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#### ANNUAL FALL PICNIC

Members enjoy a great day together (Photos by Rusty Defazio)

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The picnic was enjoyed by a rather small number of members. Attending the annual event were, Jim & Ann Morgan in their 1956 Golden Hawk,



Dean watches Cindi, Anita, and Jean (behind Anita) man the grill

Dean & Jean Gessner in their 1952 Pickup, Rusty & Karen Defazio, Marion White, Jerry & Cindi Shelton, Jeremy & Kelly Shelton with their three children, John & Joann Gormican, and Frank & Anita Ambrogio.



Jim, Ann, Joann, John, & Marion enjoy the moment, while Karen tries to stay out of the picture.

Dean arrived early, as usual, and got the grill started. Others began arriving shortly thereafter. The weather was perfect for a picnic, and everyone seemed to have a great time. We were the only group, in the covered pavilion, so we simply enjoyed each others company without any outside interference.



Karen, Jean, and Dean relax before the eating begins

After eating, we had a meeting. See the meeting minutes below, for more information.

#### OAC MEETING MINUTES November 5, 2004 Submitted by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 2:45 p.m. Members present were Gessners, Morgans, DeFazios, Gormicans, Sheltons, Marion White and Ambrogios. Guests were Jeremy and Kelly Shelton and their family.

Minutes were not read as they had been in the newsletter. Treasurer reported a balance of \$2,506.87, and a copy of the treasurer's report was provided Membership director was not present to give the latest count.

Several of the members present had attended the State Meet. There were about 45-50 cars present. It was a good show and a nice banquet, with a small auction. Larry Good has taken over as the new Central Florida Chapter president, with hopes of reviving the club.

Our Holiday dinner will be held Dec 5th at 1:00 p.m. at Logan's, on State Road 46, just east of I-4 in Sanford. It was suggested that an invitation be extended to Don & Evelyn Bales.

The Turkey run is scheduled for Thanksgiving. Someone asked if there would be a Studebaker area set up. Dean will contact Mickey Prankas, who has moved out of state, to see what has been arranged. Members voted to subsidize Mickey's efforts by contributing \$20.00 if such arrangements have been made.

Marion is still looking for a late model Lark in good condition. Standard transmission is OK. She also mentioned that she had attended the Orphan Car Show in Ypsilanti and several Studebakers were there.

Regarding our January meeting, Dean will contact Bob Coolidge to see if he has contacted Denny's in Altamonte Springs. Notice will be posted in the next newsletter.

Tom Hatch and his wife of Largo, FL attended the October breakfast. Members present were Bob Coolidge, DeFazios, Gormicans, Dean Gessner and the Ambrogios. Starting in November, we will be meeting at Toojay's on Lake Emma Road in Lake Mary.

Marion was the winner of the 50/50 drawing and was gracious enough to return the funds to the club.

It was a beautiful day and we had a nice meal together. Meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

#### HOLIDAY DINNER By Edith Fifer

As we are wrapping up, no not gifts, but another year in Studedom, we had a delightful Christmas luncheon with "our" Orlando Area Chapter members at Logan's Roadhouse in Sanford on Sunday Afternoon, December 5.

Although we belong to the North Central Florida Chapter, we also are members of both the Orlando and Sunshine Chapters. We have never been able to work out our schedule to attend the Orlando Christmas Party but have had to read about what a fun time in Greasy Prints.

Although Anita did send me an email asking if I would write about the Christmas Party, I had wanted to say thanks to:

- Whomever made the choice of restaurants-we had a room all to ourselves with very attentive servers. The food and prices were both good with many entrees to choose from, and we enjoyed a very relaxed atmosphere.
- Don't know who to thank for the beautiful weather, other than the weatherman in the sky!
- Members like Joann & John Gormican whom we met as we were sitting outside waiting for time to go in. They greeted us as though we were long friends. And John did a great job with the gift exchange, keeping it moving right along. Everyone seemed to enjoy their gifts; some only getting to keep their treasure for a short time as several were "exchanged" or to use the term one person used, "stolen." We came home with two nice gifts.

- Officers such as President Dean Gessner, who amazingly conducted a meeting and managed to get all of us, our personal dinner menus; Treasurer Rusty Defazio who not only gave his report but tried to answer questions such as "are my dues paid," "did you get my check," always with a joking attitude.
- Important "Thought of the Day" was expressed by a gentleman, could have been the Membership Chairman, that in planning and carrying out club activities we must be aware of the need to attract not only new, but young members. My sentiments, exactly. Not the President, not the Officers, not other members but "ALL OF US." With this attitude, club attendance will grow.
  - My apologies to those I met but cannot recall their names. We felt comfortable and accepted as a regular member who attends most, if not all, meetings. I have been to some functions where I didn't feel as though anyone knew I was there.

It was a fun time and I was glad to extend an invitation from Stephen Cade to each of you to come to the Cade "barns" in January to enjoy more Studebakers. Give us an opportunity to extend to you our hospitality while you enjoy good food and get to meet old friends and get to know those you don't.

May the New Year bring happiness and peace to our lives and may we have many opportunities to enjoy our Studebaker cars, trucks, weasels, wagons--whatever we own that has a Studebaker name!! That's what we like to do best.

P.S. Thanks to Anita for the invitation to send my thoughts.

# CONSTRUCTION JOB UNEARTHS OLD STUDEBAKER SIGN

Web-posted Oct 15, 2004

By ANN ZANIEWSKI

Of The Daily Oakland Press (MI)

The buzz around the Downtown Café isn't about its famous chicken salad with walnuts and cherries or gooey caramel French toast.

Visitors to the quaint, 10-table eatery are talking about a snapshot of the city's past, a painted outline of a sign from an old Studebaker dealership, that was uncovered last month when construction workers peeled off the building's red wood siding.

"Twenty people a day stop by and take pictures of it," said owner Tim Delaney.

When they were digging around, employees of Michigan General Masonry also found old, extra wide tracks running under the building parallel to Main Street. The Rochester-Avon Historical Society says they are remnants of a car repair station of the Detroit United Railway, an electric rail line that ran down Main, connecting the city with Detroit and Flint from at least 1899 until the early 1930s.

Society member Rod Wilson said both discoveries highlight an important part of the city's past that many forgot about or are too young to remember.

"It's one of those old stories that brought back a lot of remembrances to people", he said.

"You don't see the Studebaker name out there anymore ... There were younger people who wanted to know the history of it and thought it was kind of neat."

Based on her research, Liz Golding of the society said the cinder block building, which also houses a Hungry Howie's and La Marquise salon, was built just after World War II as a Kaiser-Fraser dealership. It was sold in the 1950s and began to sell Studebakers, which were known for their sleek styling before going out of production in 1966. A telephone book from 1957 lists the business as Davis Studebaker.

It was also a car repair shop until closing in the 1960s, according to Golding.

On the patchy white facade, gray paint surrounds "STUDEBAKER" in yellow lettering sandwiched between the words sales and service.

It looks as if raised letters were put on top of the yellow, with the surrounding gray added later.

Since the sign saw light, the little building at Old Towne and Main has intrigued passers-by and incited memories.

Hungry Howie's owner, Bill Hagey, said one man came in recently and shared a sweet story of how he bought his very first car there in 1966.

Several people have stopped to snap photos.

All the attention has been lucky for Hagey and Delaney, who have both realized a boost in sales.

"I was nervous when they were planning this project, that it would hurt me for six weeks. But business has been up by as much as 15 percent, Delaney said.

By the end of next week, new mulberry bricks and four gray limestone ribbons will hide the cinder blocks.

Until then, and for the first time in decades, real Studebakers will park there.

Hagey says at least a half-dozen people have brought their classic cars by for photos. He lets them pull on the front lawn.

A woman stopped in Thursday afternoon and told him she's coming back today with her husband's pink Studebaker.

"She thinks he'll get a big kick out of seeing his Studebaker in front of the store", Hagey said.

#### OAC BREAKFAST CLUB Monthly Report

OCTOBER: The monthly breakfast was the gathering for nine Members and two guests. Arriving in a 1953 Coupe were Tom & Donna Hatch, who had been to a cruise the previous evening. Attending from our chapter were Rusty & Karen Defazio, Bob Coolidge, John & Joann Gormican, Dean Gessner, and Frank & Anita Ambrogio with their 1956 Golden Hawk. This was our last meeting at the Atlanta Bread and Bakery Company. Next month we will move to Toojay's Gourmet Deli on the West end of the same parking lot.

NOVEMBER: Our new location for the monthly breakfast seemed to be a hit with the members who attended. This was our first breakfast at Toojay's Gourmet Deli in Lake Mary. Bob Coolidge submitted the following:

Last Sunday, the Gormicans, the DeFazios, and me were it at the breakfast. TOOJAYS was very nice. We had group seating, good service, and I think it cost less than Atlanta Bread.

# FROM THE EDITOR Newsletter Email address abuse

Our newsletter email address is shown in the header on page 1. If you have a story, or ad, for the newsletter, this is the best way to get it to me.

Please send your jokes to my regular email address, studedude2@aol.com. That way, I won't be getting them twice. Let's keep the newsletter email address for newsletter items.

I want to thank Edith Fifer for sending her thoughts on the Holiday Dinner. Having multiple contributors, makes our newsletter better. I only wish more of our members would take and interest in the newsletter.

Edith, you are welcome to submit items any time you see fit. Since you are also a member of other chapters, I'd appreciate any information you feel would be of interest. Just email it to the "oacnews" address.

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT By Dean Gessner

I hope everyone had a great holiday season. It is now time to get to work on the State Meet for this year. We have the hotel, and have gotten some information on trophies and dash plaques. Now all we need to do is get our committees together and make our plans.

We will be talking more about the meet at the meetings ahead. I hope you will join us at the meetings, and help out at the meet.

