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**From Our President** 



Hello Friends,

I would like to start by saying thanks to Ed and Hiedi for another great luncheon. We had a really good meeting and everyone accepted the nomination and retention of their office. That is except for one and that is our beloved secretary who for very serious health issues will not be able to continue. So short of begging I am pleading for someone to step forward and fill this position. Basically, all that is required is to try and make most of the meetings and take the minutes then get them to Becky so she can put them in them in the Brickyard Bulletin. If you are unable to make a meeting, someone would stand in for you. I would also like to thank new member Jeff Westcott for volunteering to bring us up to the new day with an Indy Chapter SDC website.

As of right now my computer is down, bad virus.

I am looking forward to the Christmas Party at Murphy's Steak House, thanks Marv and Bernice. This is a short article as I have to have a neighbor send it to Becky for me.

> Your fellow Stude Guy, Chuck



Sunday, November 2, 2014 Place: Studebaker International, Greenfield, IN Host: Ed Reynolds Attendance: 51

President, Chuck Kern opened the meeting by welcoming new members Jeff & Kathy Westcott to the club. He also introduced guest John and Betty Myers of Myer's Studebaker Parts in Duncan Falls, Ohio. Betty announced that there will be a Crossroads Zone meet in Chillicothe, Ohio in July. Chuck reported that Chris Parker is in the hospital having had surgery and is not responding well.



Host Ed Reynolds, front, with Jeff Westcott

Treasurer - Tom Flynn reported the club has \$3981.93 as of October and 71 paid memberships. He also reminded the group that 2015 renewals are now being accepted.

Activities - Charlie Griffith reported on upcoming events adding May 22-23, the Poe's annual Studebaker Nationals and Orphan Car Drag Races.

50/50 was won by Sandy Fox who took home \$82.00. Funny story; guess who pulled the winning ticket out of the pot, Adelaide, Sandy's granddaughter! No funny business though. Charlie stirred the tickets up real good.

New member, Jeff Westcott, has volunteered to design a web page for the club. He has experience in this field and it will



Ticket drawer, Adelaide, sits between Bob and Sandy Fox, the 50/50 winner.



Chris & Rebecca Harpring with 3 month old future Studebaker member John Henry

be a big boost for the club.

Member Ted Andrews and AOAI (Avanti Owners Association) president reported that the AOAI club is also struggling to find events to participate

in in 2015. He has leads on some upcoming events that may be of interest to both clubs and will report back at a later date.

The club now has business cards that can be passed out to potential new members. See Chuck to get a few to put in your Studebaker.

2015 Elections - After heated debates, candidate bashing and scandalous accusations tossed back and forth our 2015 officers were finally elected. (You'd find this funny if you were there!).

Thanks to those doing the nominating and to those who accepted their



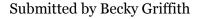
Welcome back Andy & Cathy Hess

position. Your officers for 2015 are: President - Chuck Kern, Vice President - Danny Taylor, Treasurer - Tom Flynn, Activities - Charlie Griffith, Membership - Dale McPhearson and Becky Griffith was re-appointed editor

of the Brickvard Bulletin. No Secretary was voted on during the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned.

Nancy Bacon with guest Josh Southerland. See page 5 for a great article by Nancy and Josh.







A beautiful day brought out some beautiful cars!





### It Was A Hit!

#### Several people asked for the cole slaw recipe Rebecca Harpring brought to the pitch-in. Here is it.

Cole Slaw Dressing

cup sugar
4 cup cooking oil (I used corn oil)
cup Mayo (I used Hellman's Canola Oil Mayonnaise)
tbsp. apple cider vinegar
tsp. celery seed
tsp. onion salt
Pinch of garlic salt



Mix ingredients together and pour desired amount over shredded cabbage.

This is actually a recipe that I found for a salad dressing, so this dressing can also be used on a lettuce salad. The original recipe was to layer lettuce, shredded cheese (cheddar was good), and homemade croutons in a bowl and serve with this dressing.

