had the numbers 2591 below. This translated to 1956 model year (56), 352 Cubic Inch V8 engine (J), 5 passenger Hawk hardtop body (K7).

All was in order, except for a mysterious metal strip which protruded to the right of the body number tag. Raised lettering on the tag read "W G KNECHT". I had asked several people over the next 22 years what they thought the tag represented, but no one had a definite answer. Many suggested that it might be someone's name, a thought that had occurred to me also. If that were true, who was that person?

In January of 2006, I put a picture of the tag, in my newsletter, 56J ONLY, which I distribute to owners of 1956 Golden Hawks. Nothing happened until March 23 when I received a letter from SDC member and Turning Wheels Almanac editor, Richard Quinn.



The body tag showing the letters W G KNECHG on a metal tag to the right of the body number tag.

Richard Quinn supplies the answer

Frank, I noted your inquiry in the Feb 2006 issue of 56J only regarding the "mysterious body tag" and believe I have the answer to the question.

The lettering you mention, W. G. Knecht, stands for Walter G. Knecht, a long time employee in Studebaker's engineering department. He held several positions over the years but I do know he was asst. chief inspector in engineering in 1950+ and by 1962 was in what they referred to as "Quality Control" which may have been the same position with a different title. As such the car you now own was likely assigned to him for driving/testing. Of course it is also possible that he purchased it outright though I think that is less likely. I did not know him personally but I do know from my records that he resided at 53570 Olive Rd. in South Bend.

I see his name on the cc: from a memo sent by R. D. Feick to A. Bolger regarding the 56J's built for Canadian delivery that is dated 2 April 1956. The memo concerns the fact that 56J cars built for Canadian sales were to have the 8.25 to 1 compression engines and would have a special "XH" suffix on the engine number to distinguish it from the 9.5 engines. I assumed I had sent a copy of this memo to you but if not I can do that.

I hope that settles the issue of the "mysterious tag" but I do find it interesting that they would choose this method to designate the driver/user. I wonder if this practice was widespread. In examining tens of thousands of production orders over the years I have seen the phrase "tag for _____" and I am now wondering if it literally meant to add the body tag strip as found on your car?

Sure enough, I did have the letter by R. D. Feick,

and listed among those who were receive a copy, was W. G Knecht. I've said this many times in the past, but it certainly bears repeating. We in SDC, are so fortunate to have people like Richard Quinn, Fred K. Fox, and Bob Palma in our club.

Over the past 17 years, all three have been a big help to my 1956 Studebaker Golden Hawk Owners Register project. (www.1956GoldenHawk.com)

HEALTH TIP

Subject: Leptospirosis

An infectious disease of domestic animals, especially cattle, swine, and dogs, caused by spirochetes of the genus Leptospira and characterized by jaundice and fever.

A woman went boating one Sunday taking with her some cans of coke which she put into the refrigerator of the boat. On Monday she was taken to the hospital and placed in the Intensive Care Unit. She died on Wednesday.

The autopsy concluded she died of Leptospirosis. This was traced to the can of coke she drank from, not using a glass. Tests showed that the can was infected by dried rat urine and hence the disease Leptospirosis. Rat urine contains toxic and deathly substances. It is highly recommended to thoroughly wash the upper part of soda cans before drinking out of them.

The cans are typically stocked in warehouses and transported straight to the shops without being cleaned. A study at NYCU showed that the tops of soda cans are more contaminated than public toilets (i.e.) full of germs and bacteria. So wash them with water before putting them to the mouth to avoid any kind of fatal accident.

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

March 26: A grand total of 7 people attended the breakfast for March. Don Dodgen (1964 GT Hawk), Dean Gessner Frank Ambrogio (1956 Golden Hawk), John & Joann Gormican, and Rusty & Karen DeFazio enjoyed breakfast together at Toojay's Restaurant in Lake Mary.

In less than two hours, we were able to resolve several of the world's problems while enjoying our breakfast together.

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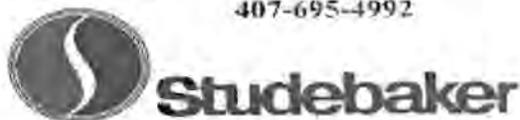
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For Sale: '63-'64 GT Hood; '64 GT grill shell with grill and emblems. Larry Golub 407-788-0117 (Longwood).

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The Chapter was formed to:

- Encourage the acquisition, preservation, maintenance, and enjoyment of Studebaker and related automobiles.
- Provide accurate historical and technical information on Studebaker automobiles, the Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Studebaker Corporation.
- Promote good fellowship and pride of ownership among Chapter members.
- Publish a newsletter containing news and information concerning both national and local activities, technical advice, and items wanted or for sale.

Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

Ownership of a vehicle is not a requirement for membership. Many members are either looking for some special model or are simply interested in the colorful history of the Studebaker Corporation which spanned 114 years (1852-1966).

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SOUTHEAST ZONE MEET

By Jeff Rice From the North Central Florida Chapter web site www.bulletnose.org

While we heard horror stories about the host motel, they seemed to do a pretty decent job about things. Parking for the Studebakers was great. But the regular lot was crammed and overflow people were parking with the side lot vendors. Rick and Calvin made a few extra bucks parking them out there <LOL>... It was great to see all the parts vendors out in the side lot. Saw a lot of parts sold back and forth. I woke up early Saturday and looked out of our room to see busy Studebaker people out prepping their vehicles. Now that is dedication!

The judging breakfast buffet was great. I love to graze. Having as many volunteer judges as we had made the job easier (depending on the class).. Now that is dedication!

The parking lot was all abuzz all day Saturday. A lot of people came out just to see the Studebakers, so the local media work paid off well. As a volunteer judge in the modified and custom class, all I can say is the quality of the work on these vehicles is impressive. I offered up to be the 'diver' and do the undercarriages and engine compartments. Man, that's as bad as doing pushups. Up, down, up, down, up, down, twist, bend, sunglasses on,

reading glasses on, hat on, hat off.... But to look really close at other people's pride and joy..... That's kind of hard... I hate to look for flaws, and mark them down.. But, the rules are the rules. I wanted to mark some 'up' for neat ideas. Maybe there should be a bonus point award system, too... But the Studebakers were all so clean underneath. I looked under my truck yesterday and all I could do was groan...



Photo by Rick courtier

The awards banquet was so much fun....and i just got to watch. I was amazed at the flapper gal's hard work. (I am avoiding making the eight to eighty comment, but dang it...EVERYONE was running and helping out..) The donated prizes

were being delivered faster than Fed-Ex...amazing. The food was great, and the dessert table actually came over and grabbed me by the collar and dragged me over there.

It was heartwarming to see the room show genuine affection when Michael Scarabino presented Dr. Cade with a lifetime achievement award. The speeches were tolerable..... (I did like them, but speeches are speeches)

The awards presentation was quick! I remember other shows where it went on and on and on.



Photo by Rick courtier

Thanks to our flapper gal delivery system, I think the NCFSDC has perfected how to do this. Even the after banquet parking lot activities were fun. It took an effort to go to the room to get some sleep.



Kudos' to the Cade's and the hospitality committee for their work at the Cade's place Sunday. That was almost a meet in itself.

All in all? I think it was a superb zone meet, and I am proud to be a member of the host chapter. You all

should be proud!

(NOTE: Photos posted by NCFSDC member, Rick Courtier can be seen on the NCFSDC website www.bulletnose.org)

FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Don Dodgen

During our annual picnic at Kelly Park last November, a discussion was held concerning Frank and Anita Ambrogio



Over a 20+ year span, Frank and Anita have given generously of their time and talent in many various aspects of our club activities. The most recent example was, of course, the 2005 State Meet, which we hosted in Lake Mary. Frank was a co-chairman of the event, and Anita headed up the registration team. Both helped in other areas, as well.

There was unanimous agreement that it was high time that the club recognize their efforts in some special way.

