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By the time you read this the 57th Annual International Meet here in Indy will only be a MONTH away! I hope everyone is as excited to host this event as we are! Joe and I are working every day on some detail of this meet as are all of our committee chair people. The list of volunteers has been sent to each committee so if you signed up, expect a call, if you still want to help out let us know. Registration packet and goody bags will be assembled on Monday September 6th, Tuesday will be Registration packet pick up, Swap Meet set up and the welcome Ice Cream Social. The rest of the week is filled with Registration packet pick up, Swap Meet, Parking cars, Tours, Business Meetings, Socializing, Hoosier Hospitality, Car Showing, lots more Fun, Fun, Fun and a BBQ!! If you haven't registered yet you can still do so, go to sdcmeet.com.

Joe and I really enjoyed having everyone attend our Backyard Luau in July and hope to see you at the August 14th meeting hosted by the Dave and Beth Doran. It will be the last monthly meeting before The 57th Annual International Meet. Hope to see you soon.

Nancy Bacon, Indy Chapter President

SDC Luau and Meeting Saturday, July 17, 2021

Around 25 SDC members and guest attended the Bacon's annual Luau. After a delicious lunch, Luau host and president Nancy Bacon called the meeting to order. Nancy recognized guest, Barry McPhearson, son of long time member Dale McPhearson. There was a big applause for future SDC Member, Lincoln Baker, son of Mike Baker, who earned his driver's license this week.

Nancy announced that the volunteer list will be distributed to the Meet chairpersons next week, so if you are a Meet volunteer expect a call soon. Also, if anyone wants to yet volunteer, now is the time to let Nancy know. She reminded the club that the cost of registering for the Studebaker International Meet goes up \$10 August 1.

The meeting was adjourned.



Submitted by
Becky Griffith



SDC Members sitting with Barry McPhearson(R), Dale McPhearson's son.



Congratulations to future SDC and Avanti member Lincoln Baker (R) who recently earned his drivers license.

Studebaker International Meet Update

SDC National Auction

We are pleased to announce that Lanny McNabb has confirmed he will again be the SDC Meet auctioneer. The auction will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 9th in the Arts and Crafts building at the Marion County Fairgrounds. The SDC and Indy Chapter are soliciting donations of Studebaker related items and any other items that are of interest. Donations will be collected at a booth in the 4H building (swap meet) Wednesday and Thursday. All members and vendors are encouraged to donate and attend this function. If you are unable to attend and want to donate please contact me at jfwhttail@aol.com. Proceeds benefit the Studebaker Drivers Club.

Thank you in advance.....Joe Bacon



The International Meet is just weeks away. Chairpersons have been given their list of volunteers. This means those of you who signed up should be getting a call most any day now. Please be aware that you may not recognize a phone number and it could be your chairperson calling.

If you have an item for the welcome bags, we need that item as soon as possible. Contact Joe Bacon.

Volunteers please note: There is a small kitchen in the back of the Arts and Crafts Building with a refrigerator. This area will be designated for volunteers only. If you would like to bring a drink (non-alcoholic) or snack, feel free to. There will be plenty of bottled water.



Volunteers Checkered Vests

Volunteers can pick up their checkered vest on their first day of working. The vests will be located in the Arts and Crafts building. Those working the Monday afternoon assembling packets can pick your vest up then. Also, we're asking volunteers to wear their SDC name tag.

About Our Members



Long time SDC member, **Linda Koekenberg**, passed away July 2, 2021. Linda was the wife of Curt Koekenberg



ON SALE NOW, COME AND GET IT!!

Studebaker Parts garage sale at Richard and Rose Poe's house. Lots of parts, too many to list, some NOS. Including a T10 four speed, truck T9 trans, T86E-1T OD, T86E-1A OD, three W19-8 automatics.

