



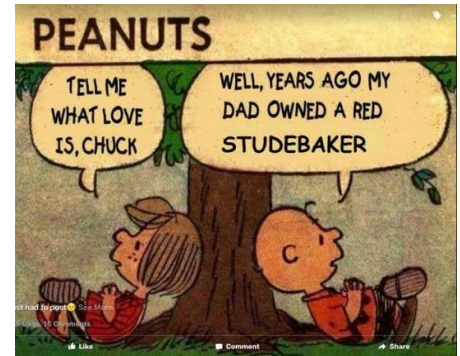
BRICKYARD BULLETIN



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It was good to see so many club members brave the cold & incoming snow to have a Valentine lunch at Don Pablos. I am sure we all hope the ground hog was correct this year and spring is going to be here soon. This last week end and 72 degrees was a good start. We did a spring cleaning of our garage getting ready to start putting the 1964 GT back together. I am very excited to get it running & back out on the road after a 25 year nap in the barn it was in.

Hope to see everyone at Studebaker International for the March pitch in & auction, it is always a good time.



Nancy Bacon
Indy Chapter President

THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB FEBRUARY 14 MINUTES

Nancy & Joe Bacon arranged this meeting at Don Pablo's.



I think Nancy may own part of this restaurant, since she knows everyone who works there by their first name??

Attendance: Thirty members and guests ventured out on this cold snowy day.

President Nancy Bacon's comments:

While waiting for our food,

Nancy conducted the meeting. She also thanked everyone for coming out on such a nasty day. Nancy also introduced our guests Harold and Vickie Yerges.

Officer Reports:

Vice President: Diane Elmore secured a list of local members who belong to the national; but, are not members of our club. Nancy suggested we start by sending these prospective members several copies of our newsletter.

Secretary: Bob Fox thanked his Administrative Assistant, Diane Elmore, for taking notes at the January 23 meeting. The minutes were approved as printed in the Bulletin.



Guest Harold and Vickie Yerges. The Yerges recently purchased a 1952 2R6 pickup truck.

Treasurer: Tom Flynn reported a balance of \$7146.00 with 51 paid memberships. Tom also has the adoption papers for the cars sponsored at the National Museum.



Activities Director: Charlie Griffith outlined some of the upcoming meetings.

3/6/16 1 pm Pitch-in and Auction at Studebaker International hosted by Ed Reynolds.

4/23/16 This is a driving tour with Sandy and Bob Fox starting in

Plainfield, IN to Oakdale Inn (north of Delphi, IN). Oakdale Inn claims to have "THE BEST CATFISH BY A DAM SITE AND OTHER DAM GOOD FOOD". Give us a call if you would like to arrange to meet us along the way. We plan to eat at Noon.

7/16/16 Nancy and Joe Bacon are having a LUAU at their house. Grass Skirts are optional!

Other future meetings are in the Bulletin.

Editor: Becky Griffith said she is having the printed copies of the Bulletin printed at their church. Nancy approved the club making a donation to the church to cover these costs. The number of copies will increase as we send them to prospective members.



Old Business: None



New Business: Joe Bacon reminded members to place orders with Studebaker International to pick-up at our next meeting on 3/16.

50/50 Winner: Jim Turner \$41 (left)

Submitted by Bob Fox, Secretary

News About Our Members

Here are two change of addresses:

Frank and Beverly Petru
127 Haley Farm Drive
Canton GA 30115
317-500-5667
pfrank4570@aol.com

Art Studebaker
8929 W 1100 N
New Palestine, IN 46163

For Sale

1961 Studebaker Champ ¾ ton long bed step side pickup (6E12-122) with a '64 289V8 with a 2 barrel carb - Automatic. Exact mileage unknown – currently 21391.1

Originally a California Transportation (CalTrans) truck, purchased in 2013 in Rocklin, CA from the second owner. New exhaust, fuel pump, water pump, heater, voltage regulator and battery. It runs great, stops on a dime; it needs bodywork, paint, an interior and wide whitewall tires for a complete restoration. The floor pans have been “fixed” I was planning on replacing them.

Good solid truck. Selling it because I need the space in the garage. Extra parts available Asking \$8000. Contact Jeff Westcott at westcott2@gmail.com or (716) 628-4793.

Ken Prieboy has Studebaker parts for sale. Bumpers, doors, seat frames and more.
Contact Ken at 1-574-870-4888 for more information.

Test Your Knowledge of Old Car History

(answers on page 5)



Q: What car first referred to itself as a convertible?

Q: What car was the first to have its radio antenna embedded in the windshield?

Q: What car used the first successful series-production hydraulic valve lifters?

Q: Where was the World's first three-color traffic lights installed?

Q: What type of car had the distinction of being GM's 100 millionth car built in the U.S.?



ONE YEAR *and counting!*

This month marks the one-year anniversary of "Diane's Random Ramblings". I'm quite sure some of you (mostly guys) will think it's rather odd to be celebrating the anniversary of a newsletter column. But ANNIVERSARIES are looked at differently by women versus men. REALLY...IT'S TRUE!

