

Annual Fall Picnic By Frank Ambrogio

The picnic was held on Sunday, the 11th of November at Kelly Park. As has been the trend in recent years, more members bypassed the event than attended. Undeterred, those of us who did participate had a great time without you.

Dean & Jean arrived early, in their 1947(?) Hudson, to get the charcoal fire started. The rest of us trickled in until a total of thirteen members and guests arrived. Driving Studebakers were Don Dodgen & Fred Trowbridge in a1964 Daytona Convertible, Rusty & Karen DeFazio in a 1957 Golden Hawk, Jim & Ann Morgan, and Anita & me, both driving 1956 Golden Hawks. Others attending were Marion White, and John & Joann Gormican.

The OAC provided the drinks, which were bought and brought by Rusty and Karen. Everyone brought their own meat and a dish to pass. We had enough food so that no one left wanting more. Karen announced that she was cancer free, but would still need further medical treatment. That news was applauded by everyone present.

When we finished eating, Don conducted our regular monthly meeting. No one volunteered to take the minutes for the meeting, so Don made notes of the proceedings. Among other things, we discussed the Christmas dinner that was coming up at Stonewood's in December. Those present, who were planning to attend, signed up at that time.

Once the meeting was over, we had our 50/50 drawing, but I don't remember who the winner was. All I do know is that I didn't win AGAIN!

And so, the end of the meeting brought the picnic for 2007 to a conclusion. Everyone packed up, headed for their car and departed for their journey home.

The weather was absolutely perfect, the food was plentiful, and the company was the best. It was another great chapter event that was enjoyed by far too few members. Maybe next year we'll have the picnic in a phone booth!

Christmas Dinner 2007 By Frank Ambrogio

Nineteen members met at Stonewood's Grill in Lake Mary on Sunday December 9 at 4:00 PM for our annual Christmas dinner. The turnout made was the largest number in at least 5 years. Where our totals exceeded 40 in years gone by, the number had dwindled to about 12 over the past several years.

Attending this year's dinner were John & Joann Gormican, Roger Ramsier, Don Dodgen, Dick & Tina Langlotz, Jim & Ann Morgan, Dean & Jean Gessner, Rusty & Karen DeFazio, Jerry & Cindi Shelton, Marion White, Dave & Sharon Cramp, and Anita & me.

This was our first venture to Stonewood's, and it proved to be a good choice. Everyone seemed to enjoy their meal, and the desserts brought quite a reaction from those who still had room for one, and those who were stuffed alike. It was the perfect way to begin the Holiday season and a great way to end a fine year for our chapter.

From The President

By Don Dodgen

Christmas is almost here and soon 2007 will be history. I want to thank all of you for the parts that you have paid and played in making 2007 a successful and meaningful year for our club.



We've had a variety of activities, some old and some new. Fantasy of Flight was really interesting, and DeLeon Springs was relaxing. Many of us went to our State Meet in West Palm Beach, and we has a well attended Christmas banquet a few weeks back, at Stonewood Grill in Lake Mary. Our Sunday morning breakfasts at Toojay's are popular, and our regular meetings at IHOP in Sanford have shown an increase in attendance as well. No one can say that we are a club that doesn't like to eat!

Richard Langlotz is mailing out the information to prospective new members, and we've supplied our membership with "picture postcards" with club information on them to give to interested people and to put on to the windshield of the occasional Studebaker that we might spot on the street, designed and produced by Rusty DeFazio. Good job!

By the way, there has been some discussion about having meetings at least occasionally, down in the Kissimmee area. As a club, we are open to this idea. The problem has been that this is a tourist area, and Saturday nights are big nights for all eateries down in that part of our territory. Even if the place has a separate room where they could put us for our meeting, they don't want to tie it up on a busy night for our group.

We would need a place with a good variety of dishes on the menu as well - so pizza parlors and sushi bars are out - if anyone down in that area has a suggestion, please let us know. An easy to find location on or close to a main road would also be a plus. Please let us know of any possibilities.

In any case, it's been a really good year for our club, all the way around, saddened though we were by the recent passing of Dr. Robert Cade, a member of our chapter until the Gainesville chapter was formed some years ago. He will be missed.

Until next time

November Monthly Breakfast By Frank Ambrogio

November 25, 2007 Jim & Ann Morgan, and Anita & yours truly drove our 1956 Golden Hawks to the post Thanksgiving breakfast. Others attending included Don Dodgen, Fred Trowbridge, Dean & Jean Gessner, Dick & Tina Langlotz, and John & Joann Gormican.

We, along with Dick & Tina Langlotz sat at a separate table as we wanted to leave room for any late arrivers. As it turned out, no one else showed up. Our isolation meant we weren't privy to what transpired with the rest of the group. Nonetheless, the four of us had a nice visit.

We were hoping to se Rusty & Karen DeFazio, to get an update on Karen's condition. After they officially became "no shows", Dick made a cell phone call to the DeFazio home. There was nothing new to report on Karen, but they admitted they didn't realize that it was the last Sunday of the month. I suspect, that with the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, they weren't the only ones.

Toojays seemed a little more crowded than usual, so we

broke up about 9:15. We spent a little time outside, and then headed for home.

Turkey Run at Daytona By Frank Ambrogio Photos By Matthew Burnette



Hawks, Larks, and other Studebakers mingled with the turkeys as fans gobbled up the goodies at the famous Speedway. Edith Fifer and her band of helpers spent the Thanksgiving weekend at the Daytona International Speedway where the annual

A few of the faithful

34th edition of the Turkey Run took place. They arranged to have an area for us to park our Studebakers, complete with a tent, chairs, and food.

We were only able to attend on saturday, and could only stay for about 5 hours, but they were hours well spent. To help cover some of the expenses, each car owner paid a modest \$4.00 fee. This was a far better bargain than the \$40.00 entrance fee to bring our 1956



Us getting ready to leave

Golden Hawk onto the Speedway grounds.

The entrance fee is good for all four days, and allowed two people to enter on each occasion. Thus, it becomes a little more reasonable for those attending more than one day. The general admission fee to the spectators was \$15.00 each, so it cost us an extra \$10.00 to bring the car. On the other hand, if we didn't bring the Studebaker, we wouldn't have gone at all.

I don't know how many cars were present for the show. We registered in September and our registration number was 1115. I would assume that means 1115 cars had registered at that point, at \$40.00 each. Drawing on my high school math education, courtesy of Miss Neiman, that amounts to \$44,600.00.

After parking and greeting everyone, I counted 28 Studebakers parked in the area. I know several more arrived later, so I'd guess there were upwards of 35 cars present. The number of cars was not as important as was the friendliness and enthusiasm of the group. Several people came from the Carolinas, Georgia, Ohio and, I'm sure, several other states.

I think the only Orlando Area Chapter member present that day, besides Don & Edith Fifer and Anita & me, was Stephen Cade. Several members, including Butch Figurella and Gary Johnson, from the Sunshine Chapter, made the trip from South Florida. We had a beautiful day but only saw a fraction of the entire event.



It was so nice to see some old friends, some of whom were once OAC members. Neil & Edie Thornton were there from Georgia with their grandson, Matthew. Harold Scott stopped by to say hello. Others making the trip included Mike & Linda Myers.

Mike Myers' R3 Avanti

of Myers Studebaker in Ohio, who came for the entire weekend. Bob, Jodie, and Shannon Bruffett also made the weekend trip. Jim Pearce was there too, with his always immaculate Avanti.

I met Matthew briefly in South Bend last year. He is the young man who won the "Best young author in Turning Wheels award". His article, "Keeping It In The Family" appeared in the May 2007 issue. I had high hopes of winning that award, but I failed because I'm not young, and I didn't write anything.

We struck up an instant friendship at the Turkey Run, I think the trigger might have been when he alluded to the fact that he thought the 1956 Golden Hawk was the nicest of all the Hawks. He asked questions. I gave answers, some of which may have been correct! We had a nice visit, and I'm sure Neil and Edie are very proud of their grandson.

We never made it to the swap area, and just viewed a few rows of the show cars parked nearby. We decided we were having a much better time with the Studebaker gang, and we had chairs!

Stephen Cade's daughter, who is now nine years old was busy working. Her name is Mary Martha Edna, but Stephen calls her Boo-Boo. She's a sweetheart, and quite enterprising. She had one of those car brushes and was dusting off the cars for \$1.00 each. I was tempted to steal that brush and take over the franchise. Then I regained my sense of reality when I realized there was work involved. Don't get me wrong, *I love work. I could sit and look at it all day!*

Our car made the 100 mile round trip with no problems. I was trying to remember the last time I put 100 miles on that car in one day. I believe it was about five years ago when we drove to our spring picnic in Cocoa Beach.



