

# BRICKYARD BULLETIN



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I know the past few weeks/months have been difficult for all of us. We are all ready to get out and do the activities that we enjoy, visiting our friends and families, going out to eat, taking our Studebaker's to car shows! The cancellation of this summer's 56th Annual International Meet in Chattanooga Tn. was a very difficult decision for the International club to make and very disappointing for the host chapter that had worked two years on this meet, and everyone who was looking forward to attending. The Indy Chapter plans for the 57th Annual International Meet September 8-11, 2021 are still moving forward. Our club is still planning some fun summer events that are held outdoors which should help with social distancing. Stay safe and stay healthy and hope to see everyone soon!

Nancy Bacon Indy Chapter President

#### **Spring Outing**

On Thursday, May 7, Community Rehab Hospital South asked the HAC Club to do a Thank You Parade for their employees and to bolster the spirits of their patients; they then invited the Studebaker Club to join them.



Jeff and Kathy Westcott in their 1962 Lark Daytona (L) joined fellow Studebaker members Bob & Sandy Fox, 1951 Kaiser (bottom right) and Marvin & Berniece Snider with their 1962 Hawk (bottom left) and several other members of the HAC Club to accomplish this. We circled the parking lot waving our signs and honking horns and waving all the while. The employees and patients all enjoyed it a great deal and asked if we could come back the next day and do it again.

We then went across Emerson Ave. to the drive-thru restaurants there and gathered up some food and drink. We parked on the almost empty parking lot there

and set up our lawn chairs, being careful to set up a safe distance apart. Then the socializing began. It was great for everyone after being caged up for a couple of months to see someone and talk to them. It was great seeing everyone and we all hope to see the rest of the club members soon. Everyone stay healthy. This too will pass.

Berniece Snider







I was saddened to learn that past Indy Chapter member Byron Edwards passed away April 28, 2020 at the age of 91. Byron had retired to Gulfport, MS and still enjoyed his Studebaker's. Two years ago at the Gainesville, FL meet my Mom & Byron got enjoy a visit. Byron & his wife Phyllis were hospitality host at the 1976 International. Joe and I will miss seeing him and his daughter Lesa at Studebaker Meets.



Nancy Bacon



May 03, 2020

# Notice of <u>Cancellation</u> of the 56<sup>th</sup> International Meet of The Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc.

SDC and the Chapters of the Southeast Zone have been following the spread of the Covid-19 virus and its implications worldwide since the break-out, and the effect the virus is having on planning for the scheduled 56<sup>th</sup> International Meet of the club. We could never have suggested this would be happening in our world at the turn of year 2020, and have since come to the hard conclusion that SDC and the 56**th** International Meet Committee can no longer move forward with planning for the meet.

You might just have seen this already, however, please see this notice about the cancellation of the upcoming Avanti Meet..

## **AOAI 2020 Meet in September is Canceled**

Please accept our concern for AOAI members, family, friends or co-workers presently or in the future affected by the COVID-19 virus. The health and welfare of each and every AOAI member is of prime importance to the national board, and while current health conditions are unknown across America for later this summer and fall, at our press deadline of May 4 for Avanti Magazine, the local Gateway Chapter meet committee, in coordination with your national board, made the decision out of an abundance of caution to cancel this year's national meet planned for September 9-12.

### 57th International Meet Update

WOW! What a difference a couple of months has made in our lives, today we have no idea what the new "normal" will look like. Hopefully this sequestered in place has given many an opportunity to catch up on the improvements we have had planned for weeks months and yes, even years to our cars. Our hearts go out to our friends in the southeast zone who have planned the 56th International meet in Chattanooga this year. The decision to cancel the meet because of the corona virus was difficult but a prudent one by the SDC Board of Directors. Our challenge is to move forward, and we are.

We have continued to work weekly to settle details such as venue rental, hotel contracts and defining job responsibilities in an easy understandable format. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sue Kennedy for her valuable input and computer skills in building the footprint for the upcoming meet. Sue also reviews all the contracts before we forward them to the International meet committee, her profession is contract law. When we have banks open again (June) Tom Flynn will establish the checking account we will use for the meet.