Here's my hypothesis: In addition to wedding anniversaries and birthdays, women remember the time and place of their first date. They know their hire-in date and celebrate work anniversaries. They sometimes wistfully mention when they got engaged, took a special trip, when they first discovered they were pregnant and what they wore to the Prom fifty years ago. Yes, the list goes on and on.

Men, on the other hand, are considered to be at the top of their game if they remember their wedding anniversary and their children's birthdays. But, to be perfectly fair, I must concede that men do retain and remember one other noteworthy event in their lives...they know exactly when and where they purchased EVERY one of their cars!

Before starting this month's column, I checked to see what the traditional gift would be for a 1st anniversary. It turns out to be...are you ready for this?...PAPER. Now, how appropriate is that for celebrating the anniversary of a newsletter column?

So, let's take a little stroll down Memory Lane and look at some of the topics we've discussed over this past year in Random Ramblings. We started with the tragic discovery of the "Mirror Shortage in America", then we talked about having "The Last Word" and tried to figure out "Where Have All the Car Colors Gone?" Next we learned about the power of an "Elephant's Memory" and celebrated the adoption of the Elmore's 1946 Skyway Champion. We rolled along



with our toilet paper survey and tried to decide between classic and new technology. Last autumn, we shivered with ghostly Studebaker pictures and wondered how we and our children survived before federal regulations on children's car seats, toys, etc. Next we saw Santa leaving Tippecanoe Place and recently looked at giving second chances...even to the dreaded "Anchovies, Avocadoes & Artichokes".

Wow! That was quite a year! Now it's time to celebrate! Let's cut the cake!

Spring Maintenance Reminders

By Malcolm Berry

1. Check the underneath side of your car for any leaks, such as brake fluid, oil (that can be engine oil, transmission oil or rear end oil), gas leaking or antifreeze. This includes heater core, heater hose, and radiator for leaks. If any of the hoses or belts appears to be cracked or dried out, replace them. That's better than having them break while you are driving somewhere.

2. If you haven't done this since last year, change your engine oil, filter and grease your car.

3. Make sure you have the proper level of transmission oil, rear end oil and brake fluid in the master cylinder. The radiator should have the proper level and the right mixture of antifreeze to protect against freezing and boiling over.

4. Brake systems accumulate moisture over a period of time. If they haven't been bled in the last few years, it will eventually cause rust in your master and wheel cylinders.

5. One other thing that is often overlooked is your tires. Even if they look ok and are over 10 years old, you should consider replacing them.

6. Don't forget to replace your windshield wipers. A clear windshield makes driving in bad weather safer.



Old Car History Answers

A: The 1904 Thomas Flyer, which had a removable hard top.

A: The 1969 Pontiac Grand Prix.

A: The 1930 Cadillac 452, the first production V16

A: Detroit, Michigan in 1919. Two years later they experimented with synchronized lights.

A: March 16, 1966 saw an Olds Toronado roll out of Lansing, Michigan with that honor.

Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 6 – 1:00 pm – Pitch-in and Auction at Studebaker International hosted by Ed Reynolds. The address is 97 N 150 W, Greenfield. Ed will provide ham and buns. Bring a favorite side dish and table service. Our very own Bob Palma and his able assistant Jim Turner will commence with the auction after lunch, so bring an item for the auction, whether it is automotive related or something fun.



Mark these dates on your calendar:



Saturday, April 23 - Best Catfish By A Dam Site hosted by Bob and Sandy Fox. We will leave from the Burger King at 6003 Gateway Dr. Plainfield, IN (This is just North of I 70 on the west side of Ind. 267) at **8:30 a.m.** Give us a call if you would like to arrange to meet us along the way. 317-839-4361 or bsfox@att.net.

Oakdale Dam Inn
Best Catfish By A Dam Site"
11899 W. Oakdale Dr.
Monticello, IN 47960
Eat at Noon



Friday, May 27 – Dinner at the Seasons Lodge in Nashville, In. Dessert at the Poe's after dinner.

Saturday, May 28 – The annual Studebaker Nationals and Orphan Car Drags held in Bean Blossom, IN, **hosted by Richard and Rose Poe.**

June 11 or 12 – OPEN

June 26 – July 2 – 52nd Annual Studebaker Drivers Club International Meet in Warwick, Rhode Island.

July 16 - Joe and Nancy Bacon are hosting a Luau at their home. It will be a hog roast pitch –in at 1pm. They have their annual luau that same day & the Indy SDC lunch will flow into the annual back yard bash which goes into the evening. Indy members are welcome to stay as long as they would like as the "luau" is usually late afternoon into evening affair. (One set up & cleanup for them!)

September 10 – Pitch-in picnic at the **Charlie and Becky Griffiths** and possible short tour around Indianapolis for *Drive Your Studebaker Day*. More to come.

September 16 – 17 - Steve Grant, Kinzua Region Chapter Vice President & Swap Meet Chairman asked me to share this with the club. Sept 16 and 17 is the Studebakers at Dunkirk, **NY** Swap Meet. Should anyone plan to be up that way in September you may be interested. I will post more information closer to the date or if anyone is interested I do have a flyer I can send.

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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

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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1950 Champion Convertible adopted by the club at the Studebaker National Museum

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