



The HILLHOLDER

The official newsletter of the North Georgia Chapter,
Studebaker Drivers Club

Photos from the December meeting



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Our next meeting will take place on Sunday, February 4, in Canton, GA. See details on page 7.



Acrylic on canvas by
Guadalupe Taylor

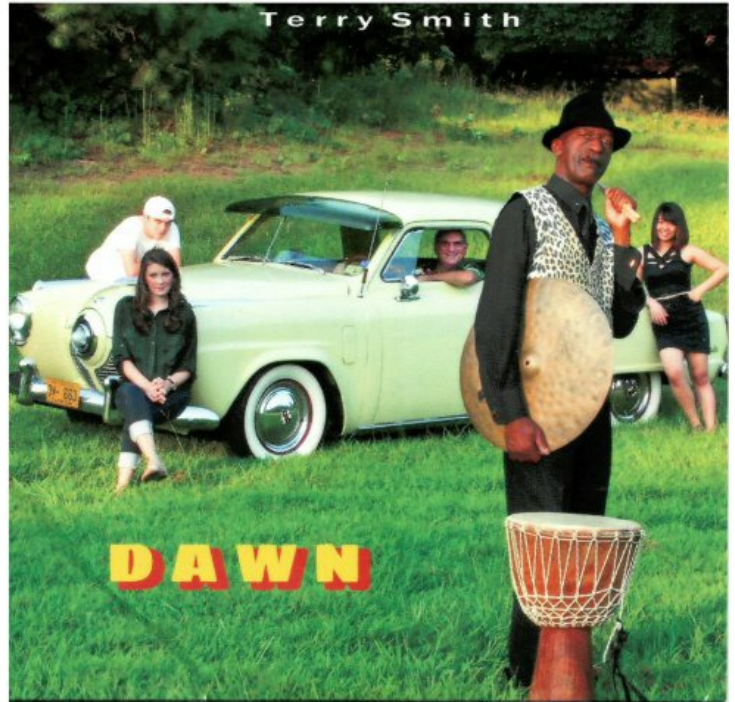
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What's This?



Do you recognize the car in this image? Do you recognize the guy behind the wheel? Do you recognize the fellow in the foreground carrying the cymbal?

Why yes! The musician is our very own Terry Smith, and that's Alan Ziglin's '51 Starlight Coupe with Alan at the wheel. This is the cover of Terry's newly released music CD. Congratulations, Terry, and we all love that cover!

Notice: The article on page 9 was written by past NGSDC member and former club President Ben Alspach. Ben is now an active member and President of the MO/IL Gateway Chapter of the SDC.



2024 dues are payable now. \$10 per family gets you The Hillholder and fun times at the meetings! Pay Terry Ziemer at the next meeting or mail a check to Terry Ziemer, 1301 Kristen Lane, Loganville, GA 30052, **payable to North GA SDC**. Please remember that to be a member of the North Georgia SDC, you must also be a member of the National Studebaker Drivers Club. To join the National SDC, go to www.studebakerdriversclub.com, click "About," and then click "Membership."

Should you **not** want to renew your membership in the chapter, please let Terry know at ziemer111@hotmail.com, Back in December, along with the Hillholder, you were sent the latest membership roster. Please look at your information in the roster, and let Terry know if any changes or corrections are needed.

SDC – North GA Chapter – Meeting Minutes for December 3, 2023
Provino's Italian Restaurant - Kennesaw, GA
Host: Joe Flannery

Call to Order and Opening Discussion: The meeting was called to order by President Bill Startt at 2:02 PM. Minutes from the prior meeting were approved by consent.

Introduction of Guests: Sylvester and Tanya Scanello (introduced by Cynthia). We have 16 chapter members and two guests today. Vintage cars are Pete McCaffrey's '63 GT Hawk, Alan Ziglin's '51 Starlight Coupe, and Bill Startt's '83 El Camino.

Members with Health Issues or Condolences: No further updates from Chuck Lampman on Jim Fisher's condition in assisted living.

Birthdays and Anniversaries: Alan Ziglin will be celebrating a birthday on December 24th. Other members with October and December birthdays and anniversaries are listed in the Hillholder, as always.

Vice President's Comments: VP Joe Flannery asked members who use Facebook to join the North Georgia SDC Facebook page. It is a quick and easy way to share information, such as when you are at a car show or swap meet. Pictures and a quick story can be shared with club members immediately to the Facebook page.

