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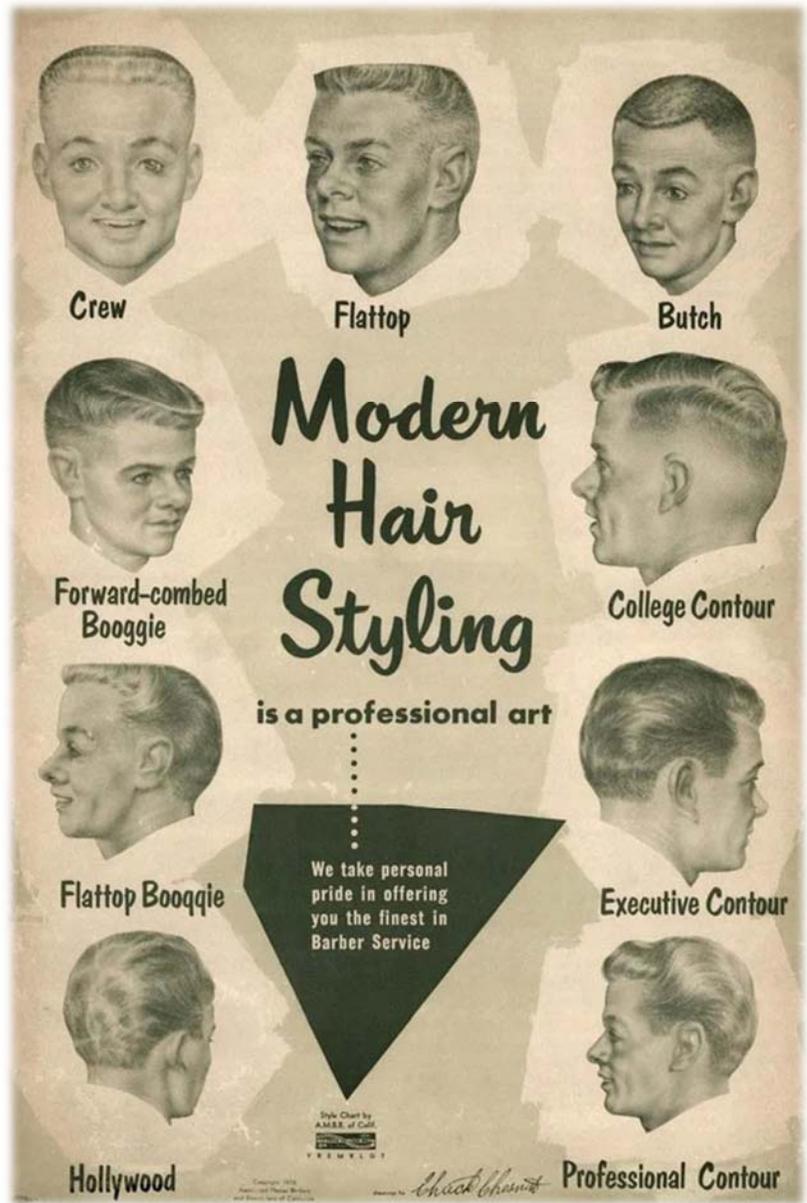
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Ladies you remembered the men's Hair Cuts, but what about those beauty shop visits?



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Cogitations from our President

Greetings Fellow Chapter members. I hope everyone is well and healthy. As for the Thornton Clan, we have had a hectic month of May. We have been busier than a swarm of bees in a Sunflower field!

We started out at the end of April with a trip to Stone Mountain to celebrate our 54th Anniversary and to honor some of our ancestors where we were met by protesters who didn't think we should honor our ancestors.

We came home to find our youngest Daughter Rachel in the Hospital in severe pain with no apparent diagnosis. After several wrong diagnoses and one panic trip to a Savannah ER. The Docs concluded she had a rare condition that could be corrected with rest and medication. Thank You LORD.

During this time there was a traumatic loss of a Canine family member and the discovery of some major maintenance problems at Rachel's house. I don't know why, It's only 99 years old.

Mix in a Graduation, A South Georgia Chapter meeting, and a family reunion in West Georgia. From which I came home sick.

June has GOT to be a better month. As you might have gathered, I have not had much time to spend at the shop playing with my cars.

We have very little activity planned for the month of June, so I hope to spend my weekends and all the spare time I can find trying to catch up on some Studebaker related projects.

Buttercup still has an intermittent noise that I can't find, Bonnie Blue needs a headliner, The Shadow needs serious attention, Sweet Magnolia needs a transmission installed, and the Avanti still needs finishing. Miss pinky seems to be the healthiest one of the fleet, but I love those old cars and enjoy working on them.

