



BRICKYARD BULLETIN



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The Indy Chapter lunch and auction was a great success! For the third month in a row we enjoyed sunshine and 60 degree weather with many Studebaker's out for a drive. The club made \$467.00 from the many items that were donated. Diane Elmore purchased the "Official 1st in the food line pass" for all Indy Chapter events for the next year! I am pretty sure she will enjoy that privilege. A BIG thanks to Ed & Heidi Reynolds for hosting this event right before they left for the York Swap Meet.

I received a phone call the other day from Ryan Riffin who works at a nursing home in Muncie. David Hardwick is a resident there now and his niece is trying to establish a value and what year & model cars are in the barn. If anyone is interested in helping them with this info you can email riffinroad@gmail.com and he can get you in contact with David's niece. More info on page 3.

Hope everyone has made plans to attend the 53rd Annual SDC International Meet, it is only a little over 6 weeks away!

Nancy Bacon
Indy Chapter President

THE STUDEBAKER DRIVER'S CLUB Meeting March 5, 2017

President, Nancy Bacon, thanked our hosts, Ed & Heidi Reynolds for hosting our pitch in/auction.

Vice President, Diane Elmore, reported that she had nothing to report.

Secretary, Sandy Fox, said she had nothing to report also.

Treasurer, Tom Flynn, reported that the treasury had a balance of \$6,508.43. We have 61 paid members with 12 of them new members. We received a note from the Michiana chapter thanking us for sponsoring three trophies at the upcoming international meet in May. Tom also reported that the club renewed our adoption of the 1950 Champion Convertible and the 1954 Bob Bourke Coupe at the Studebaker National Museum.



Hosts Ed and Heidi Reynolds



Auctioneer Bob Palma (L) and his helper Jim Turner helped raise \$467.00 for the club. Job well done gentlemen!

Activities Director, Charlie Griffith, reported that in **April** Nick and Jo Shaw are hosting a lunch and tour in Crawfordsville. Details will be in the April newsletter.

May will have the drag races and a catered meal at Richard & Rose Poe's. There will be an article regarding this in the Turning Wheels and our newsletter.

The International Meet will be in South Bend and Joe Bacon has volunteered to take pictures and Teri Swartz will write an article. **June 17th** the Foxes will host a DAM Trip again to the Oakdale Inn. More info in the newsletter.



Get this auction started! Tom and Trudy Flynn pass out paddles to Mike Baker and others.

Newsletter Editor, Becky Griffith, still NEEDS ARTICLES!!

Miscellaneous: Mike Baker has a new location for his Restoration Shop for Avanti approximately 6 miles from Greenfield. More info will be in the newsletter.

The AOA Chapter President and SDC member, **Ted Andrews**, attended and announced a few upcoming Avanti events that the SDC could participate in. More information coming.

Ed Reynolds wants us to know that in South Bend in May he will not have a booth at the fairgrounds, BUT if you visit his store between 3pm to 8 pm you can get 10% off ALL WEEK! (The week of the International meet).

No new members or guests attended. We had 56 people in attendance. Teri Swartz won the 50/50 of \$62.00. Nancy announced that **ALL ANTIQUE VEHICLES that participate in Car Shows must now have a FIRE EXTINGUISHER!!**

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

Submitted by Sandy Fox, Secretary



50/50 winner Teri Swartz with husband, Andy



Daryl Lahr models his new belt buckle, a hood décor-ation he bid for at the auction.



Scott McCains sisters 1951 Champion Bullet Nose. You can see Scotts 1952 pickup next to the O'Neal's Avanti



David and Connie O'Neal's 1978 Avanti



Welcome New Members

Rocky & Susie Reitenour
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260-726-6139
rockyr43@yahoo.com