Treasurer's Report (Wayne Ziemer): The current balance of \$3,941.81 includes a \$100 chapter contribution to the SDC Internship/Scholarship Fund, in honor of Bob Palma.

Membership Chairperson's Report (Terry Ziemer): Terry is always looking for new members in the North GA area and always follows up with an email to anyone listed in the Cornerstone report available in each month's *Turning Wheels*. Terry asked all present today to verify their information on the club web page, insuring that everyone will receive a copy of the Hillholder reliably.

Newsletter Update (Tim Taylor): Tim, as our newsletter (Hillholder) editor, asked for members to submit pictures and articles. An article can be as simple as a visit to a car show or museum, or virtually any experience involving a vintage vehicle.

Website and Facebook Update (Rick Kamen):

Ricky Kamen was not available at this meeting due to his recent move to Upstate NY (Glens Falls) where he and his new wife Lizzy have bought a home. He not been able to update the club's web page lately due to changes in the way we access the site. Wayne Lee suggested contacting the South Georgia Chapter of the SDC (Terry Brooks) for help with this. Bill read a summary of correspondence from Ricky about this issue. *(Wayne has since reported that the South GA Chapter does not have to pay for their website and updates). Bill has corresponded with Ricky on this recent information.*

Old Business: Chapter officer elections were next. There is currently no candidate for the position of Vice-President. Cynthia Ingraham has agreed to serve as the Recording Secretary for 2024. Positions of President (Bill Startt), Treasurer (Wayne Ziemer), and membership secretary (Terry Ziemer) are unchanged, since no other candidates stepped forward.

Nominations for officers were closed with no new candidates.

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Meeting Minutes from December 3, 2023, continued

New Business:

- The Golden Quill award for SDC chapter newsletters was addressed by Bill. Tim and Guadalupe Taylor handle the Hillholder duties. Tim explained that he and Guadalupe don't enter the competition. Their focus is on providing a useful service to the members of our chapter, rather than pleasing a panel of judges. Everyone thanked the Taylors for handling the hardest job in the club for so long.
- Alan Ziglin gave a short report on his visit to the newly relocated AACA museum, which is now located at the show field area in Hershey, PA. The meet is always held on the first week of October. Alan visited an old shopping mall in the area. The current owner has over 600 cars on display in the mall for sale and other cars that are there on consignment. Over 1000 cars are on display and available for purchase. The place is called The Classic Auto Mall located in Morgantown, PA, not too far from Philadelphia.
- Bill S. mentioned the Savoy Auto museum located in Cartersville and encouraged members to visit it.

President's Message: President Bill asked if anyone has a good vintage auto mechanic that they can recommend. It is getting increasingly harder to find qualified people to work on vintage cars. Our cars are becoming older than most of the people employed in the industry. Bill has a good mechanic he can recommend if anyone needs one. He also mentioned that Gwinnett Tech has a program for auto repair.

Due to the primary item of electing new officers for 2024, there were no door prizes at this meeting, nor a 50/50 raffle.

Adjournment:

Having completed our agenda and no further discussions, the business meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:43 PM.



December Meeting ATTENDEES (18 people)

Wayne & Terry Ziemer
 Bill & Kathy Startt '83 El Camino
 Ron & Arlinda Martinez
 Guadalupe & Tim Taylor
 Peter McCaffrey '62 Hawk
 Alan Ziglin '51 Starlight Coupe
 Cynthia Ingraham
 Elizabeth Wilkins
 Joe Flannery
 Trent Stockman
 Wayne & Ann Lee

Guests:

Sylvester & Tanya Scanello



January & February CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

Phyllis Major	1/07
Rick Kamen	1/08
Frank Petru	1/08
Barbara Loftin	1/12
Cynthia Ingraham	1/13
Arlinda Eaton	1/16
Terry Ziemer	1/16
Richard Forgay	1/17
Bill Startt	1/18
Henry Dabrowski	1/28
Pete McCaffrey	2/01
Gary Verheyen	2/05
Melvin Bohannon	2/08
Wayne Lee	2/20
Wayne Ziemer	2/25

ANNIVERSARIES

Wayne & Terry Ziemer	1/01
Billy & Charleen Carey	2/10
Christina & Bart Ladd	2/17
Tim & Guadalupe Taylor	2/27

2024 Meeting Schedule

Submitted by Ann Lee

Feb 4: Canton, GA.

Host: Frank & Beverly Petru

Info: 678-493-0658.