We have several new members in the chapter. Please do what you can to make them feel welcome.

We have also had some sickness and loss of family members among our membership. Please remember these folks in your prayers. (See bottom of page 7 of 20.)

From what I understand, the location of our next meeting is a very interesting place. I hope everyone can come and enjoy the cars and the fellowship.

Everyone please be safe and take care. See you in July.

Neil

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Secretaries Minutes

Minutes from last meeting.....

May 21st, 2022



The South Georgia Studebaker Drivers Club met Saturday, May 21, 2022, at noon at Georgia Bob's in Macon, Ga. with a total of 31 present including, families, quests, and friends in attendance. Several places throughout Georgia were represented, including Kennesaw, Cordele, Richmond Hill, Bloomingdale, Ocilla, Macon, Warner Robins and Hazlehurst. It was exciting to see so many people and the SEVEN Studebakers parked outside! Following an opening prayer and an always outstanding meal, the meeting was called to order. Thanks, given to Elza Fowler for hosting. Visitors and new members were recognized along with five brand new additions to families and the sad news of the passing of some of our faithful beloved members. Treasurer Col. Brooks gave an update on our finances which are in tip top shape - all debits and credits noted. The "Adopt a Zip Van" project our chapter has agreed to participate in has been recognized at the museum. Also, we have added a memorial plaque with the names of our members who have passed that worked on our zip van in the museum. So many were so vital to that project. It's good they are recognized. New business included the update on 2023 meetings that all have a host signed up. {Note: if there are any changes to the hosting roster/lineup for next year, please notify Col. Brooks ASAP - Turning Wheels requires a 2-month lead to get meetings updated in the magazine} President Thornton called Eric Lee forward to accept the plaque offered for a job well done to his parents, Wayne and Ann Lee, who have worked tirelessly for the club for more years than can be counted. While Wayne grinned from the back of the room, (MISSED YOU, ANN!!!) Eric handed over the plaque to his dad through a hearty round of applause. The Lee's have served in many capacities on behalf of the Studebaker Drivers Club - both in our local club as well as the National level - and have always, "Given more than they promise". They have passed that tradition/love of Studebakers down to the next generation. Wayne gave a recap of his and son Eric's trip to the International Meet in South Bend a few months ago. They trailered Eric's ride a Champ Truck, "Jolene" and "Sweet Pea" (photo to right) up to Indiana and were overall pleased with the meet. He noted that the judging was extremely well done and that the next International Meet would be in Wisconsin. Upcoming meetings were announced, including the Florida Zone Meet

in September, which is always a fun time. Members were encouraged to attend. With nothing further, the meeting concluded with prayer by Chaplain Loren Hendley into the beautiful sunny weather to check out the Studes!

See page 5 of 20 for photos from the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Burnette

The next meeting of the So. Ga. Studebaker Drivers Club Chapter is set for July 16th, 2022, at 12:00 a.m. see page 6 for details.



Wayne & Ann Lee's 1941 Champion (Sweet Pea) with Eric Lee, as proud as can be, in front of her. Photographed while at 58th Studebaker International Meet in South Bend, Indiana.

***KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL,
DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER!***

See article on page 10!

May Club Meeting Photos

May 21st, 2022
Warner Robbins, Georgia
Georgia Bob's BBQ
Host Elza Fowler Thanks for Hosting



First there was four Stude's, then there was five Stude's,



then there was six Stude's, and then there was seven Studebakers present in photo above right. From left to right in photo of all seven autos: 55 Pick-up Truck (Rick Hughes), 63 GT Hawk (Loren & Betty Hendley), 60 Hawk (Elza Fowler), 53 Studebaker (Richard Miller), 59 Silver Hawk (Andria & Terry Brooks), 56 Power Hawk (Jack & Deloris Durden) and 53 Studebaker (Elza, Karen & Beth Fowler). Others present included: Bob & Glenda Haggard, Wayne & Ester Edwards, Rudy & Teresa Smith, Barney O'Quinn, Neil & Edie Thornton, Rebekah Burnette, Randall Lunsford, Trey, Lisa & Levi Smith, Bobby & Elaine Dorsey, Bill Startt the President of the North Georgia SDC, Wayne Lee, and Eric Lee.



The Club presented Wayne Lee with a plaque in gratitude (photo to the right) for all the challenging work he and Ann had given in the past twenty years.

Thank you, Wayne & Ann, for all your laborious work with the club.

Correction:



In the 2022 Apr-May Newsletter it stated, "Our March meeting in Tifton, Georgia had seventeen present, thirteen members and four guests. Pictured above, Red 62 GT Hawk that battled the bad weather and made the trip. Way to go Loren Hendley." Correction is "It is not a 62, it is a 63 GT Hawk." Sorry Loren.