## **News About Our Members**

Member Nita Powers, wife of Byron Powers passed away November 16.

Chris Parker has been in the hospital and is struggling with Alzheimers.

Also keep **Dave Elmore, Bob Fox, Judy Lawlis** and **Carol Reeves** in your thoughts and prayers as they deal with health issues.

Welcome back members Andy & Cathy Hess and Ed & Vicki Witham

A nifty person who likes to take minutes and attend SDC meetings. We call this person a "Secretary". Anyone fitting this description contact Chuck Kern at <u>studechuck@sbcglobal.net</u> or 765-349-1520. We Thank Ya.

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## REWARD

The satisfaction of helping your Club and gratitude from all When filling out your Christmas cards this year, take a card and send to this address: A Recovering American Soldier, c/o Walter Reed Army Medical Center, 6900 Georgia Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20307-5001.

Pass this on and think of how many cards these wonderful special people who have sacrificed so much would get. Please copy and post on your wall. the least we can all do

## **From the Editor**

As another year draws to a close I'd like to take this space and thank all those who contributed to the 2014 issues of the Brickyard. Our club is very fortunate to have a number of talented and well informed writers. Please feel free to send me any type of article, from a few lines to several pages for next year's issues.

**Becky Griffith** 



#### **Flash From The Past**

Article and Photos by Nancy Bacon

A couple of months ago I received an email from Ed Reynolds wanting to know if I had any info about a Studebaker Fire truck that had been at the 1976 International Meet at the Indy 500 Track. The Studebaker fire truck, that was the third motorized truck on the Westfield, In. fire department, was found



in a field near Kokomo, and is now being restored by them. Josh

Southerland, a fireman on the Westfield fire department emailed Ed



Reynolds who emailed me too see what we might know about the truck being driven around the 500 Track at the International Meet. They had found a dash plaque from the meet in the truck! Josh had checked at the Speedway for any info about the truck being on the track and came up with nothing. I got out the picture

albums my mom, Helen Drews, had given me from the "76" International Meet. Not only did I have pictures of the Westfield Fire Truck along with the Cicero In. Fire Truck on the Indy 500 Track, but an article from the Indianapolis newspaper featuring the two trucks pacing the field of Studebakers around the 500 track! Josh was thrilled to get this verification of their truck on the track as his battalion chief was the man at the wheel! They are now in the process of rebuilding the fire truck and looking for parts. We can only hope to see this Studebaker Fire Truck out and about for all to enjoy again soon!!

And Today

Article and Photos by Josh Southerland

The truck was Westfield's third motorized fire apparatus. It was placed in service in 1951 and placed as a backup truck in 1968. The first fire it pumped on was at a big hardware fire in Noblesville In. Currently it is in my barn and I have



### And Now the Rest of the Story

#### You Meet the Nicest People in the Classic Car Hobby

By Bill Sanders, Indy GTO Association

I suppose everyone has their reasons for being involved with this crazy hobby we all love and enjoy. As for me, I do like the cars of the '60's but most important, I like the people who drive them, restore them and collect them. Everyone has a story to tell as to why they have a certain car. Like I stated, my favorites are cars of the '60's but if you are a true "automotive enthusiast" then you no doubt have an appreciation for all things automotive, new or old. It is with these thoughts in mind that I had the opportunity to meet one of the true knowledgeable and all-around nice guys in the car hobby.

A friend of mine, who owns and beautiful '69 Grand Prix (428cid/4-spd), happens to have a connection with one of the hobby's premier enthusiasts and collectors, ex-Tonight Show host Jay Leno. How this connect was made is a story all in itself for a different column, so I'll just cut to the chase. My friend called and asked if I could invoke the "cone of silence" (blatant "Get Smart" reference) and keep a secret. Of course I said "sure" and he told me Jay Leno would be in Indy in a few days, my friend would be picking Jay up in his Grand Prix and we would all meet up at a mutual friend's private car/memorabilia collection. This collection features cars from the '50's, an authentic '50's diner, a movie theater and a Standard Oil gas station. Proof that this actually happened is shown below:



Jay Leno with Rita & Bill Sanders of the Indy GTO Assoc.

are always all about the people, the people who dreamed up the concepts that became our automotive reality, the people who took the concepts and put them into production and then promoted the results to the masses. The people who continue to support our hobby with parts, services and technical advice. But most of all it's about the people who are automotive enthusiasts who like to come together and enjoy one another's company at car shows local club meeting and national events. There are some very genuine "good people" in our hobby. Every local club has them, every national club has them and every town we cruise our classic cars to has them. Ok, you also meet a few folks in the hobby who might be noted as .. well let's just say pretentious, but Jay Leno is not one of those folks. He came out to play on a Saturday morning with no entourage, no security and no attitude, just a laid back guy who loves all things automotive and the people who share that disease.

In closing the time I got to spend with Jay one on one I will treasure for the rest of my life. He is a very high profile celebrity and we completely enjoyed his company and hopefully he felt that same.

Turns out Jay Leno is exactly the same in person as you might have seen on his TV specials showing off some of his automotive collection. Jay was a very down to earth, low key guy and took the time to visit

with each one of us individually and chat about our cars. He is good people.

So, how does this tie into my headline? The car hobby in general is all about the people. Yeah the cars are cool and all, but they don't drive, restore or collect themselves, people do and the car hobby and car clubs



Jay Leno and Bill Sanders discuss Bill's '66 GTO Convertible

...and as I always say: "Cruz'em if ya Got'em", Bill Sanders, Past President, Indy GTO Association

## **Upcoming Events**



**Saturday, December 27 - 1:00 PM – Christmas Lunch -** Once again, it's that time of year when we think of celebrating Christmas dinner with our Studebaker friends. We will be returning to **MURPHY'S STEAK HOUSE, however, <u>they have moved</u> since last year and have a new location**. The new restaurant is located at 5198 N. Allisonville Rd, Indpls. This is at 52nd St. and Allisonville Rd. behind the AAA Store.

We will order from their extensive menu so everyone should find something to their liking. We do need a head count to give to the restaurant. **Please contact Berniece or Marvin by December 23** at either 317-889-3802 or 317-796-2347 or email <u>msnider04@AOL.com</u>.

The gift exchange brought a bit of fun to the party last year, so we will do that again. We are asking the ladies to bring a gift for a lady and the gentlemen to bring a gift for a man. This can be a serious gift, a joke gift, a white elephant you have laying around your house, or whatever you deem appropriate or fun. The gift should be something in the \$5.00 range. Wrap your gift and mark it male or female and see what items turn up at the party.

Hope to see you there. Marvin & Berniece Snider

**Saturday, January 24 – 1:00 pm** - Lunch at the Pit Stop in Brownsburg. Hosted by Howe and Charlotte Clark. This restaurant has of the best barbeque around.

#### Mark these dates on your calendar:

- March 1 1:00 Pitch-in lunch and auction at Studebaker International in Greenfield
- **April** Bob and Sandy Fox are working on a trip to the Cincinnati, Ohio area featuring a visit to Jungle Jim's International Market. More information to come.
- May 1 & 2 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Studebaker Indiana Swap Meet, Open Car & Truck Show and Car Corral at St. Joseph County 4H Fairgrounds, South Bend
- May 22 23 Studebaker Nationals and Orphan Car Drag Race in Bean Blossom, Indiana
- July Crossroads Zone Meet in Chillicothe, Ohio
- August 16 22 Studebaker International in St. Louis

As you can see we have no club meeting scheduled for February. If you have an idea for a restaurant or an event the club would enjoy, contact Charlie Griffith at 317-353-8287 or <u>chazwork@msn.com</u>







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#### Indy Chapter Membership Application

National SDC membership is a prerequisite. Renewal INDY Chapter dues are \$18.00. Renewals are payable January each year (after March, a \$5.00 late fee applies). Mail application and check to:

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Ed Reynold's 1928 Dictator that was converted into a pickup truck

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