At our last meeting, several members said we should schedule more events. Some suggested getting our cars into some Christmas parades next year. In the past, whenever we schedule extra activities, hardly anyone attends.

If you have any ideas or opinions for activities, let me know.

# MEMBERSHIP NOTES It's past time to renew

Dues for the coming year are long past due. If you wish to continue your membership in the Orlando Area Chapter, please forward your dues as soon as possible. The membership roster will be in the next issue.

- Make your check payable to:
   Orlando Area Chapter SDC
- Complete and return the renewal form. to:

Bob Coolidge, PO Box 520 DeLeon Springs FL 32130-0520

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#### TECH TIP CIRCUIT BREAKERS

By Bill Baughman of the Northwest Newsletter (Portland)

Many cars are equipt with circuit breakers. A chronic electrical problem that is difficult to troubleshoot may not be defective wiring or component, but a defective circuit breaker.

Their tolerances may change over time. Conditions affecting them are heat, corrosion, heavy use or internal breakdown.

Studebaker had a problem with Avanti circuit breakers used for power windows being affected by engine heat. Studebaker advised dealers to move the part into the passenger area.

A number of 1964 Larks came with 20 amp headlight circuit breakers when a 30 amp was needed. High beam would trip the breaker.

Some Studebakers may still have their original circuit breakers. Many models had them built into the headlight switch. Bypassing them to an aftermarket breaker can save the original switch. Breakers that are separate or removable from the switch can simply be replaced.

Circuit breakers come in 'cycling' and the 'non-cycling' types, having a manual reset button or lever.

The type used in Studebakers was cycling. After it trips, it will wait a short time and return power to the headlights, etc. If the short is still there, it will trip again.

The brand I like to use is Buss, made in the USA by Cooper Industries (Cooper is a descendant of Studebaker Corp). Their breakers come in ampratings from 20 to 50.

For 12 volt systems, 20 amp should work. Extra lights may call for 25 or 30. Six volt systems probably need 30 amp. Try to stick to what the factory advised for that circuit, to be on the safe side.

#### THE VERY FIRST

#### Col. Blees buys a Studebaker

By Jan Young

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Many of us have heard or read that one of Studebaker's earliest automotive customers was the Wizard of Menlo Park, Thomas Edison. Studebaker doubtlessly publicized the sale, much as Nike would today publicize any sale to a professional athlete. Edison reportedly got electric vehicle number 2, the second one off the line.

Less well known is the fact that the first vehicle off the line went to a Mr. F. W. Blees of Macon, Missouri. When I first ran across this fact, I had to wonder who Blees was and why he got precedence over the famous Edison. Correspondence with several historical societies in Missouri brought answers to the first question. The second remains open and we can all speculate to our heart's content.

Frederick Wilhelm Victor Blees was born in Aachen, Germany on March 30 1860, the son of a wealthy iron and coal mine owner. He attended school and entered the Prussian army, but decided the life of a soldier was not for him and returned to school to study music and the classics. When the government seized his father's mines in retribution for the elder Blees' dissent against its militaristic policies, the younger Blees left for America. After a short stint as a store clerk, Blees met and married the daughter of a wealthy cotton merchant. He then ran a private school in Louisiana and served as an aide-de-camp on the staff of the governor, where he advanced to the rank of colonel. In 1890, Blees accepted the position of superintendent of St. James Academy in Macon, Missouri and moved his family there.

The elder Blees stayed in Germany and battled with the Prussian government. He finally won a huge settlement, but lost his health doing it and died in 1895. Frederick (now Colonel) Blees ended up with the money and spent the rest of his life living off of it. Blees, however, did not live idly. He transformed St. James Academy into Blees Military Academy with a personal investment of a half million dollars, paid one quarter of the cost of building sewers for the city of Macon, ran a bank and a hotel, bought a newspaper and operated several manufacturing companies, not the least of which was a carriage works.

Other than the academy, Blees' passion was horses. He designed and built a private stable with space for 30 carriages and cases of silver-mounted and monogrammed harness. In this stable, Blees kept many show horses, the chief of which was Rex McDonald, the champion saddle horse of America, for which Blees was reported to have paid \$5,000. Rex was joined by other champion saddle horses, show ring horses, trotters, polo ponies, coach horses and as many as 30 cavalry horses. Adjoining the stable, Blees built paddocks and a race track with a grandstand for 5,000 people.

Blees died suddenly in 1906, only four years after taking delivery of his Studebaker electric. Contemporary accounts of his death differ, but it seems possible that it was a suicide. The whitewashing of suicides was common practice in those days, particularly when the deceased was an important person, and one account mentions an odor of carbolic acid on the body. Carbolic acid was commonly used as a cleaner in those days, but was also a powerful poison. There were financial problems in the settlement of the estate, which required the eventual sale of Col. Blees' worldly goods. An inventory was taken and later listed in the newspaper. In addition to the academy, which apparently was his personal property, Blees left behind his horses and vehicles, fabulous horse-drawn a collection of china and silver, many valuable antique books, a gasoline automobile and a bus. The Studebaker electric wasn't listed, so either he disposed of it earlier or the inventory clerk mistook it for a carriage

Why did Blees end up with Studebaker's first vehicle? There is no certain answer, but he was a man with almost untold amounts of money and his purchase could have simply been a whim, possibly resulting from a meeting with one of the Studebaker brothers or possibly from business connections between his carriage works and the Studebaker factory.

A footnote: In 1915, the All-Steel Automobile company was formed and went searching for a site for a factory. The city of Macon offered the use of the Blees carriage works building on favorable terms and All-Steel accepted the offer, re-incorporating and changing its name to the Macon Motor Car Co. in the process. But then, on May 16, 1917, a fire in the Wabash train station, next to the factory, spread, totally destroying the plant and, presumably, the company because nothing further is heard of it.

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS What's Happening in our area

#### 2005

January 8 Stephen Cade has invited our chapter to join him and other Studebaker fans to the Cade barns for a BBQ and get together at noon.

March 19 Sunshine Chapter Sponsoring Studebaker Day in Old Town. All Florida chapters are invited to show their cars on the bricks.

April 14-16 Annual Georgia State Meet Atlanta Marriott Northwest Info: John Brown 770-997-3881.

April 25-29 Avanti National Meet at the Marriott in Lake Mary.

August 14-19 SDC International meet, Spokane WA. See Turning Wheels.

October 28-29 28th Annual FL STATE MEET at the Orlando Marriott in Lake Mary hosted by the Orlando Area Chapter. Rusty Defazio 407-767-6425 or Dean Gessner 352-324-2230.

#### 2006

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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.

NOTE: The January meeting will be at the Cade's barn in Gainesville on January 8th.

#### 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

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For Sale: 1964 Studebaker sliding roof Wagon, disk brakes, overdrive manual transmission, good tail gate, Harmonic dampers at front (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.

For Sale: '63-'64 GT Hood; '64 GT grill shell with grill and emblems. Larry Golub 802 394-2942.

For Sale: Seat belt decal for all 1955 through 1958 Studebaker and Packard models. This is a circular decal with black and white lettering, red background. \$3.50 each \$3.50 each. Frank Ambrogio,



31654 Wekiva River Rd, Sorrento FL 32776-9233.

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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#### REMINDER

- Renew your membership in the Orlando Area Chapter. Complete and mail the form on page 8.
- · Don't forget the breakfast, at the new location, TOOJAYS, on the last Sunday of each month.
- · Remember the BBQ lunch at the Cade's barn on January 8. If you'd like to caravan with us, meet at 9:30 AM, at the Rest Stop on I-75, just North of Highway 27.

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#### SCHEDULE OF **EVENTS**

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2005 Indoor vendors begin setup - 6 pm

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2005

Registration 9 am - 9 pm Hospitality noon - 9 pm Outdoor vendors 9 am - 5 pm

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2005

Registration 8 am - noon Vendors 8 am - 5 pm Car show 8 am - 4 pm Judging noon - 3 pm Awards banquet 6:30 pm

SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2005 Have a safe trin home!

#### 2ND ANNUAL GEORGIA STATE MEET APRIL 15 - 16, 2005

#### ATLANTA MARRIOTT NORTHWEST 200 INTERSTATE NORTH PARKWAY, ATLANTA, GA 30339

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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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#### **GAINESVILLE OUTING - January 8th**

By Dave Cramp

The Cades put on one heck of a feed and get-together on Saturday, January 8th. They graciously invited our Chapter and a few guests from other clubs.

Our Chapter caravanned from the Okahumptka Service Plaza and the first rest area on I-75 North of the turnpike. Everything was fine until my Cummins diesel kept creeping up in speed causing our parade to stretch. Karen DeFazio, in the caboose, called to let me know what my truck was up to. (Never end a sentence with a preposition, my English teacher said.)

Rusty and Karen brought along friends of mine and fellow orphan car owners, Nancy and Alan Husselman of Casselberry. They are proud owners of '57 and '58 Desotos.

More than 150 people were there to SWOON over three big barns full of beautifully restored Studebakers, Rocknes and a Packard or two. There were cars, trucks and wagons. Dr. Cade had an audience of professors and car buffs as he told a story about each car.

Many of us were searching for parts. What Steven didn't have, Vern Ediger from Kansas promised to dig out for us when the snow melted. Vern (E & V Motors) is a walking encyclopedia on Studebakers. He was the first person to explain to me why a '51 front-end will not work on my '50.

After a delicious barbecue chicken lunch with all the trimmings and dessert, we had a 50-50 drawing and Nancy won. Next, each club had a meeting. We learned that the Sunshine Chapter is going to be the featured club at Old Town on Saturday, March 19th and they have invited our club to join them. At our meeting, we discussed

visiting either the Air Museum in Polk City or Tarpon Springs in April. Nancy Husselman mentioned that the Shrine has an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast the first Sunday of each month and our chapter could use a meeting room after we eat.

There were at least twenty members from our club in attendance. No. It was about thirty, if you count those with dual membership.