Mark your Calendars

Saturday – July 16th, 2022

Lane Southern Orchards

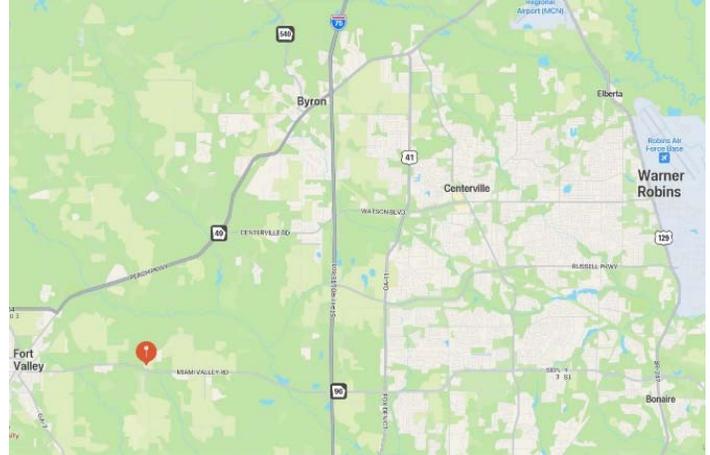
50 Lane Road, Fort Valley, GA 31030

Restraint Info: (478) 221-7358

Host: Bobby & Elaine Dorsey

Info: (478) 957- 5065

11:30 AM to 1:00 PM



New Member Challenge

When a Chapter member recruits a new member to join SDC and/or the Studebaker Drivers Club, South Georgia Chapter he/she will have Chapter dues paid for the following year. Just ask the new member to mention your name on the application where it asks, "Referred By."

Chapter Name Badges & Shirts

If you would like to order a Chapter name badge for yourself or another family member, please contact Neal Thornton at 2591ark@gmail.com or (912) 375-7986. They are available in white plastic with the Chapter logo and your name. For the shirt give Neil your size and \$30.00.

More Road Signs



Treasure & Membership Report

.....by Terry Brooks



TREASURES REPORT

So. Ga. Studebaker Drivers Club Acct.

Account Summary:.....April 2022

- Deposits: 1 Deposits
1 Actual Deposits
- Credits:..... No Credits
- Checks:
 - Written/Outstanding: 0 Checks
 - Cleared:..... 4 Checks
 - Maintenance Fee:None

Balance Activity History:..... Good Standing

Account Summary:.....May 2022

- Deposits: 0 Deposits
0 Actual Deposits
- Credits:..... No Credits
- Checks:
 - Written/Outstanding: 3 Checks
 - Cleared:..... 3 Checks
 - Maintenance Fee:None

Balance Activity History:..... Good Standing

Bank Statement can be furnished upon request.

South Georgia Studebaker Drivers Club Membership & Dues

Last Update

Total Club Members 83 (48 families), 48 Families Dues are Paid-Up

05/31/2022

Two families (four members) have dropped out of chapter membership. We had four new Members join at this meeting: Bob & Glenda Haggard, Rick Hughes (referred by Neil Thornton) and Trey & Lisa Smith (Referred by Bobby Dorsey).

Reference the **"New Members Challenge"** (see page 6) will each receive a 1-year free membership.

The Club members own a total of ninety-six Studebaker cars & trucks with thirty-nine drivers.

Note from the Editor:



People are like the four characteristics of flight, some **Lift** you up, some **Trust** you forward, but some **Drag** you down and others **Weight** you down.

Do not hang out with the ones that **Drag** and **Weight** you down. Hang out with the ones that **Lift** you up and **Thrust** you forward in all that you do. Your life will be much more enjoyable.

Thoughts & Prayers:

Remember Betty Calico French and her family during these challenging times. 07/28/1931 – 05/06/2022.

<https://www.fishersfuneralhome.net/m/obituaries/Betty-French-12/Memories>



Remember Russ Winge in the loss of his son and these challenging times. Lt. Col. Randolph Lee "Troll" Winge USAF (Ret.). 05/08/1969 – 04/24/2022.

www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/macon/name/randolph-winge-obituary?id=34886778



Dr John & Arlene Hollier, In hospital since August of last year with Covid.
David Whitworth, recovering from stroke.
Loren & Betty Hendley on going medical difficulties.
And any others we may have missed.
Please remember these folks as their recover.

