



# BRICKYARD BULLETIN



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I have been following a post on the Studebaker Forum about a chapter in Arizona that feels they may soon disband. They have not had a newsletter all year and are not having regular club meetings. I am very thankful that we have such a great newsletter editor! Her job is not easy but so very important in keeping our club up to date with what is going on. I always look forward to getting my Brickyard Bulletin and just wanted to say what a Great job I think Becky is doing!!!!

Hope to see everyone and their Studebaker's at the September Meeting at Charlie and Becky's house. It is always a great get together and if I am lucky we might be able to drive the 1964 GT Hawk there. We did start the newly rebuilt engine this week and I can't wait to drive it to its first club meeting!

Nancy Bacon  
Indy Chapter President

## Meeting At Logan's Roadhouse, August 14

The August meeting was held at Logan's Roadhouse with 23 members and guest in attendance. Nancy Bacon opened the meeting with a thank you to Charlie and Becky Griffith for arranging the luncheon. Nancy reported that Treasurer Tom Flynn reports that the club currently has \$6564.88 in the bank and 61 paid members.

Bob Palma introduced his guest, Denny Lockmon, from Arizona. Denny is a former SDC National Vice President

and on the Board of Directors of the Avanti Owners Association.



Bob Palma (L) and Tom Lawlis (R), with guest Denny Lockmon and friend Marvann of Sun City AZ



Jeff Shively of the Kokomo Auto Museum with Becky Griffith

Guest Jeff Shively of the Kokomo Auto Museum was introduced and spoke to the group about the upcoming Brand Indiana Bicentennial Motor Muster September 11 in Kokomo. The "Grand Indiana Bicentennial Motor Muster," is in Jackson-Morrow Park on Sunday, September 11. Open to the public from 10am to 4pm, this event will welcome Indiana-built cars through 1964, Full Classics through 1948, and special interest American cars through 1976. An old-time

brass band concert by the award-winning Jackson Township Community Band from Brazil, Indiana, will start at 2pm, so bring a lawn chair to enjoy the sounds of John Phillip Sousa, Henry Fillmore, and "Indiana's March King," Fred Jewell.

A new Directory will be coming out at the end of the year. More details on page 6 . Next meeting is at Charlie and Becky Griffiths. More information on page 8.

Meeting was adjourned.

## AOAI Meet at Speedway Museum, August 13

Despite the weather, the event was great. 8 AOAI members showed up plus 2 SDC members. Many had not been to the museum and where very impressed. Don Linder did not feel well so he stayed home. Lunch at Dawson's was awesome.

The Speedway Museum hosts the Coffee and Carb event. It is held the 2nd Saturday of every month from April to October (May excluded). It runs from 10am - 1pm and I think it is free. They attract more unique cars than the usual cars one sees at a typical car show. The hosts told me that they are planning on doing an all Indiana manufacturers event next year. I told them, "count us in!" This will be one of our events for next year. I am copying the SDC Indy and Michiana Chapters so they will know that this will be on the radar for next year.

Ted Andrews

## News About Our Members

Member **John Feistritzers wife, Judy**, had hip surgery and last heard was doing well.

Several members have asked about **Angie Griffith**. As you recall she had a knee replacement and then developed some heart issues late in the spring. Glad to report that Angie is doing well. The heart issues have been addressed and dealt with. Her knee is still in the works but she is walking with the aid of a cane and is back to driving and hitting the town.

From Pat Lawson:

Thank you everyone for your kind thoughts and cards. I will get to a meeting sometime, but just not up to it yet.

Pat Lawson and family



FYI Friends and Family,

We no longer have a land line - 317.887.1126 is inoperative. We have joined the new millennium - only about 16 years late !!!

Cell Phones:

**Danny 317.294.6177**  
**Karen 317.340.1905**



Love and Peace to All  
Danny Taylor

This from **Chuck Kern**:

Here are the pictures of my truck at the State Fair. Terry Johnson was kind-of-the-head of the tractors and trucks made in Indiana. He came and got my Champ and drove it to the fair. While picking up the truck he gave me four tickets to get in. It was a very nice exhibition, everyone was very appreciative to have the truck on display.

Thanks to Terry Johnson and his partner (Sorry, I can't remember his name). Both very nice men.



## Speaking of the Indiana State Fair....

From Bob Palma:

Cool Beans: Studebaker is enjoying good, unexpected exposure at The 2016 Indiana State Fair. In the Manufacturer's Building, all manner of things are sold...and various charities and governmental agencies have public relations displays, raffles, etc. Imagine my surprise when I visited The Indiana State Police PR Booth:

[http://i571.photobucket.com/albums/ss155/BobPalma/DSCF72201\\_zpshrzpr3el.jpg](http://i571.photobucket.com/albums/ss155/BobPalma/DSCF72201_zpshrzpr3el.jpg) Toward the back of the display, you see a tri-fold board with information.