We've attended Turkey Runs in the past, but this was our first trip in about six years. Things have changed drastically, as far as the Studebakers are concerned, and definitely for the better. Thanks to Don & Edith Fifer and all the others who devoted

A row of Studebakers

so much time and energy so that we could cap off our

Thanksgiving weekend in Studebaker style. NOTE: Matthew Burnette posted 204 photos on the Internet at: http://s81.pholobuckel.com/albums//209/mbstude/Daytona%20Rod%20Run%202007/

Meeting Minutes 12-09-2007 By Frank Ambrogio

The meeting was called to order by President Don Dodgen at 5:40 PM following our Christmas dinner. Ironically, the same people who were reported as attending the Christmas dinner earlier in this issue, were also in attendance for the meeting. We skipped around between old business, new business, and monkey business, so I'll just report things in the order they occurred.

- Don gave a recap of the last meeting from notes he had taken, in the absence of a secretary.
- Rusty gave the treasurer's report.
- Richard reported that he had sent out the post cards to SDC members in the area who were not members of the Orlando Area Chapter.
- Dean said he was working on making arrangements for the pancake breakfast in DeLeon Springs.
- Richard said he was working on trying to arrange a tour of the Casa de Feliz.
- New member, Roger Ramsier, told a little about his involvement with Studebaker and how happy he was to be a part of our chapter. We welcomed Roger to the group, and hope we'll see a lot of him in the future.
- Don reported that the Keystone swap meet will be held in March 2008. See Turning Wheels for details.
- Don mentioned the passing of our good friend and longtime member, Dr. Robert Cade. After some discussion, it was decided to make a donation to the Gloria Dei Foundation that Robert and Mary started.
- Rusty gave information on a cruise-in held at the Bob Evans restaurant on SR-436 near 17-92.
- Dave mentioned that there are several Christmas parades in the area and that we should think about participating with our cars next year.
- Roger asked if we were involved with the Studebakers at Old Town event to be held in March.
 Don stated that this was sponsored by the Sunshine Chapter. I stated that I would have information, received from Butch Figurella of that chapter, in the next newsletter.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 PM.

A little editorial perspective (If you're feelings are easily hurt, you may want to skip to the next story): Since no one in our chapter is motivated enough to take on the role of Secretary, I volunteered to take the minutes for the December meeting. I did so because Don Dodgen deserves better treatment than he has received. At our November meeting, Don had to take meeting notes as well as conduct the meeting, because no one was willing to take the minutes.

Not only does Don conduct the meetings, and take the minutes, he also contributes to the newsletter. I know what that is like as I did the same thing for six months in 1985, when I was President of our chapter. It's not that it is a difficult task to do both jobs, but why should one person have to do more than one job?

I played the role of secretary for December, and boy am I exhausted! Besides a few notes taken at the meeting, I must have spent all of 10 minutes copying them into something legible. Pass the oxygen, please! I spent more time on this tirade, than I did on the minutes. I could easily continue taking the minutes for our chapter, but I'm already doing the newsletter and the web site. And just what exactly, are you doing?

We only meet nine times a year, so we are talking about investing approximately one and a half hours. That's 1.5 out of 8760 hours of your precious time this year. I guess I'm just not very bright, because that simply defies my comprehension. (I warned you not to read this.)

Studebakers at Old Town By Butch Figurella

The Sunshine Chapter is sponsoring another fun day at Old Town in Kissimmee/Orlando. Dust off your old Studebaker, Packard, or Avanti and head to Orlando and join us for a day of fun with some like minded car nuts.

We have special \$59 room rates at the Seralago Hotel & Suites. Call 800-366-5437 and mention the Studebaker Drivers Club. The Seralago is right next door to Old Town, so you can park your Studebaker on the main street in Old Town, and walk to your room or restaurants. Studebakers will be the featured cars and we will park on Main Street. We will also lead the slow cruise.

The cars can start parking in the street after 1 PM, and the slow cruise starts at 8:30 PM. There is no registration fee. For more information, contact Butch Figurella at 561-793-4947 or email <u>butchfig@bellsouth.net.</u> For more information about Old Town, go to www.old-town.com.

A Dream Fulfilled Chapter Six By Don Dodgen

Well, I was off on my long trip at last! But it didn't take long before problems began. I didn't know the difference, and had purchased low grade bolts to fasten my tow bar to the Hawk. As I plowed through the dry and deep desert sand that substituted for roads in the first 5 miles or so of my journey, the bolts proceeded to bend and/or break off. Studebaker's infamous center plane steering was a contributing factor - the wheels would not "follow" when I made a turn and this would put a strain on everything.

I replaced a bolt, and kept going. Once I got to paved roads, the problem almost disappeared. I got on Highway 62. And headed for I-10, near Palm Springs. It began to get dark, and I switched on my lights. I got to I-10,turned East, and began to relax. Only 3170 miles to go.

All of a sudden, the headlights went out. Then came back on. The oil pressure was low, but all else seemed okay. Very little traffic. All of a sudden, a coyote ran across the road, right in front of me! I almost hit the critter. Oh my, when would the excitement end? It got to be 9:30 and it was really dark out there on the desert, far from any town. The stars were bright overhead, as I forged on.

Then the lights on my truck - all of them - went out again. I switched on my spotlight, and continued down the road. I saw a turn off onto a frontage road, and took it. All the lights came on again! I pulled over, and just sat. So much had gone on that day. All of a sudden, it hit me. Did I really want to do this? Was I ready? It wasn't too far into the trip. I could just tun around and back track and do it another time, but when. And I was this far along. Maybe I should go on. And as this war was going on in my emotionally stressed mind, I fell asleep, with only the stars and at least one coyote to keep me company.

I woke up about 5:00 AM and had some snacks out of my ice chest. Soon, the sun came out. It was a beautiful day, and I felt better about the whole situation. I broke another bolt as I turned around t get back on I-10, and had to fix it. I still had some extras.

Back on I-10 I went, heading towards Arizona. Near Blythe CA, a small town near the border, I had a blow-out on the Hawk. That's when I discovered that the spare tire that came with the Hawk had the wrong bolt pattern. So I disconnected the truck, took the blown tire on into Blythe to get a replacement. I got a tire mounted and headed back to my Hawk. There was the highway patrol! The Hawk had no TOWING PERMIT, so they were impounding it!

At least they towed it in the right direction on into Blythe. I didn't know about the permit, but got one, paid the tow bill, and a small fine, and retrieved my car. In the meantime, I had found Shuster's Welding Service, and they welded my tow bar to the bracket, ending my bolt problem. I chanced on a man who had a nearly identical Studebaker truck there in Blythe, and he directed me to a wrecking yard with Studebakers in it, where I bought a correct rim and tire as a spare for my Hawk.

Things were finally on the upturn. I got some drinks and snacks, more ice for my ice chest, and headed out about 6: PM. It was a May day, but 100 degrees at 6:00 PM, so I decided I would try to do the whole Arizona desert at night. I crossed the Colorado river and headed into Arizona and more adventures.

What happened next? Tune in next issue for the spellbinding next installment of "A Dream Fulfilled."

For Sale

1964 Studebaker Challenger 2 door sedan, California car, light green paint, green vinyl interior, new tires, 6 cylinder, automatic transmission, radio, heater, 88,000 miles, \$4000.00 or best offer, New Port Richey, 727-534-7730.

Editor's Notes

We're making progress. So far, Curtis French of the Big Bend Chapter and Hank McNeely of the Sunshine Chapter are the only ones participating in the newsletter exchange program. It's a start, and thanks to them for taking part. I've discovered that, unfortunately, at least three Florida chapters do not have a newsletter.

Thanks to our president, Don, for his contribution to this issue. Without his effort, we could have printed the newsletter on a postcard. I won't be submitting anything for the next issue, so I hope you will pick up the slack. If not, look for that "newsletter postcard" in early March!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

What's Happening in our area

2008

January

12 Monthly meeting 7:00 PM at IHOP 3150 S Orlando (17-92), Sanford, dinner at 6:00 PM.

27 Monthly breakfast 8:00 AM, Toojay's in Lake Mary.

February

09 Monthly meeting 7:00 PM at IHOP 3150 S Orlando (17-92), Sanford, dinner at 6:00 PM.

24 Monthly breakfast 8:00 AM, Toojay's in Lake Mary.

March

15 Studebakers at Old Town in Kissimmee, presented by the Sunshine Chapter from 1 to 9:00 PM. No entry fee. Contact Butch Figurella, phone: 561-893-4957, or Email butchfig@bellsouth.net.