Details: page 7 of this Hillholder.

April 7: Powder Springs, GA.

Host: Tim & Guadalupe Taylor

Info: 404-512-7431

June 2: Sugar Hill, GA

Host: Bill & Kathy Startt

Info: 678-852-8536

Aug 4: Morrow, GA.

Host: Terry & Dora Smith

Info: 404-213-0523

Oct 6: Marietta, GA.

Host: Ron Martinez & Arlinda Eaton

Info: 818-337-9401

Dec 8: Loganville, GA.

Host: Wayne & Terry Ziemer

Info: 706-202-5808

Annual Christmas party & chapter officer elections.

Treasurer's Report, January, 2024

12/5/2023	1023 dues	\$10.00	
	9539 dues	\$10.00	
	cash dues	\$50.00	\$70.00
			\$4,021.31
	3063 donation		
	studebaker foundation		
	Bob Palma Scholarship	\$100.00	
	dues		\$3,921.31
1/5/2024 deposit	2320	\$10.00	
	1066	\$10.00	
	2481	\$10.00	
	1789	\$10.00	
	3464	\$10.00	
	1652	\$10.00	
	7818	\$10.00	\$70.00
			\$3,991.31

Submitted by Wayne Ziemer

December Meeting Photos



Studebaker Drivers Club, North Georgia Chapter February Meeting Details

Date: Sunday, Feb. 4

Time: 2:00 PM

Location: Keithsburg Cafe, 2452 Ball Ground Highway, Canton, GA 30014

Phone: 770-479-0405

Host: Frank Petru, 317-500-5667

“By popular demand”, the SDC North Georgia Chapter will be returning to The Keithsburg Cafe in Canton at 2PM for our February 4th luncheon/meeting. The café has won the “*Best Breakfast in Canton*” award for several consecutive years now. Here is a link to their Facebook site:

https://www.facebook.com/KeithsburgCafe/?ref=page_internal



Please remember that the café closes to the public at 2PM and once the restaurant is cleared out, Jeff (owner) will welcome club members in and you may begin to order your food. So, please plan on arriving at the restaurant between 1:45 and 2:00 PM. We'll begin our business meeting around 2:45 PM and end with a drawing for some “truly valuable“ (no, not really) door prizes!

Hosts are Frank & Bev Petru. Please contact Frank with any questions: 317-500-5667 (cell) or pfrank4570@aol.com Hope to see you there!



REGISTRATION

60TH Studebaker Drivers Club International Meet
 Dubuque County Fairgrounds, 14569 Old Highway Road,
 Dubuque, Iowa,
 June 25-29, 2024



Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

Spouse/Guest: _____

Phone#: **Required** _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City/St/Zip: _____

SDC# _____ ASC# _____ AOA# _____

Only one member number is required to register.

Local SDC Chapter: _____

Each Adult Guest after spouse/guest will pay a \$10 admin fee. Minors are free. Guests cannot be adult members of SDC, ASC, or AOA.

Guest #2: _____

Guest #3: _____

GENERAL REGISTRATION *Required*

Early Registration (per family) until 2/11/24 \$35 \$ _____
 Regular Registration 2/12/24 till 5/25/24 \$45 \$ _____
 Late Registration after 5/25/24 \$55 \$ _____
 Adult Guest over 21 after spouse/guest \$10 \$ _____

Registration Deadlines for Concourse & Display

Classes 1-5, Wednesday, June 26, 2024, @5 PM
 Classes 6-9, Special Int. Thursday, June 27, 2024, @5 PM

Concourse Registration: (Judged Vehicles)

Please verify that the Division you are entering is correct.

Car #1: Division _____ Year _____ Model _____ \$30

Car #2: Division _____ Year _____ Model _____ \$30

Display Only Vehicle (Not Judged)

Car #1: Division _____ Year _____ Model _____ \$20

Car #2: Division _____ Year _____ Model _____ \$20

Watches, Literature, Models, or Toys:

To Be Judged: # _____ @ \$15 each \$ _____

Display Only: # _____ @ \$10 each \$ _____

Car Corral Vehicles for Sale Only:

Car #1 _____ Year _____ Model _____ \$25

Car #2: _____ Year _____ Model _____ \$25

Subtotal Column A \$ _____

- ✓ SDC Meet Badges are required to be worn for all activities.
- ✓ Special events are subject to change without notice.
- ✓ You must be registered for the Meet to have your car or other items displayed or judged.
- ✓ A \$15 Cancellation fee will be incurred for registrations canceled before 5/24/2024. No refunds for cancellation on or after 5/24/24.
- ✓ Mail-in registrations must be received by Cornerstone by 7/7/2024.
- ✓ Wi-Fi and Bank Cash Machines (ATM) on the Fairgrounds

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES, the deadline is 5/25/24.