After the meeting we wandered off into the sunset, looking forward to the next roundup. Wait! We are Studes, not Mustangs.

#### OAC MEETING MINUTES February 12, 2005 Submitted by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. Members present were Gessners, Morgans, DeFazios, Gormicans, Sheltons, Marion White, Don Dodgen, Golubs, Cramps and Ambrogios. Minutes were not read as the secretary was not present at the meeting at Cade's in January.. Treasurer reported a balance of approximately \$2,500.00. Several of the members present had attended the meeting and mentioned it was a nice get-together with a good meal provided by the Cades. Membership director was not present to give the latest count. A membership roster will be provided in the next newsletter.

Old Business: Frank was asked to take a look at the web site on Hemming's. It still shows our meetings at Sanford Motors.

Dave Cramp provided info on the Classic Corvettes Museum in Tarpon Springs. It would be an overnight trip with everyone arranging their own accommodations as members would have to be there at 9:30 am. The cost is \$120 for a group of 30 or less, and he asked how many might be interested. Anita suggested the club pay the fee, and those attending would pay a fee of \$4.00 per person. Dave will contact them and see if May 14th is available, and will let Frank know so the information can be provided in the March newsletter. It was also suggested that we extend an invitation to the Tampa group and the North Central Chapter. Dave Cramp will be the point of contact.

Rusty reported on the Fantasy of Flight Museum near Lakeland. The cost is \$25 per person. He did not know what the group rate was. They also offer bi-plane rides and other amusements. They could provide a luncheon at an extra cost. Another museum mentioned was the Warbird Museum in Kissimmee.

The March meeting will be held at DeLeon Springs at the restaurant. Members MUST be present at exactly 10:30 in order to be seated. Anyone arriving late will not be seated. Anyone wishing to caravan can meet at the Stacy's parking lot located at 17-92 & Enterprise Road in Orange City at 9:30 a.m.

Dean suggested we start getting our committees together for the State Meet. Anita volunteered for Registration and Barb Golub and Cindy Shelton will assist. Karen is in charge of Hospitality, but will need help as she is working Friday. Dave Cramp had to leave early, so his name was suggested for Goody Bag and Door Prize coordinator, since he did such a good job last time. We will have people's choice judging again this year - John, Dean and Jerry Shelton will count votes. For Parking, Larry Golub and Don Dodgen will coordinate. Frank will provide sponsor letters by the next meeting to be passed out to local companies. Frank & Anita will meet with Marriott personnel to discuss Banquet costs. Once we have that info, Frank will prepare the registration forms for distribution.

Under new business, the Georgia State Meet will be at the Marriott Atlanta NW on April 15-16. Registration is \$10 plus \$20 for each car. Banquet is \$25. The National Avanti Meet is scheduled for April 25-29 at the Lake Mary Marriott. Saturday, March 19th is Studebaker night at Old Town registration starts at 1:00 pm. The slow cruise is at 8:30 pm.

We received a letter from the Studebaker International committee requesting trophy sponsorships. The cost is \$35.00 per trophy. Members agreed to do this and Rusty gave a check to Frank to be mailed.

We need to find another place for our meetings. The Denny's at Hwy 436 and I-4 was suggested as they have a separate meeting room. Marion White will check and see if the room is available for April.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

#### STATE MEET UPDATE - 2005

By Frank Ambrogio

In the next few issues, I will be providing updates on the upcoming State Meet. I am working on the registration form and will probably include it in the May-June issue. I'm also working on some things that I hope will allow us to have one of the least expensive State Meets in recent times.

We learned a lot in 2002, and I hope to use that experience to make the 2005 meet run more smoothly. I'll be working closely with our co-chairmen, Dean and Rusty. Together, we will have a plan of action that should help us put on a good meet.

Unless things change, the plan is to offer more trophies, and more classes. I feel this will encourage more owners to bring their Studebaker to the show. This may change if some of my efforts don't work out. I'll have more on this in the next issue. I don't want to give out too much information, or you won't read the next issue's update. I know you are on the edge of your seat, so I'll tell you a little more about my plans.

Our goal is NOT to put on the best meet ever! It is simply to put on a good, affordable meet. We don't have the manpower to do a lot of extras. We found that out last time.

I want to caution you ahead of time that if you have a suggestion, you better be prepared to take on the complete task. Please don't come to a meeting and say "do we want to do ???." The proper phrase is "I will order, purchase, and sell ???."

Last time, all these extra duties fell on the shoulders of a few of us and proved to be too much of a burden.

#### STAN FAIBISY - ON PARADE!

OAC member drives his 1965 Studebaker 4 door



Stan Fabisy participated in the 2004 Veterans Day Parade. Stan may well be the oldest OAC member to have ever driven a Studebaker in a

parade. He submitted the photo shown to the left. The name on the awning, in the picture, reads Stetson Flower & Gift Shop, Inc. We can assume the parade was in Deland. Good work, Stan!

#### STUDEBAKER WEB RING By Frank Ambrogio

The Studebaker Web Ring (SWR) is a group of about 100 Studebaker web sites. I had gotten our chapter on the Ring in 1999. We remained there for a year or two.

In the meantime, the Ring went through a few changes of ownership, and somehow, our site was no longer listed. I tried several times to get us back on, but each time, I ran into problems.

Finally, in January, I was able to complete the process and now we are listed with so many other Studebaker sites. Our web site is pretty basic, with nothing more than our information, and some information on the upcoming state meet.

I'm thinking about adding pictures of owner's cars. If you have a nice photo of your Studebaker, send it to me and I'll see what I can come up with. If you have an idea for the web site, let me know.

#### **News Release**

Former OAC member, Esther Coffield, publishes first novel at age 70.

Through hurricanes, hail and high water, I managed to meet deadline in publishing "Secrets of the Sassy Old Broads - When Skeletons in the Closet Start to Dance." Four Sassy Old Broads (SOBs) lead the Old Fools on a merry chase through Rest Haven Retirement Home in Florida. Skeletons in the closet threaten to expose the secrets that first brought the Sassy Old Broads together. The story is an interesting mix of hilarity and mystery.

During the deadline of getting the manuscript to the printer in Ft. Myers, we both endured the inconvenience of power outage for three days, not to mention stress, of Hurricane Charley. Then while deciding on the cover and after receiving the first proof, Hurricane Frances blew in and left power outage of two days. Of course, Jeanne visited during final proof of copy and cover, no power outage but plenty of stress.

A commitment had been made to debut my novel at the Southern Book Festival in Memphis on October 8, 9 and 10, and as of the last week in September, I did not have a book to sell. But I boarded the plane in Orlando with optimism that cartons of bright blue books would be waiting for me in Memphis. Glory be, cartons of books arrived in Memphis with three days to spare.

The Southern Book Festival, previously held in Nashville, had moved to Memphis for the 2004 book show due to renovations at the location in Nashville. The well-known authors were appearing at the Cook Convention Center, but the "outsider" exhibitors were assigned to tents erected between the Federal Building and City Hall, subject to high winds blowing right off of the Mississippi River.

The first half-day, Friday, October 8th, the walls of the tent blew down, but the overhead awning remained intact. A few brave souls showed up and bought a few books. We awoke on Saturday morning to a gloomy, rainy day. Weather reporters were saying, "All day rain." But my Memphian daughters and I had no choice but to show up. We carefully covered the precious books in plastic wrapping.

During the slow, rainy morning, I, the introvert author, visited all 80 booths with a business card and flyer. A few sales resulted from that sloppy puddle-jumping. Miraculously, around 3 p.m. the skies cleared to a mere overcast. During those three hours to closing time, I managed to sell a lot of books. Book lovers proved to be hardy folks.

Alas, again on Sunday morning, another wet and dismal day. Again, we had to show up, even if only to close up shop. Through winds and rains, only four copies were sold. But we met some great authors, connected by the heart and soul of writing. From poets, erotic romance book sellers, mass book sellers, to a few agents and publishers.

My fellow exhibitors, knowing that I was from

hurricane-Florida, joked that I should infonn them of my appearance at any future books shows, so that they would not be there.

I am Sassy and 70, and just did not want to wait years to possibly become that one percent of writers who interest a publisher.

The book was self-published (or independently-published as some refer to the process), and now the marketing begins. I am a retired magazine editor of the '80s (Columbus, Ohio), entrepreneur of the '90s, freelance magazine writer and now the big "A," author!

Contact: Esther Coffield 615 Hermits Trail Altamonte Springs, FL 32701 407-260-6579 E-mail: sassyoldbroads@aol.com
Web site: www.sassyoldbroads.com

# STUDEBAKERS AT OLD TOWN Sunshine Chapter plans big outing

Come bring your Studebaker and join the Sunshine Chapter of the "Studebakers Drivers Club" on Saturday March 19,2005 in beautiful Orlando/Kissimmee Florida. We will be the featured cars for the Saturday Night Car Show and Cruise. We will get to park on bricks and we will be the lead cars in the slow cruise.

Old Town is a 1950's style open-air-shopping, dining and entertainment attraction. Bring the whole family there is some thing for everyone.

We have reserved a block of rooms at the Days Inn Suites at Old Town. This is right next to Old Town so you can walk back and forth if you need to. All these rooms are suites with a kitchen and three double beds. Log in to www.dayssuitesoldtown.com to see the hotel and learn all about Old Town.

The rates are \$59.95 + tax. For reservations call 1-800-327-9126 and use reference number 166 (Studebakers drivers club) to get this rate. These rates are good for Friday, Saturday or Sunday so you can come a. day .early or stay a day late. You can.go visit Mickey if you want.

Car registrations start at 1 pm and the slow Cruise is 8:30 We are caravanning from South FI. and are shooting for a 2 0'clock arrival.

Contact Butch Figurella 561-793-4957 or email at bfigurella@wflx.com for more details'

Old Town is located on US 192, 1 mile east if 1-4 in Kissimmee. 1-407-396-4888. Hope to see you there!