April

11-12 5th Georgia SDC State Meet Albany GA at the Quality Inn Merry Acres motel. Hosted by the South Georgia Chapter. Rooms \$69.00, includes breakfast. Information: Loren Hendley 229-468-9532. Web Site: georgiastudebaker.com

September

14-20 SDC International Meet in Lancaster PA, hosted by the Keystone Region Chapter, See Turning Wheels for details.

November

09 Annual picnic and Monthly meeting 1:00 PM at Kelly Park in Apopka.

December

14 Annual Christmas dinner and Monthly meeting ??:00 PM at ????

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July

12-18 SDC International Meet in Cedar Rapids Iowa, hosted by the Hawkeye Chapter. See Turning Wheels for details.

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Information about our parent club and chapter

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JOIN OUR CHAPTER

Membership cost, for <u>new members</u>, depends on the month in which you join as follows:

Month	Amour	nt Month	Amt
Sep - Dec	\$10.00	Jan-Feb	\$8.00
Mar-Apr	\$6.00	May-Jun	\$4.00
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Make your check payable to: Orlando Area Chapter - SDC Mail to:

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√ **NEWSLETTER**

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MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at IHOP 3150 S Orlando (17-92), Sanford 7:00 PM, preceded by dinner at 6:00 PM. Informal meetings are held during the summer. 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. Mark your calendar and join us at Toojay's. And, BYOB (*Bring Your Old Baker*).

Studebaker Of Florida forum is a place for all Florida SDC members to correspond with questions, answers, meet notices, want ads, etc. Take a look, at:

http://groups.msn.com/StudebakerofFlorida. You don't have to sign in to view the posts, but if you want to post something, you will need to register.

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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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.

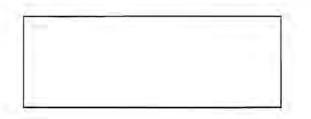
Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

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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Pancake Breakfast

In De Leon Springs http://www.planetdeland.com/sugarmill/sugarpage2.htm

Join us for pancakes Sunday March 16, 2008 at 11:00 AM in DeLeon Springs State Park, De Leon Springs , FL 32130. Meet us at the Old Spanish Sugar Mill Restaurant in the park at 10:30. Breakfast features breads and cook-your-own pancakes made from stone-ground flours. RSVP, to Dean Gessner at 352-324-2230 no later than Sunday, March 09.

Details From Their Web site:

Parking fee \$5.00 per carload.

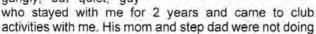
Pancakes are \$4.50 per person. Side orders of meats, eggs, fruits, beverages range in price from \$1.50 to \$2.25 depending on what you order. Sandwiches and salads range from \$3.75 to \$8.00.

The Old Spanish Sugar Mill is a unique restaurant located inside the DeLeon Springs State Park. Opened in 1961 by Peter and Marjorie Schwarze, we have been serving in the same unusual style ever since. Each of our tables is equipped with a griddle and we bring you pitchers of homemade pancake batters (both a stone ground mixture of five different flours and an unbleached white) and you pour them on and flip them over right at the table. You may order blueberries, bananas, peanut butter, pecans, chocolate chips, apples or apple sauce to create whatever sort of pancakes you choose. We have sausage, bacon, ham, eggs, homemade breads and an assortment of other treats to accompany your pancakes.

From The President By Don Dodgen

It's a beautiful Spring day as I look out the window. Winter is drawing to a close - such as it is in Florida.

Some of you knew Fred Trowbridge, the tall gangly, but guiet, guy



well up near Seattle, Washington, and he decided to back there and help out. A couple of weeks before he decided to go, I had allowed another young man, who briefly stayed with me some years back, to stay with me again until he got on his feet. Richard had worked on a ranch near Melbourne for 4 years, and actually had his own horse, but the ranch owner had to downsize, and so he lost his job and came back to Orlando. He an Fred got to be good buddies, and he misses Fred too. But he helps me out with my projects, much as Fred did, and I enjoy having him around. You'll be seeing him.

This is a really big year for me, as I try to prepare for retirement. It sounds funny - working to prepare to relax! But somehow it seems that everybody wants to get their houses fixed up and their yards all manicured and new furniture or a car, or whatever, before they retire. Anyhow, even I am trying to do some of that. Richard and I rebuilt my front porch over the past two weekends, and it looks pretty nice now. Some car projects will be a part of that as well.

By mid-summer I should be done with working. I am trying to prepare for NOT working. I just got me a cell phone and I am on the verge of having internet service for the first time as well. Two different people in my church each gave me computers some time ago, and they've just been sitting in my office. But, little by little, I'm dragging myself into the 21st century.

And what to do with all my free time?? I might just buy myself a Studebaker limousine and show up at YOUR HOUSE on the 2nd Saturday night of the month, to get YOU to come to our meetings!! Some of you are missing out! We had FOURTEEN at our last breakfast! People, our club is ON THE MOVE! Please come - and be a part. You need us and we need you! Bring a friend with you.

Well this has been a little more personal than my column usually is - I know that I don't get to see or speak to many of you, and yet I want all of you to know at least a little about my life, besides the fact that I have six Studebakers. Don't forget - we are all friends, and YOU are cared about in the Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club. Until next time....

Overdrive

By Jerry Shelton

For the past several months I've been kicking an idea around in my mind (you know, that big dark empty space) for a column in the newsletter. It will not be a routine informational or how-to type column, but one strictly for fun. Hopefully with your help, it will become a regular feature in Greasy Prints. So, when you see a humorous or oddball ad, article, commercial or relatively unknown fact about Studebaker or anything relating to the automotive world in general, send it to me. I will include it in the next issue with proper credit to you, if you so desire. Trivia questions are always welcome, too. I've included a few at the end of the column.

Before I forget, I'll explain the name for the column. Overdrive was the first thing that popped into my head and wouldn't go away and I simply could not think of anything else (that big empty space again)! Besides if you think about it awhile, it seems rather fitting.

I'll start this issue off with a web site to visit. It is located at www.windingroad.com. You may already be familiar with it. When the first page comes up look for a heading of Daily News on the right side of the page. There will be three or four articles: click on any one of them, This will take you to the next page. Scroll down slowly until you see the heading Categories, again towards the right side of the page. You will see several listings, in red. Click on the one that says Art. This will bring up several pages of bizarre, strange and weird things people do with cars. The Studebaker link is somewhere in the middle of the pages under Bonsai Crash. I'm pretty sure it's photo # 8 I think you'll enjoy the Road Race video, also. How do these people have the time and patience to do this? Better yet, how do they think up this stuff?

That's about it for now. Don't forget to send me your contributions There are three ways to do this:

- 1. Email: sheltonsplus@aol.com
- 2. Phone: 407-957-9095
- 3. Mail: 1660 Cassidy Dr. St. Cloud, Fl. 34771

Now some trivia questions. Hint- these are all American made cars - no imported stuff.

A: In what year did Chevrolet offer their first overhead valve V-8 in a production car?

B: Name the year and manufacturer to first offer disc brakes as standard equipment?

C; Name the year and manufacturer to first offer windshield washers?

Answers:

A: 1917-- I bet you said 1955, didn't you? I did! B: 1949 Crosley Hot-Shot. C: 1937 Studebaker If you answered all of these right without peeking, you are indeed an old car nut!

And now, a parting thought: "There is a very fine line between "hobby" and "mental illness".

Ciao!

OAC Sunday Breakfast

Sunday, at Toojay's, we had an unusually large group for our monthly breakfast. Attending were Don Dodgen & friend Richard, John & Joann Gormican, Jim & Ann Morgan, Rusty DeFazio, Charles Steffy, Dick & Tina Langlotz, Dean & Jean Gessner, and Frank & Anita Ambrogio. After a good meal, which is always the case, we wandered out to the parking lot to gander at some of the cars. Jim & Ann brought their 1956 Golden Hawk, Dean & Jean drove their 1947(?) Hudson, and Charles arrived in his Chrysler TC by Maserati.

Tips on Pumping Gas

I don't know what you guys are paying for gasoline.... but here in California we are also paying higher, up to \$3.50 per gallon. But my line of work has been in petroleum distribution for about 31 years now, so here are some tricks to get more of your money's worth for every gallon pumped.

Here at the Kinder Morgan Pipeline where I work in San Jose, CA we deliver about 4 million gallons in a 24-hour period through the pipeline. One day is diesel the next day is jet fuel, and gasoline, regular and premium grades. We have 34-storage tanks here with a total capacity of 16,800,000 gallons.

Only buy or fill up your car or truck in the early morning when the ground temperature is still cold. Remember that all service stations have their storage tanks buried below ground. The colder the ground the more dense the gasoline, when it gets warmer gasoline expands, so buying in the afternoon or in the evening....your gallon is not exactly a gallon. In the petroleum business, the specific gravity and the temperature of the gasoline, diesel and jet fuel, ethanol and other petroleum products plays an important role. A 1-degree rise in temperature is a big deal for this business. But the service stations do not have temperature compensation at the pumps.