Thought for the Day

I love being married. It's so great to find that one special person you want to annoy for the rest of your life." — Rita Rudner



Birthdays & Holidays

JUNE (06)

- 01 Judy Covell
- 11 Frank Miller
- 15 Ann Klutkowski
- 18 Jimmy Scurry
- 19 Father's Day
- 23 Mike Aspinwall
- 24 Jack Eldred
- 29 George Gratton

JULY (07)

- 04 Valaree Thornton
- 04 Independence Day
- 07 Bob Haggard (*New Member*)
- 27 Dr Karl Peace

Let us know if we missed anyone's birthday!

Recipes



Above website recipe

NOW WE NEED YOUR FAVORITE RECIPES.

PULL OUT YOUR FAVORITE RECIPE AND SEND IT TO ME AT [TEANLE@COMCAST.NET](mailto:teanle@comcast.net) OR (912) 656-3581 FOR THE NEXT SMOKE SIGNAL ISSUE. #

What's in your garage?



Andria & Terry's 59 Silver Hawk & 62 GT Hawk in our Studebaker Garage. Email your garage photos to: teanle@comcast.net. Use your cell phone to text your photos to (912) 656-3581.



Paulag's Law: In our country, it's not how much the item costs, it's how much you save.



On the more modern cars, the oil pressure gauge is operated electrically through a pressure switch sending unit. This is not the case with Studebakers.

Their oil pressure gauge is operated directly with the oil pressure from the engine. There is an oil line to the gauge that is coupled to a hose which in turn is coupled to an oil outlet on the engine. The hose is easily spotted on the rear of the engine and going up on the engine side of the firewall. Unless this hose has been changed within the last 6 or 7 years or so, it should be checked. The motor should not be running when this check is made.

Get a hold of the hose and flex it a few times. It should be flexible and not crack. If it is not flexible but hardened with heat and age, it is time to get a replacement. If the hose is brittle and cracks, it needs to be replaced before the engine is started again, otherwise oil will leak out of the crack and spew all over the engine.

In the event that the hose should rupture while you are driving, there will be several things that will be obvious ---

1. You will smell hot oil.
2. The engine compartment will be messed up and possibly have a fire if the oil gets heated to its flash point.
3. You will not be able to get to your planned destination without delay.
4. You will not be able to get a replacement hose from your auto parts jobber.
5. Pressure drops on your oil gauge.
6. Take a moment to check the hose. If replacement seems advisable, the hose can be ordered from Studebaker Parts Suppliers. It is not an expensive part

but it is an important part of the Studebaker. Shown in Studebaker Chassis Parts Catalogs as illustration 0116-39 described as coupling.

Preachers in Kentucky are allowed to pack a gun. It is legal for a clergyman to carry a concealed weapon.

Legislators passed an amendment to local gun licensing laws after a group of ministers and priests from rural churches lobbied the lawmakers in the wake of a string of armed robberies. Not all ministers agree with the amended law. A minister and executive director of the Kentucky Council of Churches is quoted as saying, "How can we expect our children to learn that guns will not solve problems if they see ministers, who are supposed to be agents and reconciliation carry weapons that kill?"

It is a sad state when carrying a gun is deemed as a necessity. The world needs more love and caring, not guns and hate.

Made in Canada oversight reported under the caption, "Callers seeking tax tips dial up a really hot line."



Revenue Canada said when the number was changed, no one updated the computers. This resulted in callers phoning for tax tips being connected to a phone-sex company.

"LEAVE A LOT OF HAPPY TRACKS" . . .

.....Submitted by Susan Lusted

Volvo Invented The 3-Point Seat Belt (1959)



Seat belts were not always a thing—they weren't even installed in cars for decades after the first Model T.

Volvo decided to change the game in the late 50's with the safety harness we call standard now.



Are you driving your Studebaker (s)?

While at one of our So. Ga. Studebaker Meetings a member asked the question; "How far will you drive your Studebaker? The answer surprisingly was the twenty miles maximum from the house or garage. For us in the So. Ga. Studebaker Chapter our meeting are much more than twenty miles. The average for all club members is ninety miles to an event as we cover South Georgia (from Macon to Florida). This explains why we only have a few Studebakers show up for each meeting.

If you are like us our Studebaker's, 1959 Silver Hawk that has been in the family for fifty years and our 1962 GT Hawk we need to evaluate the range of the cars. My father-in-law would drive the 59 over a hundred miles, Memphis, Tennessee to Bowling Green, Kentucky and on the interstate when the car had been completely restored, but after forty plus years the old 59 had bad tires, broken transmission, engine problems etc. Now that we have had time to buy new tires, brakes, exhaust system, alternator, electronic ignition, new interior, new shocks, front end alignment we are feeling more comfortable about driving the 59 further than twenty miles to car shows and club meets. While we have completed all these items there are still many issues the 59 has, none working gauges for example, but we all know how that is. A friend ran out of gas in Savannah and had his car towed to a local shop for trouble shooting to only find out that he had ran out of gas.