#### **TECH TIP**

#### From Larry Golub

For those with drum brake Studebakers, especially 50's and 60's, that seem to have marginal stopping power, with or without power brakes, it could be due to commonly used modern brake lining. If you can find older or softer brake lining, stopping power will be increased.

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL GEORGIA STATE MEET From Rick Kamen - Publicity Chairman

We know you're out there and can't wait for a big Studebaker meet to be in your neighborhood. Well, that time is here. You're invited to bring your Studebaker, running or not, to the Second Annual Georgia State Meet. The North Georgia Studebaker Drivers Club will be hosting it this year at the Atlanta Marriott Northwest on April 15th and 16th, 2005. See enclosed flyer for all the details.

Indoor and outdoor vendor space is available for Studebaker related materials for sale, so, you should be able to find that ever elusive part or you could sell parts to help someone else finish their Stude. You can participate in the judged car show or just display your car without competing. Then we can attend the awards banquet to see who brings home a trophy. And, of course, there will be plenty of Studebaker camaraderie, tire-kicking and lie-swapping throughout the meet.

Please be sure to include the enclosed flyer In your Chapter newsletter and tell every one of your members! If you have questions or would like to help out or be a sponsor of our event, call John Brown at 770.977.3881 or visit our website; www.studebakerclubs.com/NorthGeorgia/.

# OAC BREAKFAST CLUB Monthly Report

**DECEMBER:** We don't know if anyone attended because the date was the day after Christmas.

JANUARY: Ten members, 2 former members, and one guest attended the breakfast. Don Dodgen brought a friend and drove his 1964 Daytona Convertible. Frank & Anita Ambrogio arrived in their 1956 Golden Hawk. Others included Rusty & Karen Defazio, Jerry & Cindi Shelton, Bob Coolidge, and John & Joann Gormican.

Former members, Bill & Ester Coffield also joined us, the first time in about 4 years. It was good to see them again. Jerry & Cindi Shelton made the trip from St. Cloud. It was their first trip to a breakfast in quite a while.

#### FROM THE EDITOR

Newsletter

It was nice to hear from former chapter members Bill & Esther Coffield. They were in our chapter for about 8 years and owned a very nice 1950 Champion. They were also very active attending many breakfasts and meetings. I wish the best of luck to both of them, and hope the book will sell enough copies to pay for another Studebaker. The book sells for \$12.99 + \$2.00 postage and handling.

Thanks to Dave Cramp for submitting the article on the trip to the Cade's barn. This was such a great event, and it would have been a shame if no one wrote about it. As Editor, I only put the newsletter together. It's up to you to get stories to me for printing.

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Dean Gessner

I was happy to see so many members at the February meeting. That was the largest turnout we had in quite some time. If that is any indication of things to come, we will definitely have to find a new meeting place.

Dave Cramp is working on an activity for us to view the private collection of Al Wiseman near Tarpon Springs on May 14. We will have complete information in the next issue.

Rusty, Frank, and I will be getting more information on the upcoming state meet. It is very important that everyone attend the meetings. We

will be setting up our various committees and need all the help we can get. If you'd like to take part in our chapter's biggest function, come to the next meeting and volunteer. So far we have Dave Cramp (goodie bags), me (judge), Karen Defazio (hospitality), Anita Ambrogio (registration), Frank Ambrogio (trophies, advertising), If you would like to help any of the committee leaders, contact them directly.

We have sent information, by Email, to some key people in other chapters. We hope they will pass this on to their editor and other members. We will probably have a state meet registration form in the next issue. If you plan to attend, I hope you will register early. The date is set, and the hotel is booked. We, the meet coordinators, will be working on trophies and dash plaques in the next months.

We will need you to work on other matters, such as hospitality, registration, parking, judging, swap meet, etc.

#### MEMBERSHIP NOTES

A few stragglers have come forward

Several members sent in their dues long after the deadline. The roster has been updated to include the late comers.

To join, or renew, send your information to

Bob Coolidge, PO Box 520 DeLeon Springs FL 32130-0520

DO NOT SEND IT TO ANYONE ELSE!!!

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS What's Happening in our area

2005

March 12 Middle Tennessee Chapter 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Car Show, Toys, and Swap Meet, Snellville Agriculture Center (see Flyer.)

March 19 Sunshine Chapter Sponsoring Studebaker Day in Old Town. All Florida chapters are invited to show their cars on the bricks.

April 14-16 Annual Georgia State Meet Atlanta Marriott Northwest Info: John Brown 770-997-3881. April 25-29 Avanti National Meet at the Marriott in Lake Mary, Info: www.aoai.org

May 14 OAC will meet at 9:00 AM the Classic Corvette & Collectibles site in Tarpon Springs. We will view the private collection of Al Wiseman. Contact Dave Cramp if you plan to go and for more information.

August 14-19 SDC International meet, Spokane WA. See Turning Wheels.

October 28-29 28th Annual FL STATE MEET at the Orlando Marriott in Lake Mary hosted by the Orlando Area Chapter. Rusty Defazio 407-767-6425 or Dean Gessner 352-324-2230.

#### 2006

SE ZONE MEET - Best Western Grand at I-75 and NW 39th Avenue Gainesville FL STATE MEET- JACKSONVILLE

#### A LITTLE HUMOR

Submitted by John Ambrogio

Dear Fred,

My wife and I have divorced and in the divorce settlement she was awarded the double wide mobile home and the pickup truck.

As per my copy of the court order. delivered the truck before 2 PM, yesterday!



So, how's your day going?

See you, Sidney

#### ABOUT SDC & OAC \*

Information about our parent club and our local chapter.

SDC NATIONAL OFFICERS

President Vice President

Colin Fort Linda Sinclair Secretary Treasurer **Board Member** 

Editors

Jan Lockmon Brian Millette **Edward Burris** Zone Coordinator Gordon Sheldon

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, PO Box 520 DeLeon Springs FL 32130-0520

#### ✓ NEWSLETTER

The newsletter is published six times a year (odd Months) in Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, and Nov. Send items to the address on the back page, or Email them to the editor at: oacnews@earthlink.net The due date is the 20th (even months.)

#### ✓ 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.

NOTE: The March meeting will be at the pancake breakfast 10:30 AM on March 13th, The April 9th meeting will be at 6:00 PM at Denny's on SR-436, one block East of I-4

#### 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

Parts Wanted: 1962 Lark 2-door sedan: body mouldings, interior parts, trim, tail lights, bumpers, and other parts please notify, 1962 GT Hawk: please notify of any parts for sale int, body, motor, 4bbl intake ,etc. Please, contact Jerry Shelton (407)-957-9095 or (407)-709-2044

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.

For Sale: '63-'64 GT Hood; '64 GT grill shell with grill and emblems. Larry Golub 802 394-2942.

For Sale: Seat belt decal for all 1955 through 1958 Studebaker and Packard models. This is a circular decal with black and white lettering, red background. \$3.50 each. Frank \$3.50 each Ambrogio, 31654 Wekiva River Rd, Sorrento FL 32776-9233.



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

- Don't forget the breakfast, at the new location, TOOJAYS, on the last Sunday of each month.
- The March meeting will be at the pancake breakfast 10:30 AM on March 13th. The April 9 meeting will be at 6:00 PM at Denny's on SR-436, one block East of I-4

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"Secrets of the Sassy Old Broads" a novel

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407-260-6579 Sassyolldbroads@aol.com





#### Atlanta Marriott

Northwest 200 Interstate North Parkway Reservations at (800) 228-Atlanta, GA 30339 Phone: 770-952-7900 Fax: 770-952-1468

A special room rate of \$72 plus tax is available until March 24, 2005, Call Marriott 9290 or call the Hotel at (770) 952-7900, and ask for the Studebaker Drivers Club rate.



#### GENERAL REGISTRATION \$10 per family

(You must register to participate in meet events)

#### BANQUET - \$25

dren 12 & under - \$12.50) des all taxes and gratuities

#### JUDGING:

Car # 1 \$20 Car # 2 - S10 Car # 3+ - \$5 each

#### ENDOR SPACE:

Outside: FREE- bring your own

Inside vending space and tables ilable at our cost, which s on how much space we t for with the hotel. Let us our requirements as soon as possible.

#### CAR WASHING AREA

Will be provided by the hotel at the show area, complete with

Visit us on the Web at: http://www.studebakerclubs.com/ NorthGeorgia/

#### SCHEDULE OF **EVENTS**

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2005 Indoor vendors begin setup - 6 pm

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2005

Registration 9 am - 9 pm Hospitality noon - 9 pm Outdoor vendors 9 am - 5 pm

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2005

Registration 8 am - noon Vendors 8 am - 5 pm Car show 8 am - 4 pm noon - 3 pm Judging Awards banquet 6:30 pm

SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2005 Have a safe trin home!

#### 2ND ANNUAL GEORGIA STATE MEET APRIL 15 - 16, 2005

#### ATLANTA MARRIOTT NORTHWEST 200 INTERSTATE NORTH PARKWAY, ATLANTA, GA 30339

HOSTED BY THE NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER, STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB CALL JOHN BROWN AT 770 977-3881 WITH ANY QUESTIONS. YOUR EARLY REGISTRATION HELPS US PLAN A BETTER MEET!

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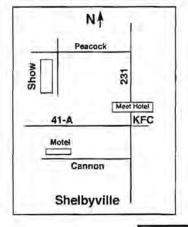
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# Middle Tennessee Chapter 33rd Annual Car Show

Studebaker Vehicles & Toys & Swap Meet
Orphan Cars Welcome
March 12, 2005

Shelbyville Agriculture Center
2119 Midland Road, Shelbyville, IN

INCLUDING: Car & Toy Show!