Misc. trim chrome, carburetors, fuel pumps, gauges, dana rear ends and housings, brake drums and backing plates, 1964 two door HT doors with glass and trim, trunk lid. Avanti trunk lid and rear bumper. 1963 Lark windshield, 1964 Lark windshield. Seats. 1964 Red two door Commander post, three speed car. V8 complete engine. Intake manifold, R3/4 headers.

Too much to list. Lots of small hard to find parts and lots of NOS gaskets. Come and see for your self starting Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, or call for appointments, and additional times. Don't miss out.

Richard 812-345-5414.

Concours de Elegance at Copshaholm in South Bend

"You all" might enjoy this report. Best. Bob Palma

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Another little Studebaker-related place going away - Studebaker Drivers Club Forum

:('Just returned today (Sunday, July 11, 2021) from the wonderful Concours de Elegance at Copshaholm in South Bend on Saturday, July 10th. 'Twas the third annual such event; superbly organized and executed by The Studebaker National Museum and The Northern Indiana Center for History. You'd think they'd been putting it on for

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Odds 'N' Ends

Thanks to Jerry Blount and the Northwest Newsletter for the following article:

Those bent hood corners on '53/'54 C &K's, '53 -60 Sedans, '60-'764 Champs are due to the hood hinges being out of adjustment.

When the hinges are properly adjusted, the rear of the hood will lift and move forward when the hood is opened. When out of adjustment, the rear of the hood will not lift properly, resulting in the corners of the hood hitting the tops of the fenders when closing.

Each hinge has 3 bolts that attach it to the body. The hinges have slotted holes for adjustment. There is a spring pulling straight down from the back of the hood that helps pull the rear of the hood down when closed. If, over time, the hinge to body bolts loosen, the rear springs tend to rotate the tops of the hinges rearward. The hinges then go "over-center", and don't want to move freely.

The shop manual is of little help, it says loosen the bolts and adjust as required!

A good starting point is to loosen the bolts, grab the rear of the hood and pull forward and up. This will free up the hinge movement, and minor adjustments can be made for the final fit. If the back of the hood does not pull down properly, chances are the pull down springs (284505P) are missing. Also, C & K bodies and '53-'58 Sedans use a spring (308907P) to help pull the hood forward.

Another factor is the attachment of the hood to the hinge links. There should be a flat washer between the hood bracket and the hinge link. The castellated nut should not be tight but should allow for movement. The cotter pins must be installed. I have seen these nuts tighten if not fixed in place with a cotter pin.

By correcting these items, you can change from a hood that is reluctant to open, that catches the cowl with a "pop", and then jams the hood corners into the front fenders, to one that smoothly opens and closes.

Charging of OPTIMA BATTERIES

If an Optima battery needs to be charged, some chargers will not do the job while others will. If you have a problem to charge the Optima battery, try this: Hook up a set of jumper cables to another battery then connecting it to the Optima battery making sure that the polarity is correct. Connect the charger to the other battery to see if the Optima battery will take the charge.



Writing or Speaking: Is one better than the other?

Every day we all communicate with each other. We must somehow let others know what is going on in our life and express our opinions, plans, beliefs, needs and wants. So what is the best method to accomplish good communication? WRITING? Or is it SPEAKING?

This month, we are going to look at the advantages of spoken conversation versus written communication. **NOTE: Speaking here refers to regular conversations we hold and not to public speaking.**

First of all, even fans of the written word must concede that there are many situations where speaking is the most convenient way to get our point across. For example, would you enjoy not listening to a sermon, but rather have a handout to read silently by yourself? How crazy it would be to hold a meeting and have everyone passing notes around to conduct business. The list of spoken situations goes on and on: Time together as a family, shopping, school classes, ceremonies, etc.