I was asked to take on the task. I was unable to make a planned presentation at the Holiday dinner. However, that evening, at their Sorrento home, I presented Anita with a nice floral bouquet, then gave Frank and Anita some chocolates. These were shaped like tools, for Frank, and shopping spree items for Anita! Last, but not least, was a nice card with a restaurant gift certificate inside, to let them know how much we, as a club, have appreciated their dedication.

To say that they were pleased and surprised would be an understatement.

Thank you, as a club, for the pleasure of having this "task" assigned to me.

(Note: Frank & Anita expressed their thanks in the January-February issue.)

CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Notre Dame Club of Greater Orlando

By bob Coolidge

NOTE: Each year, the Notre Dame Club of Greater Orlando puts on a charity and scholarship golf tournament. This year's event, the 14th annual, was held on Friday, May 5 at the Timacuan Country Club. Because of the South Bend connection, they asked the Orlando Area Chapter to supply a Studebaker or two for the event. Bob Coolidge responded.

Just got back from the Notre Dame Golf Tournament. It was very nice. Everyone seemed excited to have a Studebaker on site there. I parked my 49 on one of the greens near the club house.



They used the car as a back drop for photos of all of the foursomes that were playing etc. They gave me a very nice plaque in the name of the chapter for participating.

EDITORS NOTES

Once again this newsletter is a bit sparse as far as member contributions are concerned. We had to steal a story about the SE Zone meet from the North Central Florida Chapter's web site, even though many of our own members attended. We also had to throw in other nonsense just to fill up the pages.

Thanks to our President, Don Dodgen, and to Bob Coolidge for submitting items to this issue.

Did you attend a meet, or a cruise, or take your Studebaker somewhere and display it, like Bob Coolidge did? If so, why not tell the rest of us about it? It doesn't have to be an epic saga. A paragraph or two would be all we'd need. A photo would be a nice addition.

OAC MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2006

Submitted by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at approx. 7:20 p.m. by Dean Gessner as new President Don Dodgen was out of town. Members present were DeFazios, Gessners, Ambrogios, Morgans, Sheltons, and Gormicans.

No minutes were available from the April meeting. Treasurer reported a balance of \$2173.69 with a few more dollars to be deposited from the last 50/50 drawing. Report was accepted.

Under old business: The Zone Meet in Gainesville had a good turnout. There were over 100 registrations, and possibly 100 cars. The North Central Florida chapter did a nice job. All seemed to go smoothly. Attendees from OAC were the Sheltons, DeFazios, Don Dodgen, and Morgans.

Since our plans for Fantasy of Flight didn't work for this spring, it was tentatively decided to go in November and hold our annual picnic there. We will check to see if a picnic site is available, or just go and eat in their cafeteria. The Jacksonville chapter is planning the Zone Meet this year. Tentative dates are the 3rd weekend in October. The details are not yet available.

Plans for the Christmas dinner will be discussed when we meet again in September. It was determined that the weather will be too warm to plan another outing at Don Garlitz Museum. Again, we will discuss it again later this year. John Gormican mentioned the Bob White Airport fly in will be in October. No dates were given.

A suggestion was made that we attend a car cruise as a group. There is one at the Steak & Shake in Sanford the 1st Sat of the month. Anita mentioned one in Eustis on the 3rd Thursday, and there is always Old Town every Sat night. A motion was made and seconded to attend the Sanford cruise on the 1st Saturday in September. Be there by 4:00 if you plan to bring your car as they fill up fast.

A 50-50 drawing was held and the winner was Joann Gormican. Meeting was adjourned at about 7:35 pm.

(NOTE: There will be no more meetings till our September meeting. We will continue to have our monthly breakfasts however.)

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

May 28: A grand total of nine people attended the monthly breakfast for May, which occurred on the Memorial Day weekend.. Those attending were Bob Coolidge, Rusty & Karen DeFazio, Dean & Jean Gessner, John & Joann Gormican, and Don Dodgen who brought a guest.

Rusty brought some pictures of his 1957 Golden Hawk, which is undergoing a "lifelong" process of restoration. It's getting there, little by little. It will be a super nice car when it's finished.

Sunday morning is such a great time to be out with your Studebaker. It's cool, there isn't much traffic, and you can visit with some of your chapter pals. Why not set the last Sunday of each month aside and join us for breakfast at Toojay's?

June 25: Ten members and one guest braved the rainy Sunday morning to attend the monthly chapter breakfast. Frank & Anita Ambrogio were the only ones who brought a Studebaker, their 1956 Golden Hawk. Also attending were Don Dodgen and his friend Fred, Bob Coolidge, John & Joann Gormican, Rusty & Karen DeFazio, and Dean & Jean Gessner.

Don said he received several of the surveys that were included with the last issue, and would have a report once he had collected all of them. We also talked about the possibility of meeting at the home of John Meinelt in Deland, in September.

The next breakfast will be July 30.

A Tale of Two Tires

A Case for Radial Tires on Your Classic Car.

As with most things that are not understood very well, myth and tall tales abound. This has always been true for tires in general, but even more so when it comes to the use of radial tires on older vehicles.

Generally speaking, vehicles produced before 1965 were fitted with the bias-ply tire technology, which was at its zenith in the mid to late 1960's. But change came swiftly.

First making their way into the automobile manufacturing lines in 1965, radial tires quickly

became the standard tire design. By 1973 all US automobile manufacturers had standardized on the radial tire, mostly due to its fuel economy benefits.

Since then, there has been a great amount of debate over the use of radial tire designs on vehicles not originally equipped with them. The key to unlocking the answers start with learning about the history and design of both the bias-ply and radial tire. From there we will try to separate the myths from the reality when exploring the tire options available to the Classic Car owners today.

Bias-Ply History

In 1898, the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company discovered the process of vulcanizing rubber. To strengthen and mold the rubber, a casing of reinforced layers or "plys" of rubberized fabric cords are embedded into the rubber. Each subsequent layer is laid in alternating diagonal pattern bias to the bead cord. The degree of the bias varied between manufactures, running between 30 to 55 degrees to the bead cord.

For the next 60 years, bias-ply tires ruled the roads of America and gradually evolved from cotton cord belts in 1915, to rayon cord in the 1930's, and then to nylon cords in 1943. Improved technology changes to bias-ply designs were introduced in 1954 with the advent of tubeless tires on Packard built cars, which fast became the standard on all automobiles there after.

In 1959, steel corded tires were introduced, followed by fiberglass corded tires in 1963, all based on the bias-ply design. The level of bias-ply tire design has remained pretty much unchanged since around 1965 when radial tires started showing up in dealer show rooms.

The main advantage of bias-ply tires is in its load carrying capabilities in relation to tire size. A smaller bias-ply tire can carry more load than a radial tire of similar size. The drawbacks are higher friction, equating to higher tire temperatures which results in faster wear. Also, the tread contact area (the area where tread meets pavement) is smaller and since the sidewall and tread area are constructed of one material, cornering affects the contact area more than on radial designed tires.

Radial Tire History

Michelin first introduced steel-belted radial tires in Europe in 1948. Radial tires are so named because the ply cords radiate at a 90 degree angle from the bead cord, and the casing is strengthened by a belt of steel fabric that runs around the circumference of the tire. In radial tire design the ply cords are made of nylon, rayon, or polyester.

In 1966, Michelin struck a deal with Sears to manufacture radial tires for sale under the "Allstate" label and within four years Sears was selling one million units per year. In the mid-1960s, B.F. Goodrich embraced radial technology as a means to win market share from its larger rivals, and the company introduced the first American-made radial in the mid-1960s and supported the launch with the "Radial Age" advertising campaign in 1968.

The August 1968 Consumer Reports awarded its top two spots to radials and documented the new technology's longer life, increased safety, handling and economy relative to even top-of-the-line bias-ply tires.

The advantages of radial tires include longer tread life, better steering characteristics, and less rolling resistance, which increases gas mileage. On the other hand, radials have a harder riding quality, and technologically are more complex than bias-ply tires, so they cost more to produce.