1958 Packard Hawk
1962 Daytona Convertible
1964 Daytona Convertible

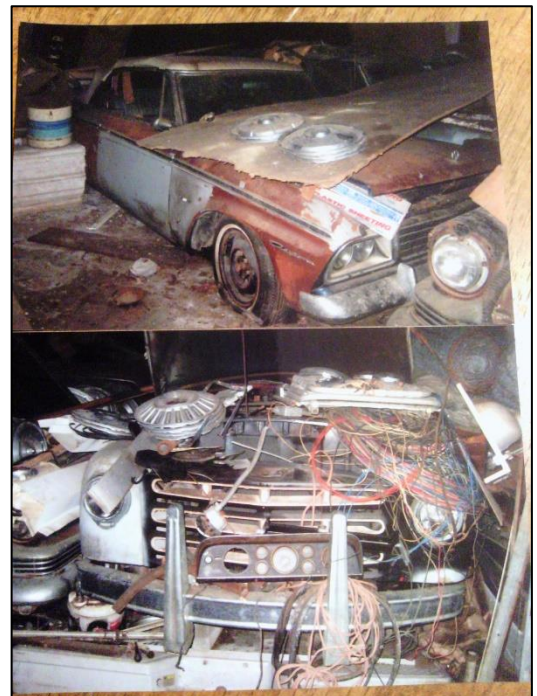


Parts for Sale

Mike Linderman has parts for sale. Go to Facebook "Studebakers of Indy" for pictures and details.

July 15 & 16 in Norwalk Oh., VanDerBrink Auction will auction off 700 collector car, **250 of which are Studebaker's!** This is being advertised as a candy store of collector cars, a life time of collecting rare & unusual. Information can be found on line under Ron Hackenberger or VanDerBrink Auction. Everything will be sold no reserve.

Ryan Riggin sent me pictures of these Studebaker's in a barn in Muncie. His niece is trying to establish what value there might be as she is trying to help her uncle, Dave Hardwick. Ryan works at the nursing home where Dave is. If anyone is interested they can contact him and he will let the niece know. Ryan Riggin 765-748-9056 or rigginroad @gmail.com



Well, after talking with the BMV in Indianapolis and the W. Lafayette license branch Mgr. here's the bottom line as of now.

1. IF you currently have or wish to have the tan "historic" / "antique" license plate on your vehicle you must visit a license branch AND sign an affidavit (BMV form # 56166).
2. There is only one Historic / Antique license plate and it's the tan plate we've had for a few years.
3. There is NO additional fee for this plate or renewal of this plate as long as it is renewed before the expiration date. **There is a \$30 late fee per vehicle if you renew after the expiration date.**
4. There are **two ways to register your old car IF you want the tan Historic / Antique plate.** A: Register it as a Historic vehicle where according to the chart the charge would be \$21.35 plus wheel taxes excise taxes as usual. B: register your car as a "Collector vehicle" which according to the fee schedule I was shown would cost \$37. NOTE! It's my suggestion since you have to go to the license branch anyway, ASK which way is the cheapest to register your particular vehicle. Of course you can always just put the regular plate on your car and avoid all the drama. It makes no difference which type registration you use, unless you drive your old car as your daily driver. Your choice.

Stuck/Frozen Fasteners

I am usually skeptical of instructional Youtube videos. When I have had firsthand experience of the subject matter, quite often I do not agree with all of the information given. I recently watched a video of someone freeing up some rusted nuts by getting them hot with a small torch and melting a candle on the fastener. After this process, the nuts came loose with normal wrench force. I didn't believe it could be that easy or simple but it was worth a try someday. What could it hurt?

Recently I was trying to remove the oil galley pipe plugs on the rear of a Studebaker V8. Two had a 5/16" hex socket which rounded out. One had a male square head which twisted off and the screw driver slotted plug at the bellhousing face twisted off at the slot as well. A light application of heat was of no help. I drilled all four plugs through and tried easy-out tools but that did not work either. At this point I reasoned trying a melted candle would not hurt anything. I heated the block around the plug and plug itself as I had done previously. It was just enough to melt the candle. I pushed the butt end of a candle against the plug at the top on the joint line. The candle turned to a liquid immediately and ran down. I did this twice. I then inserted the easy-out again and the plug came loose and unscrewed easily. It worked the same on all four plugs. I could not believe how good it worked. Has anybody else tried this? It worked for me. I will try it again when the opportunity presents itself. The candle only cost me 20 cents at the local thrift store. It is now the cheapest tool in my toolbox. I guess some things on Youtube are truly valid.

Jim Pepper



Easter Parade



"In your Easter bonnet, with all the frills upon it, You'll be the grandest lady in the Easter Parade."



Raise your hand if you remember ladies wearing Easter bonnets. Have you ever participated in or watched an Easter Parade? I'm afraid these traditions are gone and just one of our Studebaker Era memories. NOW, in the year 2017, women rarely wear a hat...and if they do wear one, it tends to be a baseball cap. The wearing of fancy hats has been relegated to fuzzy pictures in history books.

But, the good news is that parades are still enjoyed in the 21st century. Maybe there aren't too many Easter parades, but there are High School football homecoming parades, the Rose Bowl parade, the Indianapolis 500 Festival parade, tons of 4th of July parades and other parades too numerous to list. Yes, the tradition of parades is still alive and well.

