



BRICKYARD BULLETIN



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From Our President

HELLO FRIENDS;

I should have started with dear friends. It pleased me very much the way you all received my new lady friend, Linda. We won't be able to make it to the Jungle Jim's outing as we are leaving for Raleigh N.C. this morning (4-16-15) to see and meet Linda's son and two grandsons; I'm sure I'll miss a good time with you folks. From North Carolina it's back to Florida for about 4 weeks. I plan to be back for the Studebaker National May 21.

That's all for now as I still have to finish packing, have a happy May and watch the flowers bloom.

YOUR FELLOW STUDE GUY
CHUCK

Indy Chapter of the Studebaker Drive Club

Date: April 18 and 19

Destination: Jungle Jim's in Fairfield, Ohio

At 9:05 Saturday morning six cars left the McDonald's on the east side of Indy and headed for Fairfield, Oh via US52. Bob and Sandy Fox, our very able leaders, lead in their 1960 Lark, followed by Dave and Diane Elmore in their 1959 Lark. I learned a new term from Scott Jones on this trip. The rest of the cars were "Brand X", non-Studebakers. Those of us that fell into this category were Mike and Pat Lawson, Wayne and Gwen Remaly, Scott and Peggy Jones in their 1954 Mercury, and Charlie and me.



How good was it to see Dave Elmore back behind the wheel of his Lark!



Our tour guides, Bob and Sandy Fox, leading us thru the winding roads of southeast Indiana

After a short rest stop in Rushville we continued our drive through the beautiful rolling hills of Southeast Indiana. We thanked Bob Fox for such a beautiful day as he informed the group he was responsible for the weather on Saturday and Sandy for Sunday.

As we drove through Brookville the group talked about a future tour to the town. It's a very old town with streets lined with big, beautiful homes and old store front buildings. Going through town we noticed a lot of large chicken figurines and every block. We never figured out the reason for this.

Straight up noon we arrived at LaRosa's Family Pizzeria in Fairfield for lunch where we were joined by Richard and Rose Poe and Richards sisters Darlene and Dianna.

Following lunch, *It's A New Track Record!* Maybe not a track record but we all agreed it was a record



for the shortest meeting. Bob Fox being the most senior officer officiated. Minutes on page 3.



Richard Poe reminded the group of the upcoming Studebaker Nationals and Orphan Car Drags in Bean Blossom May 22 and 23 and assured us that Rose would be making the pies, not him.

Then it was off to Jungle Jim's. We spent two hours going up and down isles of food. It is a huge store. If you have never been to Jungle Jim's the restrooms are a real conversation piece. Here's a picture of Sandy (L) entering the ladies room. Rest assured the interior does not match the exterior. It's very nice.



Getting started in the cheese department are Wayne, Charlie, Bob, Sandy, Dianna and Richard

Once we left Jungle Jim's we headed to the hotel. After check-in it was free time. There were plenty of restaurants within walking distance and others took to the road and visited other places. Charlie and I drove the five miles to IKEA and dined on their famous meatballs and mashed potatoes.



Hey Diane, does Dave know about this?

At 9:55 am Sunday morning we headed home, in the rain, all the way. I think we can all agree that Bob did a better job with the weather than Sandy. Regardless, it was a great trip and a big Thank You goes to Bob and Sandy for arranging our adventure.



A successful day.

Becky Griffith



SDC Indy Chapter April 18, 2015 at LaRosa's Pizzeria, Fairfield, OH

- Since the Secretary was the ranking officer attending the meeting, it was suggested I run a meeting.
- After a great lunch, the meeting was called to order.
- A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.
- It was unanimously approved.

Submitted by Bob Fox, Half Fast Secretary

PS: The most serious business was conducted after dinner on the 3rd floor of the motel around the big round table, just outside the Presidential Suite.

A Cute Little Love Story

A few years ago (1969) my dad, Earl Drews, bought his first Studebaker, a 1964 Studebaker Wagoneer. About the same time I met a young man, Joe Bacon. Everyone in my family and Joe really liked the Studebakers and there were so many available at the time that the next thing we knew we owned "a few" Studebakers. Joe bought a 1954 Champion Hardtop that looked pretty cool but was not very dependable.