See the schedule for dates and times.

Ladies Luncheon, Wed # _____ @ \$45 each \$ _____

Ladies Luncheon is limited to the first 50 transportation included.

Rock'n Fun Night, Wed # _____ @ \$10 each \$ _____

Live concert and ice cream. Food is available for purchase at the food stands.

Friday Night Social Banquet: # _____ @ \$45 each \$ _____

Tour Book with three self-guided driving tours through the scenic upper Mississippi River Valley. Easy, turn-by-turn instructions and all for one price! Gather your friends for a drive through the scenic upper Mississippi River Valley. We recommend a book for each touring vehicle.

_____ @ \$5 \$ _____

Car hauler/trailer parking at the fairgrounds is \$10.00/week.

_____ @ \$10 \$ _____

Subtotal column B (this column) \$ _____

Subtotal column A \$ _____

Grand Total registration Fee: \$ _____

Please make registration checks payable to 2024 SDC International Meet and mail to:

**Cornerstone Registration,
 PO Box 1715, Maple Grove, MN, 55311-6715**

Out with the Old, In with the New!

By Ben Alspach, MO/IL Gateway Chapter

Happy New Year! I trust your 2024 is off to a great start after a nice Holiday season with family and friends. I was recently looking through a Studebaker History calendar and found an entry as follows: *“December 31, 1910—Studebaker acquires Everitt-Metzger-Flanders (E-M-F) Company”*. While this might seem a trivial footnote in a long list of important Studebaker milestones, it's actually a pivotal event with regard to the Studebaker automobile business. And it got me thinking about the rather rapid (given the times) transition of the Studebaker company from one of horse-drawn vehicles to the self-propelled automobile. Following are a few highlights in that saga which may interest you.

Sources indicate the Studebaker board of directors first gave serious consideration to the “horseless carriage” in mid-1897, as examples of this startling new technology were showing up here and there from inventors such as Duryea, Haynes, Olds, Winton and Maxwell. At this time, Studebaker was the world's largest wagon/buggy maker and enjoyed an excellent international reputation for quality and durability. The brothers from South Bend were industry leaders and their business continued to grow steadily. However, being savvy businessmen, the Studebaker boys realized this new self-propelled contraption could be more than just a passing fad and might eventually affect their transportation empire. By the end of 1897, a small group within the Studebaker engineering dept. had built an experimental electric car, which they continued to test, modify and refine. Meanwhile, the Studebaker carriage works had been producing more and more bodies for electric runabouts, then being sold by other companies. By 1901, the Studebaker Bros. determined they should enter the automobile business and, in 1902, the first company-built electric cars rolled out of the home factory.

However, it was soon clear that the limited range of electric cars meant they would be largely confined to city use. Longer distance travel would require some other source of power—internal combustion or steam engines. Production of electrics continued but, in 1904, Studebaker partnered with the Garford Company of Elyria, Ohio to sell Garford gasoline powered autos (soon to be rebranded as “Studebaker-Garford”) through their extensive network of Studebaker wagon dealers. Studebaker was already building car bodies for Garford, and this arrangement gave the South Bend company a means to “ease its way” into the gasoline car business while also increasing body volume with Garford. Very soon, it was the “tail wagging the dog” as the Studebaker dealer network became Garford's largest sales outlet and Garford found itself building chassis almost exclusively under contract to Studebaker.

OK but what about E-M-F, you ask? Well, the Garford was a big, expensive car and Studebaker execs felt they were missing a significant segment of the growing market interested in smaller, more affordable automobiles (such as Oldsmobile and Ford). To address this problem, they struck another deal, this time with E-M-F, a builder of mid-sized, popularly priced cars. Everitt, Metzger and Flanders were all pioneers in the auto industry and joined forces with the idea of getting the best results from their combined knowledge, experience and resources. Soon Studebaker wagon dealers were selling cars branded “Studebaker E-M-F” and “Studebaker Flanders”, and the company's automobile business was taking off! Thus, in late 1910 Studebaker bought E-M-F and the new division was absorbed into the reorganized Studebaker Corporation. And while E-M-F's technology and designs were still adequate, over the next 2-3 years Studebaker would develop impressive new models and phase out “carry-over” designs that came with E-M-F. Everitt, Metzger and Flanders soon departed and moved on to work with other early auto makers, including Hudson and Rickenbaker. Coincidentally, the struggling Garford Co. was acquired by Willys-Overland in 1911. Studebaker ultimately sold their wagon business in 1921.