At our last So. Ga. Studebaker Chapter meet we had one 63 GT Hawk make the 22-mile trip in very inclement weather to the Golden Corral, in Tifton, Georgia. The member was disappointed that no one else drove their Studebakers calling us out the as members of the "Twenty-mile driving club." Like the others in attendance, we opted on driving our daily driver. I will admit that the Red GT Hawk has been at most of the So. Ga. Studebaker bi-monthly events since we joined the chapter in 2017.



While Andria & I did not drive our cars to the Tifton, Georgia event we have driven the 59 to many other events that are a little closer. We attend the Richmond Hill Cars & Coffee every month. What events do you drive your Studebaker to between the So. Ga. Studebaker Chapter bi-monthly events? Please send your photos to tell your story.

On **March 5th, 2022**, the local magazine "Reflections" and TV Station WTOC 11 reported on the event and our two Studebaker's made both news events, on the WROC that night as seen in the two following photos. Used with WTOC permission from Billy Tyson at Billy.Tyson@wtoc.com.



On **March 26th, 2022**, Richard & Ann Miller, Andria & I attended the Southern Cruisers Car Show, in Statesboro, Georgia, even winning a trophy for Top Forty in Show.



On **April 2nd, 2022**, Andria & I attended the Richmond Hill, Cars & Coffee with both the 59 Silver Hawk and the 62 GT Hawk photo to the right.



On **April 9th, 2022**, we worked the Dixieland Cruiser Car Show. Since we are members, we could not display our car (s).

On **April 23rd, 2022**, Richard & Ann Miller, Andria & I attended the Cars & Coffee at Riley's in Rincon, Georgia. To the right Andria explains the drive-in speaker to a child who thought it was an old cell phone.



On **April 24th, 2022**, Andria & I attended the AACA Lunch on Willington Island, Georgia. To this event we drove our 2001 WS-6 and parked beside an old 1914 Peirce Arrow (once owned by Studebaker) owned by the local AACA President.



On **April 30th, 2022**, Richard Miller, Andria & I attended the Richmond Hill, Georgia Spring Fling with both cars as seen below. Drive in tray and speaker hanging on the 59 car windows. Yes, that is a Modified 55 Studebaker on the other side of the 59 in the photo below.



So. Ga. Studebaker Drivers Club Chapter

On **May 7th, 2022**, Richard & Ann Miller, Andria & I attended the Richmond Hill, Cars & Coffee and then Fish Tales for lunch. Photos of several people admiring our cars.



On **May 12th, 2022**, Andria & I attended the Dixieland Cruisers meeting in Savannah and drove the 2001 WS-6.

On **May 12th, 2022**, I drove the 59 Silver Hawk to Lowes in Savannah and then Chick-Fil-A, see the receipt to right. "59 SILVERHAWK – Tan Coupe" to the right. #



On **May 14th, 2022**, Richard & Ann Miller, Andria & I attended the Gear & Grub Truck & Car Show in Rincon, Ga.



On **May 21st, 2022**, Richard Miller, Andria & I attended the So. Ga. Studebaker Chapter meeting at Georgia Bob's BBQ, photos on page five.

As you can see, we are driving our cars every weekend. Share your photos and event (s) experiences that you are attending so we can share with them other members.

Enjoy your local Events & Drives, Andria & Terry Brooks.



Tech Tips/Notes

Door Screw Removal, The Easy Way!!

By Jack Gregory Submitted by Susan Lusted - Studenews TWM

I initially wanted to title this article "Door Nuts" because it sounded like "Doughnuts", but they aren't nuts, so nuts to that I've gotten to the point of dismantling my latest project, the part where the doors need to come off before I take the body off the frame, and I hit the brick wall we've all probably hit at one time or another.... those %\$#^& Phillips headed screws that Studebaker in their mean, twisted, logic decided to inflict on the world. Don't even get me started on the entire concept of a Phillips screw, why on earth would have Henry Phillips ever invented the Phillips screw in 1933 is one of the great mysteries ever. I, personally, think he was extremely upset with the auto industry and had invented the best joke ever on Detroit.

Anyway, I root through the back corners of my toolbox and come up with the tool I used last time, the hammer driver thingy. It didn't work last time, and it didn't not work any better this time (I know, a double negative, but those screws deserve all the negatives they get.). All these things do, is make you cry and strip the cursed Phillips door screw.

Off to the interweb and a search through the wonderful SDC Forum and after a few rewordings in the search bar (who knew search bars don't like swear words??) I arrive at a link that sends me to a video made by a wonderful Studebaker'er who solved the problem. Unfortunately, I don't remember his name or have the address of the YouTube video, so you're on your own. However, I took pictures of the tool I made, and the following is a description of what you need to do and how well it actually works.