We had decided to get married when I got out of high school and my mom said I should wait until spring. March 20th 1971, first day of spring, was a Saturday and the day a 17 year old girl (me) picked to get married. Joe needed a better car than the Champion and my dad had a 1960 Silver Hawk that was a pretty good



running car that we bought from him. The Silver Hawk is the car we took on our honey-moon and is in the picture with me sitting on the fender. Over the years we have owned many Studebakers and each one has a story and a special memory. The 1960 Silver Hawk was a very good car for daily driving, holding up well under the foot of a young fella! The 1956 Golden Hawk we now own is the prettiest Studebaker we have ever owned. All the Studebakers and all the friends we have met in between have made for 44 years of great memories!

Nancy Bacon



The Indianapolis 500

Sunday, May 24, 2015



The 1962 Studebaker Lark Daytona, driven by Sam Hanks at the Indy 500. The Studebaker Avanti was supposed to be the pace car but didn't see production in time.

Vintage Americana Street Photos

If you haven't seen these pictures, they're guaranteed to keep you busy as long as you want to stay in front of your computer's monitor! Thanks Bob Palma.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/117891934@N07/page1/>

1963 Lark for Sale

I have a 63 lark I am interested in selling. I don't know the condition but thought it might be able to be restored or at least used for parts. It has been in an old garage for years so it has had some protection. If you know anyone who may be interested please let me know and we can discuss it.

Sharon Blunk
Indianapolis, Indiana

Editor's Note: I believe Chuck Kern has Sharon's contact information.

Studebaker Wagon for Sale

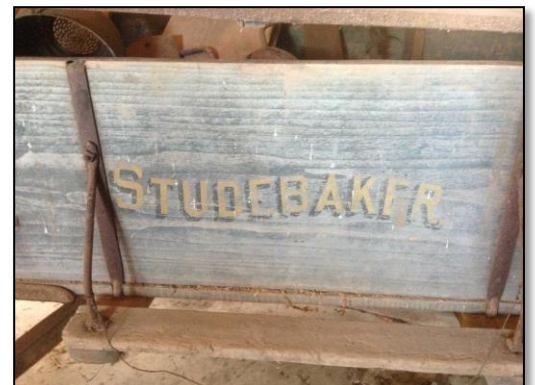
I have an old Studebaker high-wheeled farm wagon that has been in my family for generations. My wife and I have recently retired from farming and have sold the family farm. The old wagon belonged to my grandfather and has been passed down through two more generations through my father and finally to me. It has been stored inside on a concrete floor for nearly 40 years. It is in almost mint condition as you will see from the enclosed photos.

We have moved to Fishers, Indiana and have no storage available, so we want to sell it. My question, do you know of anyone that might be interested in this antique wagon and what it would be its value?

Please respond at your convenience and thank you in advance for your assistance.

Jim Uptgraft
12973 Water Ridge Dr.
McCordsville, IN

260-820-3300 (cell)



Where Have All the Colors Gone?



Do you see that huge brown hairy animal in the corner? You do? Then let's just acknowledge the 500-pound gorilla in the room and bluntly declare that most of the cars we see driving down the highway today are painted in dull...blah...boring...colors. Making this situation even worse for color-loving people is the automotive industry's seeming lack of imagination. The fact is that there is only a very limited color chart available to the new car purchaser. Oh, for the good old days when exterior and interior color choices were almost limitless. Cars could be purchased with two-tone (or even tri-tone) combinations. Buying a car was truly an artistic adventure.

With apologies to Peter, Paul & Mary for messing with their song and to Pete Seeger for the altered lyrics, let's all join together and sing:

Where have all the colors gone, long time passing?

Where have all the colors gone, long time ago?

Millennials took them away everyone,

Oh, when will they ever learn?