From the Miles Through Time Museum

One of Alan Ziglin's friends shared these photos taken recently at the **Miles Through Time** automobile museum in Clarkesville, GA.

Nice-looking Studebakers!





Studebaker Corral, p1



These advertisements are provided as a service. Ads will be posted on a "first come, first served" basis with preference given to Studebaker-related ads. North Georgia Chapter members will be given priority when space does not permit all ads.

Each ad will be posted for 3 months. If space permits, ads can be posted for additional 3-month periods. To extend or delete an ad, contact the Newsletter Editor at e-mail studebiker@hotmail.com. One photo may be included for each ad. All ads and photos should be sent to e-mail studebiker@hotmail.com. The Newsletter Editor and members of the North Georgia Chapter SDC shall not be responsible for the accuracy and authenticity of the contents of the ad. The advertising party shall be solely responsible for the ad contents, although the newsletter editor reserves the right to reorganize ad contents, without changing facts, to best fit the space available.



1963 GT Hawk. New Rosemist paint, re-chromed bumper, new fuel pump, water pump, motor mounts, brakes, rebuilt carb, 289 2-bbl dual exhaust, automatic, manual steering and brakes. Original interior. From the Bill Tilden Estate. \$14,000. Richard Forgay, 770-775-2064.



1954 Commander hard top. New paint, bumpers, brakes with finned front drums. Carb rebuilt, new Coker wide whites, original red vinyl interior. 232 V8 3-speed with overdrive. Most exterior chrome replaced with NOS. From the Bill Tilden estate. \$18,000. Richard Forgay, 770-775-2064.



1957 Studebaker Provincial four-door. The south Georgia Studebaker Chapter has a member that is hoping to sell this car. 257 V8, automatic transmission, complete restoration, beautiful interior. For more info, call Perry James (912) 399-5527.

AVANTI and OTHER PARTS

Chuck Lampman has sold his Avanti and has two complete disassembled 259 engines, complete with heads, clutches and bell housings free to somebody who will put them together and get at least one good engine out of the parts. One block has a cracked cylinder wall, so it would have to be sleeved. Also have a 232 crankshaft and various used transmission and other parts he needs to get rid of.

Also, for sale, various shop equipment- industrial Lincoln welding machine, bead blasting cabinet with exhaust fan, hydraulic press, other stuff.

Call Chuck at 404 483-5380 to discuss what you need and what he needs to get for the stuff.



1930 Commander, California car. Frame-off restoration in 2005. Needs a few details. Straight Eight engine with manual shift transmission. Runs, drives, and stops. Terry Brooks, Richmond Hill GA, 912-656-3581.



Studebaker Corral, p2



From: Allan Dias
Subject: Cars for Sale

Hello Everyone:

I am selling my cars, as I can no longer take care of them. I have four beautiful cars that are for sale. They are:

- 1955 President Speedster (Show Car)
- 1955 "E" Series Truck (Street Rod)
- 1955 Conestoga Wagon (Street Rod)
- 1951 Commander Convertible (Show Car V8)

I am asking all of you for your help to find buyers for my cars. If you know anyone who is looking for one (or more) of these great cars, please let me know or put them in touch with me. My cell phone # is 423 237 9669. Thanks for any help you can offer.

Regards, Allan



**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
NORTH GEORGIA CHAPTER, SDC**

To join this chapter, complete this application and mail with \$10 dues (\$5 if joining after July 1st) check or money order in US funds to the following:

North Georgia Chapter SDC
c/o Ms. Terry Ziemer
1301 Kristen Lane,
Loganville, GA 30052

Note: You must be a member of the National Studebaker Drivers Club to join this chapter.

National SDC Member Number _____

Date joined National SDC _____

Today's date _____

Name: _____

Birthday (month/day) _____

Spouse/Companion _____

His/Her birthday (month/day) _____

Wedding Anniversary (month/day) _____

Street address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

Cell phone _____

Email _____

Studebakers owned (Year/Series/Model)

NOTICE

To be a member of the North Georgia SDC, you must be a member of the National Studebaker Drivers Club.

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