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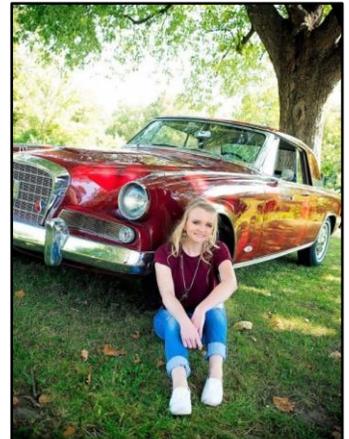


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Diane and Dave Elmore arranged a nice drive for the Indy Chapter members on International Drive Your Studebaker Day and the weather they ordered was great as well! The stop at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway for their Coffee & Cars cruise in got our club pictured in IMS's Twitter & Instagram post! The Mug n' Bun was a perfect stop for lunch with really good root beer!

It is not too early to start thinking of events for next year's monthly meetings. If you have favorite restaurant, or an idea for a club event let us know. We are always looking for new and old places to go! Hope to see everyone Oct. 21 at Hanger 5 in Columbus.

Harry Gaskins son Richard is looking to sell his dad's 1964 4 door Cruiser with 63,000 miles. It is a running car but will need work on the brakes. \$3000 OBO 812-268-3187. Harry passed away a while back and his mother Shirley is in a nursing home. The Gaskins were long time Indy Chapter members.



Our Granddaughter Stephany asked to use our 1964 R2 GT Hawk in her senior pictures! She sure makes the car look good!

Nancy Bacon
President Indy Chapter



The Studebaker Driver's Club Meeting Saturday, September 9

By Diane Elmore
Photos Diane Elmore and Nancy Bacon

This year's Drive Your Studebaker Day was a picture perfect combination of comfortable temperatures, sunny skies and enthusiastic people showing off their prized Studebakers. Leaving Avon, Indiana, ten Studebakers caravanned through the backroads of



Hendricks County and then headed east...to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway (who was hosting a monthly *Cars and Coffee* show). Our club president was interviewed by a track staff member. After the interview, we were posed for a photo that I am sure will become a highly prized item in the IMS archives!



After a short time to check out some of the interesting cars at the IMS show, the group gathered up and drove down Speedway, Indiana's revitalized Main Street, ending up at the iconic Mug n' Bun. We were joined there by another car and some guests. So, the tally was 11 cars and 24 people enjoying a special day in Indiana! After devouring hot dogs,

tenderloins, burgers, onion rings, French Fries, shakes (and that was just my order), everyone got in their Studebakers for some more driving...back to their homes.

On a side note, Tom Lawlis informed us that back in the day, his brother and he had visited the Mug n' Bun MANY times... driving the same Golden Hawk he was driving on this year's Drive Your Studebaker Day!



Tom Lawlis and his 1957 Golden Hawk





Open House at Mike Baker's Avanti Car Shop

It was a really hot and sunny day on Saturday, September 27 when SDC members, AOAI members, family and friends joined together to celebrate member, Mike Baker's, Grand Opening of his new Avanti Restoration and Service, Inc. *in air conditioning. Thanks Mike.* It was a good turnout as party goers told stories of how they knew

Mike and wished him good luck.



A few things caught my attention. As stories were going around, Mike's brother, who had grilled the hamburgers, remarked "Mike doesn't cut corners on anything. Even our hamburgers are square." And they were, they were delicious square hamburgers. Bob Palma found out he was sitting next to a former student from when he taught auto mechanics at Tech High School. Small world. And lastly, a friend of Mike's, I didn't catch his name, drove all the way from Kansas City to be with Mike on this special day.



Mike with his wife, Yvonne, and son



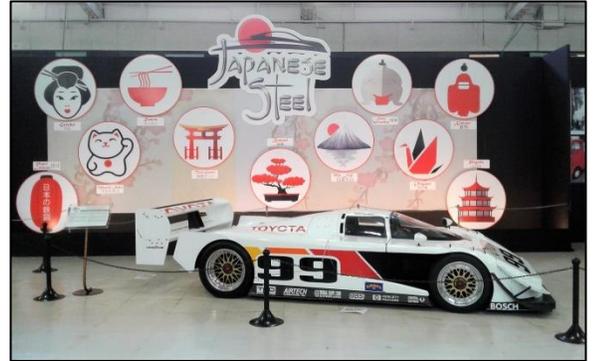
I'm sure I represent the entire SDC membership when I say "Best of luck in your new endeavor Mike".