Separating Myth from Fact

The so-called hazards of using radial tires on vehicles that were originally quipped with bias-ply tires are some of the hardest myths to erase from peoples minds. Partially because as in most myths, some truths can be found. For instance, it's true that many older vehicles were not engineered to take advantage of radial tire designs. But that does not make using radial tires on older vehicles unsafe or a waste of money.

When weeding through the myths to get to the facts, four notable areas surface. Three deal with the physical characteristics: tire size, contact area, and tire weight. The fourth component, deals with load carrying capabilities, and is the lesser element in the group. Let's address these areas by first placing them in context with myth.

MYTH: "The suspension systems on older vehicles are not designed to use radial tires".

This statement is true in the context that radial tires may not have been available to, or offered by, the manufacture at the time the vehicle was designed. The factors to look at when considering radial tire use on these cars in regard the problems that could be encountered are:

- 1) Tire Weight
- 2) Contact Area
- 3) Tire Size

Tire Weight: Radial tires, due to their steel belt design are heavier than bias-ply tires of similar size. This additional weight may require heavier springs or modern gas shocks to help tame the additional weight. Unless you are looking to increase the sidewall height over that of the original size bias-ply tire, radial tire weight should not be a huge concern.

Contact Area: The larger contact area can make steering a chore on heavy vehicles that do not have power steering. The larger contact area may also make low speed cornering a bit more sluggish and less responsive. Proper radial tire selection and tire inflation adjustments can successfully overcome most of these issues.

Tire Size: A little research may be required to find a suitable size tire that can accommodate the vehicle's weight and still meet the OEM (Original Equipment Manufactures) size. As an example, locating 14" radial tires to accommodate a 5,000 lbs vehicle could be a bit of a challenge today.

MYTH: "You can't use tubeless radial tires on older tube rims".

If there is any truth to this claim, I have not seen it my restoration experience and I have put tubeless tires on many a prewar rim without any notable problems.

But to make sure I talked with an expert. Frank Mauro of Stockton Wheel Service, plainly states, "There were no changes to rim design in the late fifties when the tubeless tire came on the scene, in fact the idea was for backward compatibility to shift people with older cars to the new tubeless tires".

Frank also remarked that "If you find [that] you cannot use a tubeless radial on your stock rim, we

can build one that looks stock and [will] work with any radial tire". Stockton Wheel Service has been in business since 1893 and is America's oldest wheelwright. They specialize in classic car and truck wheels and build custom wheels to suit the needs of just about anyone needing wheels and can be found online at: www.stocktonwheel.com.

MYTH: "The ride quality of bias-ply tires is better than radial tires".

As a general statement, this myth is just that - myth. The ride quality of one design over the other is really in the materials used to build the tire rather than the design type itself. You can find poor ride characteristics in either design. Typically, radial tires do have a firmer overall ride than bias-ply tires, and in my opinion, that equates to a firmer ride over that of a squishy jell-O-like ride quality, which is not my idea of a controlled ride. But in this arena, you will have to be the judge.

One negative ride trait of bias-ply tires is what's called "standing set". This means vehicles equipped with bias-ply tires that stand still for long periods, without being driven, develop flat areas on the tread face. These areas pound like a cupped tire until they work themselves out during driving. This trait should give cause for Classic Car owners to take note of, since many classics are only driven on rare occasions.

On the other hand, choose a radial tire with an 80,000 miles treadwear life and I will show you rolling rocks. The harder composition found in long treadwear rubbers used in some radial tires can produce a rather stiff or hard ride quality. Again, there are trade-offs here too. A hard compound, long life radial will have a very firm ride, and it will steer better than soft compound radial tires found in 25,000 or 35,000 mile treadwear tires. However it is in these soft compound tires that you will find a better ride. Choosing a radial tire with a treadwear life of 40,000 miles is the best choice for having it both ways. but just a little.

MYTH: "I have a restored vehicle and the radial tires look, well wrong".

This might have been the case a few years ago, but many of the specialty tire manufactures make everything from Redline Tires to Wide Whitewall Tires in the radial design. The real benefits here are that the tires are made for vehicles that were

originally equipped with bias-ply tires. This means issues like weight, size, and contact area have been taken into consideration when developing these radial tires for today's market.

Will these reproduction radial tires get a pass from the show judges? I know people that change radial tires when they get to the show because of concerns about judging. So maybe not, but that type of judging is crazy anyway in my opinion. When I see radials in my judging, I think about how much the owner is enjoying his restoration, NOT why isn't the person torturing themselves with bias-plies to make more brownie-points.

Diamond Back Tires carry a full line of radial tires for classic and special interest cars and trucks. All their tires are made in the USA at their Conway, South Carolina plant. You will not find any bias-plies in their inventory. They only do radial tires, which should be enough evidence to show that bias-plies are really a technology of the past.

Radial or Bias-ply?

I hope I've helped explain some of the facts and dispelled the myths of using radial tires on vehicles originally designed for bias-ply. In the end it's up to you to decide, of course, which tire is best for your classic car. But I have no problem recommending radial tires because I know how much you will enjoy the drive. After all, that's why we restore classic cars, to enjoy them!

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State Meet 2006

From the Northeast Florida Chapter

This is a "Special Invitation" to your Chapter to attend our State Meet, October 21st, 06. If additional registration forms are required please go to our WEB Page www.studebakernef.com and download. Those will not have Charley's Old Time Gas Station as a watermark, that's why these are "Special" to your Chapter.

(Editor' Note: I removed the watermark, as it made the form too dark to read. A copy of the registration form is located on page 7.)

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Looking forward to seeing you and your Studebakers in Oct.

Bob, Nollie and the rest of the chapter.

From the President

By Don Dodgen

The dog days of summer will soon be over, 99 in the shade. It will be good to see it end. Hope all of you are relaxing and refreshing yourselves, and your Studebakers, for our next meeting in September. What else is there to do, right?



Anyhow, I have been gratified by the number of surveys sent back so far. If you haven't sent yours back yet, don't feel under any pressure. But please, do fill it out and send it in by September, before our next meeting.

I am compiling those that have been sent back already. Put me to work as your new President by doing your part. Give me your thoughts and ideas. I'm pleased and excited by some of what has been sent in already. Thanks a lot!

You know, believe it or not, through the years, I have heard, dare I say it?, some criticisms about our club. I know it may shock you, but it's true. So, if you are one of those who have had some unpleasant thoughts about our club, and don't bother to fill out a survey, just remember, you can be part of the problem or part of the solution. You choose! We even provided the stamp!

Until next time!

What I Did On MY Summer Vacation

By Frank Ambrogio

(NOTE: Much information and photos for this article were taken from the Piquette Ts web site at www.piquettets.org)

In July, we went home to Michigan to visit friends and family. On Saturday, July 8, I went with my brother John to the Model "T" cemetery tour. Sounds a bit morbid, but rest assured, it was a most remarkable outing. Detroit is rich in automotive history, and the Ford family represents a huge part of that heritage.

The day started when John's friend, another John (Connors), picked us up in his 1933 Dodge 4 door sedan. I couldn't believe it when he turned on to the entrance ramp to I-75, and started accelerating to about 60 MPH. That car ran better than my Hawk.

We met about twenty five people with Model "Ts", ranging from 1915 to 1927, one Model "A" and our Dodge. The meeting place was the Ford factory on Piquette Avenue. Built in 1904, this building was the first ever owned by the Ford Motor Company and was the birthplace of the "T". The Henry Ford Heritage Association is trying to preserve the building. The building was also a Studebaker plant, after Ford moved out in the early part of the last century. It is adjacent to what remains of the property that was another plant owned by Studebaker, which burned down last year.

We were told that the next "potty stop" wouldn't be till noon, so we filed into the old building, climbed to the second floor, and waited our turn to use the nearly 100

year old rest room. It was modernized so that it didn't fit the "decor" of the remainder of the plant. There were several cars in the plant, plus an area where a "body drop" was to be assembled. This is huge building and is in remarkable condition.

