



# BRICKYARD BULLETIN



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The long awaited arrival of spring has finally gotten here, at least on the calendar! The warmer weather brings with it lots of fun events to enjoy our Studebaker's. There are a couple of months that we are looking for ideas for our meetings, if anyone has a suggestion let me know.

Joe made a trip to Studebaker International's new location in Hope, In. to pick up some parts for our 64 R2 GT Hawk and said its very organized and the location easy to get to. Everything from the Greenfield location is now at the Hope warehouse and everything from South Bend is at their Shelbyville warehouse. This was a monumental move that they did while continuing to ship out orders to Studebaker owners all over the world. We are lucky to have the largest supplier of parts right in our backyard and members of our local club!

May 3rd & 4th is the 38th annual Studebaker Swap Meet & Car Show at St Joseph Co Fair Grounds, South Bend, In. This is a great event to start the spring/summer car season with. Hope to see everyone soon!

Nancy Bacon  
President, Indy Chapter

## Pitch-in and Auction in Wanamaker March 10, 2019

The Studebaker Drivers Club and Hudson Club met on Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> for a pitch-in and annual auction at the Franklin Township Civic League in Wanamaker. This was our first visit to this facility but happy to report the room was large, clean, lots of plugs and plenty of parking. Thank you to those who stayed after and helped put chairs/tables away and clean up.

Vice President Diane Elmore opened the meeting by thanking Larry and Sue Kennedy for sponsoring this get together.

Finance – Tom Flynn reported the club currently has \$6915.88 in funds and 46 paid members.

Activities – Charlie Griffith reported our next event is Saturday, April 20 hosted by Bob and Sandy Fox. The club will be driving to the Oakdale Dam Inn in Monticello for lunch.



Hosts Larry and Sue Kennedy

As you may know, a member forgot to pay their bill at the Pit Stop in February. To stay in good standing with the Pit Stop, Bob Palma recommended the club pay the \$20.00 bill. Jeff Westcott 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried. This is the first time in memory this has happened, so we're going to write this off as a senior moment!

Joe Bacon reported on Studebaker International. They are currently 90% moved out of South Bend and 80% out of Greenfield. Joe went to pick up some supplies and said the service was great.



Photos courtesy Larry Hopkins and Becky Griffith

Andy Swartz moved to adjourned, Kathy Westcott 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Following the meeting the annual auction began with our veteran auctioneer Bob Palma officiating. Tom Flynn reports that the club took in \$181.00 total.

Submitted by Becky Griffith



From Mike Baker "Lincoln brought his best friend, Owen Sickels, to the meeting today. Owen said he had a great time and is looking forward to more get togethers." Looks like two future Studebaker members.



Auctioneer Bob Palma hard at work.



Mike Baker drove Melissa Sipes 1952 Champion convertible to the meeting.

This comment is from the August 26, 2018 issue of the *Indianapolis Star* newspaper in the "Let It Out" section. I thought our club would appreciate the humor:

**"The dumbest question in the world is, "Do you want your tenderloin breaded or grilled?"**



# Welcome New Members

Andy & Shantelle Ebbert  
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1929 Dictator 6 Sedan



I received this email from Charles Musgrove with some sad news about Bob Canada the Zone Director of the South Central Zone.

Ladies & Gentlemen:

Bob Canada, South Central Zone Director of the National SDC, had a massive heart attack Saturday and has passed away. This is very sad news for the local Northeast Oklahoma Club, The South Central Zone and for the Studebaker community as a whole. Bob was a champion for the Studebaker Marque and has been a leader for many years. He retired just a couple of weeks ago and it is hard to understand. However you pray, you may want to remember his wife, Helen and the rest of his family. He will be missed.

Charles Musgrove

Respectfully,  
Susan Lusted



Hi Everyone:

I am sending this request to all of you. I was contacted by an individual living in southern Indiana. He is not an AOAI member but is interested in joining (I am sending him our latest Indiana Chapter newsletter with the membership form). John is 70. His Dad bought a new R-1 auto Avanti in 1963, just before John joined the Navy to become a Sea Bee and go to Vietnam. He has always wanted an Avanti since then. Recently, his wife was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. John's goal is to acquire an Avanti this year and drive the car with his wife. Based on my phone conversation with him and email (see below), this is what he is looking for:

1963-64 Avanti R-2 , 4 speed. A car that is in good cosmetic condition (doesn't have to be a 100 point car, just very nice presentable condition) The car has to be in very good mechanical condition. No projects (Sorry Mike). John wants a car that is turnkey ready so he can drive 600 miles across the country with. This is his first choice.