After a quick online search, I discovered that in 1950 there was a grand total of 455 colors available that car buyers could order from USA automobile factories. (This number represents a total of the various colors offered by ALL the American brands sold in 1950.) Now let's jump on the Time Machine Train and zoom to 2015. Ford lists 10 colors, Honda offers 11 and Toyota has 10 colors for cars, but only 6 for trucks.

Recently, we have all become shockingly aware that there are supposedly FIFTY SHADES OF GREY. Our subdivisions are filled with homes that allow the home owner the choice of vinyl siding in lovely shades of IVORY, TAN, TAUPE, BEIGE and the ever-popular WHITE. What's going on? Is there a secret conspiracy condemning us to a life of drabness?

Well, I have some good news! A few manufacturers have decided NOT to drink the colorless Kool-Aid! Kitchenaid offers mixers in 33 colors!!! I can whip up a batch of banana bread in a Persimmon hued mixer (or Buttercup, Boysenberry, Blue Willow or 29 other colors) Want to paint your living room? Your color choices are absolutely UNLIMITED. Good grief, the color charts take up a whole aisle at Lowe's! Do you remember when most of our bed sheets were one color...WHITE? Now our sheets are manufactured in a rainbow of colors and patterns!



Are you outraged that we are afforded the opportunity for a variety of colors in the kitchen, relaxing in our living rooms or when we're asleep, but afforded so very few options when we are traveling life's highways? I know I am. Maybe we should join together with the battle cry: REMEMBER THE '55 STUDEBAKER SPEEDSTER! Now there was a car with color! No one can forget the Charcoal & Pink or the Yellow and Green. (I remember when Barb McPherson lovingly called their "55"...Old Putrid & Puce.)

Is there a way to restore color to the modern cars? I'm not sure how we let the current car manufacturers know our opinions. If any of you have any ideas, please share your thoughts here in the Brickyard Bulletin. Who knows...maybe a bunch of Studebaker owners can bring some color back to our roads!



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FEATURING • Weekend events begin Friday evening
Saturday Concours with People's Choice Awards, Swap Meet,
Mini-Studebaker Racing • Saturday Evening Awards
Banquet • Saturday Night kickin' tires and tellin' tales

See registration form on page 7

Tri- Chapter Meet at Auburn Museum
Saturday, July 11

10AM: Begin Arriving
 11AM or 11:30AM: Presentation by Museum Archivist on the Avanti and Auburns
 12PM: Lunch
 1PM: Free to tour the museums. Museum closes at 5PM

There will be parking on the museums surface lot. Bring a chair and refreshments and then at 1:00 enjoy a free tour of the museum.

We haven't hammered out details for lunch. Our options are to brown sack it, have a pitch-in (there will be no tables available to us) or leave for lunch, however, there is no guarantee we can return to the museum grounds. We'll discuss this at our next meeting in June. Also, do we want to go as a group or meet up at the museum?



REGISTRATION - 2015 CROSSROADS ZONE MEET, Chillicothe, Ohio - JUNE 26 & 27

DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2015

Registrations received by June 1 will receive items listed below under family registration

Family Registration

\$15.00 A

[Includes dash plaque, name tags, chance at door prize,

people's choice ballot, and chance to win a trophy]

PLEASE LIST NAMES AS SHOULD APPEAR ON NAMETAGS

Last Name _____ First name _____

Spouse/Guest last name _____ First _____

Names & ages children/grandchildren _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____ (for confirmation)

Local SDC Chapter _____ SDC Member # _____

Studebaker _____ @ \$10 ea.

Additional _____ @ \$5 ea.

Studebaker _____ year _____ model _____ color _____

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Make checks payable to Heart of Ohio SDC Chapter & mail to JoAnne Hamblin, 6225 County Road 22, Mount Gilead, OH 43338 by June 1, 2015

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People's Choice Awards - no class judging

FRIDAY REGISTRATION, 10 am-4 pm, 6pm-8 pm at Christopher Inn
SATURDAY Pickup registration packet at Yoctangee Park

Saturday night **BANQUET** [Cash bar]