Not only are parades alive and well, we Studebaker lovers are often driving one of our beauties in the parade. Here's a few parade-worthy pictures.



Recently, I stumbled across this photo of a downtown South Bend parade featuring a brigade of just-off-the-line brand new 1935 Studebakers.



Check out the parade float shown below. Now that flower-bedecked Studebaker tank, not only shows adaptability, but also a ton of ingenuity.



And...our last parade picture features two brothers, their trusty dog and a 1909 Studebaker Dog Cart.



Upcoming Events

Saturday, April 22 at 1:00 – Nick and Jo Shaw are hosting a lunch and tour in Crawfordsville. Meet at 1:00 p.m. at Elk's Ridge at 3097 E. State Road 32 Crawfordsville, IN 47933, elksridge.net and after lunch we'll take a tour of the Ropeky Museum.

Price of the lunch package is \$15.00 per person and includes a non-alcoholic beverage.
Price does not include tax and tip.

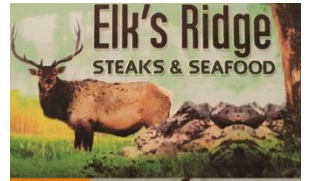
MENU choices are:

- Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad - romaine, Parmesan croutons, roasted garlic dressing.
- Spinach salad - fresh spinach, diced tomato, feta cheese, candied pecans, warm bacon vinaigrette.
- Pork tenderloin - grilled or breaded, lettuce, tomato, Dijon aioli, brioche bun.
- Pork BB - smoked pork shoulder, peach bbq sauce, Asian slaw, brioche bun.
- Beef Cheddar Burger - lettuce, tomato, pickle, red onion.

Sandwiches served with french fries.

After lunch we'll take a short trip over to the Ropeky Museum. For those who have not been to Ropeky, this is a private collection of military memorabilia. From Sherman Tanks to walkie talkies, it's all here. This museum is generally closed on Saturdays but Joni Ropkey has graciously agreed to open for our club.

Contact Nick or Jo at 765-866-0586 or Njshaw3@gmail.com if you plan to attend this fun day.



Mark these dates on your calendar:



May – Indiana, Nashville, May 26th, 27th 2017 will be the 10th annual Studebaker Nationals and Orphan Car Drags held in Bean Blossom, Indiana. This year on Friday 26th at 5:30PM we will have a catered dinner and Rose's desserts at our home. Saturday, May 27, at 9:00AM Brown County Dragway, Bean Blossom, Indiana for racing and car show.

This is our tenth year so it would be nice to have a big crowd. We had lots of racers and spectators again last year. We also attracted new members.

We have arranged for a discount on rooms at the Seasons Lodge, ask for it when you make reservations. That information is below. There is trailer parking available.

For more places to stay, go to the other link below.

Look in TW, "What's Happening" racing section for more information.

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800.365.7327 / 812.988.2284

<http://www.seasonslodge.com/>

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May 3-6, 2017 53rd ANNUAL STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB INTERNATIONAL MEET SOUTH BEND, INDIANA HOSTED BY MICHIANA CHAPTER SDC.

Saturday, June 17 12:00 – Back by popular demand lunch at the "Best Catfish By A Dam Site" is back. This will be a driving tour to Monticello to the Oakdale Dam Inn, 11899 W. Oakdale Dr., Monticello. Details in next issue.

Upcoming Events (continued)

July – Luau at Joe and Nancy Bacon's

August – OPEN

September – “*Drive Your Studebaker Day*” hosted by Dave and Diane Elmore

September 15-16 – 12th Annual Midwest Studebaker Only Swap Meet in Menomonie Wisconsin. Vendor registration is below.

Saturday, September 23 12:00 – Grand Opening Celebration at Mike Bakers new shop in Greenfield

October – OPEN

November – Ed Reynolds

December – Christmas Dinner hosted by Peggy Scott

Below is a vendor registrations form for the Swap Meet in Menomonie Wisconsin should anyone be interested.

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Vendor Registration

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell _____

E-Mail _____

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Send Membership on joining: Studebaker Drivers Club (International)

Badger Wheels Chapter (Wis.)

Vendor Space \$15.00

Payable to: Badger Wheels SDC

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2203 Dairyland Rd

Menomonie, WI 54751

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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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Tom Flynn's 1960 Lark VIII

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