His second choice is a 1963-64 GT Hawk, R-2, 4-speed. Same cosmetic and mechanical condition as the Avanti.

Do any of you know of an Avanti or GT Hawk that is for sale that meets these requirements? Please ask around. If you do, please forward the info on the cars to me and I will send to John. If the car is in the Midwest, that would be great, But if there are good candidates around the country, I would like to hear about them as well.

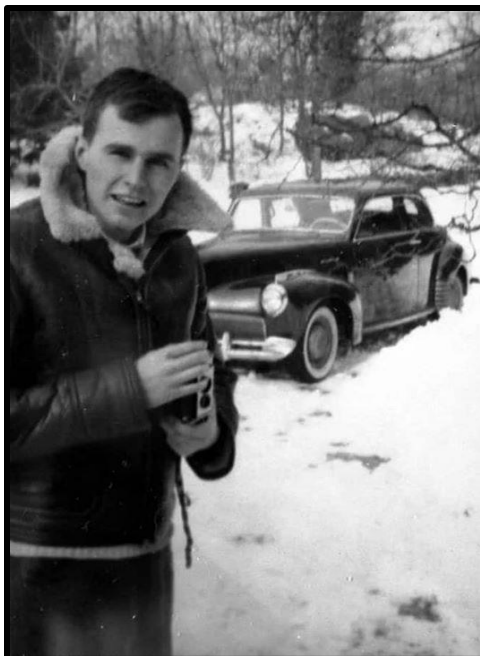
If you have any questions or comments, please let me know. Thank you in advance!

Ted Andrews

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For more dates go to Cars & Coffee on Facebook.



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| <b>MAR 30</b> | <b><u>Cars and Coffee at Graham Rahal Performance</u></b><br>Sat 9 AM · 1,052 guests                                   | <a href="#"><u>Graham Rahal Performance</u></a><br>Brownsburg, IN         |
| <b>APR 6</b>  | <b><u>Gator Motorsport</u></b><br>Sat 9 AM · 376 guests  | <a href="#"><u>Gator Motorsport</u></a><br>Indianapolis, IN               |
| <b>APR 13</b> | <b><u>Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum</u></b><br>Sat 9 AM · Jeffrey is interested                                   | <a href="#"><u>Indianapolis Motor Speedway</u></a><br>Indianapolis, IN    |
| <b>APR 20</b> | <b><u>K1 Speed Fishers</u></b><br>Sat 9 AM · 168 guests  | <a href="#"><u>K1 Speed (Fishers)</u></a><br>Fishers, IN                  |
| <b>APR 27</b> | <b><u>Cars and Coffee at Graham Rahal Performance</u></b><br>Sat 9 AM · 613 guests                                     | <a href="#"><u>Graham Rahal Performance</u></a><br>Brownsburg, IN         |
| <b>MAY 4</b>  | <b><u>Putnam Park Road Course to host Indianapolis Cars &amp; Coffee</u></b><br>Sat 9:30 AM · 962 guests               | <a href="#"><u>Putnam Park Road Course</u></a><br>Greencastle, IN         |
| <b>MAY 11</b> | <b><u>Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum - Parking Limited to 100 cars</u></b><br>Sat 9 AM · Jeffrey Westcott is going | <a href="#"><u>Indianapolis Motor Speedway</u></a><br>Indianapolis, IN    |
| <b>MAY 18</b> | <b><u>Zionsville Lions Park</u></b><br>Sat 7:30 AM · Jeffrey Westcott is going   | <a href="#"><u>Zionsville Lions Park</u></a><br>Zionsville, IN            |
| <b>MAY 25</b> | <b><u>SILO Auto Club and Conservancy</u></b><br>Sat 8 AM · 292 guests  | <a href="#"><u>SILO Auto Club and Conservancy</u></a><br>Indianapolis, IN |

**Scott Vermillion to Studebaker Addicts (international)**  
January 14

George HW Bush with his 1941 Studebaker!