#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, March 11

12-6 pm: Swap Meet Set Up 6 pm: Tour of Kings Museum 6-8 pm: Hospitality Room

Saturday, March 12

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

#### **VENDOR INFORMATION**

- Inside heated and cooled vendor area
- Outside vendor area all in enclosed building

Inside Space 10x10
Outside Space 10x10

\$20.00

0 \$15.00

#### MOTEL INFO

Meet Hotel: Country Hearth Inn

Highway 231; 931-680-1030-Single: \$70; Dbl: \$75

Mention Studebaker Drivers Club when making your reservation

Other Choices: Super 8

317 North Cannon Blvd.

931-684-6050

Best Western 724 Madison Street 931-584-2378

Saturday: Homemade food booth and refreshments

NAME	General Registration				
	(nothing judged or displayed)	@ \$5.00	\$5.00		
ADDRESS	Each Car	@ \$10.00	\$		
OTTY OT 71D	Watch/Model/Pedal Cars/Toys	@ \$5.00	\$		
CITYSTZIP	(15 yrs & under free entry for watch/model/pedal cars/toys)				
PHONE () EMAIL:	Banquet Ticket, Adult	@ \$10.00	\$		
	Banquet Ticket, Child	@ \$5.00	\$		
MODELYR CAR SHOWING	Inside Vendor Space	@ \$20.00	\$		
WATCH/MODEL/PEDAL CAR/	Outside Vendor Space	@ \$15.00	\$		
TOY SHOWING	TOTAL:		\$		
	* Swap Meet Questions, contact Gen	e Cunningham	931-684-5729		

MAIL REGISTRATION TO: MARIE BURKE, 6304 LEE ROAD, SMYRNA, TN 37167; (615) 459-7755

#### 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).

Greasy Prints is the official bi-monthly publication of the Orlando Area Chapter - Studebaker Drivers Club. All comments and opinions are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the policy of the Chapter.

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER - SDC DEAN GESSNER - EDITOR 8721 HWY 48 YALAHA, FLORIDA 34797





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#### CLASSIC CORVETTES MUSEUM CRUISE - MAY 14

Arranged by Dave Cramp

Dave Cramp Has set up a trip to the Classic Corvettes Museum in Tarpon Springs on Saturday May 14. If anyone wants to stay overnight, they would have to make their own accommodations. We will meet in the museum parking lot at 8:30 AM. The tour will start at 9:00 AM.

The museum is located about four blocks West of US Highway 19, and six blocks South of the Anclote River. The address is 304 S Pinellas Avenue (Alt 19), just North of Lime St.

The cost is \$120 for a group of 30 or less, the club will pay the fee, and those attending will pay a fee of \$4.00 per person. If you need more information, contact Dave at 407-396-6830 or scramp1121@aol.com.

#### OAC MEETING MINUTES April 9, 2005 Submitted by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at approx. 7:00 p.m. Members present were Gessners, DeFazios, Marion White, Don Dodgen, Golubs, Ambrogios (a little late).

Minutes were briefly read from the February meeting. No minutes were available from the March meeting at Deleon Springs. The treasurer provided a report a balance of \$2,488.74. A check was issued to Frank Ambrogio to cover the costs of printing and postage of meet information. The membership director was not present. Don Dodgen was good enough to take minutes until Anita arrived.

**Old Business:** Frank has taken care of the websites on Hemming's and the Studebaker Web Ring

On the Tarpon Springs Museum visit - Dave Cramp will be contacted to get more specific directions, which will be in the next newsletter. We will have to meet at a designated location at 8:30 am as the tour will start at 9:00. The Days Inn is available for May 14th at \$59.95 a night. All those attending will pay \$4.00 per person to the treasurer. The club will write a check for \$120.00 to cover the cost.

#### State Meet:

Marion White offered her assistance in the hospitality room. Frank will handle advertising. Committees are as follows:

- Hospitality: Karen DeFazio and Marion White
- Registration: Anita Ambrogio, Cindi Shelton, and Barbara Golub
- Goody Bags and door prizes: Dave Cramp with help from all members
- Judging: Dean Gessner, John Gormican, Jerry Shelton
- Parking; Larry Golub and Don Dodgen
- Frank Ambrogio: Advertising, Registration Form, Trophies, Dash Plaques and Meet Flyer

The club had been discussing T-shirts. Frank & Anita have contacted a T-shirt provider. The cost will be approx. \$5.50 each. T-shirt logo will be the same as the trophy. The registration form will include a line for pre-ordering T-shirts at a price of \$10.00. We can order some extras if we choose. All orders must be in by Oct 10th. There will be no extra cost for screening. A picture of the T-shirt will be added to the meet flyer.

The banquet cost will be \$25.00 with a choice of beef or chicken. A children's plate will be available at \$16.75. Banquet ticket deadline is Oct 24th.

Frank & Anita will contact the Hotel to see if they will provide a meeting room for Aug 6th, and

possibly for our September meeting. The club will be responsible for covering the cost of the hospitality suite.

It was decided to charge \$5.00 for meet registration, with no extra charge for entering any number of cars for judging, nor any late charge.

Copies of sponsor letters and forms were provided to members.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

# STATE MEET UPDATE - 2005 By Frank Ambrogio



We are moving right along on the State Meet for 2005. The hotel has been selected, the menu has been accepted, awards and dash plaques have been designed, and we

have been promised 140 parking spaces. As long as the weather is nice, we should have a great meet.

Our theme this year is the celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Studebaker's 1955 models. Our awards and dash plaques will reflect this theme. I have mailed 35 letters to various suppliers of Studebaker parts asking for their support. This support can be in the form of a trophy sponsor, contribution of a door prize, goody bag items, or placing a business card ad in our meet program. Everyone is encouraged to contact various local businesses to solicit support for our meet.

I have placed meet information on our web site at: http://clubs.hemmings.com/oac Just click on the link for "Florida State Meet in 2005." A registration form will be available for printing and mailing.

We are working on T-shirts, and also on prices. If available, they can be ordered through the registration form. We need a two week lead time, so there will be a deadline of October 13 for ordering We will also have a place on the registration form for chapter renewals.

We are working on other options, and we will be discussing them at the meeting in May. This meeting will be in Tarpon Springs, at our trip to the Corvette Museum. We normally do not meet

during the summer months, so we may either schedule a special meeting for August, or discuss state meet affairs at the monthly breakfasts.

I will have more information as events unfold. Help is always needed. Contact Rusty or Dean if you want to lend a hand. We may not have anything specific for you at this time, but we can see what we need during the meet. It will be helpful to have a pool of volunteers at hand so we can dole out assignments as the need arises.

#### STUDEBAKERS AT OLD TOWN

Sunshine Chapter plans big outing









No one reported on the event, so we stole some pictures from the Northeast Florida Chapter's web site. It looks like there was a pretty good turnout.

#### **TECH TIP**

# Early Stewart Warner Tachometer wiring diagram:

This article was taken from the North Carolina Chapter Web site at http://www.ncsdc.com/

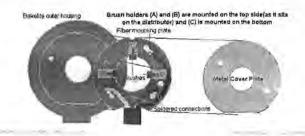
The following diagrams are for the '55 Speedster, and '56-'61 Studebaker Hawk tachometers. These are the style that the tachometer drive/sending unit mounts between the distributor, and the distributor cap. I have re-built about 10 of these units. Only one was "too far gone" to use for anything but parts. For the most part, the main problem is the deterioration of the wires. You should be able to

re-wire yours and have it work. Only once did I see the brushes worn beyond service. I went to the parts store and bought some similar small brushes, filed them to size, and used them. For the wire itself, I use 3-wire heavy duty extension cord with the black cover.

A fellow Studebaker enthusiast (Ray Brunner) has sent me some particulars on the "cable" that will work well for rewiring this tachometer. At any electrical supply or hardware store- ask for type "SJ" wire in 16 gauge, it will work nicely.

This first drawing is of the distributor mounted tach drive/sending unit. It shows a schematic, and the color-coded wiring diagram. The "white" wire is coded yellow to show up better in the drawing.

#### Distributor driven unit

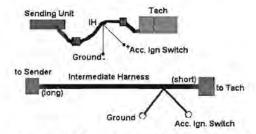


This next diagram is of the tachometer head itself, and a small drawing of the plug connectors. ALL the plug connectors are wired the same... regardless of their position! The view shown is of the inside of the connector, viewing the tabs you solder the wires to: Make sure ALL the connectors are wired like this!

# Tachometer Head Wiring All plug connectors are wired like this (seen from the soldered end) Bolt Coil Transistors Coil Bolt

#### In the car:

This Next diagram is of the harness itself, and how it is wired in the car. The "short" section coming from the tach head is 6" long. The "long" section is 24".



The intermediate harness has a female connector on each and.

The black wire coming from the tach connector runs to the accessory side of the ignition switch.

The black wire coming from the sending unit is grounded to the dash bracket.

#### Raymond Loewy

By George Mattar

From Hemmings Classic Car - November 2004

Renowned industrial designer Raymond Loewy is known for designing much of Americana as we know it. Research shows that more than 75 percent of Americans have come in contact with one or more of his products daily. How



many of you have had a Coke bottle in your hand after 1954? Loewy redesigned it. Arguably, his soda machines, refrigerators, cars and locomotive designs are likely his best known, and years ahead of their time.

There were many tag lines given to Loewy. "The Man Who Shaped America." "The Father of Streamlining," & "The Father of Industrial Design."

Born in France in 1893, he attended the University of Paris and Ecole de Lanneau. He graduated with an engineering degree. He emigrated to the United States and was naturalized in 1938.

The 1963 Studebaker Avanti was his favorite car of all-time, according to his daughter, Laurence Loewy, who runs Loewy Design. But Loewy, while

acknowledged for a particular design, was at times, given credit unduly. He oversaw the Avanti's development, but the car, still beautiful after more than 40 years, was the creation of a trio of designers Loewy put together.