A note on the door hinges, start a couple of days ahead and spray it with you favorite penetrating oil. I used Gibbs, wow, is that stuff great. I was gifted a bottle of that miracle juice, and I've since ordered two more and have "paid it forward" by giving one to a friend of mine. Almost all the nuts, bolts, screws (yes even the crappy Phillips) benefited from a treatment of Gibbs. If you have a source of heat, like a cutting torch, go for it (no, 5 gallons of gas and a match will not work, so please don't try). It takes one whole can of Gibbs to do your average Studebaker.



3. Go find one of your bits from your air chisel and cut the sharp end off. Throw the sharp end away, you're just going to lose it anyway.



4. Next you weld it all together something like above. Except, be a better welder than me so you won't have to grind all your welds off and start over because you didn't use the right heat settings and you're a crappy welder that works under the theory "pile enough on and it should stick".



1. First, if you don't have one of these, waste your money and buy one. Then throw away the red thing on the left and keep the two pieces on the right.



5. Lastly hit that screw with your new tool plugged into the air chisel and start working it. All my screws that were frozen to the body came out easily, and no, they would not have come out any other way, because I tried for a few days before I looked up how to do it on the interweb.



2. Find a nice long socket extension that you don't really like and cut off the part on the right that holds the socket.

The Mercedes-Studebaker Connection...

Posted by John Straub

I have this buddy, who will remain nameless, well, I'll call him Bart Simpson. Bart wants a Mercedes-Benz 300SL Roadster in the worst way. The conversation usually goes something like this, "Bart, what are you gonna' do with that?" "I'll drive it, every day." "Are you sure, it's a half million-dollar ride, dude." "What happens if some ol' lady with no insurance nails you?" Well, Bart, being a very good attorney, just ends up smiling at me like I'm an imbecile, which by the way does nothing for my self-confidence. Now to the real point of this post. Did you know there was a connection between Mercedes and Studebaker? Here's a look at some of that connection as well as the hand building of those cars.



In the early-to-mid 1950s, a weak distribution system left Mercedes cars virtually invisible in the United States except for some racing SLs. Yearly sales were meager. Then along came the Curtis-Wright Corp., an old aircraft firm which had business connections with both Daimler-Benz and Studebaker-Packard. In 1957, through these connections, the American distribution rights for Mercedes was acquired by Studebaker-Packard. By 1958 Mercedes-Benz cars were distributed exclusively in the U.S. by Studebaker-Packard Corporation and sold and serviced through selected dealers franchised by the parent company. The automaker had formed a subsidiary, Mercedes-Benz Sales, Inc., headed by Lon Fleener, a veteran Packard executive. In 1958 the Packard nameplate finally died and after the breakup of Studebaker-Packard, Studebaker Corp. retained Mercedes-Benz. In South Bend, Indiana, Studebaker's

headquarters home office, there was a small but enthusiastic Mercedes staff, largely coming from existing Studebaker and ex-Packard staff. Dealer recruitment, sales training, and parts and service, particularly in those early years, were handled at field level primarily by existing Studebaker people.

Thinking back to 1959, it was easier to partner a Big Three dealer with a Studebaker franchise than it was Mercedes, a foreign brand, even with the Mercedes franchise available at a



promise to buy \$10,000 in parts, tools, and signs plus enough open credit to floor-plan two to four cars. By 1964, there were more than 320 Mercedes/other brand dealers in the United States. More than 150 were Studebaker duals. Most others were dueled with other imports such as Frazer Nash and MG along with domestics. Less than 20 were Mercedes exclusives. However, Studebaker was in serious trouble in 1965, having first abandoned its California plant and then its South Bend home base. It retreated to assemble cars in a small Canadian plant that could not accommodate trucks or the sporty Avanti.

The Mercedes-Benz brand was by the early-60s well established like VW and selling nearly 20,000 units a year, but Daimler-Benz was doing business with dealers and the public through a now weak Studebaker organization. So, Daimler-Benz bought back the Mercedes-Benz Sales, Inc. contract for near \$9 million, roughly five times the earlier selling price.

By 1963 Daimler-Benz then formed Mercedes-Benz of North America Inc., ending the Studebaker-Mercedes association that spanned portions of nine years. During that time Mercedes had grown becoming a highly visible and respected brand, while Studebaker withered, as had so many independent auto manufacturers, overcome by the domestic Big Three.

Much of this info is via, Ray Windecker. Sadly, photographer unknown with images via.