# Studebaker Indiana

## May 3-4, 2019



### 38th Annual Swap Meet, Open Car Show & Car Corral St. Joseph County 4H Fairgrounds

SOUTH BEND, IN - The Michiana Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club cordially invites you to join us for our *38th Annual 'Mini National' Studebaker, Indiana, Collector Car Swap Meet, OPEN Car & Truck Show, and Car Corral.*

This year we are again featuring the *Studebaker-Packard Concours d'Elegance* to the Saturday only car show; The *Studebaker-Packard Concours d'Elegance* is open to all Studebakers and Packards. This creates two shows in one; the Concours to honor our club's roots and the proud history of Studebaker-Packard and the *Open Car & Truck Show* to recognize all other great makes and models.

The entire Swap Meet, Car & Truck Show is located at the spacious *St. Joseph 4-H Fairgrounds*, at 5117 South Ironwood Road, here in historic South Bend, Indiana. We're just minutes from the Indiana Toll Road, the Studebaker National Museum, Studebaker International, The College Football Hall of Fame, The Northern Indiana Historical Museum and the University of Notre Dame to name just a few of the landmarks nearby.

The St. Joseph County 4-H Fairgrounds feature indoor and outdoor vendor spaces, close by FREE parking, clean restrooms with overnight camping available.

Again this year we will have food, snacks, pop, coffee, etc. available at the world famous Starlite Café located in the main swap building.

Registration will be located in the main indoor swap building across from the Starlite Café.

Be sure to check out our website for more information at [www.Michiana-Chapter-SDC.net](http://www.Michiana-Chapter-SDC.net)

#### SATURDAY ONLY CAR SHOW

*All 20+ year old Makes & Models Welcome!*

*Crafters Welcome too!*

### *Rain or Shine!*

*Free Public Parking*

Admission:

\$ 5.00 per person , Kids under 12 FREE

#### Schedule of Events

(subject to change)

#### THURSDAY, May 2, 2019

12:00 noon - 5:00 pm VENDOR MOVE-IN,  
SWAP MEET & CAR CORRAL SET-UP

#### FRIDAY, May 3, 2019

8:00 am - 5:00 pm SWAP MEET & CAR CORRAL

#### SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019

8:00 am - 5:00 pm CAR SHOW, SWAP MEET & CAR CORRAL

7:00 am - 10:00 am CAR SHOW REGISTRATION

10:00 am - 2:00 pm CAR SHOW JUDGING

3:00 pm (APPROX) CAR SHOW AWARDS

St. Joseph County 4H Fairgrounds

5117 Ironwood Road, South Bend, IN 46614

GPS coordinates: 41°37'18.4"N 86°12'57.4"W

41.621784, -86.215934

#### CAR SHOW ON SATURDAY ONLY

DASH PLAQUES TO FIRST 100 VEHICLES

*THREE TROPHIES IN EACH CLASS!*

*1ST-2ND-3RD TO HIGHEST POINT*

*GETTERS IN EACH CLASS*

Studebaker-Packard Concours d'Elegance

10 + Divisions

Open 20+ year old Collector Car & Truck

Show 10 + Classes

*MICHIANA CHAPTER SDC RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADD OR COMBINE CAR SHOW CLASSES, OR TO REJECT ANY VENDORS DEEMED INAPPROPRIATE FOR THE MEET.*

*PRICING APPLIES TO CHAPTER MEMBERS AND NON MEMBERS.*

#### OVERNIGHT CAMPING

AVAILABLE AT THE FAIRGROUNDS  
PLEASE REGISTER FOR CAMPING THROUGH THE MICHIANA CHAPTER

#### HOST HOTEL

Comfort Suites, NEW HOTEL NEAR THE FAIRGROUNDS!