"Although he didn't do all the design work on some projects, he oversaw the designs. He made styling Studebaker's calling card. Studebaker's most memorable cars are a direct result of his styling efforts," said Andy Beckman, archivist for the Studebaker Museum in South Bend.

Before designing cars, Loewy studied engineering, and his first designs were lingerie. He was a free-lance window designer for Vogue and Harper's Bazaar. His first mechanical design was a locomotive. By the early 1930s, he discovered automobiles, and his first car design was the Hupmobile. He came to Studebaker in 1936 and countered the U.S. automakers' love of chrome and fins, cars he referred to "jukeboxes on wheels."

In the 1930s, he designed the S1 and T1 locomotives. The S1 brought out the "streamlined" design, and at the time, it was the world's largest steam locomotive. The T1 had more than 6,500 horsepower and could travel at 100 mph.

In 1953, Studebaker President Paul Hoffman commissioned Loewy to design a car for the "younger segment of automobile users." The stunning 1953 Starliner was the work of Loewy designers Bob Bourke and Holden Koto. Nearly devoid of chrome, the car was like nothing else in America in 1953. The car was so advanced, and revered, that the U.S. Postal Service is planning on issuing a first-class stamp with the car's likeness next spring, Laurence Loewy said.

In March 1961, Studebaker President Sherwood Egbert contacted Loewy and asked him to design a new car. Within 10 days, Loewy sent a hand-picked team of designers to a rented a house in Palm Springs. Within two weeks, they finished a II8-scale clay model. The Avanti design was done by the team of John Ebstein, who supervised, Tom Kellogg, five years out of design school, and Robert F. Andrews, who worked on the 1948 "step-down" Hudson.

In addition to the cars Loewy designed, his influence is seen on the Coldspot refrigerator of 1934, a Greyhound bus in 1954, and he

redesigned the Lucky Strike cigarette pack in 1940, for which his daughter said her father won a \$50,000 bet. Laurence Loewy said, "George Washington Hill, president of American Tobacco, walked into my father's New York office wearing a hat with fishing lures. My father asked him why he was there, and he said he heard my that dad could improve the design of the Lucky Strike cigarette package. He said to my dad, "1 came to bet you \$50,000 that you can't do it."

One month later, the package was redesigned, and sales shot up. "Hill lost, and paid the bet to my dad," she said. "My father had a gift that gave him an understanding of what American consumers wanted and what would appeal to them."

When JFK was president, he decided that Air Force One needed a new look. Loewy was commissioned to design the President's jetliner. He came up with a blue and white scheme that still exists today. "United States of America" was emblazoned on the fuselage, an American flag was put on the tail and a presidential seal on the front.

Despite running businesses around the world, Loewy found time to indulge in scuba diving and boxing at the New York Athletic Club. "He always carried a little red joke book with him. He also loved a good smoke, a stiff drink, had a sense of humor and a hearty laugh," his daughter said. She said her father was a gourmet cook and had his own famous "Scallops St. Tropez." He was friends with Frank Sinatra, Bob Hope, Kirk Douglas and William Powell.

Laurence Loewy said the most important lesson in life she learned from her dad was that good design is essential to the soul. "His mother taught him it was better to be envied than pitied." She said her father's success came because he was so driven. She remembers that, while he was at home taking a rare day off, he was always in constant phone contact with his design teams all over the world.

He lived in several locations around the world, a 16th century home an hour from Paris, New York City and Palm Springs, California.

Loewy worked in his Monaco studio until he died in July 1986 at age 93. His wife, Viola, died in 1995. Laurence Loewy, who is chief executive officer of Loewy Design, says there are plans for a Raymond Loewy museum in the New York area.

She has also established two websites dedicated to her father and the Loewy Foundation, which acknowledges young designers. "The goal of my company is to reintroduce my dad to modern design enthusiasts."

# OAC BREAKFAST CLUB Monthly Report

FEBRUARY: Don Dodgen, John & Karen Defazio, John & Joann Gormican, and Frank Ambrogio were the only members willing to brave the dismal and rain soaked morning to gather for the monthly club breakfast. No one drove a Studebaker. The six of us had a fine time and exchanged niceties till after 9:30.

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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May 14 OAC will meet at 8:30 AM the Classic Corvette & Collectibles site in Tarpon Springs. We will view the private collection of Al Wiseman. Contact Dave Cramp if you plan to go and for more information.

August 14-19 SDC International meet, Spokane WA. See Turning Wheels for more information.

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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.

NOTE: The March meeting will be at the pancake breakfast 10:30 AM on March 13th. The April 9th meeting will be at 6:00 PM at Denny's on SR-436, one block East of I-4

#### **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

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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.

For Sale: '63-'64 GT Hood; '64 GT grill shell with grill and emblems. Larry Golub 802 394-2942.

For Sale: Seat belt decal for all 1955 through 1958 Studebaker and Packard models. This is a circular decal with black and white lettering, background. \$3.50 each. Frank \$3.50 each Ambrogio, 31654 Wekiva River Rd. Sorrento FL 32776-9233.



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

- Don't forget the breakfast, at the new location, TOOJAYS, on the last Sunday of each month.
- If you plan to go to the outing in Tampa, you must be there by 8:30 AM.

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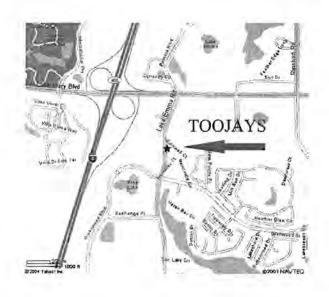
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#### THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

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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#### TARPON SPRINGS OUTING - MAY 14, 2005

by Karen Defazio

This month's meeting was held in Tarpon Springs. We met in the parking lot of the Classic Corvettes & Collectibles, Inc. at 8:30am on Saturday, May 14th. In attendance were the following:

- Dave and Sharon Cramp
- · Jerry and Cindi Shelton
- Anne and Jim Morgan
- · Dean and Jean Gessner
- · Bob Oakes and Willa Kiddy
- Rusty and Karen DeFazio

Since it was such an early meeting, a lot of us spent the night in various hotels close by.

Classic Corvettes had proudly displayed about 150 Corvettes and Collectible cars. Every car was impressive. It even included President Roosevelt's Cadillac Parade Limo complete with firearms. In front of the entrance they had a 15 page booklet featuring all the automobiles that were for sale.

The Corvette Club also had an outing that day and had about 40 members present. After touring the museum, around 10:30am, the Studebaker Club and the Corvette Club caravanned to Al Wiseman's, the owner of the museum, garages to view his private collection.

His private collection was tremendous! There were three of the biggest and fanciest garages I have ever seen! It held 100 cars, motorcycles, motor scooters, peddle cars, and even a complete barber shop.

Al Wiseman came from a family of automobile mechanics but he became an aeronautical engineer. He made his fortune by inventing a Silencer for the Jet Engines. Then he started collecting.

His very first car he ever owned was a 1950 Studebaker Starlight Coupe and he now has one of them in his collection. Other Studebakers include a 1958 Packard Hawk, 1920's Touring Car, and a 1926 Rockne Coupe. He has many "one of a kind" autos such as President Eisenhower's Presidential Limo and a Russian Limo. He has the "Indian" motorcycle that Steve McQueen owned and used in the movie, The Great Escape. He had Cadillacs, Auburn's, a Dusenberg, and many other rare cars. He is looking for a "Tucker" to complete his collection. Mr. Wiseman gives tours twice a month of his private collection to clubs by appointment.

After the meeting, Bob Oakes suggested we go to lunch at the Holiday Family Restaurant. The food was very good and after lunch we had a short meeting.

It was a wonderful day enjoyed by all!

# TARPON SPRINGS A MOST EXCELLENT ADVENTURE

May 14, 2005

#### by Dave Cramp

A total of 6 Studes and 6 Studesses joined the West Coast Corvette Club and Harley Club at the Classic Corvette Museum on Alternate Highway 19 in Tarpon Springs. The Shelton's, Morgan's and DeFazio's stayed over Friday night. Bob Oakes and Willa, the Cramps and the Gessners drove in on Saturday.

At nine, we entered the museum. There is an original Batmobile and Batmotorcycle, the Presidential Limousine used by Presidents Truman and the first-half of President Eisenhower's terms

in office, a Rolls Royce with an airplane engine, a special gas-electric automobile from the 20's, and a stainless-steel Cadillac Eldorado 4-door convertible with a rain sensor that automatically put the top up. There were so many one-of-a-kind vehicles it is hard to remember all of them. There were many rare cars for sale at prices that seemed fair.

Al Wiseman's son, Allen, was a gracious host during the first half of the tour and led the way to his father's house and three HUGE garages just east of town. Al is an aeronautical engineer who designed the first baffles to turn noisy jet engines to Whisper-jets. This early invention has allowed Mr. Wiseman to acquire and restore over one-hundred-fifty cars and motorcycles. Additionally, he has a turn of the 19<sup>th</sup> century barber shop and several calliopes.

Mr. Wiseman is currently restoring a '51 Starliner Champion Coupe. He said it was very similar to his first car. Al had a story for each car in his collection. He told how he acquired the vehicles and why they are a part of his personal collection. Much of his personal collection was one-of-a-kind vehicles from President Eisenhower's Lincoln Continental to the Russian Premier's Limosine (a Russian car with a Packard body). Mr. Wiseman had a Packard Hawk and an E.M.F.

Mr. Wiseman loves the challenge of machining parts no longer in production. When not working on his businesses or cars he finds time to hold fund-raisers for the Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital.

After the tour 5 couples went out to eat at Holiday Restaurant (not Holiday House). The Morgan's were off before we could tell them the plan. Holiday had Greek, Italian and American cuisine. We laughed, talked and ate for over an hour and then headed home.