The 2nd Annual Cemetery Tour was led by Mike Skinner, President of the Henry Ford Heritage Association. Our first stop was the Ford United Methodist Church to view the Edsel Ruddiman grave. Edsel Ruddiman was Henry Ford's friend for whom he named his own son.

We drove to St. Martha's Episcopal Church, home of the Ford Family Cemetery. It was really interesting to see most of the Ford family resting in one place. We viewed the resting place of Henry and Clara, and then had the opportunity to view the inside of the church.



Henry & Clara Ford's gravesite

In 1893, a deed of trust was created allowing the land to be operated "as a place of burial for the heirs and decedents and families" of Samuel Ford. By 1920, Henry Ford purchased the cemetery. Henry Ford's wife, Clara, commissioned a church to be built on the site, which was completed in 1954. The Ford Family Cemetery is 10.1 miles from the Ford Piquette Avenue Plant.

One of the special features of the building is a stained glass window of a Model T. One of the members even gave a little boy from the church a brief ride in the parking lot before we left.



The Model T window at St. Martha's Church

He and his mother were thrilled.

En route to Henry Ford Village we passed St. Alphonsus Church, the site of Patrick O'Hern's grave (Pay attention here! He is Henry Ford's mother's stepfather). We then assembled at the Henry Ford Village, the former site of Henry Ford's birthplace that now resides at Greenfield Village. There is a fountain surrounded by plaques that detail events from Henry Ford's life. There were many very interesting notations on the plaques, far too many to

detail in this report.

Then, the group drove on to the Henry Ford Estate - Fairlane. There was a wedding ceremony about to commence. The cars quickly lined up and some photos were taken before the wedding party arrived. The 56 room estate was built for Clara and Henry Ford between 1913 and 1915. Henry Ford Estate is 10.7 miles from the Ford Piquette Avenue Plant.

We pulled out in the nick of time and continued to the 75th anniversary celebration at the Dearborn Inn. Henry Ford built the inn in 1931 to accommodate travelers coming to the nearby Ford Airport. It was one of the nation's first airport hotels. Today, it is a Marriott Hotel and is 11.0 miles from the Ford Piquette Avenue Plant.



Ts and the Dearborn Inn

The Classic Car Club of America was hosting an antique car show on the Inn's front lawn. What a wonderful experience to see the Model T caravan pull in and park on the edge of the show. They provided quite a contrast to the more prestigious cars in the show. Packard, Rolls Royce, Studebaker, Cadillac, Chrysler, and many other high priced cars were on display, and they looked magnificent with the

Dearborn Inn as the backdrop. There was also an ice cream social, and we managed to get a taste of this delicious treat. The servers must have borrowed some of Ford's production line techniques, as they were scooping and serving with machine like precision. There was virtually no waiting, and that was most welcome.

We stayed about an hour. Then, we traveled to the home of a man named Randy Mason, for lunch. Randy is with the Lambda Car Club, but I'm not sure of his official capacity. He proved to be



The Piquette Ts pose in front of Fairlane

a very cordial host and his home was a perfect setting for lunch. Randy has six antique cars, about 50 antique outboard motors, a couple of vintage boats, and several old toy trains. I have been to many old car owner's homes over the last quarter century, and I am always amazed at the setup so many people have, and some of the items

that have been saved.

One of the cars in Randy's garage was a 1960 Studebaker Lark, so I had to take a closer look. It was in very nice condition. Someone told me he used that car to pull his trailer. As was everything else, this car looked to be in very good condition. I can't imagine what the trailer must look like.

Finally, we drove to Woodmere Cemetery for the final stop of this year's cemetery tour. I had a great time on this tour. I had been to some of the places as a kid, but I didn't remember much about them. This has certainly refreshed my memory, and I'm so glad I was able to participate. My thanks to brother John, for inviting me, John Connors for providing the transportation, Mike Skinner for conducting an excellent tour, and Randy Mason for the most welcomed lunch.

Though not surprised, as I've attended several functions with John and the T, I have to say that I was totally impressed with the way the old cars handled the tour. There were many stops which meant turning off the engine. Every car started every time. Several had to be started using the front hand crank, and each one was equal to the task. The owners doing the cranking may not have fared as well. It was a beautiful warm day, but after a few rotations of the crank, I'm sure the owners were ready for a cool breeze (and maybe a cool brew.)



After a big lunch, the "before" picture isn't as wide!

By comparison, I drive a "modern" car, a 1956 Studebaker Golden Hawk. I'm not sure my car could have withstood the rigors of this tour. The slower pace and the multiple stops are somewhat foreign to my car's usual outings. My hat is off to those venerable Ts. Henry never ceases to impress!

Some of the areas we traveled through were quite run down, but I never felt unsafe. Many of the residents were standing on the side of the road, or on the front porch and waved as we went by. Time and again, motorists would stop and wave us on, at a stop sign, and even some stop signals, so we could stay with our group. Despite the

foreign car invasion that has swept into America, I think I can say that Detroit citizens still love the cars they helped produce. The motor city may not be the place it once was, but it is still very much alive!

This is one side of the Detroit landscape that never makes it into the headlines, and serves as a reminder of a once proud and great city. The Henry Ford Heritage Association is doing monumental service in trying to preserve a piece of Detroit's glorious automotive history. Our family moved out of the city in 1950, and I left the State in 1973. Yet, whenever I speak of "home", it is Detroit to which I am referring. I haven't seen the new ballparks, but I did see the Fox Theater. I think these are major steps in the revitalization of the city. Perhaps on a smaller scale, but equally as important in my mind, the Henry Ford Heritage Association, and the Piquette Ts are doing a similar service.

(NOTE: For more information on the Henry Ford Heritage Association, contact them at P. O. Box 2313, Detroit MI 48123)

Membership News

Chapter renewals are due by October 1, 2006. A form is included with this newsletter, on page 6. While you're registering for the state meet, why not write another check. Payable to Orlando Area Chapter - SDC, and mail it to Me:

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EDITORS NOTES

This issue had more information on Ford than it did on Studebaker. If you'd rather read Studebaker stories, it is up to you to submit them. I only print what I get. Thanks to Don and Frank for their contributions. Thanks also to the Northeast Florida Chapter for the information on the state meet. The added input from a couple of different sources made doing the newsletter a little more fun.

The forms for chapter renewals, and the state meet are printed on subsequent pages. Please renew your chapter membership, and register early for the State Meet.

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

July 30: An expectant crowd of potentates, Presidents, and other important personages gathered in front of Toojays in Lake Mary this morning. Seven members of our club once again gathered to debate and resolve the world's problems.

In attendance were Rusty DeFazio, Bob Coolidge, John and Joan Gormican, Don Dodgen, and his friend, Fred Trowbridge. Don honored the occasion by driving his

1964 Daytona Convertible to the event.

It was announced that our September meeting will be on Saturday the 9th and will be a pot luck at the home of John & Pat Meinelt in Deland. Further details are in another location in this issue of Greasy Prints. Plan on coming!!

A suggestion was floated around for consideration that the location of our Christmas banquet be moved to a diner near downtown, that would be all ours, no one else would be there. A proper dinner time instead of 1:00 PM would also be a plus. Initial reaction was favorable but details remain to be worked out.

Sadly, it was announced by Rusty DeFazio, that his wife Karen has colon cancer and will be operated on in mid August. Our prayers and best wishes for her full recovery.

Our next breakfast will be on August 27. Same time - Same place. (Submitted by Don Dodgen)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

What's Happening in our area

2006

September 24-30 SDC International Meet in OMAHA NE. See Turning Wheels for information.

September 24 Monthly breakfast 8:00 AM, TooJay's.

October 13-14 Hudson AMC Orphan Car Fun Weekend- Crystal River Days Inn, 2380 NW Highway 19, Crystal River, Info: 352-795-2111.

October 20-21 FL STATE MEET-JACKSONVILLE, see flyer for details.