60971 US 31 South, South Bend, IN, US, 46614, (574) 291-3100

*Alternate Hotel: Ivy Court Inn & Suites, 1404 Ivy Ct., South Bend, IN 46637, 574.277.6500*

**Lil' Studie says...**



# Studebaker Indiana

## May 3-4, 2019

**...mark your calendar!**

**[www.Michiana-Chapter-SDC.net](http://www.Michiana-Chapter-SDC.net)**



# HOPE, INDIANA

## HERITAGE DAYS

**52<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL**

**SEPTEMBER 27, 28, & 29**

Dear Studebaker International,

The Board of Directors for the Festival & Bandstand Division would like to welcome you to be a partner in the upcoming Hope Heritage Days festival, our town's celebration of the rich, early American history and quality of life in the spirit and values of its founding fathers.

As a gift to the newly relocated Studebaker International team to the town of Hope, we have committed to bring a special exhibit provided by the Indiana Historical Society called "History On Wheels". Their custom trailer provides nearly 1,000 square feet of indoor space and allows guests to take a ride through the state's far-reaching and personal connections to the auto industry.

The exhibit touches on the history of more than 100 Indiana automakers and manufacturers, such as Cord, Duesenberg and *Studebaker*, and delves into the lives of Hoosier innovators and inventors.

To provide some background about our event, each year over 30,000 visitors pour into the historic town square during the two and a half days to enjoy live music, wonderfully prepared food by our local non-profit organizations, more than 90 craft vendors, historic reenactments, and other special events.

The nearly perfect weather during the 2018 festival rewarded our efforts by producing the most attended festival in memory. The food vendors saw over \$150K in sales and our local restaurants and downtown businesses experienced record totals. The Saturday night concert was most attended entertainment event with over 1200 on hand.

The Friday night gospel concert at Hauser High School and the bandstand concert events on the town square were major successes, and the Sunday afternoon parade and fly over continued to be the largest single day draw in the county with thousands in attendance.

Our promotional efforts greatly benefited our sponsors and participants due to our excellent relationship with regional radio stations and newspapers. We also employ digital media in order to provide comprehensive coverage of our event with our Facebook page having almost 5,000 followers.

The Festival Division is also a part of a parent organization, Heritage of Hope Inc., which includes our local digital newspaper, HSJ Online, the area Art Guild, and the Hope MainStreet group. These other organizations provide a support network for our festival that is as invaluable as it is unique. We also work closely with the Yellow Trail Museum and their board to provide the two-day Pioneer Village and other educational, history-focused events.

In the past, a large car show was held on Saturday with many participants remaining in the area to take part in the Sunday parade. We envision a role for Studebaker International and Studebaker car clubs to help create a first-class automotive event that will benefit each of us in 2019 and beyond.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Michael Dean, CEO of HOH Inc.



# Huh? What? I didn't hear what you said.

It looks like I've reached the time in my life when I just have to discuss "HA" (the dreaded **H**earing **A**ides). I'm tired of missing out on what people are saying. I often don't understand what's being said. If I'm sitting in the backseat of a car, I can just forget about hearing anything someone in the front seat might be talking about. When asked a question, I confuse sound-alike words and respond with totally off-the-wall answers. So, this is the year! I'm going to bite the bullet and yell, "HA".

Recently, my granddaughter Casey was spending the night at our house. The next morning as we were getting dressed, she told me, "I think my hip bones are going out."

I was startled and asked her when she had noticed this. She said she had noticed it in the last two weeks. I immediately asked her, "Have you told your Mom?" She said she had, but her Mom had told her that she would just have to wait to get them fixed.

What????? I gasped and said, "have you gone to the doctor yet? Why do you have to wait to get them looked at and fixed?"

My granddaughter then told me that she hadn't saved up enough money for new hip bones or to get her old ones fixed. Well, this Grandma was furious! What was the matter with my son and daughter-in-law? Why wouldn't their health insurance pay for this?

With my blood pressure about to top the charts, I proceeded to ask her one more question. "Where do you have to go to get your hip bones fixed?"

Her reply was, "Probably Best Buy."