When you're filling up do not squeeze the trigger of the nozzle to the "fast" mode. If you look, you will see that the trigger has three (3) stages: low, middle, and high. In slow mode you should be pumping on low speed, thereby minimizing the vapors that are created while you are pumping. All hoses at the pump have a vapor return. If you are pumping on the fast rate, some of the liquid that goes to your tank becomes vapor. Those vapors are being sucked up and back into the underground storage tank so you're getting less worth for your money. One of the most important tips is to fill up when your gas tank is HALF FULL or HALF EMPTY. The reason for this is, the more gas you have in your tank the less air occupying its empty space. Gasoline evaporates faster than you can imagine. Gasoline storage tanks have an internal floating roof. This roof serves as zero clearance between the gas and the atmosphere, so it minimizes the evaporation. Unlike service stations, here where I work, every truck that we load is temperature compensated so that every gallon is actually the exact amount.

Another reminder, if there is a gasoline truck pumping into the storage tanks when you stop to buy gas, DO NOT fill up --most likely the gasoline is being stirred up as the gas is being delivered, and you might pick up some of the dirt that normally settles on the bottom.

Hope this will help you get the most value for your money.

Studebakers at Old Town By Butch Figurella

The Sunshine Chapter is sponsoring another fun day at Old Town in Kissimmee/Orlando. Dust off your old Studebaker, Packard, or Avanti and head to Orlando and join us for a day of fun with some like minded car nuts.

We have special \$59 room rates at the Seralago Hotel & Suites. Call 800-366-5437 and mention the Studebaker Drivers Club. The Seralago is right next door to Old Town, so you can park your Studebaker on the main street in Old Town, and walk to your room or restaurants. Studebakers will be the featured cars and we will park on Main Street. We will also lead the slow cruise.

The cars can start parking in the street after 1 PM, and the slow cruise starts at 8:30 PM. There is no registration fee. For more information, contact Butch Figurella at 561-793-4947 or email <u>butchfig@bellsouth.net.</u> For more information about Old Town, go to www.old-town.com.

The Old Car Guy By Jerry Shelton

Have you ever wondered how your neighbors view you, especially the ones you don't really know? Whenever I meet a neighbor for the first time, eventually the conversation will get around to "which house is yours?" When I tell them, their response is usually "Oh, you're the old car guy!" I always wonder if they've seen me driving my Studebakers around the neighborhood, or are they talking about the 64 Commander my son bought last year and dropped off next to my driveway. (it's for sale, cheap)!

He had big ideas for this car - a small block chevy motor, nice paint job. It was going to be a real cool cruiser.

However, it never got past the daydreaming stage, and it's still there, becoming an eyesore (soon to become a monument) to the neighborhood. Did I mention it's for sale- cheap?

Anyway, I'm never sure in what context I should take the comment "Oh, you're the old car guy" - do they really mean you're the guy with junk cars in the yard, or you're the guy with the cool old cars, or perhaps even you're the old guy with the cars? I suppose in my case any of the three would be correct.

A Dream Fulfilled Chapter Seven By Don Dodgen

At 6:15 PM on Sunday evening May 10, 1993, I left Blythe CA on my way East to Florida. Blythe had been good to me. I met a man there who had a Studebaker truck almost like mine, and he told me about a nearby wrecking yard with some Studebakers in it. I got a Studebaker rim and a tire there, so I now had a spare for my Hawk. The welding work I had done there fixed the problem with my tow bar bending and breaking bolts. A lost of stress was taken away. I was somewhat refreshed and ready to head on my way.

It was 100° outside - even at 6:15 PM - but the sun was going down and I rolled down the windows and made the best of it. The desert cools down in a hurry once the sun goes down. The truck chugged along down the highway just fine at about 60 M.P.H. on Interstate 10. About 9 PM I got to Phoenix - not much traffic at that hour.

About 50 miles past Phoenix, I pulled over and gassed up. I had an extra 5 gallon gas can and a 2 gallon gas can. I would fill the two cans when I filled the gas tank on the truck. Then, about 120 miles of driving on that full tank and I would pull over and empty the two gas cans into the gas tank, filling it almost up again. So that way I didn't have to stop so often for gas.

I filled my ice chest and set out again. About 30 miles went by and I got really sleepy. So I pulled off the road by a small convenience store, and took a nap. Woke up about 2:30 AM and set out again. 2 more hours went by and I took another nap on the frontage road between Tucson and New Mexico. I almost hit a coyote as I pulled off the road.

Woke up again at 5 AM. The truck is just humming along so well despite low oil pressure. About 7 AM I make it over the New Mexico line and soon I'm into Lordsburg, New Mexico. I gas up here and across the street is Elderberry's Restaurant. I had my first ever skillet breakfast there: Steak, onions, peppers, and potatoes with 2 eggs on top. It was really good.

And on I went. The desert was greener here but the road

is really lumpy. After a while the big white Disney truck passed me going the other way, from Orlando to Anaheim, California. A little bit of "home" in desolate New Mexico! On I drove - clear air, lots of mountains in the distance, and L-O-N-G freight trains. Strong winds buffeted my truck as I drove on toward Texas. I cross the continental divide! It's all down hill from here! Ha Ha!

Into Texas I go. El Paso is right there. Lots of construction makes it hard to drive there. Narrow lanes and lots of bumps. It's lunch time and lots of traffic on the road. But it is cooler. My truck temperature gauge goes down from 180° to 160°. On I travel past El Paso. I gas up in Esperanza, Texas. Not a tree in sight. You can see for 50 miles or more on each side of I-10. Really desolate.

I gas up again at McElhaney, Texas again - it seems Texas just goes on and on. I'm only getting about 12 M.P.G. Finally at about 9:30 PM, I get to a rest stop near Kerrville, Texas on my war towards San Antonio, and bed down for the night. My headlights are cutting off and on again.

Tune in next issue for the EXCITING CONCLUSION of "A Dream Fulfilled."

For Sale

1964 Studebaker Challenger 2 door sedan, California car, light green paint, green vinyl interior, new tires, 6 cylinder, automatic transmission, radio, heater, 88,000 miles, \$4000.00 or best offer, New Port Richey, 727-534-7730.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

What's Happening in our area

2008

March

15 Studebakers at Old Town in Kissimmee, presented by the Sunshine Chapter from 1 to 9:00 PM. No entry fee. Contact Butch Figurella, phone: 561-893-4957, or Email butchfig@bellsouth.net.

16 Pancake Breakfast at DeLeon Springs at 11;00 AM SHARP. If you don't arrive on time, you won't be able to sit with the group. Make your reservation with Dean Gessner 352-324-2230.

April

11-12 5th Georgia SDC State Meet Albany GA at the Quality Inn Merry Acres motel. Hosted by the South Georgia Chapter. Rooms \$69.00, includes breakfast. Information: Loren Hendley 229-468-9532. Web Site: georgiastudebaker.com.

September

14-20 SDC International Meet in Lancaster PA, hosted by the Keystone Region Chapter. See Turning Wheels for details.

November

09 Annual picnic and Monthly meeting 1:00 PM at Kelly Park in Apopka.

December

14 Annual Christmas dinner and Monthly meeting 4:00 PM at Stonewood in Lake Mary.

2009

July

12-18 SDC International Meet in Cedar Rapids Iowa, hosted by the Hawkeye Chapter. See Turning Wheels for details.

November

15 Annual picnic and Monthly meeting 1:00 PM at Kelly Park in Apopka.

December

13 Annual Christmas dinner and Monthly meeting ??:00 PM at ????

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May

31-June 4 SDC International Meet in Phoenix AZ hosted by the Grand Canyon State Chapter. See Turning Wheels for details.

November

14 Annual picnic and Monthly meeting 1:00 PM at Kelly Park in Apopka.

December

12 Annual Christmas dinner and Monthly meeting ??:00 PM at ????

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Information about our parent club and chapter

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Membership cost, for <u>new members</u>, depends on the month in which you join as follows:

Month	Amour	t Month	Amt
Sep - Dec	\$10.00	Jan-Feb	\$8.00
Mar-Apr	\$6.00	May-Jun	\$4.00
Jul-Aug	\$2.00 (optional \$10.00 inclu for the following year		

Make your check payable to:

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MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at IHOP 3150 S Orlando (17-92), Sanford 7:00 PM, preceded by dinner at 6:00 PM. Informal meetings are held during the summer. 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. Mark your calendar and join us at Toojay's. And, BYOB (*Bring Your Old Baker*).