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MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM



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ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE ZIP _____

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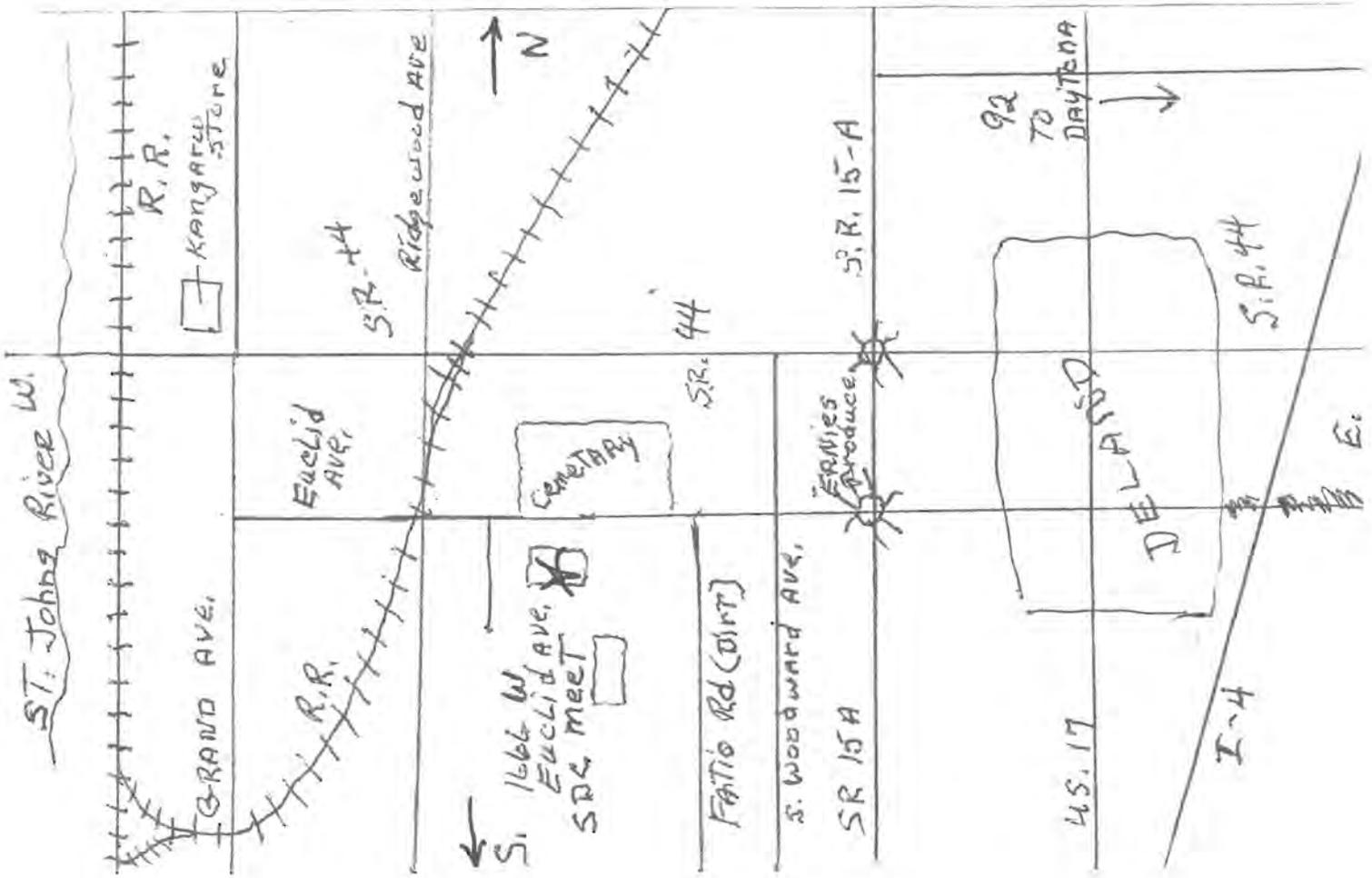
SEND THE ENTIRE FORM - DO NOT CUT OFF

OAC FORM REG-1 (09/00). Previous editions are obsolete

ON SAT SEPTEMBER 9TH WE ARE PLANNING TO HAVE A STUDEBAKER OUTING AT THE HOME OF JOHN MEINELT. HE HAS A COLLECTION OF ABOUT 30 CARS, A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING. WE WILL EAT BETWEEN 11:30 & 12:00 PM. THE CLUB WILL PROVIDE THE MEAT AND DRINKS. WE ARE ASKING THE MEMBERS TO BRING A COVERED DISH TO PASS. AFTER WE EAT THERE WILL BE A SHORT MEETING, THIS WILL BE THE SEPTEMBER BUISNESS MEETING.

AS FOR THE LADY'S JOHN'S WIFE PAT HAS A TRULY BEAUTIFUL GARDEN AND LANDSCAPING AROUND THE YARD. JOHN IS OPENING HIS HOME AND GARAGE FOR US TO EXPERIENCE HIS COLLECTION OF AUTOS AND ANTIQUES. SO PLEASE DO TRY TO ATTEND. REMEMBER IT IS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH.

ALSO PROVIDED IS A MAP TO JOHNS HOME. LUNCH WILL BE AT 11:30 AM



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Meeting at the Meinelt's

Chapter Members Gather in Deland - By Frank Ambrogio

A (slightly less than) gigantic crowd gathered at the home of John & Pat Meinelt in Deland on Saturday, September 9, to spend the afternoon with this most gracious couple. The plan was to have lunch, view the cars that John & Pat have, and have a short business meeting. Well, as is so often the case, two out of three isn't bad.

There was easily enough food for over thirty people, and the cars the Meinelts have in their stable are quite an impressive sight. Their were Oldsmobiles, Chevrolets, Buicks, Studebakers, Whippets, Plymouths, scooters, gas pumps, parts, and many other items of interest to the old car fan.

The expected crowd did not materialize as only seven members made it to Deland. John & Joann Gormican, Rusty & Karen DeFazio, Dean & Jean Gessner, and Frank Ambrogio were saddled with the horrendous task of trying to eat all that food. We did a pretty good job on the food, but there was still enough left to feed us a couple more times. Helping us eat the food and to make it look like a bigger crowd, were Gene and Marilyn Roy, Model T Club and AACA members, who joined in on the festivities.

Don Dodgen was on his way to attend, but ran into car trouble en route. By the time the tow truck arrived, and he got back home, it was too late for him to make the trip. Thus, the meeting never took place. It was also on Don's agenda to bring the chicken. Since he was unable to do so, John G. and Dean slipped out to the local Winn Dixie and picked some up for the group. With all the other food that was spread out, it wasn't immediately clear why the chicken was needed, but it disappeared none the less.

John & Pat were very cordial and opened their home to us. Their several pets didn't seem to mind us intruding on their territory, and may have even made a friend or two.

Those of us who did attend had a great time, and the best part of the day was seeing Karen DeFazio, looking and acting as always, and showing no ill effects from the colon cancer surgery only a month before.

It is too bad more chapter members didn't participate, but

that seems to be the pattern over the last several years. Thanks to John and Pat for allowing us to visit them and disrupt their day. It seemed that everyone who attended truly enjoyed the outing.

From the President

By Don Dodgen

Ahhhhh! Fall weather is here! Not so humid. Not so hot. It's great to be out and about with great weather again, to drive that Studebaker! You no longer can use: "But I keep sticking to the seat", as an excuse.



I have 2 young guys staying with me (you've met Fred) and we've been doing house projects for the past four weekends. A little paint here, some skinned knuckles there, but things are getting done. Have you ever tried rebuilding a 40 year old sliding glass door, when the correct parts are no longer available? That's where the skinned knuckles came into play. But it's back together now, and working like a new one.

If you weren't at our October meeting, ask yourself why! You missed a wonderful meeting as about a dozen of your fellow members converged on IHOP and tackled a number of issues and topics. The interchange of ideas was awesome around the table as everyone took part and contributed from their areas of expertise, and knowledge. True democracy in action.