# STATE MEET UPDATE - 2005 By Frank Ambrogio



We received a check from Automotive Interiors, a site that is listed on my Studebaker Vendors web site. They will sponsor a trophy, and paid for a business card ad in the meet program. They also said they would send some pens for our goodie bags. We also received a very generous trophy sponsor, gift certificate, and business card ad from *Stephen Allen's*. We also received a trophy sponsor from *Phantom Auto*. And finally, we received a trophy sponsor and business card ad from *The Finishing Touch*.

Normally, we don't meet during the summer, but since we are hosting the meet this year, we will have a special meeting on Saturday, August 6 at the Marriott in Lake Mary. The meeting will start at 7:00 PM and we will have the room till 9:00 PM.

I've asked Dean to include a meet registration form in this issue. Anyone who wants to register early, can do so. As things stand, we will have meet T-Shirts available. These must be ordered at least two weeks prior to the meet. If you want a shirt, you will have to register by October 10.

I've also included a line on the registration form for dues renewals. You can register for the meet, and renew your membership at the same time. This will save Bob Coolidge a little work.

A printable version of the registration form is also posted on the chapter's web site. Just go to the web site at http://clubs.hemmings.com/oac and click on the button for the State Meet.

St. Petersburg, June 25, 2005
Bill Ladroga, Ocean Bay Chapter, SDC

As my wife Lu and I set out to travel North to St. Petersburg from Sarasota in our Miata, we could see the dark clouds building up as we approached I-275. By the time we got to the Skyway Bridge, the tops of two webbed trusses were practically covered in fog and we couldn't even see the buildings of Tampa/St. Petersburg off in the distance. Lu said to me, "With your luck and auto shows, it's going to rain today!" We sadly remembered a certain State Meet in Alachua a few years ago when it rained and rained for days on our then newly-restored 1956 Golden Hawk! The animals were starting to pair off and were looking for an ark!

But it didn't rain this day and by the time we got to The Pier in St. Petersburg just before noon time, the sun was shining brightly and tourists were flocking to the aquarium, the shopping and the antique car show. Larry Good gathered as many of the members of the Central Florida Chapter of the SDC as could come, and Studebakers were well represented.



After the devil tempted Lu and me to share a slice of caramel cheesecake and a cup of Starbucks coffee, we introduced ourselves to Larry and Ken Good and scanned the Studebakers.



By the time we left to head back to Sarasota at about 2:00 PM, there were 13-1/2 Studebakers among the almost (50) antiques and hot rods glistening in the Florida sun. We saw a 1932 Commander, a 1937 Dictator sedan, Ken Good's 1955 Speedster, Larry Good's 1957 Golden Hawk, an early 1964 Avanti with the round headlights, a 1962 Champion pickup, a 1956 Transtar pickup, a 1964 GT Hawk, a 1952 Champion coupe, a 1952 Champion hardtop (reminded me of our 1953 Champion coupe that we owned from 1989 to

1996), a modified 1951 business couple, a bright red 1951 two-door and a pearlescent modified 1953 Commander hardtop.

Oh, by the way, if you're wondering, the "1/2" Studebaker was a bright red vintage Excalibur! (Remember it had a Studebaker chassis and running gear?)

In all, it was a beautiful day for a car show and a super venue to show them!

#### OAC MEETING MINUTES May 14, 2005 by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

Nothing eventful happened at the meeting in Tarpon Springs. The only item worth reporting is that the registration fees were approved by all those present. The registration form appears in this issue.

#### FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Dean Gessner

We have made arrangements with the Marriott to have a suite available for a special meeting from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Saturday, August 6. This is the week before our usual meeting schedule, due to the SDC International Meet being held the following week.

Please make a note on your calendar and plan to attend. We will be discussing items for the State Meet.

#### EDITOR'S NOTES

Thanks to Karen Defazio and Dave Cramp for submitting stories on the big event in Tarpon Springs. Everyone who attended seemed to think this was one of our best events ever.

And a special thank you also to Bill Ladroga of the Ocean Bay Chapter, for letting us know a little more about the event in St. Pete.

I'm just glad that someone submitted reports so that everyone, who didn't make the trips, could enjoy them through the newsletter.

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# STATE MEET UPDATE

by Frank Ambrogio



If you haven't registered yet, a meet registration form is included in this issue. Early registrations help us in several ways. It provides us with needed

funds, and gives us an idea of the size of the meet. Unless there is some last minute problem, we will have meet T-Shirts available. These must be ordered at least two weeks prior to the meet. If you want a shirt, you will have to register by October 10.

There is also a line on the registration form for dues renewals. You can register for the meet, and renew your membership at the same time. Chapter dues are due by October 1.

A printable version of the registration form is also posted on the chapter's web site. Just go to the web site at:

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**NOTE:** If you plan on ordering a T-shirt, you must get your money in by <u>October 10</u>. If you plan to attend the banquet, you must have your money in by <u>October 24</u>.

# OAC MEETING MINUTES 8-6-2005 by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at approx. 7:20 p.m. Members present were DeFazios, Don Dodgen, Ambrogios, Morgans, Richard Langlotz, Gormicans, and Cramps.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$2,401.00. Copies of the report were given to members. No actual minutes were read, as none were available from the May meeting in Tarpon Springs.

#### Old Business:

State Meet. Committee members were reviewed as follows:

- Hospitality: Karen DeFazio and Marion White. Jim and Ann Morgan will also help out
- Registration: Anita Ambrogio, Cindi Shelton, and Barbara Golub.
- · Centerpieces: Anita and Karen.
- Goody Bags and door prizes: Dave Cramp with help from all members. Bags to be used are expected to arrive in late August. Cindy Evans has made over 50 items to be used for door prizes.
- Judging: Dean Gessner, John Gormican, Jerry Shelton
- Parking; Larry Golub and Don Dodgen
- Advertising, Registration Forms and Meet Flyer, Trophies, Dash Plaques and signs. Frank Ambrogio
- T-shirts. Frank and Anita Ambrogio
- Master of Ceremonies: Bill Coffield
- Awards presentation: Don Dodgen

The check was sent for the trophies and dash plaques. A line is on the registration for ordering shirts. A few extras will be ordered to sell. Sharon Cramp offered to be in charge of 50-50 tickets.

Rusty will make new frames for class signs. Frank will bring a sample to the breakfast. The

club will be responsible for covering the cost of the hospitality suite. Frank and Anita will contact the hotel to arrange a hospitality suite, set up for the luncheon, and the cash bar at the banquet.

Frank has contacted Bill Coffield to ask him to emcee. Don Dodgen will also help by announcing the award winners. Rusty and others will help to pass out trophies.

Members were asked to bring snack items for the hospitality suite and coolers with ice for cold drinks. Anita and John will bring coffee pots. We need to check with Dean about the tent for outside.

Hospitality will be open from 5-8 on Friday, and 8-2 on Saturday (if the hotel will let us do a late checkout on Sat). All members are asked to help out with cleanup of the room on Sat after 2 pm.

#### **New Business:**

John Gormican has been in touch with John Meinelt (a former member) who lives in Deland. He will be hosting the Gainesville chapter meeting on Sept 10 in the afternoon if anyone would like to attend. He will provide details to Frank for the newsletter.

After some discussion, it was decided to hold the Sept and Oct meetings at Colonial Town Crisper's in Lake Mary at CR-46A and I-4. Come at 6:00 if you plan to eat. Meeting will be at 7:00.

A 50-50 drawing was held and the winner was Sharon Cramp. Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The meetings for September 10, and October 8 will be at the Crisper's Restaurant on CR 46A and International Parkway in Lake Mary.

# SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET

By Frank Ambrogio

This year's meet in Spokane attracted a large

number of Studebaker fans from all over the world. Not too many ventured to the Northwest from the Sunshine State.

We were able to get a non-stop flight from Orlando to Seattle. In Seattle, we had dinner with Anita's cousin and her husband. We hadn't seen them in almost 30 years. We rented a car in Seattle, and drove to Spokane, about a five hour drive. We spent the first three nights at a hotel near the meet hotel. We had some free nights which we had earned from our credit card. On Wednesday, we moved to the host Red Lion hotel.

We took a trip to Coeur d' Alene ID on Monday, about half an hour from Spokane. We had a nice time while there. We had lunch and took a one and a half hour boat ride, where we met Paul and Mary from Las Vegas. They were attending the meet also, so we had a lot to talk about. The ride was very scenic and we had a great time.

We didn't sign up for any of the tours, or for the banquet this year. Things are just getting too expensive. With air fare, motel room, and car rental, we spent enough. Living on a fixed income gets harder each year.

Although not as bad as it was in Charlotte last year, parking was a bit of a problem. If you didn't stay at the meet hotel, it cost \$5.00 a day to park across the street in another lot.

On Tuesday, we met former OAC members Dee & Wayne Newberry who now live near Boise ID. They drove to Spokane, along with another couple and we spent several hours together. First we looked at all the beautiful Studebakers parked in the hotel lot, and then we went to lunch. We had a great time, and it was so nice to see them again.

The swap meet was a decent size with some of the major vendors, as well as many from the area nearby. We managed to spend only \$25.00 for a couple of items, plus \$15.00 for a sweatshirt.

The sweatshirt was needed for the morning of

the car show, as it was foggy and chilly. By noon, the sun was shining, and the temperature kept climbing into the upper 80s. It turned out to be a beautiful day for the show, and except for a rainy Wednesday, the weather was good all week.

I'm going to guess that there were about 200 cars at the show, but I could be way off. I have no idea how many registrations were made, nor how many people attended the banquet.

# FROM THE PRESIDENT Dean Gessner

The time is getting near for the State Meet. We will only have two meetings before the big event. It is important that everyone attend so we can get our plans in order. We still need a swap meet coordinator. We will also need help the day of the show.

Please contact me if you want to volunteer.

# **EDITOR'S NOTES**

A chapter registration form and a State Meet registration form are included in this issue. This is the last newsletter you will receive before chapter renewals are due, and the state meet.