Studebaker Of Florida forum is a place for all Florida SDC members to correspond with questions, answers, meet notices, want ads, etc. Take a look, at:

http://groups.msn.com/StudebakerofFlorida. You don't have to sign in to view the posts, but if you want to post something, you will need to register.

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







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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.

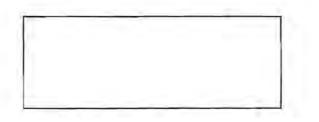
Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

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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Stanley Leon "Stan" Faibisy Reprinted from Daytona Beach News-journalonline.com Submitted By Bob Coolidge



A Celebration of Life will be held for Stanley "Stan" Leon Faibisy on Saturday, April 5, 2008 at 12 Noon in the chapel of Constantino Funeral and Cremation Services, 935 E. New York Ave., DeLand. Mr. Faibisy died Wednesday, April 2, 2008, at Legacy Hospice Facility in Ocala. He was born in New York City on January 31, 1917.

As a young man he moved to

Maine where he met his wife of 61 years, Gertrude Vaughn Faibisy, who passed away in 2003. They moved the family from Maine to DeLand in 1964 where Mr. Faibisy worked in construction. He also spent many years in the car sale business and in the '70s he was a dealer for electric cars. He retired from Sun Bank in DeLand in the early 1990s. He was a Corporal in the U.S. Army, serving in World War II. He was a commercial photographer serving on the staff of "Yank The Army Weekly" 8th Airforce Service Command, in the European Theater for 27 months. He worked in the photographic studio and in the field as a press photographer taking pictures of action photographs for "Yank Magazine". One of Mr. Faibisy's highlights was taking a picture of President Truman and the King of England. He received the Good Conduct Medal, the Victory Medal and the European African Middle Eastern Theater Campaign Ribbon.

He loved antique cars and enjoyed restoring them to their original beauty. His memberships included the Kaiser Fraser Owner's Club and the Studebaker Owners Club. He was a racing enthusiast and enjoyed many races at Daytona International Speedway. He was a past member of the American Legion, VFW, Post 2380, where he served as chaplain from 1985-1986, the Elks Lodge and the Moose Lodge. He also volunteered his time to deliver Meals on Wheels. Stan had a heart of gold and never met a stranger.

He loved animals and was successful in having a "Duck Crossing" sign installed on Amelia Avenue for the safety of the ducks. Survivors include three daughters, Dorothy J. Faibisy, Gainesville, Fla., Nancy Faibisy-Howell (Kenny), Orange Park, and Jill Hoblick (Brian), Deleon Springs; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends. As a special tribute to Stan, the family requests donations be made to Hospice Legacy House, 9505 SW 110th St., Ocala, FL 34481, in his honor. For a personal online condolence, please go to www.cfandcs.com.

From The President

By Don Dodgen

Well Folks, unless something comes up unexpectedly, I only have eight more working days until retirement. A lot of us in the club are hovering around the retirement



decision. Either we're about to make the move, or we've already done it not too long ago. It is interesting in my case. I can, even one day before I actually retire, change my mind and keep on working. I am getting one set of guidelines from the hired firm that handles retirement, and some different input from the local person that handles local details and decisions.

I know it's my time, but when for sixty years your existence has revolved around the constraints of school or work or a combination of the two, it is hard to imagine what you are getting into being retired. But I'll be finding out, and I'll be letting you know how it is going.

It's been about two years now, since you put me into office. Elections will be coming up soon. I would like to ask all of you to be thinking about what you as an individual can do to help with the functions and effectiveness of our club. I believe our main need at present is for someone to fill the office of secretary.

I feel that our chapter has had two really good years, and

I would see no reason why we can't continue along this path for many more. We are doing some new and different activities along with some of the old favorites. We are having some really good turnouts and I think the people that we have are getting more involved. I would hope that YOU, as you are reading this, are a part of it. Our basic need is more participating active members, with new ideas and initiative. If you are sitting on the sidelines, waiting always on other people to do what you could be doing, or at least helping to do, I would just say that we are disappointed. There are always good reasons for not doing what you know deep down inside you should be doing. Tell that to the Morgans. They come all the way from Merritt Island, and rarely miss an event, usually in their 1956 Golden Hawk. And on it goes. It's too hot, It's too cold. It's too humid. It's too dry. We need you. It's as simple as that. We need Y-O-U.

We had a very nice Georgia State meet 2 weekends ago. Our own Rusty DeFazio got a first place.

By the way, word is now officially out that our 2008 State Meet will be in Clearwater on October 24-25 weekend. Make your plans now! Until next time....

My First Studebaker R2 Driving Experience or Why Tailgating in South Bend is a Good Thing!

By Matthew Bernette

Note: Matthew is the Grandson of former members Neal & Edie Thornton

It was another beautiful day in Southern Georgia. The date was April 11, 2008, and the South Georgia Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers' Club was hosting the 5th Annual Georgia State Meet, in Albany. This meet was looking to be one of the best thus far. Some outstanding cars were to show up, and lots of wonderful Stude-Lovers were to attend. My good friends, Joe and Nancy Bacon, were driving all the way from Indianapolis, IN, just to attend this meet. And even better than that, their '63 Daytona R2 was in the trailer coming with them. Before I go on, I must tell the story of how I became acquainted with these fine folks. I met Joe and Nancy up in South Bend during the 2007 International Meet. I spotted their gorgeous '56J in the motel parking lot one evening, walked around a bit more, and happened upon a group of people 'tailgating' behind a white '63 Daytona R2. Owning a '63 Daytona HT myself, I commented on it, and the owner started telling me all about the car. Also sitting there was another couple, the ones that owned the pretty '56 Golden Hawk. They introduced themselves as Joe and Nancy Bacon from Indy, and the '56 was their first Stude after a 'break' from the SDC. After chatting for a bit, a chair was offered and I joined in on the 'tailgating'. (If you've never stayed up 'til 2:30 AM just vakkin' about Studes in the parking lot, you're really missing out! It's a highlight of any Studebaker show I go to.) And for the rest of the week of the meet, every night I was out in the parking lot, sittin' around with some great people, taking in some great stories, and just having a great time. It was great! John, the owner of the white Daytona, wanted to swap his valve covers for some showier ones before Concourse the next day. So, here it is about midnight, and John and Joe proceed to get the job done. I'd never seen anyone change valve covers at midnight with light from a streetlamp, but hey, this was an International Meet in South Bend! All sorts of odd, Studebaker-y things are going on! Once they were finished, and I get to hear the Orange Whirly Thing (AKA, a Paxton SN60 Supercharger) whine a bit, Joe slipped behind the wheel and drives the Daytona back over to the 'tailgating area'. I could see the look in his eyes; Joe was lovin' that R2 Lark! It wasn't but a month or so after that, Joe began looking for a non-Avanti R2 Studebaker. And find one he did! He was told of a very nicely restored, factory R2 4 speed '63 Daytona HT, which was looking for a good home, belonging to Freddy Freeman. I'd heard all about Freddy's Daytona from several prominent SDC guys, all saying that it was one of the nicest Daytona HT's in the country, and one of the fastest as well. Well, Joe liked the car so much; he sold his '70 Corvette to buy it. After swapping several emails over the next few months, and seeing a couple pictures of the Daytona, I just HAD to see it for myself, someway or another! It wasn't long before Joe told me that he and Nancy were planning to drive down to the GA Meet in April, with the Daytona in tow. I don't think I'd ever been more excited! Not only would I get to reunite with my tailgating buddies from South Bend, but I'd also get to lay eyes on one of the best '63 Daytona HT's extant. I was secretly hoping to go for a ride in this car, and knowing Joe, I knew I'd get one. But, it got better than that. He told me I was to actually DRIVE this car! I've only driven a couple of 4 speed cars as it is, and never an R2. I couldn't believe it. This meet was going to be one of the very best yet.