You would have been really proud of your club in action. Everything went so smoothly, with the possible exception of your new President confusing old business with the old testament several times!

To those of you who received surveys and took the time to fill them out and return them, a big THANK YOU from me and the whole cub. I received valuable insight and suggestions from your points of view, some of which are

already being acted upon. I gave a complete summary at the meeting and it was well received and much appreciated.
Until next time.

OAC Meeting minutes October 14, 2006

Submitted by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at approx. 7:20 p.m. Members present were Don Dodgen, Marion White, DeFazios, Gessners and friend Geri, Ambrogios, Morgans, and Gormicans.

Minutes from the May meeting were read and accepted. Treasurer reported a balance of \$2095 with several more expenses still outstanding. Approx balance was \$1700.00. Report was accepted.

Under old business: The trip to Fantasy of Flight was again tabled until after the holidays. John Gormican said the Bob White Fly In was scheduled for Sat, Oct 28 from 9-2. Food would be available for a donation. The State Meet is being held in Jacksonville Oct 21-23. Several members indicated they planned to attend. Don had flowers sent to the Meinelts to show our appreciation for opening their home to our members. The Hudson meeting was held in Trimble park today and was attended by John and Joann Gormican.

New business: The Gainesville Chapter will hold a meeting in Hawthorn on Hwy 301 on November 11th at 11:00 am.

Our picnic is scheduled for Nov 5th at Kelly Park at 1:00 pm. Dean will start the fires going. The club will provide hot dogs, hamburgers and buns to be purchased by Rusty & Karen. Don will bring drinks and the paper products which had been purchased for the Meinelts. Marion will bring condiments. Other members will bring a side dish to pass (including potato chips for Frank). A meeting will be held after lunch.

Christmas party: The date is Dec 9th and will be held at E&A Diner on S. Orange Blossom Trail & Robinson. Cost will be approx. \$10.00 per person, plus gratuity, for Ham & Turkey plus side dishes and beverages. Don will contact the owner and guarantee a minimum of 20 persons. Contact Dean Gessner by December 2nd, if you plan to attend. A Chinese auction will be held. Bring a gift valued at \$6-\$10 if you wish to participate. An invitation will be extended to Don & Evelyn Bales to come as our guests.

Don suggested we try to come up with a post card to be mailed to SDC members within a reasonable radius of Orlando. Karen offered to make labels. Members should come up with ideas of how to create the postcard. We will discuss this again at the November meeting.

Don reviewed results of the surveys he received. Several comments/suggestions were as follows:

Members like the friendliness of the group and would like to see more Studebakers driven to our activities; name tags could be used at activities, particularly when outsiders are present; ask previous members to come back to the club; host an Orphan car show; invite other chapters to our activities; submit more stories or articles for Greasy Prints; come up with ways to attract new members; attend more car shows and cruises for more visibility; contact Orlando Sentinel to list our meetings/breakfasts (Don will contact them).

A 50-50 drawing was held and the winner was Ann Morgan. Meeting was adjourned at about 8:30 pm.

29th Annual Florida State Meet

By Frank Ambrogio



The State Meet came and went in a flash with only the memories remaining. The NorthEast Florida Studebaker Chapter/SDC did a great job, considering this was their first experience serving as the host chapter. If any problems

surfaced, they were transparent to most of the participants.

We departed our home, driving our 1956 Golden Hawk, at 9:20 AM on Friday, opting to take the surface roads instead of the Interstate. This proved to be a most enjoyable drive through some very scenic areas, with very little traffic for 3/4 of the trip. We headed up 17-92 to the 15A Deland bypass, continuing on to Highway 11 to Bunnell and US-1. For most of the trip, we maintained a constant speed of 55-60 MPH. Except for the last 30 miles, it was smooth sailing. Getting through St. Augustine and the South edge of Jacksonville were the only areas where we encountered stop and go traffic.

We arrived at the Hilton Garden Inn, feeling quite warm, at 12:15 and were given a jolt when the receptionist told us we couldn't check in till 3:00 PM. We expected that they probably wouldn't have a room available that early, but thought we could, at least, check in. We said hello to some of the host chapter members, and to some of the other early arrivals.

We then opted to have lunch at a very nice dining facility directly in front of the Hilton. Following lunch, we decided to walk around the Tinsel Town area. There was a huge theater and several more eating establishments, all within walking distance.

We finally were allowed to check in and brought our gear

to our room. We adjusted the thermometer up from 65 degrees to 80, and the snowflakes soon began to melt. We went from very hot, while driving, to very cold when we entered the room. Once things stabilized, we were able to relax and settle in.

There were about 10 cars in the lot when we arrived, and about 20 more would arrive by the end of the day. We got our meet packet, and enjoyed visiting with friends, and other chapter members. We lived in Jacksonville from 1974 to 1981, and we had previously made some plans to have dinner with some old friends. We had a great time at dinner, made the tour through the parking lot, and then chatted in the hotel lobby till well after 10:00 PM.

The next day, we made it out to the parking lot after breakfast, and began looking around at the approximately 45 Studebakers and Packards. We had our car in the Display Only class, so while others were prepping their cars, we just visited and relaxed. We did spend about 10 minutes cleaning the bugs off the front bumper, and then rolling the windows down, our preparation was complete.

Judging was by participant's choice, and except for one thing, went very well. The class, that the car was entered in, was not shown on the window placard, so it made it a little more challenging to vote for the correct car in each class. It must have gone pretty well though, as there didn't seem to be any confusion when the awards were given out. It was also an extra treat to see an old friend, Charlie Downing. Wish we could have talked longer.

Although this show wasn't as large, Studebaker wise, as some others, it certainly didn't lack in the quality of the cars, nor the enthusiasm of the participants. The weather was a little warmer than I had hoped for, but at least it didn't rain.

The awards banquet was held at a restaurant, again withing walking distance, and at about the 6:30 PM time frame, observers witnessed a parade of devoted car crazy people, heading to the appropriate site.

The dinner proved to be very good, but then, what do I know. If you were there, you can answer that much better than I can. If you weren't there, shame on you, and if you really care about the food, you'll just have to ask someone else.

Our hosts handled the banquet with ease and aplomb, and everyone seemed to enjoy the wit of Bob Edwards and Nollie Hinton. A number of door prizes were awarded, and not one of the eight people seated at our table won anything. There seemed to be a conspiracy as many winning numbers were in the 50-70s range, but nothing in the 80s won. I think we should demand a recount, as I'm pretty sure I saw a pile of "hanging chad" below the bucket that contained the ticket stubs.

Oh, I guess it's just a well, as many of the prizes

consisted of car polish and other cleaning mixtures. If I had won something, then I'd have to use it. Who needs all the extra work anyway. One problem with retirement is that there simply isn't time to do actual work. Besides that, if the paint has too much shine, someone may want to buy the car. Then I'd have to go to the bank to make a deposit. I haven't done that in years. I only know how to make withdrawals, so I'd have to learn a whole new regimen. More work! Now I'm really happy that I didn't win any door prizes. Lucky Me!

Not too many OAC members brought cars to the meet. Besides our car, Larry & Barbara Golub brought their 1964 Avanti, Jim & Ann Morgan brought their 1956 Golden Hawk. Bob Oakes brought his 1962 Hawk/Lark (Hark), and Tom & Donna Hatch brought their 1953 Commander Coupe. I'm not sure if Hermann and Margaret Krueger brought their 1981 Avanti. Long time members Larry & Joann Good, and Jerry & Cindi Shelton and family, also were in attendance.

Don and Edie Fifer made the approximately six hour trip in only twelve hours, experiencing a myriad of problems en route. The story is far too long, and complicated to repeat here. This easily earned them the Hard Luck award at the banquet. Fittingly, this award consisted of a tire pump that didn't work. The result of their misfortunes on the highway was that they were unable to bring their 1946 M5 pickup to the show.