Please renew before October 1, and register early for the meet. Better do it now while you are thinking about it.

You won't get another reminder!

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Only 8 members attended the breakfast on July brought the only 31. The Ambrogios Studebaker. Also showing up were Rusty & Karen Defazio, Richard Langlotz, Bob Coolidge, and John & Joann Gormican.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS What's Happening in our area

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#### 2006

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.

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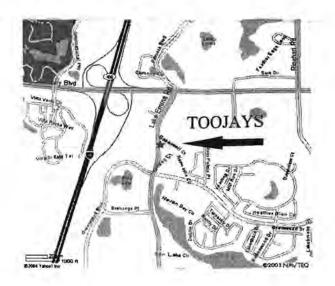
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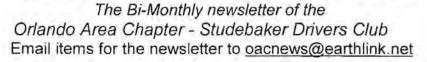
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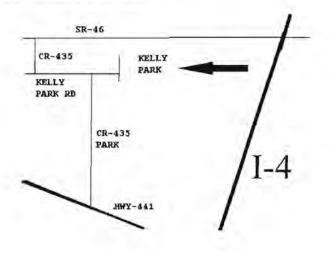
November 6 at Kelly park in Apopka

The picnic will be on Sunday, the 6th of November at Kelly Park. Dean will arrive early to get the charcoal fire started. The rest of us can arrive at 1:00 p.m. As usual, the chapter will supply the charcoal and the ants. You must bring your own food, utensils, chairs, etc., and a dish to pass.

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.





The 28th running of the annual Florida State Meet was held the weekend of October 28-29 at the Marriott Hotel in Lake Mary Florida. This marked the seventh time that

the Orlando Area Chapter has acted as the host chapter.

Since the event was held after our printing deadline, and because our picnic is so soon after, we wanted to get this issue out as soon as possible. We will have details of the State Meet in the January issue.

# HOLIDAY DINNER

Our annual holiday dinner will be held on Saturday, December 3 at Sergio's Italian Restaurant, from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sergio's is located in Sanford on HWY 17-92, just North of the 417 toll road, on the East side of the street, 2895 Orlando Drive, Sanford, FL 407/323-4040 or 407/323-9043. The entrance driveway is between the Public Storage and the ABC liquor buildings.

Following dinner, we will again have our Chinese Auction Gift Exchange. If you wish to participate: Bring a wrapped gift valued at \$5.00 or more

RSVP to Karen DeFazio 407-699-6074.

Contact Karen if you would like additional information.



# OAC MEETING MINUTES 9-10-2005 by: Anita Ambrogio, Secretary

The meeting was called to order at approx. 7:05 p.m. Members present were Bob Oakes & Willa Kidde, Don Dodgen, DeFazios, Gessners, Ambrogios, Morgans, Fifers, Gormicans and.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$3292.22. Report was approved. Minutes from the August meeting were read and approved.

Old Business: State Meet. Dave Cramp is handling goody bags and door prizes. It will be up to him to decide how they will be distributed. It was suggested by Dean that all members try to come up with door prizes. A gift certificate for \$100.00 from Steven Allen's has been donated, along with about 60 plastic canvas items from Cindy Evans. Don and Edie Fifer donated a flag motif tote bag. Dave also got a \$25 gift certificate from Applebee's, a \$20 gift certificate from Crispers, and the promise of some other items from Leta's Creamery (Ice Cream) and AAA.

A hospitality room has been reserved. Hospitality will be open from 5:00 til 8:00 on Friday and 8:00 til 2:00 on Saturday. Karen will prepare a list of items to be brought by members at the next meeting. Edie indicated she would bring 6 doz. cookies.

Frank will provide voting forms in the meet packets, as well as tally and winner forms for the judges. Trophies and dash plaques are due in Oct 1st. Bill Coffield has agreed to MC. It was approved to purchase banquet tickets for Bill and his wife Esther.

Anita reported that we have 24 registrations to date. No vendor spaces have been requested other than one for Esther Coffield for her books.

### **New Business:**

Several members had attended the North Central Florida meeting at John Meinelt's home in Deland. It was a good outing. Lunch was served and everyone was impressed with his collection of 25 or more vehicles.

Edie Fifer reported that the Studebaker stamp series is now available at the post office. Once the current supply is gone, no new ones will be available.

Our annual picnic at Kelly Park is scheduled for Nov 6th at 1:00. Dean will arrive early to start the fire. Members must bring their own meat and a dish to share.

The holiday get together is scheduled for Dec 4th at Logans, unless someone finds another location.

A 50-50 drawing was held and the winner was Joann Gormican. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

# OAC MEETING MINUTES 10-8-2005 by: Frank Ambrogio, Acting Secretary

The meeting was called to order at approx. 7:00 p.m. Members present were DeFazios, Don Dodgen, Gormicans, Frank Ambrogio, Gessners, Bob Oakes & his son Bob, and Willa Kidde.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$3855. Plus a stack of checks that were delivered at the meeting, Report was approved.

Old Business: State Meet. T-shirts, dash plaques, trophies have been ordered. Dean reported that the South Georgia has requested am inside table at the meet to sell raffle tickets on a Truck. Frank said he would add them to the vendor list and provide a table.

Rusty reported that a company called, Let's Talk Cars, which makes T-shirts, will come and set up at the meet. We assume it will be outside, and that they will have their own provisions.

Karen stated that she needs items for the hospitality room, and told of some of the items that have already been pledged.

Frank stated that the hotel will provide a car washing area. We will need buckets, washing materials, hose, and nozzle.

Dean asked about Don Bales. Frank said that Anita had invited Don & Evelyn to the banquet. As of the meeting, they hadn't responded.

Holiday Party: Karen presented a proposal to have the dinner at Sergio's Restaurant on Saturday December 3. We would have a separate room and prices would be in the \$11:00 - \$16.00 range. After some discussion, the group voted to have the dinner at Sergios. Frank said he would cancel the reservation we have at Logans.

The 50/50 drawing was won by our guest, Bob Oakes JR.

Frank read a letter from our former Secretary, Dave Straughn, concerning the new museum. The letter was accompanied by several museum photos which were passed around.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45.

## PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

The SDC roster lists over 450 national members in Florida. Yet, I doubt that the total membership of all 7 Florida chapters is more than 150.

That is a huge untapped resource, and only shows how weak the chapter structure is in Florida. The SDC wants us to be sure that all our members also belong to SDC. However, little effort is expended to persuade SDC members to join a local chapter. The only way we can attract new members is if everyone makes the effort to recruit them.

I don't know how the meet turned out, since this was written before it took place. Whatever

happened, I want to thank my meet cochairmen, Rusty and Frank, for helping me with the meet. Thanks are also expressed to everyone else who worked so hard. If I try to list everyone, I'll miss a few, so I'll just say thanks. You know who you are. It is always a lot of work, and can get very frustrating.

I hope we will have a lot more to report in the next issue.

# **EDITOR'S NOTES**

Why not send in your story on the State Meet? It would be nice to read about the meet from several different viewpoints. The meet occurred after our printing deadline, so we didn't have time to get a report into this issue. This would be a great opportunity for you to express your thoughts on the show.

#### CHAPTER RENEWALS

Information on membership in the Orlando Area Chapter - SDC, is available from the membership director:

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

#### MONTHLY BREAKFAST

Eleven people attended the August breakfast. Don Dodgen, Frank & Anita Ambrogio, Rusty & Karen DeFazio, Bob Coolidge, John & Joann Gormican (and John's brother, Robert), Dean Gessner, and new member Myles Walker made the trek to Toojays in Lake Mary.

We want to extend a welcome to Myles & Fran Walker, and hope they will be active members for a long time to come.

Attending the September breakfast at Toojays in Lake Mary, were John & Joann Gormican, Rusty & Karen DeFazio, Bob Coolidge, and Frank & Anita Ambrogio.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS What's Happening in our area

# 2005

November 6 Annual OAC fall picnic at Kelly Park in Apopka.

December 3 Annual OAC Holiday dinner at Sergio's in Sanford.

#### 2006

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.

# ABOUT SDC & OAC \* \*

Information about our parent club and our chapter

# SDC NATIONAL OFFICERS

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#### ✓ NEWSLETTER

The Greasy Prints is the official publication of

the Orlando Area Chapter. It is published six times a year (odd Months) in Jan, Mar, May, Jul. Sep. and Nov. Send items to the address on the back page, or Email them to the editor at: oacnews@earthlink.net The due date is the 20th (even months.)

#### ✓ 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.

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)

Parts Wanted: 1962 Lark 2-door sedan: body mouldings, interior parts, trim, tail lights, bumpers, and other parts please notify. 1962 GT Hawk: please notify of any parts for sale int, body, motor, 4bbl intake ,etc. Please, contact Jerry Shelton (407)-957-9095 (407)-709-2044

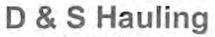
For Sale: 1964 Studebaker sliding roof Wagon, disk brakes, overdrive manual transmission, good tail gate. Harmonic dampers at front end (important, not on all cars of this model), 6 cylinder good mileage, driven into present storage 24 years ago, rust proofed at First Class in Melbourne (drains for gutters 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.

For Sale: '63-'64 GT Hood; '64 GT grill shell with grill and emblems. Larry Golub 802 394-2942.

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 meetings for November and December will be at the picnic and Holiday Dinner.

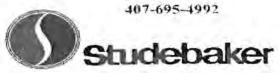


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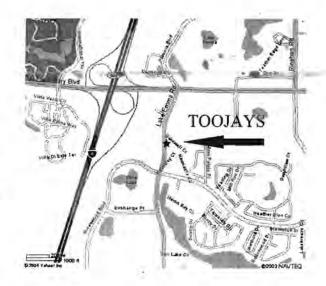
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#### THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

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.

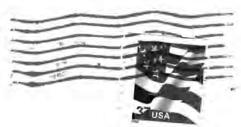
Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

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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