So, getting here as fast as Christmas, April 11th finally rolls around. Mom said it was OK for me to play hooky from school that day, so my granddad and I loaded up and headed west for the meet. Just as soon as we arrived, I spotted a shiny black '63 Daytona hardtop. There it was!! I nearly lost my breath at the sight of that thing. I knew I really should go and help my granddad unload the car off his trailer, but I couldn't resist, I just HAD to go and give South Bend's Finest a once over. It was exactly like I pictured it; nearly flawless, and yea, it had the Orange Whirly Thing under the hood. And the sight of that DID take my breath away for a moment! Shortly after, I fetched my 'Official-Studebaker-Meet-Tailgating-Fold-Out-Chair', and joined Joe and Nancy for some good Studebaker conversation. After catching up with them, and hearing all about the Daytona, Joe tosses me the keys and says, "Let's go." The grin on my face had to be at least a mile wide! I got in the car, put the key in the ignition, turned it, and the Studebaker R2 289 V8 roared to life. I've heard R2's before, but this one really had a sound like no other. (Of course, all that internal engine work and straight-through mufflers might have had something to do with that.) I get the feel of the Hurst shifter that's coupled to the T-10 4 speed, find first, and away we go! Just by

the lopey rumble of the engine, and the feel of the throttle, I knew that this car had some power, and wasn't a run of the mill R2. (Regular R2's don't REQUIRE 114 Octane gas, if you get what I'm tryin' to say here.) I make it to the street, leave the parking lot and head on out. Still getting used to the car, I pushed the throttle down a little more, I get pushed into the back of the seat, and the car just launches off. Hehehe! This thing was AWESOME! I wind it out a bit, do a run through the gears, and just listen to the rumble of the engine and the beautiful whine of the Orange Whirly Thing. At this moment, the grin on my face had to be at least two miles wide. I was having a blast! The drive was short lived, so it seemed, and it wasn't too long before I was pulling back into the parking lot of the Hotel. Friday night was spent mostly in the parking lot; tailgating with Joe and Nancy, of course.

The meet itself was, indeed, a really good one. Some rain came down on Saturday morning just before judging began, but nobody's spirits were dampened and the weather cleared up soon enough. By Saturday afternoon, Joe was ready to put the Daytona back in the trailer for the long haul back to Indiana. He must've saw it in me, and offered me another drive in the beautiful machine. Not one, but TWO drives in this car? This time, after having a good feel for the car, I open it up a bit more. Once I got on the highway, I stomped down in first gear. wound it out while being pinned to the back of the seat, and headed for second. Wow, that Hurst really has a nice feel to it, and heck, we've not gone 1/8 of a mile and the 160 speedo is nearing 100 MPH. Did I mention that this car was really something? We're passin' cars like they're road signs, and the grin on my face is three miles wide by now. Up ahead, what looks like a cop car is nearing us. "Shut it down; police!" is what I hear from Joe. No problem. I hit the brakes, down shift into 3rd, and slow it down enough so I'm even with traffic. Then the 'cop car' turns out to be a minivan with a ski rack on the roof. Haha! I mash down on the throttle and here we go again! I'm havin' the time of my life at this point. What I was feeling is really hard to describe, it's just awesome! Those R2 Studebaker V8's are really some amazing engines. It's no wonder why they dominate the Pure Stock Muscle Car Drags each year!

That was by far one of the most memorable Studebaker experiences I've had in my 18 years of life. Sure I was missing out on my Senior Prom, but that's OK, a '63 Daytona with an Orange Whirly Thing REALLY makes up for it! And the weekend was a perfect one indeed, I don't know how Prom would've really been for me, but I can't imagine it coming close to the time I had at that car show. The SDC is really a great organization, made up of many wonderful people. Joe and Nancy really made that weekend something special for me, and for that, I'm glad to be a part of it all. Thanks guys, I'm proud to have driven the wheels off your R2 Daytona, but even prouder to call you friends. Can't wait 'til the next one to get another drive! Like someone once said, "It is an addiction!" Now, where's the keys to MY Lark R2 that's supposed to be in the driveway ...

OAC Sunday Breakfast

A new attendance high of fifteen was recorded at our March Sunday breakfast at Toojays. Three Hawks were also present.

Present were Robert Coolidge, Jim & Ann Morgan with their 1956 Hawk, John & Joann Gormican, Richard * Tina Langlotz, Rusty and Karen DeFazio with their Grandson Shane, in their 1957 Hawk. Don Dodgen and friend Richard in Don's 1963 Hawk, Dean & Jean Gessner and former member Bill Coffield.

While the Hawks flocked outside, the people inside had great food and good fellowship.

Studebaker National Museum Pays Tribute to Lincoln Reprinted from Old Cars Weekly Submitted by Dick Langlotz

SOUTH BEND, Ind. - While not referring to the popular Ford Motor Co. model, the Studebaker National Museum is preparing to honor a Lincoln, our nation's 16th President, during a special event held on Feb. 8 when it will unveil its newly conserved Lincoln carriage and kick off the opening of the museum's newest exhibit, The Faces of Lincoln.

The Feb. 8 event at the museum will be open from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. and marks the beginning of a three-year bicentennial celebration of President Lincoln's birth. The event is open to the public. Tickets are \$25 at the door.

The Studebaker National Museum, in cooperation with the Indiana Historical Society, will be kicking off this celebration with The Faces of Lincoln traveling exhibit.

Abraham Lincoln's carriage was one of the first vehicles to enter the Studebaker Corporation's historical collection and has become one of the Studebaker National Museum's most cherished pieces. The Studebaker National Museum recently received the Save America's Treasure Grant to conserve vehicles and carriages that have been designated national treasures.

Brian Howard, the conservator, will be at the event to unveil Lincoln's carriage and give a presentation about the process of conserving the carriage.

The Faces of Lincoln is a three-part exhibit that is comprised of holdings from the Jack Smith and Daniel R. Weinberg Lincoln collections from the Indiana Historical Society, along with Studebaker National Museum's President Lincoln Carriage to create an informative display designed to chronicle President Abraham Lincoln's life from his early years to his assassination and its

aftermath.

The first section of the exhibit takes a look at the history of photography using some of the best and most well-known images of Abraham Lincoln. Part two investigates the ways that photographers, printmakers, and cartoonists tried to influence public opinion about Lincoln by altering his appearance and by placing him in make-believe situations.

Viewers of section three are challenged to look closely at the images and try to determine what kind of images and symbols the printmakers used to convey their, and the nation's, feelings toward Abraham Lincoln.

The exhibit will be at the Studebaker National Museum from Feb. 8, through March 9. For more information on The Faces of Lincoln exhibit and the museum, call 1-888-391-5600 or go to www.studebakermuseum.org.

A Dream Fulfilled Chapter Eight By Don Dodgen

It's a pleasant new day at the rest stop near Kerrville TX as I open my eyes. I get out and stretch and head on down the road, but only for eleven miles, a tire blows. Change it and after stopping again for breakfast, arrive in San Antonio. Terrell Goodspeed, the local Studebaker mechanical expert, gave me a warm welcome, a tour of his business, and a much needed window regulator for the driver's side door of my truck.

On I went, stopping at Flores Brothers' tire service for a couple of good spare tires for the Hawk. It's really scraping the tread off of these tires.

Back on I-10 I go. The wind is really pushing me around on the road. The two chains come undone twice, sending sparks along the road. Its not as hot in this part of Texas, a welcome relief.

And then tragedy almost strikes as I pass through Beaumont TX. A tire comes off of the Hawk as I am traveling through Beaumont's rush hour traffic. I feel a tug on the truck as the driver's side front of the Hawk drops down onto the pavement. With astonishment, I watch as he tire makes huge bounces, 15 or more feet in the air across the highway. Cars stop and veer away, and the tire bounces over the median guard rail and into opposing traffic. Again, it avoids hitting any vehicles and bounces harmlessly off of the road. I pull over onto the road shoulder, and perform the world's fastest tire replacement ever. All the lug nuts were still in place! Got one of my Flores Brothers' spares from San Antonio out and got it on really fast, and away I went. Traffic was still heavy.

I went through Beaumont's rush hour traffic, and slowly, the tension began to go away. I decided to try the radio and turned it on. When I did this, and electrical spark set part of my carpet padding on fire! Flames are 2-3 inches high as I am going 45-50 MPH in heavy traffic. I switched feet on the gas pedal and put the flames out by stomping them out with my right foot. By this time, I am just about totally stressed out. I find a rest stop, pull in, and spend about 2 hours just trying to calm down and relax.

So what's next? Find out in the next issue of Greasy Prints, when the conclusion to the conclusion of A Dream Fulfilled will answer all your questions! Until then...

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http://groups.msn.com/StudebakerofFlorida. You don't have to sign in to view the posts, but if you want to post something, you will need to register.

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.



THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

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

The Chapter was formed to:

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

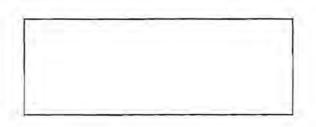
Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

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

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From The President By Don Dodgen

Summer is upon us. At least, so far, it's just topping out in the low 90s. It usually gets hotter still as the Summer grinds on. It is a time of year that I



just tolerate - can't wait until late September when it starts to cool down, <u>and</u> time for out 2008 International Meet on September 14-20!