Don Dodgen, Karen & Rusty DeFazio, and Bill Hahn spent a few hours at the show on Saturday, but didn't stay for the evening's activities. I think those are all the chapter members who showed up.

The Avanti models probably made up close to a third of the show, and the C-K models were also present in good numbers. There were four 1956 Golden Hawks, a model dear to my heart, and at least two, possibly three, 1957 Golden Hawks.

It was good to see Michael Float and Jim Ricciardi from the (unfortunately) now defunct Treasure Coast Chapter. Michael took me for a ride in his new acquisition, a 1954 Commander Starliner. This is a gorgeous car, in near mint condition. The black paint looked deep and rich, and the red interior was flawless. I hated to put my shoes on the carpet, or touch anything with my grimy hands. But Michael was very obliging, and I really enjoyed the ride.

Sunday morning, we caravanned with the Golubs and had a nice, safe, and uneventful trip home.

Hudson-AMC Orphan Car Fun(?) Weekend

By Frank Ambrogio

I received a flyer, last summer, giving information about

the show in Crystal River on October 14-15 at the Days Inn. The information was also listed in the last issue of our newsletter. The event was to include a show, swap meet, boat tour, shopping, dinner, cruise-in, party, and breakfast.

Anita and I decided to make the two plus hours trip, for just the show day, to check things out. We had never been to that part of the State, and decided to take a nice leisurely drive. Once we got past Taveres, traffic cleared considerably, and when we turned on to SR-44, it became a nice journey.

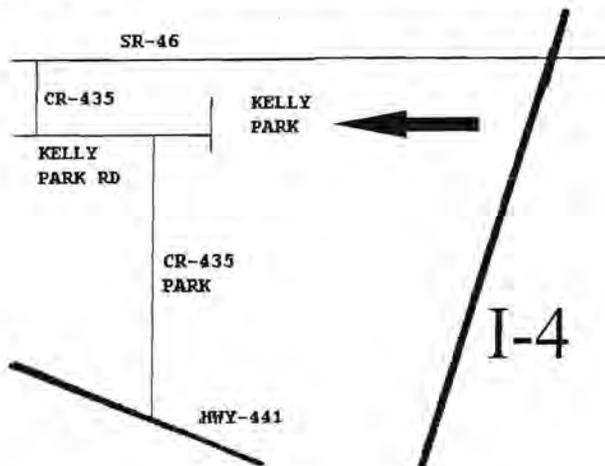
We arrived at the Days Inn about half past 11:00, but couldn't find any sign of a show. We drove around the parking lot, but still no Hudsons. We checked at the front desk, and the lady told us that there was nothing going on at the hotel. She said the car show organizers had made inquiries about having the show there, but never followed up. She assumed they had selected another location.

Disappointed, we tried to call the phone number on the flyer, but no one answered. I figured they were either at the show, wherever it was, or they had so many calls from irate visitors, that they simply stopped answering the phone.

We decided to head back home, and stop for lunch along the way. We ate at a very nice restaurant called the Cinnamon Stick, so that took a little of the sting out of the trip. We never did find out what happened, but despite the lack of old cars, we did have a nice day after all.

Annual Fall Picnic

Our picnic is scheduled for Nov 5th at Kelly Park at 1:00 pm. Dean will start the fires going. The club will provide hot dogs, hamburgers and buns to be purchased by Rusty & Karen. Don will bring drinks and the paper products which had been purchased for the Meinelts. Marion will bring condiments. Other members will bring a side dish to pass. A meeting will be held after lunch.



Kelly Park is located in Apopka. Take Highway 441 to Apopka. Turn North on Park Avenue (CR-435). Stay on Park to the end (about 6 miles), then turn right on Kelly Park Road. Go to the end and turn left. The entrance to the park is immediately on the right. If you are coming from the North, take Highway 46 to CR-435. CR-435 is about 10 miles West of I-4 (Exit 101C), and about 7 miles East of HWY 441. Turn South on CR-435 and take it to the end. Turn left on Kelly Park Rd and go past Park Avenue to the end. Turn left, then right, into the park.

No alcoholic beverages are allowed in the park, so do your drinking ahead of time. There is a \$1.00 per person admission fee.

Christmas Dinner

The date is Dec 9th and will be held at E&A Diner on the corner of S. Orange Blossom Trail & Robinson. Robinson is the 2nd signal light South of Highway 50 and the restaurant is on the NE corner. Cost will be approx. \$10.00 per person, plus gratuity, for Ham & Turkey plus side dishes and beverages.

Contact Dean Gessner 352-324-2230 by December 2nd if you plan to attend. A Chinese auction will be held. Bring a gift valued at \$6-\$10 if you wish to participate.

Turkey Run at Daytona

Rick Courtier is again spearheading the drive to get a Studebaker presence at the Turkey Run Thanksgiving weekend. He will have an area set up for Studebakers, and will need to know how many spaces to reserve.

For more information, contact Rick at 813-814-2248, or you can reach him at his email address, which is rick@graphicworkshop.com.

EDITORS NOTES

Thanks again to our President for his contributions to the newsletter. We would certainly like to receive input from the rest of you. Thanks also to Anita Ambrogio for the meeting minutes, and Frank Ambrogio for his reports.

We've included two articles contributed by Bob Coolidge and Marion White. Although we are happy to receive items of this type, we much prefer original items written by

you, our members. If you do submit articles from other publications, please be sure that the reproduction is of good quality. Dark shadows and sloppy images simply don't reproduce well.

Membership News

Chapter renewals were due by October 1, 2006. A form is again included with this newsletter, on the inside back page. Write your check. Payable to Orlando Area Chapter - SDC, and mail it to Me:

**Bob Coolidge 3860 Bird Dog Lane
Deland, FL 32724-7425**

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

By Don Dodgen

August 27: On August 27th, ravaged by infirmities that kept some of our regulars away, a grand total of 4 members had breakfast together at Toojay's. Don Dodgen and friend Fred Trowbridge, plus Dean and Jean Gessner had a great time over a great breakfast. Don brought his '63 GT Hawk, and Dean drove an "also ran".

Club activities and plans for the future were discussed.

September 24: On September 24th, 8 of us gathered for breakfast at Toojay's. Don Dodgen and his friend Fred came as well as Dean and Jean Gessner, John and Joann Gormican, and Rusty and Karen DeFazio.

Don discussed some results from the survey that was sent out - 8 of them were filled out and returned. Don got some good ideas from them. There was a really good exchange of thoughts around the table.

Dean drove his "hot rod" Hudson, a very special car, with Chevy running gear. Don drove his '64 convertible. A good time was had by all. It was good to have John Gormican and Karen DeFazio back with us, after being under the weather last month.

Mobile Phone ID:

**Good information if you lose your phone!
Submitted by John Ambrogio**

Here is something worth knowing if you have a mobile phone. Have you ever wondered why phone companies don't seem interested in trying to prevent the theft of mobile phones? If you have ever lost, or had one stolen, and if you are on a plan, you still have to pay the plan approximately up to 24 months, and you have to buy another handset and enter into another contract. This is more revenue for the phone company.

There is a simple way of making lost or stolen mobiles

useless to thieves and the phone companies know about it, but keep it quiet.

To get your mobile phone's serial number, key in the following on your phone: star-hash-zero-six-hash (* # 0 6 #) and a fifteen digit code will appear on the screen. This is unique to your handset. Write it down and keep it safe. Should your mobile phone get stolen, you can phone your service provider and give them this code. They will then be able to block your handset, so even if the thief changes the sim card, your phone will be totally useless.

You probably won't get your phone back, but at least you know that whoever stole it can't use/sell it either. If everybody did this, there would be no point in stealing mobile phones. You may want to send this to as many people with mobiles as possible.

No charge for directory assistance: Phone companies are charging us \$1.00 or more for 411 - information calls. When you need to use the 411/information option, Simply dial 1-800-FREE-411 or 1 800 373 3411 without incurring a charge. Works on home phones and cell phones.