We have secured and sent a deposit to the Marion County fairgrounds, many amenities, chairs, tables, picnic tables and benches are at NO COST; this is huge in controlling costs. Thanks to Mike Baker as we now have a Meet Headquarters Hotel chosen and will be under contract in the next week. More hotels will be under contract in the coming weeks. With the enthusiasm shown and anticipation of an above average attendance we are pursuing more hotels to meet demand

I feel we have about half of our members sized for the meet vests, during the summer we will complete that process and in the fall get vests ordered. With the cancellation of Chattanooga we no longer need to expedite some of the vests, our new date is for the South Bend Spring Meet. Nancy Bacon has been busy updating the Indy Chapter logo patch and these will be added to the back of the vests, additional ones will be available prepaid when we order. The patch will be stitched of high quality and ordered in a one-time quantity. Bernice Snider and Kathy Wescott have procured a location for the Ladies Day Lunch and details will soon be available. Per the International Meet guide lines we are not able to advertise details until after the 56th annual meet so we need to respect Chattanooga dates, we will announce more details in September. We currently are on schedule and moving forward smoothly.

As many of you remember the Indy Chapter hosted the International Meet in 1976 and 1986, sadly we have lost several of those members who planned and were hosts to those meets. We are going to honor those members with names/photos in a prominent place during the 2021 meet. If you have photos and names please let us know ASAP.

Again we regret the loss of the 56th SDC International Meet, and other SDC functions, we in the Indy Chapter have a new challenge......the new normal. Our goal is to deliver "More Than Expected!" We welcome your input....

Joe Bacon 57th SDC Meet Chairman

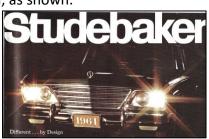
Mock up picture of new club back patch. The patch is approx 7x5 for the back of the club checkered vest.

#### Oh, A Teaser From Bob Palma

#### What is this building and where is it?

The first person to contact **Bob Palma** by e-mail (bobcaripalma@hotmail.com) or phone (317) 331-7311 with the correct answers to **both** questions will win an NOS 1964 Studebaker PD64-11 small, full-line catalog postpaid, as shown.

Best. Bob





I have some space left so here are some of the funnies that have been on Facebook the past month regarding the Covid-19. Hope it brightens your day. I am happy to report that I've not heard of a club member suffering thru this awful illness.

How old were you when you found out that the screwdriver handle is actually designed to put a wrench on it to help loosen a tight screw?



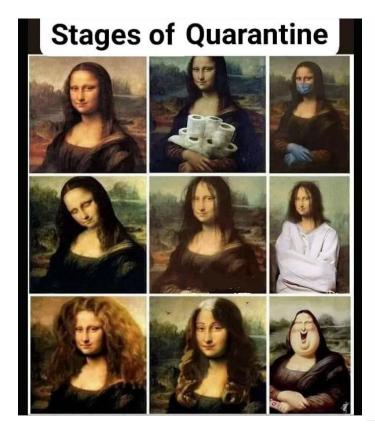


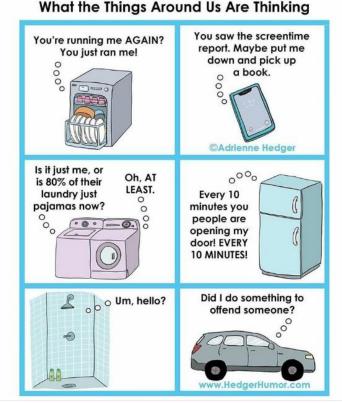


Me thinking about the last time I went out and had fun



















# Indoor versus Outdoors

During this recent toilet paper shortage, I got to thinking about yesteryear and the unforgettable experience of using an outhouse. I'm sure that many of us in the Indy Chapter (or people we know) have walked a well-worn path to a little building, with a

moon on the door. No matter the weather...sweltering hot or freezing

cold...when Mother Nature called, we walked the path!

Before toilet paper was a common household item, it has been said that people used corn cobs. But I think that newspapers and catalog pages were much more common...plus being a whole lot softer.

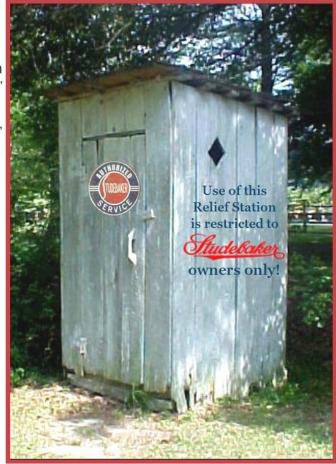


We know from
historical pictures that many
outhouses were equipped with

more than one hole. Can you imagine sitting right next to someone when you were "taking care of business"? Well, it was different back in the day. People of early America did not have the same sense of privacy that we have today. They shared beds with extended family members (and often strangers at roadside inns). They dressed in common rooms and apparently had little qualms about maintaining privacy for bodily functions. Mothers also embraced the 2-holer idea. This way she could hold her small youngster over his hole, while using the other hole herself.