And yes, it has happened. I am now an official retired person! Disney made it a memorable experience. I had my choice of about 10 different special retirement gifts, (I chose a nice wrist watch). My entire department of 11 people, plus anyone else I wanted to invite, was treated to a nice lunch at one of the restaurants, and they also had an on-site open house where people could come in to say good-bye, sign a big Disney poster, and have refreshments. It certainly is a big change in my life. I have tackled a respectable number of projects, but relax a lot too. I try to do things in the morning and the evening, and relax when it's hot afternoon.

Richard was with me for a couple of months - some of you met him at club functions. Fred, that most of you have met, called me in May and asked if he could come back and rent from me again. He and Richard and I were happy room-mates for a couple of weeks, and then Richard got a full-time job at went to live elsewhere. Fred is a big help on some of my projects. His is looking for work, but not too hard. He was gone for 4 months altogether. He could leave tomorrow, but I enjoy having him around, and wish him happiness, whatever he does. out at my church with homeless people as a new outlet for my time. I'm working on some of my cars, sleeping, reading, sorting different accumulations around the house and getting rid of stuff I don't need, riding my bicycle, sleeping, arranging my affairs, learning more about my computer, and watching T.V., sleeping, and painting, and visiting with friends. Oh! Did I mention sleeping? And so it goes.

I'll try to be at IHOP on the 2nd Saturday of each month - in the meantime, have a good Summer recess from our regular meetings, and I'll see you in September. Until next time....

Heritage Classic Car Show Annual show held in Lake Helen By Frank Ambrogio



Saturday, April 26, was the date for the AACA show put on by the Volusia Region Chapter. Approximately 250 antiques and classics were proudly displayed by their owners. The cars ranged in

years from the early 20th century to 2008 and were separated into 19 classes. Judging was done by participant's choice, with one award for each class.

The first 100 registrants were given a free T-Shirt with the event information printed on it. The goody bag included a dash plaque along with all the usual throw away items. There was a judging form also, but oddly there was no pen.

I keep busy enough. I volunteer sometime helping

I counted 6 Studebakers including three from our

chapter. Bob Coolidge brought his 1960 Transtar and took an award. Rusty & Karen DeFazio brought their 1957 Golden Hawk and also won an award. Anita & I brought our 1956 Golden Hawk and came home sans any award, but we had a great time. We did win a nice cooler bag as part of the door prize raffle.

A 1955 sedan, a 1939 custom, and a bulletnose street rod, whose owners were from Quebec, rounded out the Studebaker contingent. I believe the owners of the other two Studebakers were from Deland, but are not in our chapter.

The weather was pretty nice considering it was late April. No rain, and a few clouds dotted the blue sky above. We wandered around the show field looking at the beautiful cars, and trying to make our judging selections. This was no easy task. Here's why!

Rusty & Karen's car was in the same class as ours. Yet ours was parked on the extreme West end of the show field, while theirs was on the far East side, about 500 feet away. Other cars in our class were strewn all over the field. This was true of all the classes, making it impossible to compare cars in the same class. After much futility, we voted for Rusty's car, and the four of us went looking for any car in any class. When we found one, we voted for it. We were going to vote for a nice 1963 Chevrolet, but it was listed in the foreign car class. Another source of amusement was a 1957 Thunderbird listed in the station wagon class.

Chapter member, Charles Steffy brought a car to the show, but he didn't bring his Studebaker. He was parked a short distance from us although, we weren't in the same class.

When we finished voting, Rusty & Karen joined us as we walked about two blocks up the road and had lunch at a nice little sandwich shop. The food was good, the place was clean and cool, and it was nice and quiet. After lunch we ran into Rusty's sister, Michele and her husband Terry. We visited together, looked at more cars, and had a dish of ice cream.

Someone vacated a spot near Rusty's car, so we moved our car there so we could all visit some more. We were able to sit together in the shade of a large pine tree and waited for the awards to be presented.

A 1956 Packard Caribbean Convertible won two

awards, one for best convertible and another for its class. This was one of only 276 such models built that year, and it was a beautiful car. I spoke to the owner, and he was impressed with my knowledge of his car and engine. Then he realized that our car has the same engine as his, only with 22 fewer cubic inches of displacement.

Once the awards were presented, we said our good byes and headed home without incident. We had a great time seeing some very nice cars, enjoying spring weather, eating tasty food, and visiting with some good friends. You should try it some time.

A Dream Fulfilled Chapter Nine By Don Dodgen

What a day it had been. I'll never forget Beaumont, Texas, where I lost a tire off of my Hawk, and then had a small carpet fire break out in my truck, all while in rush hour traffic. I find a rest stop, change some tires around, and try to calm down. The traffic dissipates along with my stress, and off I go again. Late in the evening, I pull over and get some rest.

Next morning, I get an early start. Soon, I am out of Texas (after 889 miles), and into Louisiana. Kawhump. Ka-whump. Ka-whump. I-10 in Louisiana is cement. Each slab is a ka-whump. Very bumpy. I cross over the Mississippi on a huge, arched bridge. You could see a long ways. The truck hums along at 55-60 MPH. We pass Baton Rouge. Rats! I was supposed to switch over to I-12. On I go.

Okay. I take I-12 back to I-10, then cross over into Mississippi. No mint juleps at the welcome center just stale coke. I look in my rear-view mirror and see the reflection of dark clouds in the windshield of the Hawk. I tart to panic thinking it's smoke from my brakes or something, until I realize what it really is... Just a reflection.

Then, here comes Alabama. Weird river names. I cross the Techefunete, the Tecculsteffa, and then the Scatawpa River. The truck still hums along. At noon I have some lunch, then a short nap. Check my fluids, then the truck's fluids. Only used half a quart of oil since San Antonio, not bad considering. Wow! I-10 goes through a huge tunnel under Mobile Bay. Must be 2-3 miles long. Kinda narrow. They have lights that flash on when you go to fast. Spooky. I turn on my headlights. They short out again now and then.

Up and out of the tunnel and soon... It's Florida! My spirits really soar. It just came out of nowhere. Not very impressive - miles of scrubby pine forest trees only about 30-40 ft. tall. Not very majestic, but it's home. In the early evening I find a rest stop near Mariana, and get some sleep. I wake up at 2 AM and decide to track down that pest of a headlight short. After 45 minutes, eureka! I find it. It's a wire running back to the running lights on the Hawk. It has a bare spot on it where it goes across a corner of the Hawk hood, and taking some tape to it solves that problem. I sleep a little more and head out for a long day, but my LAST day, of driving! Got gas. I'm averaging 14.6 MPG. Not bad.

Yes, it's Florida. At 6 AM I can feel the humidity. There's actually a mist in the air. I had to use my wipers for the first time to clear the windshield. I-10 is bad - lots of bumpiness. I finally leave I-10 and head down I-75. I have some breakfast near Lake City, and continue on down towards Gainesville, where I will store my Hawk on the Cade's property. Somehow I end up in the middle of an Army convoy. We were going at about the same speed -I felt right at home and secure - but they didn't want me there and started honking their horns and making unfriendly hand gestures. So, I accelerated and pulled out into the "fast" lane. I passed them all up and then pulled back into their lane, turning on my headlights (now short-free) and led the convoy for 20 miles or so!

Ah! The Gainesville turn offs coming up. I take the Newberryi turn-off, and soon I am there. I almost collide with Dr. Cade in one of his Hawks, as I turn into the road leading to his buildings.

It was great seeing familiar faces. They admire the rust-free Hawk and especially admire the truck. We bed down the Hawk in an out-of-the-way spot, and I head on down the road for Orlando. I'm really tired, but the worst part of the trip is over, and I'm really enjoying driving the truck without the Hawk being attached. At 4:26 PM I reach the city limits sign of "Orlando, the city beautiful." Within 5 more minutes, I'm h-o-m-e! Everything is fine. I'm starving - didn't even stop for lunch. I ate something, watched a little T.V., and headed for my bedroom. As I went to sleep, stress began to fall away, after a long week of adventure and the excitement of a dream fulfilled.

The End

Casa Feliz Tour Chapter Event For August

As volunteers for historical tours of Casa Feliz since 2005, Dick and Tina Langlotz are inviting members of the Studebaker Club to join them on Sunday, August 24 at 10:00 a.m. in Winter Park for a free, private tour.

In 2001, a nonprofit organization, saved Casa Feliz from the wrecking ball. This two-story Spanish Eclectic style farmhouse remains an architectural treasure more than 70 years after it was constructed. The site is popular for weddings, receptions and parties.

Casa Feliz, "The Happy House", is located at 656 Park Avenue North in Winter Park. From I-4 (north or south), take Fairbanks exit east and turn left on Park Avenue. You will see Casa Feliz on the right just before the Winter Park golf course. If parking is not available on Park Avenue, you can easily find a spot behind the mansion.

