

# NUTMEG NOTES

The Nutmeg Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club – April 2011

## SPRING TOUR

Okay, here's the plan: We will meet Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at the Cokokey Water Resort in Waterbury CT, where the Zone Meet will be this September. Be there around 11 AM. It's at 3580 E Main St in Waterbury. After checking out the hotel and grounds, we will head down the street to Blackie's and scarf a few hot dogs! Then we will make a circuitous route through Prospect, Bethany, Seymour, and Oxford, ending at the Rich Farm Ice Cream Shop in Oxford! Yum! It should be about a 20 mile ride taking about 45 minutes.

## ELECTIONS

All club officers were re-elected at the meeting at Salerno's, except we have a new Vice-President, Pete Dimitri! Thanks Pete for stepping up and serving!

## CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to Barbara Hoban on the passing of her Mom.

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## **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

Spring is finally here and it is about time. Made it thru winter with only two small problems. I lost a small 40 year old garden shed and one parts car had its roof pushed down but the rest of the car is fine and the shed was mostly full of junk. We have busy year ahead and looking forward to everyones help with the zone meet and to have a good time at all of our events.

John

## **FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK**

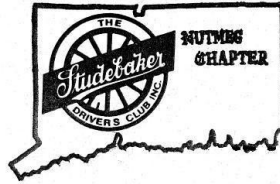
It have been a most unusual winter/spring for me. On March 2<sup>nd</sup> I received a call from my sister Sue with devastating news. Her house was on fire! At first I was simply stunned, not knowing what to think. She has had enough to deal with over the last few years, losing her 22 year job, staying in Florida taking care of our Mom who, although in pretty good health, is 89 and could use looking after. Also, her husband died almost four years ago from a rare form of blood cancer, and now this! By the time we got to her house in Portland it was in full blaze. Despite the best efforts of the fire departments in Portland, Middletown, and Glastonbury, the house was a total loss. Fortunately, no one was hurt and her insurance company has been terrific, but there is still so much to do it sometimes seems overwhelming. She will hopefully be back in her new house by September or so. If there is a lesson in all of this, please, please be sure that you have a plan of escape in case of a fire, and that your insurance is up to date and any unusual items are fully covered. Also, please consider a donation to your fire department. Most are volunteer and could use the help. These men and women are truly heroes!

Chip

## **VP NOTES**

I would like to introduce myself to newer members. I have been a member of the Nutmeg Chapter for 26 years and the National Club for 31 years. There have been many changes since Bill Cathcart and I got together in 1985 to reactivate the Connecticut Chapter. I have a '64 Commander 2Dr. Sedan at this time. As we move ahead toward warm weather and our zone meet please feel free to contact me with any of your ideas to make our club stronger. I will be happy to hear from you. Happy Motoring to All.

Pete Dimitri



**NORTHEAST ZONE MEET!**  
**HOSTED BY THE NUTMEG CHAPTER**  
**SEPTEMBER 23RD – 25TH 2011**

**AT THE COCO KEY WATER RESORT**

**3580 EAST MAIN ST**  
**WATERBURY CT 06705**  
**1-800-446-1449**  
**ONLY \$85/NIGHT!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

General registration per family.....\$15.00  
Concours registration for judging.....\$6/car.....  
Swap Meet space.....\$15.....  
Car Corral/for sale cars.....\$10/car.....  
Banquet buffet.....\$32/person.....  
Total.....

Car #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_  
Car #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Hotel Information: The CoCo Key is at exit 25a off of Rt 84 in Waterbury CT 06705  
Room rate is only \$85/per night. To make reservations call 1-800-446-1449  
or go online at [www.cocokeywaterbury.com](http://www.cocokeywaterbury.com). Click on reservations, then groups  
and enter the group code NUT under the attendee log-in screen.

If calling make sure to mention the Nutmeg Chapter to get the group rate. Cut off is Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Please register early and send to:  
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## **THE OLD STUDEBAKER IN THE BARN STORY!**

How many of you have heard about a Studebaker in a barn, but were never able to find it? Well, this is my story and I found the Studebaker!