Studebakers in San Diego

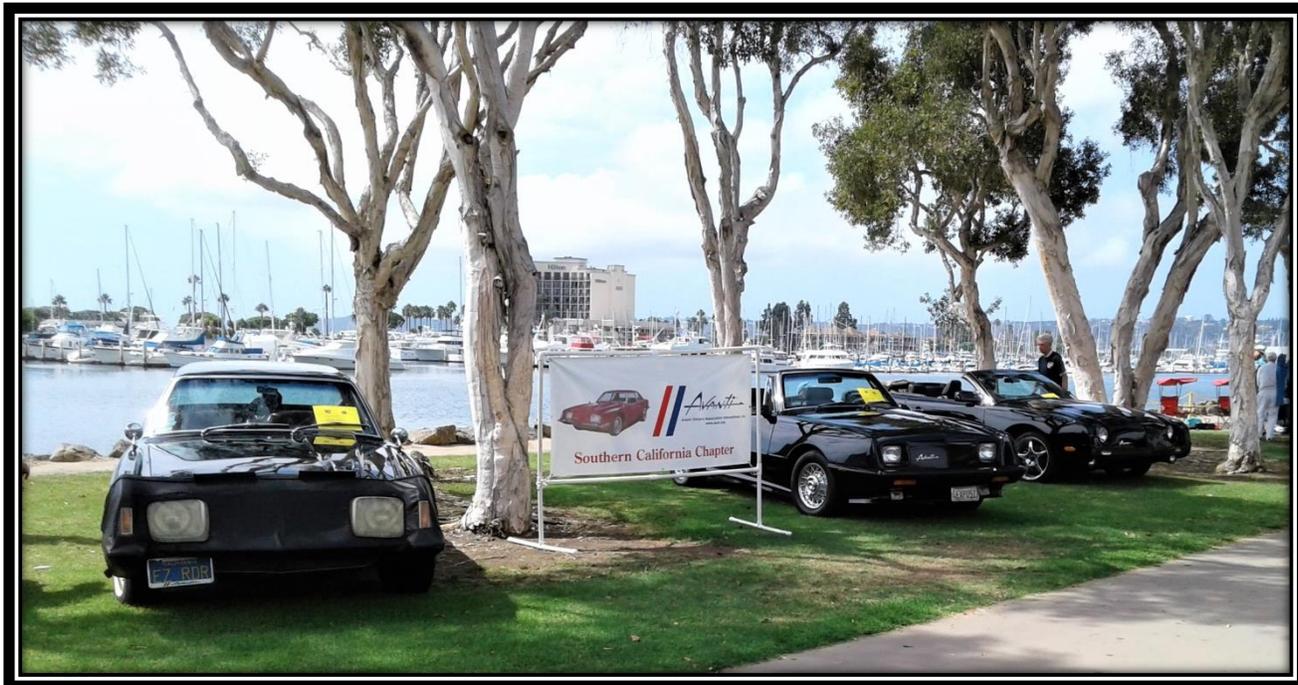
Becky Griffith

Charlie and I are back from a vacation in sunny San Diego. Of course we looked and found Studebakers. We first visited the San Diego Automotive Museum in Balboa Park. There current display is of “Japanese Steel”. But located way back in the corner we found the “Barn Find” and wouldn’t you know it was a Studebaker, the only Studebaker in the entire museum. Yes, we were disappointed but not for long.



A few days later we were taking friends to the airport when right across the street was the SDC San Diego chapter annual zone meet. I was totally unprepared for this, no paper, no pen, but I did take pictures. Hope you enjoy the pictures and be sure to check out the background. They were parked along the bay which made for beautiful photos and look at those palm trees!





About Our Members

Hello, Friends;

Dad, **Lumir S. Palma**, concluded his good run from April 14, 1917 to September 6, 2017 at 11:15 AM .

He was comfortable and peaceful to the end, having broken his right hip only one week ago. The break was such that he was able to be kept comfortable while in the Health Care Center at Marquette Senior Living with outpatient, on location Hospice Care from St. Vincent's Hospital Hospice Services barely a mile away.

*(For my **automotive friends** who knew Dad and are keeping track, the count of known, living, former **Packard** dealers is now down to **two**; one in Missouri and one in Florida. Dad had been #3, the oldest of the trio, as the others are still in their 90s, per the latest information I have. Dad was the subject of a four-page **Personality Profile**, at age 93, in the May 2010 edition of **Hemmings Classic Car**. The article may be read on line for free by access-ing **Hemmings Classic Car** archives. I didn't write the article because that was before I had a column in that magazine, but supplied the photographs and much information for Hemmings writer David LaChance, who did a wonderful job on it.)*

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.