<https://johnstraub.blogspot.com/2013/03/the-mercedes-studebaker-connection.html>



SAFETY ALERT BY BREW DUDE

Common Cleaners Can Turn into Poison Gas

Yep, I thought I was a goner this time! How simple it was to get in trouble. After seeing and reading so many warning labels, we tend to no longer pay them any heed. We buy chemicals and sprays at a local parts house and think "How can this be so bad, health wise, if I'm buying it over the counter?" Here's how a small whiff of smoke almost dropped me where I stood.

I had a rush job to do welding four diesel tanks. I had to patch where they were pitted by road salt corrosion. Normally, I spray a little carb cleaner on the spot I'm going to weld, wipe it off, and then preheat the area with an acetylene torch to get rid of any solvents. Where I normally get carb cleaner was sold out, so I got a can of brake cleaner and went through my regular routine. To be on the safe side, I even had the shop door open and the exhaust fan on.

I started TIG welding on Thursday afternoon and had no problem at first. But when I started welding across a really pitted area, I found a couple of drops of cleaner that were lurking in a deep dimple. As I came close to the cleaner, a small puff of white smoke popped up, and I almost passed out. I made it outside and sat for a while in the fresh air. After about 10 minutes, I went to the office and sat at the computer to check the warnings on the brake cleaner can I used. That's when my whole left side started shaking for about 10 to 15 minutes. (I found out later I was having a seizure.) When I was able to control myself again, I read the can's warning: "Vapors may decompose to harmful or fatal corrosive gases such as hydrogen chloride and possibly phosgene." After reading about hydrogen chloride, I started researching phosgene. The active chemical in the brake cleaner is tetrachloroethylene. When this chemical is exposed to excessive heat and the gas argon, which is used in MIG and TIG welding, it produces phosgene. Phosgene gas can be fatal with a dose as little as four parts per million: basically, a single small puff of smoke. Symptoms can be delayed from six to 48 hours after exposure. There is no antidote for phosgene poisoning. If you do survive, the long-term effects can be chronic bronchitis and emphysema.

My breathing still was hard a few hours later, but I felt a little better, so I didn't go to a hospital. The chlorine taste and smell in my mouth and nose were still strong. About midnight, I started coughing and my chest started hurting,

but I thought that this would pass after a night's sleep. The next day (Friday), the symptoms got worse, and my kidneys started hurting, so I drank a bunch of liquids and cranberry juice. For the next four days, I was constipated and only urinated a lot of clear fluid with no smell. Though sometimes I felt okay, I was really in a lot of pain on and off for the next several days, as well as weak and tired. Then my urine became very dark and smelt terrible.

By the next Monday, nine days after the poisoning, I lost all balance. I was confused and could hardly talk, so I finally went to the emergency room. My symptoms were low O2 level, sugar levels out of control, vertigo, and I was hurting badly in my entire chest. I was admitted and put into ICU. My kidneys had probably shut down for those first four days. My lungs were damaged, so I had to be on O2. I had to be on insulin to keep my sugar in check. Since there is no antidote for phosgene, all I could do was try to rest and hope I got better. After CT, MRI, EKG, and EEG tests, as well as several blood tests it looked like, at least for now, there is no permanent damage. However, the MRI showed fluid in my sinuses and a buildup of fluids near my brain. The phosgene scarred my sinuses, which then became infected. The three doctors I saw said I was really lucky to make it.

After four weeks, it appears that I may have emphysema and chronic bronchitis. I'm on nasal medicine and an inhaler. My sinuses are severely scarred, and my smell nerves are damaged. I still have that awful chlorine taste and smell. I may also have pancreas damage. The insulin that I was taking had little effect on my sugar levels, so I'm now on some stronger medicines. So why am I telling you all this? I hope to save someone from an easily avoidable severe illness or even death. The cleaning sprays commonly found in thousands of bike shops across the country can be just as dangerous if improperly used. Read the labels and warnings! Look up the chemicals you use. Just because you got away with it before, doesn't mean you won't get in trouble the next time.

Editor's note: Here are a couple of web sites and phone numbers you should have posted in your shop: www.AAPCC.org (800/222-1222) and www.CDC.gov. Your local hospital is another good one. You can contact Brew Dude at BREW Bikes LLC, 336/385-BREW,

www.BrewRacingFrames.com. Submitted by Wayne Lee

Studebaker Links:

Studebaker Vendors

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

Bob's Studebaker Resource Website

<http://studebaker-info.org/>

Curbside Classics Studebaker Articles:

<http://tinyurl.com/zv7j2fb>

Antique Studebaker Club

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

The Avanti Owners Association

<http://www.aoai.org/>

So. Ga. Studebaker Drivers Club

<https://studebakercarclub.weebly.com/>

Ethanol-free gas stations near you:

<http://pure-gas.org/index.jsp?stateprov=GA>

Jet Thrust News:

<http://www.studebaker-info.org/JTN/jtn.html>

Racing Studebakers:

<https://www.racingstudebakers.com/foo/index.php>

Studebaker Drivers Club (SDC) Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/StudebakerDriversClubInc/>

Studebaker Addicts International Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2209016075/>

Studebaker International Inc.

