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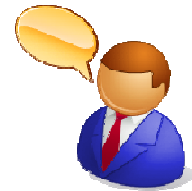
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Next Meeting:

Thursday, May 15th at 7:30 p.m.
Marjorie Post Park Community
Room

PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Another winter has gone by with a cold April as a reminder of how white it was. I bet most of us were out this weekend polishing up our rides and hitting the roads. It is an exciting time of year for most antique car owners who want to show their cars, which may just have been purchased or restored or even just uncovered for another season. Showing is a great way to not only show one's beauty but to share the history, hard work and experience motoring with an oldie.

Many of you share, as I do, another great pleasure besides the show and that is driving our old rides. Let's face it; they don't drive like cars of today. I mean really, step on the brakes of a pre-30's auto and compare it to today's auto and for that matter pre-70s.

Drum brakes versus Disc, anti-lock brakes versus oh sh.....! Overheating engines, burnt out points, AM radios, small mirrors or no mirrors, flooded carburetors, oil leaks, manual steering, and boy do I miss a smoky motor. So, is it really that much fun to drive one of these old beasts? You bet it is!!

I love to drive an antique because it gives me a sense of what normal was in the 30's, 40's, 50's, and 60's. "The older the ride, the better to drive!" I love the history of the automobile and the evolution of

MEETING INFORMATION

Third Thursday of every month

7:30 p.m.

Community Room

Marjorie Post Park

Massapequa

New members welcome!

improvements not only mechanical, but also safety-related, and how these changes were interconnected.

It is funny in a sense how deadly accidents would, in most cases, spur the need for a safer auto. Many times this would result in a better auto and the better the auto got, the faster it could go and the safer it needed to be resulting in an even better, faster, safer car to what we have now. It is a constant cycle and that cycle that is most intriguing to me.

So think about that when you are driving your oldie and taking your life in your own hands. I get a thrill driving my 1931 Studebaker with mechanical brakes, manual steering and distributor advance on the steering wheel.

It's all about the fun!

Kevin Healion, President

APRIL MEETING RECAP



Our meeting opened with the salute to the Flag at 8 P.M. I read the Meeting Recap for the March meeting. The Recap was accepted by Tom Portesy, and seconded by John Warnock.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

In the absence of our treasurer, Frank Sammon, I read the Treasurer's Report. Checking account expenses were from February and March, 2014. February expenses included meeting refreshments and Newsletter expenses. March expenses included meeting refreshments, newsletter expenses and York Swap Meet expenses.

Checking account income was for both February and March. February income included money received for meeting refreshments, 50/50, dues, Reunion Sunday reservation and account interest. March income included refreshments, 50/50 dues and account interest received. Savings account had no activity in February, and only interest in March.

If any member wishes to know specific information regarding both expenses and income for February and March, please contact either Frank Sammon or Roger Price.

OLD BUSINESS:

Our Dust-Off Run to the Garage Eatery was a success. We had a number of our members attend in their beautiful Studebakers, plus Carl's newly acquired Oldsmobile Toronado.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Kevin Healion again stated that we need trophy sponsors.

After a vote on what kind of awards we should present to the judging winners, our members voted to award plaques to all winners.

A large trophy will be awarded for Best of Show.

Charlie Peifer suggested that we could order a bunch of coffee mugs with Studebakers on them and offer them for sale at the Reunion Sunday. He brought a sample of such a mug. They wouldn't be expensive.

Kevin asked if anyone has recruited a sponsor. We now have a few, but we need more, so that we won't have to dip into our treasury to pay for the awards.

We need to keep in mind that we only have two more months before our show, so please recruit sponsors.

Carl Carilli offered to pay for the Best in Show Trophy.

I suggested that we should start covering cruise nights with our Reunion Sunday flyers. As usual, the Corvair Club is most welcome to our show.

Volunteers are needed to set up on the day of the show. Bob, John and Lanning offered to arrive early to get the job done. Bob Andreocci informed us that Newsday has already been contacted to publicize our show.

GOODY BAGS:

Hagerty Insurance sent me a box of their black cloth bags, along with pens and Hagerty literature.

Mothers Wax has been contacted with a request for any sample items they wish to send us.

CAR STUFF:

Kevin asked if anyone was in need of a part for their Studebaker. Neil asked for advice on rebuilding starters.

50/50 was won by Tom Portesy, who in turn, donated his winnings back to our treasury.

Our meeting adjourned at 9 P.M.

Roger Price, Recording Secretary

DUST-OFF RUN TO THE GARAGE

The club's Dust-off run to the Garage on April 12th was another successful event! We had the largest turnout ever for our Dust-off Run, with 16 participants and 7 Studebakers. Everyone enjoyed a beautiful sunny day for a run with their cars, as well as a good breakfast and some great car conversation.



Studebakers on display were Randy Lessner's '64 Hawk, Roger and Sheila Price's '59 Lark, Frank & Cathy Sammon's '63 Lark and '58 Scotsman, Kurt Larsen's '56 pickup, Mitch Ross's '62 GT Hawk, and Tom Rudzewick's '55 ¾-ton pickup. Attendees who came with their "Brand X" vehicles (Jaguar and Toronado included) were Janet Hannigan, Charlie Lanza, Carl Carilli & Maria Scaduto, Nino & Diana Spataro, Tom Portesy, and John Warnock

We had a great time, and a chance to show off our cars, talk a little shop, and get the car show season off to a fabulous start. There are a few photos from the Dust-off below, and the remainder can be seen on the club's website: www.longisland-sdc.com.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The club would like to extend a hearty welcome to our newest member, **Joseph Donnaruma**, owner of a '60 Hawk! We look forward to seeing you and your car at our events and meetings. Welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **5/18: Brentwood FD Rec. Center**, 9-4, \$10.00 admission. Joe Fortier – 631-624-0982
- **5/18: Car-B-Cue, Crab Meadow Beach**, 9-? \$20.00 admission. Gary Heicklen 917-208-7864
- **5/24: Martha Clara Vineyard**. Wounded Warrior Benefit. \$5.00 spectators. Steve Shauger 631-591-1537
- **LI Chapter SDC Reunion Sunday and Orphan Car Show**. **Sunday, June 22, 2014** at Marjorie Post Park in Massapequa. 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Rain Date: June 29, 2014. Flyers will be available shortly. Contact Kevin or Tom for more information



LONG ISLAND CHAPTER STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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| NAME: _____ | Birthday (Mo/Day): _____ |
| SPOUSE: _____ | Birthday (Mo/Day): _____ |
| ADDRESS: _____ | Anniversary (Mo/Day): _____ |
| PHONE: _____ | CELL: _____ |
| E-MAIL: _____ | |

STUDEBAKERS OWNED:

| YEAR | MODEL | BODY STYLE |
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To join or renew your membership, mail completed membership form, with membership fee payable to “LI Chapter SDC” to Frank Sammon, 105 Ridge Avenue, No. Great River, NY 11722-3430

DUES: Annual Dues are \$15.00. New members joining January – June: \$15.00, after July \$10.00.

NOTE: YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OF THE SDC TO JOIN A LOCAL CHAPTER.



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