Bob & Cari Palma



Member, Philip Hamilton, of Madison, Indiana passed away May 13 at the age of 79.



Are you a TRUE Hoosier?

If you've lived in Indiana for any part of your life, you can't escape the legend and lore of being a true Hoosier. Recently I found a website called: Only In Your State (www.onlyinyourstate.com). If you visit this site, you can then click on any state that you might want to browse.

After clicking on INDIANA, one of the first articles that caught my eye was entitled **11 Undying Habits That Prove You Can Never Take Indiana Out of Hoosiers**. I agreed with most items on the list, however I did find a couple that I didn't find to be a habit of mine. Would you like to see the list? According to the article's author, these are our identifying traits:

1. Believing that all corn should be farm fresh
2. Calling all carbonated beverages "coke" or "pop"
3. Getting rid of unwanted items by burning them in a bonfire
4. Living for basketball season
5. Believing everything is better deep fried



6. Never trusting the weather reports
7. Pulling out lawn chairs for a front row seat whenever there's a tornado warning
8. Always greeting strangers
9. Avoiding the alcohol aisle on Sundays
10. Wearing shorts in "cold" weather
11. Feeling a great burst of pride whenever you are asked, "Where are you from?"

Well, this list of 11 items got me to thinking. Do you find anything missing from the list? The main omission that jumped out to me was that there was NO mention of Studebaker included in the list. What could be more Hoosier than a Studebaker?

Studebakers were CONCEIVED (designed) IN INDIANA, BORN (built) IN INDIANA, and ADOPTED (into the garages of thousands of families) IN INDIANA! Yes, being a Hoosier is in every Studebaker's DNA!

The second most glaring omission was that there was no mention of the Indianapolis 500 Mile Race. When you are traveling around our country and are asked, "Where are you from?", what's the next question you are asked after you answer that you are from Indiana? In my experience, it has always been, "Have you ever been to the 500 Mile Race?" This past year, the IMS Museum certainly honored and acknowledged the huge connection between Studebaker and the famous race. If you were lucky enough to visit the museum during their special tribute to the race's history, you couldn't help but be overwhelmed and very proud of Studebaker's contribution to the "Greatest Spectacle in Racing".

So, while it's absolutely accurate that many diverse things are included in a list of Hoosier traits and/or habits, I propose that a love of Studebakers should top the list!



Upcoming Events

Saturday, October 21, 1:00 - Charlie and Becky Griffith host lunch at **Blackerby's Hanger 5 at the Columbus airport**. Address is 4770 Ray Boll Blvd, Suite 3. Blackerby's is located on the airports runway making it a fun way to watch planes take off and land. They have a real nice menu, breakfast is served all day. After lunch, we take a short walk across the parking lot to the Atterbury-Bakalar Air Museum. There is no entrance fee, donations welcomed.



Mark these dates on your calendar:



November 5 - 1:00 – Pitch-in dinner at **Studebaker International, hosted by Ed Reynolds**. Meat will be provided, bring a side-dish and your table service. Ed's address is 97 N 150 W, Greenfield, 46140. This is always a great get together, hope you can make it.



December 2 – 1:00 - Once again it is time to gather to celebrate the Christmas season with our Studebaker friends. This year we will be visiting a new restaurant, **Green Street Pub, 911 N. Green St., Brownsburg, In.** We will have a private room and will order from their extensive menu which you can view by going to www.greenstreetpubandeatery.com

To add merriment to the occasion, we will have our gift exchange. A gift should be something in the \$5 to \$7 range. Ladies bring something for a lady and gents bring something for a man. Hope to see everyone there. Berniece Snider

January 27 – 1:00 - Lunch at the Pit Stop in Brownsburg

August 29 – September 1 – International meet in Seattle/Tacoma, Washington



Oh no. There's nothing else scheduled. Please give 2018 some thought and volunteer for an event. If you don't want to sponsor, contact Charlie Griffith with your idea, he'll take it from there.

Adding this in at the very last second:

I have 12 -15 inch Studebaker wheels with tires still on them, if anyone wants them they are free for the taking.

Harold Williams hrlldwilliams7@gmail.com

National SCD Membership Application

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.)

Mail application and check to:

Or email: studebakerdriversclub.com for information

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Call 763-420-7829 to use Visa or Mastercard

Or fax application with credit card to 763-420-7849

Name: _____ Spouse _____
Address: _____ Year _____ Model _____ Body Style _____
City _____ St _____ Zip _____
Phone: _____ E-Mail _____
Birth Date(s): _____
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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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