The Archives of Advertising

**Studebaker High Performance
By Frank Ambrogio**

The Archives of Advertising is a series of CD-ROMs documenting the advertising of products and services in various areas of interest. Each CD-ROM contains a "browsable" collection of fifty to over 300 ads scanned from original magazines and newspapers. The ads are searchable by year and model of product. They are viewed in a slide show format with a zoom function allowing a high-resolution view of each ad. Each month, several new titles are added to the series in aviation, automotive, railroad, nautical, entertainment, fashion and other areas.



I received a package on September 14, 2006 from Bill McBride. Inside was a letter from Bill, and a CD. Bill has written columns for Old Cars Weekly and Car Exchange, and wrote about analyzing auto ads from the standpoints of both copywriting and art direction.

Before reading Bill's letter, my reaction was one of confusion. Why send a CD, with a 1958 Golden Hawk on the sleeve, to someone interested in 1956 Golden Hawks? Once I read the letter, things cleared up considerably.

The CD is one of over 120 offered, and this one focuses on Studebaker advertising during the years of 1955 through 1964. It is geared toward Studebaker's lesser known performance ventures and features the Speedster, Hawk, and Avanti models. It is quite interesting, and contains some ads that I haven't seen before. There are quite a few on the 1956 Hawks, and the other models are well covered.

Some of the images didn't copy very well, although all are discernable. The black & white images have more of a pattern quality to them, while the color copies seem to have reproduced quite well. The CD is easy to use, and delivers a wealth of advertising history. The price per CD is \$19.95, and it might be cheaper than buying copies of the actual ads.

If you would like more information on this project, you can contact:

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Proving Grounds

SCCA Holds Second Annual Event At Studebaker Submitted by Bob Coolidge

(NOTE: This article, by Bob Houser, is from the October 1951 issue of Motorsport. It incorrectly uses the words "Grounds" when referring to the Studebaker facility. Studebaker never used an "S" on the end of the word Ground. It was always called the Studebaker Proving Ground, without the trailing "S".)

Low-flying sports cars scorched three miles of pear-shaped course June 23 at the Studebaker corporation proving grounds, South Bend, Ind., in the second annual meet of Chicago, Detroit, Milwaukee and Indianapolis regions of the Sports Car Club of America.

Riding..more centrifugal G's around the cup-banked track than any other driver was Chicago's Hal Ullerich, a 33-year-old mechanic for fellow member D. Cameron Peck, distinguished auto collector of Evanston, Ill. Ullerich piloted an Allard J-2 with a Mercury engine to a 103.8

mph average for his qualifying run.

James Kimberly, of Chicago, did the trick the previous year at 108 mph in his Italian Ferrari. The Allard had no such competition this year but tooled in the fast company of cars rated over 1,500 cc piston displacement.



Harold S Vance, president of Studebaker Corporation with his son William, 8

MG's Fiats, Simcas and other tagalongs of less than 1,500 cc spurted close to 90 mph in their qualifying runs. Paul Farago, who specializes in work on foreign-built cars in his Detroit garage, chalked up the fastest mark in this class wheeling the course in 87.8 mph, in a body of his own design and handiwork arranged over an intimately-souped Fiat engine.

James Simpson Jr's four-cylinder, Rileyengined

Healey Silverstone copped the main event, the South Bend Handicap, stealing a march in the handicapping. His sleek white job had only 10 laps to turn while Ullerich's Allard had 12 cut out for it and the Jags were assigned 11. The smaller cars did nine. Each of the starters in this event was required to make a pit stop for the quick change of two spark plugs.

High speed, fish-tail screeching stops into the pits added enough spice to make the Handicap the interest piece of the meet. When the last checkered flag had been furled Simpson's craft had clocked an average 91.5 for his 30 miles and one pit stop. Farago's Fiat placed second at 78 mph average. Richard Haines, Detroit, in a Fiat, and N. E. Carlson, Chicago, in an MG-TD, placed third and fourth.

The arbitrary handicapping crowded out the Jag XK-120's which staged their own workmanlike way of going. Four Chicagoans in the first four places among Jags were Mike Wahl, Paul Gogleman, Stephen Briggs and Nathan Swift.

Two five-lap races were run off for the under 1,500 cc cars. In the first, Paul Farago and his Fiat averaged 88 mph to take first place; Robert Keller, Detroit, second in a Fiat; N. E. Carlson, Chicago, third in an MG-TD and Rees T. Makins, Chicago, fourth in a Simca.

In the second race Max Goldman, Ann Arbor, Mich., proprietor of a ready-to-wear store, averaged 80.9 mph for the five rounds to win; Harold E. Lance, Detroit, second in an MG-TC; G. N. Burns, Chicago, third in a Simca, and R. Magenheimer, Indianapolis, fourth in an MG-TC.

Comic relief was provided during the meet's skillful driving

contest. Entrants, men, women and boys, were required to execute a snakelike 50-yard course between wood spindle markers and then to return to the starting point through a half-foot of water in a Studebaker test pit.

A battery of photographers lulled to a false sense of security while first group of careful drivers took the water gently, were doused to the skin by an MG operator who made like an LST for knighting in the Order of the Bath.

Phil E. Dorough, Chicago, placed first. with fewest faults in this competition. Mrs. C. N. West, Chicago, placed first among the women drivers. Cords, Rolls-Royce, Mercedes-Benz, a German Porsche, a Ford11ac and Jowett Javelins were among cars decorating the proving ground ramp. But the conversation piece among' the gallery was Ben Harris' Aero.

ECONOMY

*Rae C. Phillips Albuquerque, "NM
From Highways - June 2006
Submitted by Marion White*

NOTE: A picture was included with this story, but the quality was too bad for it to be included.

My parents had to use ingenuity instead of money when struggling to raise four children in west Texas during the '40s and '50s. Determined that traveling and camping would be a family experience, Dad's first RV was a pent-tent, built for less than \$100. The tent was built onto a platform that sat atop the car - a '49 Studebaker. The whole contraption, weighing just under 400 pounds, fastened to the car top at the front by four suction cups and anchored to the rear bumper by two iron pipes.

In later years, my parents were able to purchase several different "store-bought" trailers and then two motorhomes in their retirement years. They probably logged more than 500,000 miles during all their years of travel.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*What's Happening in our area
2006*

November 5-Annual OAC fall picnic- Apopka: Sunday 1:00 PM: at Kelly Park.

November 26 Monthly breakfast 8:00 AM, Toojay's.

December 9-Annual OAC Christmas dinner-5:00 PM at E & A Diner in Orlando.

December 31 Monthly breakfast 8:00 AM, Toojay's.

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January 13 Monthly meeting 7:00 PM at ?

January 28 Monthly breakfast 8:00 AM, Toojay's.

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Information about our parent club and chapter

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✓ NEWSLETTER

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✓ MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Meetings are held normally on the second Saturday of each month. Time and locations will vary. We do not meet during June, July, and August. Check each issue of Greasy Prints for the current information.

THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM



Please type or print clearly. This information will be used for the roster.

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(YOUR SDC MEMBER NUMBER IS ON YOUR TURNING WHEELS LABEL, ABOVE YOUR NAME)

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THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

The Orlando Area Studebaker Club was organized on October 15, 1983 and was chartered as the Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club on June 19, 1984. The Charter was presented to the Chapter at the International Studebaker Drivers Club meet in Kissimmee on July 6, 1984.

The Chapter was formed to:

- Encourage the acquisition, preservation, maintenance, and enjoyment of Studebaker and related automobiles.
- Provide accurate historical and technical information on Studebaker automobiles, the Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Studebaker Corporation.
- Promote good fellowship and pride of ownership among Chapter members.
- Publish a newsletter containing news and information concerning both national and local activities, technical advice, and items wanted or for sale.

Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

Ownership of a vehicle is not a requirement for membership. Many members are either looking for some special model or are simply interested in the colorful history of the Studebaker Corporation which spanned 114 years (1852-1966).

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