For more information, email: www.casafeliz.us.

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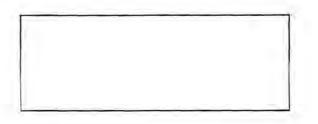
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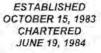






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Casa Feliz Tour Chapter Event For August

As volunteers for historical tours of Casa Feliz since 2005, Dick and Tina Langlotz invited members of the Orlando Area Chapter to join them on Sunday, August 24 at 10:00 a.m. in Winter Park for a free, private tour. Casa Feliz, "The Happy House", is located at 656 Park Avenue North in Winter Park.



Casa Feliz

In 2001, a nonprofit organization, saved Casa Feliz from the wrecking ball. This two-story Spanish Eclectic style farmhouse remains an architectural treasure more than 70 years after it was constructed. The site is popular for weddings, receptions and parties.

Those chapter members accepting the invitation were Don Dodgen, Charles Steffy, and Frank & Anita Ambrogio. Guests included Charles' friend Lee, Don's friend Fred, and Frank's brother John.

Dick and Tina did an excellent job of leading the group through the beautiful home. Casa Feliz is available to rent for weddings, parties, business meetings and other events. Dick said he would check on the availability and cost for us to have our Christmas dinner there.

For more information, check out there web site at: www.casafeliz.us

Studebakers West

West Coast Company Purchases The Stephen Allen Inventory From Frank Ambrogio

NOTE: I received and Email from Matthew Burnett who stated that the old Stephen Allen's web site pointed to a new location for Studebakers West. I wrote to Carl Thoms to ask about this and also how he wanted my to list his site on the Studebaker Vendors web site.

Hi Frank

Thanks for checking this out. I purchased the inventory from Stephen Allen and am moving it to California. It will supplement my existing multi-million dollar inventory and add about 1500 new part numbers to my existing 15,000 part numbers.

Please use www.studebakerswest.net. It is my new website we are in the process of building. I don't think we will put all 16,500 part numbers on it, probably just 500-600.

Thanks again, Carl Thoms Studebakers West

Just Out Of The Showroom The Art Of Washing A Car

The next time you wash your car, treat it to a hand wash. Hand washing is easier on your car's finish

and will give you better results. Start with the tires and wheels and switch to a different mitt once you're finished. Using the tire mitt on the body can leave unwanted particles on the paint.

High-quality cleaners for tires and rims will ensure a longer lasting shine. Most of the dirt that appears on wheels comes from brake dust. A good quality rim cleaner will repel this dust, leaving the wheel looking like new longer.

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MONTHLY BREAKFAST

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I do hereby release and hold harmless the Central Florida Chapter of The Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc. and its members from any suits, actions, damages or claims which may arise from any loss or damage to me, my family, or my personal property during participation in this event.

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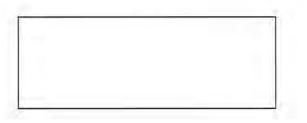
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From The President By Don Dodgen

(Note: Don's article arrived too late for the September issue. Since there is plenty of space again in this issue, it is printed below.)

By the time you get this issue of Greasy Prints, it will be September. The worst of our hot, humid summer is past, and Fall



weather will soon be upon us.

I certainly am appreciative of that cooler weather coming our way. I had an electrical fire during the worst of Tropical Storm Fay, and as of September 10th, have been without power for 8 days! Repairs are in the works, and I have a neighbor nice enough to allow me to connect an extension cord to my refrigerator and a couple of other small things, but NO A/C, microwave, or computer! It should be over soon. I can't wait.. At least I have a gas stove and hot water heater.

Have you been working on your 'baker? Do you plan to? I actually did some projects during the summer, a brake job and some power steering work and some other fairly major goings on. I guess something came over me as a newly retired individual. I felt I had to do something constructive at least part of the time!

I hope everyone is getting ready to participate in our annual State Meet, this year in Clearwater. It's only about 6 weeks away. It's the big event of the year in Florida Studebakerdom, so do you part to make it a memorable occasion fo all. Have a block party on that Saturday, rent a bus, load 'em up, bring 'em to Clearwater! And now local issues: Please be thinking about activities that you would like to have included in your local club in 2009. Richard and Tina Langlotz gave us an interesting tour of Casa Feliz a few weeks back. They planned the activity and conducted the tour. Thank you Richard and Tina. If it is you that is saying you are bored doing the same old things, maybe you need to look in the mirror to see the cause of the problem, and the potential solution as well!

Please be involved. We all know that it is a bit of a strain and gas is \$4.00 or so a gallon, but we have a commitment to a national club, and to one another, to physically, mentally, and emotionally (not just financially) support YOUR club! (How's that for a long sentence?) We need you! Please come.

Until next time.

Well! It's Next Time More from Don Dodgen

What more could one ask for? A nice, cool weekend, a parking lot full of beautiful Studebakers to look at, a 2 day stay in a nice hotel, a swimming pool to relax in, and a great group of Studebaker people to spend quality time with. Yes folks, it is State Meet time once again! Last month it was the International meet in Lancaster PA. It was very nice too - some really special cars among the hundreds that came. Yes, it was much bigger than our show "down home" in Clearwater, but there's something special about home folks doin' the job.

Congratulations to the Central Florida Chapter on a well run 2008 State Meet.

You are getting a double header from me this time around, 2 columns for the price of one. A special gift for the holiday season and because I was a bit too slow in communicating with Frank for our last issue, for which I apologize.

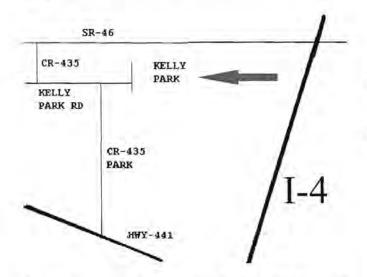
We're coming to the end of the year. For me, It's been a real block buster. Many changes in my life as I have retired from work and settled into a whole new routine. I wish you and yours a Happy Thanksgiving and a blessed Christmas, and a fulfilling New Year.

Until next time.

Annual Fall Picnic

The picnic will be on Sunday, the 9th 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.

Turkey Run at Daytona

Edith Fifer, along with the other Studebaker Ladies will again be hosting a place for the Studebakers at the Turkey Run at the Daytona International Speedway. The event runs for the entire four days of the Thanksgiving weekend. It includes Thanksgiving dinner Thursday and food the other three days. Please try to join us for at least one day. For more information, contact Edith Fifer at 341-697-4479

Christman Dinner

Our annual Christmas dinner will be held on Sunday, December 14 at Stonewood at 4:00 p.m. Stonewood is located in Lake Mary at the Southwest corner of Lake Mary Boulevard and International Parkway, just East of I-4. Contact Don Dodgen at 407-425-8090 for more information.

We had a great time last year, so hopefully we can have another good turnout.

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Studebaker Of Florida The End

Last year, Central Florida Chapter President, Larry Good proposed that we set up a web site for all Florida chapter members. The idea was to post information on meets or other events, as well as want ads. I set up the Studebaker Of Florida message forum and sent out notification to all the chapter presidents and editors. Only 5 people felt it was worth the effort, and then a sixth decided to do a little posting of her own. In July, I received a message from Bob Edwards, President of the Northeast Florida Chapter. Here is Bob's message:

Looks like the site "Studebaker of Florida" has been taken over by a love sick lady (LETTRUELOVEDECIDES641) Any idea who this is ? Kind of tacky !

I myself hadn't been on the web site for at least six months, so I wasn't aware of what was happening. I checked and found that the poor lady was indeed in dire straits and "looking for love." She had posted several messages, but received no response. If an offer like that couldn't generate any interest, I felt the site was doomed.

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Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at IHOP 3150 S Orlando (17-92), Sanford 7:00 PM, preceded by dinner at 6:00 PM. Informal meetings are held during the summer. 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. Mark your calendar and join us at Toojay's. And, BYOB (*Bring Your Old Baker*).

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.

REMINDERS

Everyone's schedule shifts into overdrive at this time of year, and the world of Studebaker is no exception. Don't miss out on the chance to spend time with your Studebaker friends. Get it in gear and make sure all your wheels are in alignment.

First Gear: If you haven't paid your membership dues for 2009, **DO IT NOW!** It takes less than five minutes and the reward lasts a full year.

Second Gear: Decide now to attend the picnic, and bring your Studebaker if you can. Over the past few years, we've been blessed with some beautiful weather and it's felt great to be outdoors.

Third Gear: Don't forget Thanksgiving weekend at the Daytona Speedway. Great friends, food, and fun.

Cruising: And finally, plan to join us at Stonewood Grill for our Christmas dinner. All you have to do is RSVP to Don and show up hungry.

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	MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM
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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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