I had heard of a Stude in a barn in my area but could never track it down until about 2000. I went to my local parts store and one of the counter men told me his friend had just inherited his Grandmother's farm and there is indeed a Studebaker in the barn! The counter man gave me directions and a phone number. The next Saturday I was off to the farm where I met a young man working in the yard.

I introduced myself and asked about the car. He said “yes there is one, but it's not for sale”. I asked to see it, and he opened the sliding door and there it was, covered with a big white cloth. It was hiding a '41 4 door Commander in two tone green! I walked around it several times. It was in beautiful condition except the rear window rubber was gone and the glass was in the back seat. There was also a small rust spot on the peak of the roof from a mouse nest. After checking out the car I looked at the speedometer. It read 9,800 miles!

The Grandfather had bought the car in late '41 as he needed a car and knowing that after the war started he couldn't get one. After the war he bought a new '49 Ford pickup and put the Studebaker in the barn up on blocks.

I thanked the man for showing the car to me and gave him my card and told him if it is ever for sale to call me. Well, I never heard anything more of the car until a man from Virginia called me looking for parts and told me he bought the car not far from me. Can you imagine that car sat in that barn for 50 years! Fortunately, it is on the road today.

Bill Cathcart



# CALENDAR

Some dates are tentative

May 1st– Spring Tour more information in the newsletter

June 5<sup>th</sup> – 4Cs show at the NE Air Museum

July picnic at the Hoben's - TBA

August 4<sup>th</sup> – Andover Food Pantry Benefit Show 12-4 PM

September 23-25<sup>th</sup> – NE Zone Meet Cokokey Water Resort

October – Fall Tour TBA

December 4<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Party at McCall's in Andover

## NE ZONE MEET

I'm sure you all know that we are the host chapter this year for the zone meet. We will need help with many aspects, including registrations, judging, parking cars, and other things. Please volunteer to help!

## DUES, DUES, DUES!!!!!!

Guess what? Your dues are due! If you haven't paid your \$10 for 2011, or 2010 for that matter, make sure to send them into Paul Weir. Pretty please?

## WANT ADS

FOR SALE – 63 Lark 2 door sedan, 6 cylinder, 3 speed overdrive, very good everyday car, 20k miles in the last 5 years. Trouble free, electronic ignition, AMC aluminum mag wheels, good tires, decent interior but needs headliner and a dash pad. New bumpers, grill and surround, many other small parts. I have 5 used rear quarters and 2 front fenders, one is NOS. Asking only \$4000 for everything! Come and take it for a ride, you WILL buy it! Bill Cathcart 860-564-5852

## FOR SALE

I received a call from a Jim Hobbick looking to sell his 20+ year collection of Turning Wheels, 1988-2008. He wants \$100 for the entire lot. There are a few missing issues but it is mostly complete. 517-214-9080.

## MORE WANT ADS!

Lieuwe de Haas has LOTS of stuff for sale. If it isn't here, you don't need it!  
For Sale the following accessories, this has to be sold as one lot to the highest bidder:

- 1) SP-50136 Twin Traction Lubricant quart, 2 each
- 2) SP-5000 Lustur Seal Cleaner and sealer, 12 Fl oz
- 3) SP-50238 Tar and Road Oil Remover, 1 Pint
- 4) SP-50009 Cooling System Cleaner, 16 fl ozs
- 5) SP-50091 Carburetor and Valve Cleaner, 15 fl ozs
- 6) SP-50317 Trim Kare Spray can, 16 fl ozs
- 7) SP50237 Kleerview Windshield Washer, 16 fl ozs

Also for sale:

Late 4 barrel intake manifold with R1 Carburetor and chrome air filter assembly, \$ 175

1963 259 V8 full flow oil filter, with automatic bell housing, converter and power shift automatic, \$ 200