<http://forum.studebakerdriversclub.com/showthread.php?96690-Good-Stude-Exposure-Indiana-State-Fair>

I apologize as I do not know P. Dammes, but he sent me this:

Becky, attached is a picture from the Warwick Meet taken from the 6th floor.

Paul Dammes, the Netherlands.

Uw bericht kan nu met het volgende bijlagen of koppelingen worden verzonden:





## Cars For Sale



This Barn Find is all original, not a rust bucket. It does not run. It is on US 31 in Whiteland near Rascal's Fun Zone on West side of road. Wants \$5000, but I think only worth about \$2350 or so. Any member interested may want to see it. Thanks Tony Keeler

This on Craigslist: <http://indianapolis.craigslist.org/cto/5688038427.html>



### 1964 Champ Parts

There is someone selling parts for a 1964 Champ on Craigslist in Fishers. Mainly rear lights (NOS), wheels (3) and miscellaneous locks, keys, brights floor switch and brake switches. Some are used and others are NOS. He also has full (opened) cans of Studebaker oil and power steering fluid. In addition, he has several parts and service manuals including revision sets.

Are any of you interested in these? If so, I can forward you some pics of these (Rick, your friend in Lafayette with the INDOT Champ may be interested in these as well, please forward this to him).

He is not a member of the SDC but may want to join. He wants to restore the Champ to its original condition.

Ted Andrews

### 1959 Lark For Sale in Elwood

Do you know anyone who maybe be looking for one? For \$800, this is an opportunity. I checked with the seller last night and it is still available. Looks like a survivor. Spread the word!

[indianapolis.craigslist.org/cto/5667775094.html](http://indianapolis.craigslist.org/cto/5667775094.html)

Ted Andrews



April 28, 2016

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Dear Mr. Palma and other Indy Chapter Members:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, the staff, and the Hall of Champions dinner committee, I want to thank you for your generous contribution to the Studebaker National Museum's 15th Annual Hall of Champions Dinner held on April 21st, 2016.

We are delighted you were able to join us as we honored Becky Bonham, celebrating her long-time commitment and service to the Studebaker National Museum.

Our great event would not have been possible without the generous underwriting you provided. The Hall of Champions Dinner is the Museum's major annual fundraiser and we count on the revenue from this event to help us produce provocative and timely exhibitions and educational programming throughout the year.

Thank you again for helping to make our big event a success. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Yours truly,

Patrick Slebonick  
Executive Director

*Thank you for  
your generous gift and  
memorable presentation!*

**P.S. Thank you for your contribution of \$1,000 (received on 04/22/2016) to Studebaker National Museum, Inc, a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization. No goods or services were provided in exchange for this contribution.**

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## From Your Editor:

During the August meeting, I mentioned that I was ready to produce a new club directory. Our last directory is from July, 2012. I asked if it was important that we list all the cars each member owned and was told overwhelmingly **yes**.

So here's what I'm going to do. I will have a first draft ready at the November meeting at Ed Reynolds. This get-together is always well attended. I will pass this first draft around and each member will be responsible for proof-reading his/her name, address and car info. Those who don't or can't attend the meeting I will e-mail you the info I have. I'm sure cars have come and gone since 2012 so if you want to send me that information ahead of time, I'd appreciate it.

My goal is to have the directory ready to pass out at the December meeting, again well attended.

On another note: Believe it or not it's about that time of year again. Beginning in the October issue I will include the 2017 renewal form in the bulletin.

## Test Your Knowledge of Old Car History

Answers on Page 8



- Q: What car was the first production V12, as well as the first production car with aluminum pistons?
- Q: What was the first car to use power operated seats?
- Q: Which of the Chrysler "letter cars" sold the fewest amount?
- Q: What car company was originally known as Swallow Sidecars (aka SS)?
- Q: When were seat belts first fitted to a motor vehicle?

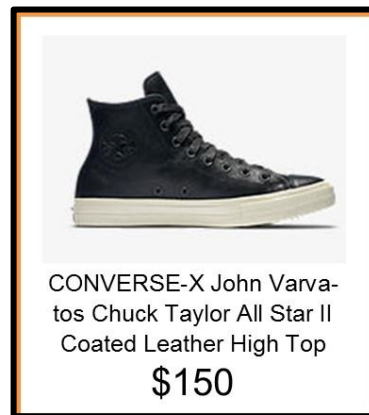




# If the Shoe Fits

When did shoes go from being a necessary item to a status symbol? Back in the day, we often went barefoot during the summer, but when September came calling with the start of school, cold winds and falling leaves, we (by necessity) started wearing shoes. Very few of us had multiple pairs of shoes. (I will admit that if our parents could afford it, we girls would push to get Penny Loafers or the coveted black & white Oxfords.) But I never remember having a different pair of shoes to go with each of my school dresses. In addition to my school shoes, I felt privileged to have a pair of Sunday shoes...black shiny flats. As the autumn turned into winter, most everyone also had a pair of boots or galoshes to cover our shoes and protect them from snow and rain. Shoes served a practical purpose and didn't cost an arm & a leg.