Today's Port-a-Potties are no comparison to using an actual outhouse with a very, very deep chasm just beneath the hole you are sitting on. If you've never had the "delight" of needing to use a real outhouse, let me tell you how it was described to me by my mother's dear friend. She said, "Believe me, you don't want to experience the terror of being a 5-year-old little girl using an outhouse with only one hole that is 6 sizes too big for your scrawny chicken butt. My father was a carpenter by trade and made me a small wooden booster to put over the hole, but I still had fear. It's not the same fear of falling into the ceramic bowl of a modern day toilet, where you might make a little splash. In the outhouse, there was a cold stench emanating from the unwholesome darkness just below your buns. You just didn't know what was down there...only that it must be very bad for it to smell so atrocious!"

Now, you probably know more about outhouses than you ever wanted to know. But let's not forget (even though it is very stinky) that somewhere in the U.S.A. there is one unique outhouse that is reserved just for Studebaker owners! Relief is just a few steps down the path!



# **Upcoming Events**

#### **Cancelled** - Wednesday, June 3 - Airstream Factory Tour

#### **Mark Your Calendar:**



**July 3 and 4 – Annual Studebaker Nationals and Orphan Car Drags** held at Brown County Dragway in Bean Blossom, Indiana. All performance and skill levels welcome. Nashville, Indiana, is about 40 miles south of Indianapolis and is a popular vacation destination with entertainment, shopping, camping, and motels close by so you will enjoy the visit. **Racing will be Saturday, July 4**<sup>th</sup> so bring your car to race, or not, and come to beautiful Brown County and enjoy the day with us. Gate opens at 9:00 a.m. There is a snack bar at the track.

Friday, July 3rd, at 5:30 p.m. - The night before the race we will meet at the Sugar Creek BBQ restaurant <a href="https://www.yelp.com/biz/sugar-creek-barbecue-co-nashville">https://www.yelp.com/biz/sugar-creek-barbecue-co-nashville</a>. They are moving to a new location in a strip mall behind McDonalds and the Salt Creek Motel in Nashville. After dinner we'll head over to the Poe's home at 5192 St. Rd. 46 E., Nashville for an open house and dessert. For more information about this event call Richard Poe at 812-988-2008, or roserichpoe@att.net. Personal Note: You do not want to miss Rose's delicious pies!

**Saturday, July 11 - 1:00 p.m.** - **Dave and Stephanie Limpus** have invited our members to a cookout and car show at their house at 3880 S. 900 E., Carthage, In. There's plenty of parking. Call Dave at 317-501-8371 if you have any questions.

Saturday, July 25 – 1:00 p.m. - Bacon's Annual Luau. Joe Bacon will again provide the meat. Bring a favorite dish and eating utensils.

Cancelled - August 5 thru 8, 2020 - Studebaker International in Chattanooga,

**Sunday, August 16, 1 p.m.** -The Indy Chapter SDC has been invited to the annual all-make fun car show and lunch at the home of **SDC National members Rick and Susan Crawley in Logansport** IN. This is a pitch-in with Rick and Susan providing the main dish and facilities. Rick has 28 collector cars, including several Studebakers, which he gets out to display with all the other cars that show up. This is primarily a Hudson Club meeting but is open to all makes and models and the fellowship is lively. There is plenty of parking on their large "estate" at **6062 Logansport Road on the east side of Logansport.** 

Saturday, September 12 - International Drive Your Studebaker Day

**Sunday, November ? – 1:00 p.m. -** Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon and Chapter Business meeting at Mike Baker's Avanti Restoration & Service shop 4193 E US40, Greenfield, IN. 317-498-2288.

**Saturday, December 12, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.** – Christmas Dinner and Party at The Green Street Pub, 911 N. Green St., Brownsburg, IN. Once again, we have some fast, fun games and no gift exchange. Order off the menu.

September 8 thru 11, 2021 - Studebaker International in Indianapolis, Indiana

# The Brickyard Bulletin

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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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The car we used to draw in kindergarten actually does exist.



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