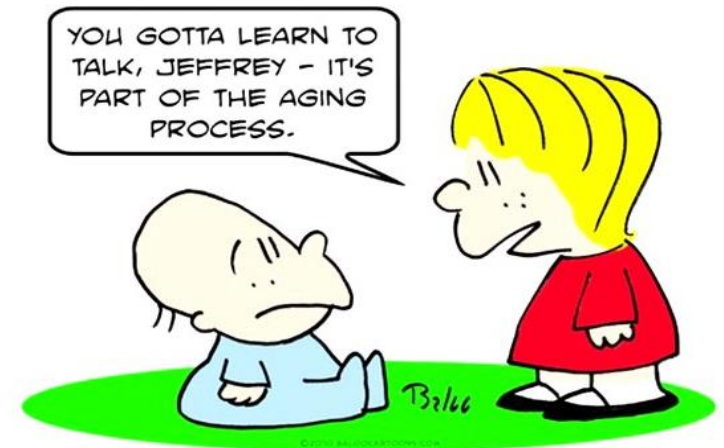


When we speak face-to-face, we can convey our feelings and emotions by using different tones of voice, body language and facial expressions. (Typing in ALL CAPS on a text or email, just doesn't properly convey whether we are angry or excited.)

Many people feel that their writing skills are not up to par. They have forgotten all the grammar

rules they learned in school and they worry about misspelled words. Often we think, "I can say it better than I can write it."

Since we learn to talk years before we learn to write, we are naturally more comfortable using this almost life-long skill.



For most people their daily writing consists of a few texts, an email or two, some comments on social media, and maybe a shopping list. My contention is that this does not constitute true writing. Using "thru" instead of "through"; "FYI" as a substitute for the phrase "For Your Information". Quick sentences...maybe not even complete sentences...on your phone is not writing in the classical sense. Therefore, we as a collective community have strayed far away from writing notes, letters, invitations, etc.



??? So what gives with our passion for texting??? Today, both young and old have embraced texting over verbal phone calls. Is it possible that we might be returning to the written word?

And so, we will continue this discussion next month, when we delve into the benefits of WRITING.

Upcoming Events

Saturday, August 14 at 1:00 p.m. – Pitch-in at Dave and Beth Doran’s home in Lebanon. 2717 E 75 N, Lebanon, IN. Dave has a work shop I think many would be interested in seeing. There is seating inside or outside. The Doran’s are providing the meat, bring a favorite side dish.

Directions: 65 north to Lebanon, exit on SR 32 (exit 140), go east into Lebanon to intersection of 39 & 32. Turn north on 39 and go to Washington Street (north side of court house). Turn east on Washington St (Washington turns into CR 75N). Stay on CR 75 N. The Doran’s house is on the south side of the road. If you come to 300E you’ve gone too far. **The Studebaker sign will be in their yard.**

Mark Your Calendar:



September 8 thru 11, 2021 – 57th Annual Studebaker International Meet at the Marion County Fairgrounds in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sunday, October 10 at 1:00 p.m. - The Creekside Lodge www.thecreeksidelodge.net, 613 Lafayette Ave, Crawfordsville, IN 47933, (765) 361-0300. The club hasn’t visited the Creekside in several years but it’s good food, in the woods along a creek. It should be a beautiful view.

Sunday, November 14 at 1:00 p.m. – Annual Thanksgiving pitch-in at Mike Baker’s Avanti Restoration & Service Shop at 4193 E. US 40 in Greenfield, 317-498-2288. This is always a big event for the club and we expect a good turnout so don’t be afraid to **bring a hearty sized side dish!**

Sunday, December 5 at 1:00 p.m. – Christmas dinner at the Mayberry Café located at 78 West Main Street, Danville, IN 46122 www.mayberrycafe.com (317)745-4067. Dinner will be in their upstairs room and order off the menu. **An elevator is available.** We need a head count, so at the November pitch-in I will be asking who plans to attend. No gift swapping but we will throw in a quick game or two.



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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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SDC Member, Mike Baker, is working on this 1963 Avanti from New York. The car was featured in the TV series "Gotham" which can be seen on Netflix

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