Complete power shift kit for Avanti or Hawk \$ 75

Ignition shield kit for R1, R2 Avanti engines, mint condition, \$ 75

Full size wheel disc, wit S in red circle, \$ 5

Full size wheel disc with S in black circle, \$ 5

Full size wheel discs, with Studebaker crest, 4 each, \$ 50

Upper A arms front suspension, 2 each, new rubber bushings installed, \$ 100

Lower A arms front suspension, 2 each, new rubber bushings installed, \$ 100

Cylinder heads, V8, valve grind done, cylinder heads polished, \$ 100

Alternator, used, works ok, \$ 25

Avanti rear aluminized crossbar, new, \$ 45

Avanti, rear bumper vertical bumpers, 2 each \$ 10

Avanti master brake cylinder, dual, new, for conversion, \$ 55

Avanti spark plug shields, left and right, 2 sets \$ 25

Master cylinder for hawks etc, used, 2 each, \$ 10

V8 Water pump with rebuild kit \$ 15

Moog bushing kit # K3044 new, \$ 25

Moog bushing kit # K3045, new, \$ 25

Spotlite with bracket, \$20

Bell housing mount, standard transmission, NOS \$ 20

Bell housing mount, standard transmission, used \$ 10

CK Windshield with stainless frame, good condition, \$ 50

AC compressor, York type, used, \$ 20

V8 Flywheel with ring gear, used, \$ 20

Tie Rods, used, excellent, 2 each, \$ 20  
Reach Rod, steering box to bell crank, \$ 15  
Foot brake assy for Larks, complete with bracket, \$ 10  
Lark dual brake master cylinder, 2 each, used, \$ 20  
V8 Bell housing standard trans, \$ 25  
Finned Brake drums, rear, flange axle, V8, 2 each, excellent, \$ 30  
Front spring, V8, for Larks, used, \$ 20  
Heavy duty front shocks, used, good condition, 2 each, \$ 10  
Avanti Torque converter, used, \$ 25  
Power Steering Servo, used, \$ 10  
Avanti, Lark, calipers, used, 2 each, \$ 20  
Avanti Brake pedal assy, complete for auto trans, \$ 20  
Generator, 12 volt used, good, \$ 20  
Starter motors, used, auto and standard trans, 5 each, \$ 100  
V8 King Pin assy, used, \$ 10  
Avanti NOS Rear Axle housing, pinion gear only no axles,\$ 50  
Avanti Quarter Window handles, 2 each, \$ 10  
Rear Axle 44, with axles and drums, \$ 75  
Twin Traction Assy, used, \$ 75  
Avanti Sherwood chapter Jackets, brand new, \$ 50  
Hawk Grille 63-64, used, \$ 20  
Quarter Windows for CK Hardtops, 2 each, \$ 50

For sale also: 1949 Champ convertible, good black paint, good white top, excellent body and frame, has new red burgundy interior, three speed with overdrive, radio, etc, Needs little to get on the road, asking \$ 13,500

For all of the above call Lieuwe de Haas, 11 Maple Street, Weston, CT 06883  
203-544-8750.

## **SALERNO'S MEETING**

Virtually everyone was at the February meeting! In attendance were Dick LaPalme, Fred English, Pete Dimitri, Chip Dayton, Bill and Sue Cicale, Fred and Barbara Bardwell, Joe Knapik and Pat Robison, John Bajumpaa, Bill Cathcart, Pete Fryer, Ken Lelachuer, Dave, Bajumpaa, Bob and Sue McGee, Janet and John McCall, Steve and Sally Dillon, Paul Weir, and Frank Hanes. We voted in all of the incumbent officers except Pete Dimitri was elected Vice-President. We ate lots of good food and talked about the zone meet details. Janet McCall reported a balance of \$1856.00 in the treasury.

## NUTMEG CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Chapter membership is \$10/year which includes the newsletter. Please send your dues to Paul Weir. Make sure you fill out the form completely. To respect your privacy, you can opt to not have personal information on the public membership list. Just check the line you do not want to be made public.

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