## SHOE PRICES - THEN & NOW:



In current times, shoes are worn for a variety of reasons: to be in style, to be "hip", to be part of the in crowd, to accessorize outfits...and the list goes on and on. If you see anyone under the age of 40 buying shoes and ask them why they just bought that pair of shoes, I will bet my next Social Security check that they will NOT say, "My other pair is completely worn out and I really need these shoes!" No, they will likely say, "I want these shoes and I deserve to have them!!"

It is not uncommon for people to stand in line for HOURS and HOURS to be the first to get a pair of the newest Nike (or any other popular brand name) shoes. I've even read newspaper stories of people being trampled and seriously hurt as the mob mentality takes over and people push and shove their way into the store!

What's happened to our world? It's a sad day when a pair of shoes is more important than the safety of our neighbors. It's tragic that so much of today's society is more concerned about ME than YOU. So let's all put on our big girl and boy shoes and set an example. We Silver Citizens can put our best foot forward and show the Millennials that a smile, a compliment, an act of kindness, a little bit of charity and a whole lot of common sense can go a long way to making a better world. Now, I'd better step down off my soap box and take a long walk to cool off!





# Upcoming Events

**Saturday, September 10 at 1:00 – Pitch-in picnic at Charlie and Becky Griffith** and possible short tour around Indianapolis for ***Drive Your Studebaker Day***, about a 30 minute drive. Again they will have BBQ pulled pork, water, tea and lemonade. Bring a dish and your tableware. After lunch and a short meeting we will drive to downtown Indy, around the Circle once or twice and end up at Café Nonna on Virginia Avenue in Fountain Square. They will reserve a parking lot for us. If you have not been to Café Nonna, they serve delicious gelato (Italian ice cream). They have both indoor and outdoor seating. There is easy access to both I-65 and I-70 from this location.



Griffiths address is 1526 South Hunter Rd, Indpls, In 46239. Call if you have any questions at 317-353-8287.

**Sunday, September 11 - Brand Indiana Bicentennial Motor Muster September 11 in Kokomo.**

**September 16 – 17 - Studebakers at Dunkirk, NY Swap Meet**

**September 30 – October 2 – Newport Hill Climb**



**Mark these dates on your calendar:**

**Sunday, October 9 at 1:00 pm -** On Sunday, October 9 we will be having lunch at "The Blue Bird Café" in Morristown, Ind. We will meet at the McDonalds in Shelbyville that is located at the Interstate 74 EXIT 113. It is where State Rd. 9 crosses Interstate 74. From there we will caravan to The Blue Bird. If you prefer to meet us there, it is located at 158 E. Main Street, Morristown, Ind., which is Highway 52. We will leave here at 12:00 (noon) for a nice fall tour (about 30 to 45 minutes) of our beautiful Indiana country side, which takes us east on Highway 52. Our reservation is for 1:00 PM.

The Blue Bird has a Sunday buffet that is excellent. They have a dessert table that makes the trip worthwhile even before you have a piece of fried chicken! The cost is \$11.95. I will need a head count to give to the restaurant as we will have both the Studebaker Drivers Club and the Historical Auto Club in attendance.

Please call me at 765-341-1010 or 765-318-9738 or email [msnider33@comcast.net](mailto:msnider33@comcast.net). There is street parking and a public parking lot across the road from the Blue Bird, also there is a bank and post office across the street with a lot of parking spaces available there, so parking will not be a problem.

This will be a very leisurely tour with a very tasty treat at the end. We look forward to seeing all of you.

Marvin & Berniece Snider

**November 6 – Pitch-in at Ed Reynolds**

## Old Car History Answers

A: The 1915 Packard Twin-Six. Used during WWI in Italy. These motors inspired Enzo Ferrari to adopt the V12

A: They were first used on the 1947 Packard line.

A: Only 400, 1963, 300J's were sold (they skipped "I" because it looked like a number 1)

A: Jaguar, which was an SS model first in 1935, and ultimately the whole company by 1945.

A: In 1902, in a Baker Electric streamliner racer which crashed at 100 mph. on Staten Island!



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### 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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Joe and Nancy Bacon's 1956 Golden Hawk

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