_____ Beef pot roast @ \$25 each

_____ Teriyaki chicken breast @ \$25 each

_____ Kids [age 12 & under]

_____ Chicken tenders @ \$10 each

Please contact us with any special dietary needs

BANQUET \$ _____ C

ZONE MEET SHIRTS Adult sizes only

Sand pocket T-shirt \$14 each Sand pocket golf shirt \$22 each

_____ Small # _____ Small

_____ Medium # _____ Medium

_____ Large # _____ Large

_____ X Large # _____ X Large

_____ XX Large # _____ XX Large

add \$2 for double X sizes and larger

SHIRTS \$ _____ D

TOTAL ENCLOSED [add A,B,C,D] \$ _____

HOST HOTEL CHRISTOPHER INN \$ 85.95 if you call by May 25

740.774.6835 OR 800.257.7042 & mention "Studebaker"

US Routes 23 & 35, 30 North Plaza Blvd, Chillicothe, OH 45601

June 26-27, 2015

Studebaker Drivers Club

Crossroads Zone Meet

with guests from Indiana,

Kentucky, Michigan,

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Christopher Inn

Host Chapter

Heart of Ohio

419.947.1360 or

jrh6225@centurylink.net

Registration deadline June 1

Bring your favorite

mini-Studebaker for our race

Matchbox or Hot Wheel size

PLEASE HONOR OUR JUNE 1, 2015 DEADLINE

Upcoming Events

May 22 – 23 –Annual Studebaker Nationals and Orphan Car Drags

Held in Bean Blossom, Indiana. This is getting more popular each year. All performance and skill levels welcome. Nashville, Indiana, is about 40 miles south of Indianapolis. Racing will be Saturday the 23th so bring your car to race, or not, and come to beautiful Brown County and enjoy the day with us. There's a snack bar at the track, or bring your own picnic lunch.



Friday, May 22 Studebaker Drags Dinner will be at 5:30 at the Seasons Lodge in Nashville, Indiana. The Seasons Lodge is on State Road 46 E in Nashville. I have attached a Menu from the Lodge dining room. Friday night is the night they have their Prime Rib Buffet. You can also order from the regular menu, which has been changed this year, and now includes sandwiches. As we have every year, pies, cakes and other desserts will be served at our home after the dinner. 5192 State Road 46 E, Nashville. 812-988-2008

I have also attached a couple links for motels.

<http://www.browncounty.com/listing/salt-creek-inn>

<http://www.comfortinn.com/hotel-nashville-indiana-IN419>

We look forward to the race and seeing you here.

Editors Note: Those of you who attended this great event on *Friday night* last year will remember the heavy traffic. Allow yourself plenty of time to arrive on time.

May 1 & 2 - 34th Annual Studebaker Indiana Swap Meet, Open Car & Truck Show and Car Corral at St. Joseph County 4H Fairgrounds, South Bend

June 13 – Barbecue pitch-in picnic at the Griffiths. Again this year we will have pulled and barbecued pulled pork. The address is 1526 South Hunter Road, 46239. Bring your favorite dish and table service. Bottled water and ice tea will be provided.



Mark these dates on your calendar:

June 26-27 - Crossroads Zone Meet in Chillicothe, Ohio – See page 7. For additional information contact: JoAnne Hamblin at 419-947-1360 or jlh6225@centurylink.net

July 11 – Tri- Chapter Meet at Auburn Museum – See page 7.

August 2 – Lunch and Meeting at Logan's in Greenwood

August 16 – 22 - Studebaker International in St. Louis

October 17 – 1:00 pm – Pitch-in at the Carefree Clubhouse, 1202 Leisure Lane, (corner of Leisure Lane and County Line Road), Greenwood, IN 46142 hosted by Dan Taylor

November – Pitch-in at Ed Reynolds

December 12 – Christmas Lunch

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Regular membership dues in the National Studebaker Club are \$24.00 for new members 1st year only. Renewals are \$31.00 per year, which includes 12 monthly issues of *Turning Wheels*, the National SDC Magazine. (Other memberships are available.) Application is available upon request or e-mail studebakerdriverclub.com.

Indy Chapter Membership

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 will be added. Application is available upon request.

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Dave and Diane Elmore's 1959 Lark

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