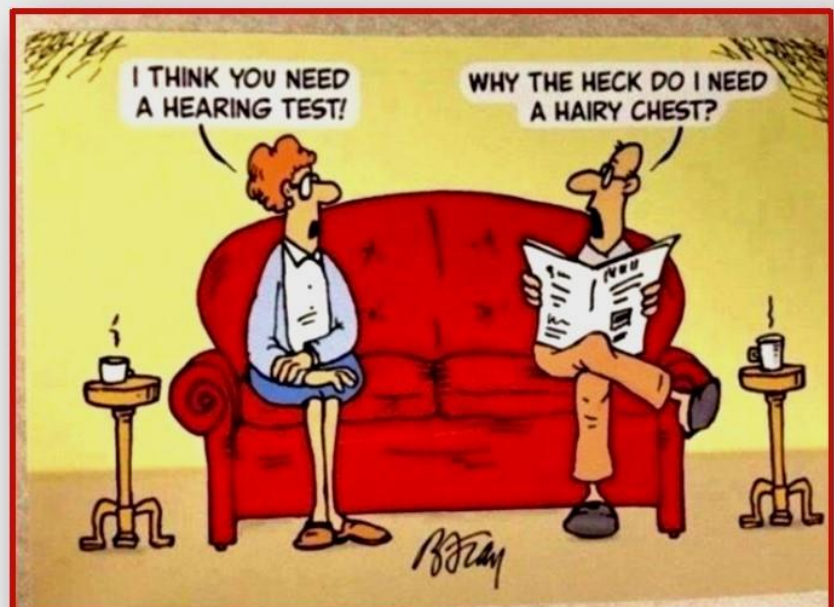
I screamed, "What are you talking about. You can't get your hip bones fixed at Best Buy!"

She started to laugh and said, "Boppie, I didn't say 'hip bones'...I said 'head phones'...my head phones are going out."

And this is when I knew I had a problem. It wasn't just Dave mumbling. The TV didn't need to be turned up it. It all became clear and I knew that this would be my "HA" year!!!

I've been doing a lot of research. (Why? Because after working in a library for 27 years, *Research* is my middle name.) Unfortunately, I couldn't find a Studebaker Hearing Aid...no used models and NOS was totally out of the question.

So, since I can't shop and buy my favorite brand name, I guess I will have to settle for the Whisper 2000 or a Miracle Ear. Of course, if times get hard, I could opt for the tried and true portable hearing bell. What do you think?



# Upcoming Events

**April 20 – Oakdale Dam Inn in Monticello, In.** We will leave from the Hardee’s at 1630 E Main St, Plainfield IN at 9:00 AM. Bob and Sandy Fox will guide the club on a 90 mile tour to the “**Best Catfish by a Dam Site**”. We plan to eat at noon.



## Mark Your Calendar:



**May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> – 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Swap Meet,** Open Car Show and Car Corral at the St. Joseph County 4-H Fairgrounds. See page 5 for more information.

**May 24 –** Night before the Drags Dinner. More information to come.

**May 25 – Studebaker Nationals and Orphan Car Drags** in Bean Blossom, In., hosted by Richard and Rose Poe. Gates open at 9:00 am. There is a snack bar at the track, or bring your own picnic lunch.

**June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> - 38th annual Studebaker Swap Meet & Car Show** at St Joseph Co Fair Grounds, South Bend, In. Details and page 3.

**June – Johnson’s BBQ Shack at 82 S. Baldwin St. in Bargersville.** We made this trip last year on *Drive Your Studebaker Day*, however, the rain was so intense there were only about 10 members that attended. But they loved the food and a few have asked that we return. We can sit outside or there is a private room. More to come.

**July 13- 1:00 p.m. – Bacon’s Annual Luau.** Joe Bacon will again provide the meat. Bring a favorite dish and your eating utensils.

**August – Open.** Any ideas?

**September 11-14 – Studebaker International in Mansfield, Ohio.** Refer to *Turning Wheels* for details.

**September 14 – International Drive Your Studebaker Day**

**September 27 – 29 – Hope, Indiana’s Heritage Day.** See page 4 for details. By participating in this event **we show support for the new owners of Studebaker International** that have recently moved to Hope.

**October – Open.** Any ideas?

**Sunday, November 10 – 1:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner** pitch-in hosted by Mike, Yvonne and Lincoln Baker at Mike’s shop in Greenfield.



# The Brickyard Bulletin

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### National SDC Membership

Regular membership dues in the National Studebaker Club are \$24.00 for new members 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://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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