<https://www.studebaker-intl.com/index.html>

The Studebaker National Museum

<https://www.studebakermuseum.org/about/museum-history/>

The Studebaker Drivers Club

<http://studebakerclubs.com/>

Members Auto's

Photos to the left.

Wayne & Ann Lee at the Zip Van exhibit while visiting the Studebaker International Museum with a photo of our club's Memorial Plaque (discussed in your Apr-May 2022 Newsletter) during their visit to the 58th Studebaker International Meet in South Bend, Indiana. Eric & Wayne in front of 1941 Champion (Sweet Pea). Wayne & Ann's 1941 on the way home and Champion at Union Station. Wayne shared at the Macon club meeting that he, Ann & Eric all had an exciting time at the 58th Studebaker International meet, except for a minor accident on the way home. You can ask Wayne about it!

Send your photos of road trips or in front of something interesting to Terry Brooks at teanle@comcast.net or give them to Terry at the next meeting and he will scan them for the newsletter and return the originals to you.

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Upcoming Events

Richmond Hill Cars & Coffee

Saturday, Mar. 5th, thru Saturday, Oct. 1st, 2022
09:00 am to 11:00 am
11460 Ford Avenue, Richmond Hill, GA
Richmond Hill Historical Society and Museum

Alee Shriners Mobile Unit Classics

Saturday, Aug. 20th, 2022
9:00 AM to 2:30 PM
100 Eisenberg Drive - Savannah, Ga. 31406

10th Annual Oak Park Moonshine Festival & Car Show

Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022
8 AM to 4 PM
3802 Harrington Street - Oak Park, Georgia 30436

More EVENTS Posters on pages 18 & 19.

For Sale

Here is a very nice 1941 Studebaker Champion two door hot rod for sale.



Completely rebuilt 350 Chevy motor and 350 Turbo Trans. Fatman Suspension & 8" Ford rear differential. Solid body w/excellent paint & interior. Eagle Alloys, Southern Air Conditioning. Aluminum Radiator w/electric fan. This car sat in a shed in original condition since 1960's before being completely redone into a street rod. The body was completely straight & had hardly any rust, so it is very little body work. Very few miles since completed. Has all new wiring converted to 12-volt. Edelbrock intake. 1985 Chevy steering column, power brakes. Stereo w/CD & power antenna. The seller wants 20K. Contact (217) 653-7863 or (956) 683-5389 for additional information. Also published on eBay.com.



Next two 2022 So. Ga. SDC Events

July 16th, 2022

Lane Southern Orchards

Address: 50 Lane Road,
Fort Valley, GA 31030
Phone: (478) 221-7358
12:00 (11:30) AM to 1:00 PM
Host: Bobby & Elaine Dorsey
Info: (478) 957-5065

Sept. 17th, 2022

Mocha On Main

Address: 11 S. Tallahassee Street, St 2
Hazlehurst, GA 31539
Phone: (912) 307-5089
12:00 (11:30) AM to 1:00 PM
Host: Cilicia & Mitchell Pair
Info: (912) 539-4016

Thank you all for hosting!

Hi All,

THE NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER will be joined by the Avanti Club of Florida in co-hosting the 2022 Southeast Zone Meet from September 23rd thru 25th. We will be featuring the 1960's era cars and will start off with a special event on Friday, 23rd at The Cade Museum, 811 South Main Street, Gainesville, FL 32601, with a James Bond style Cocktail Party and Dinner. The Concours will be on Saturday at the Meet Hotel (Best Western Gateway Grand) on the 24th & 25th. A picnic lunch will be served on the grounds. The Banquet and Awards Ceremony will be held in the Ballroom. The rooms reserved for our Meet will be \$99 per night (plus taxes and fees). The of the Banquet dinner. Hope to see you all in September!



General Registration (\$ 25.00) forms have been mailed out by Martha. For more information see WWW.BulletNose.org or email Martha at MarthaCade24@gmail.com.

Martha Cade

Funny Bones

My wife is so negative. I remembered the car seat, the stroller, AND the diaper bag. Yet all she can talk about is how I forgot the baby.

I want to die peacefully in my sleep, like my grandfather. Not screaming and yelling like the passengers in his car.

Two fish are sitting in a tank. One looks over at the other and says: "Hey, do you know how to drive this thing?"

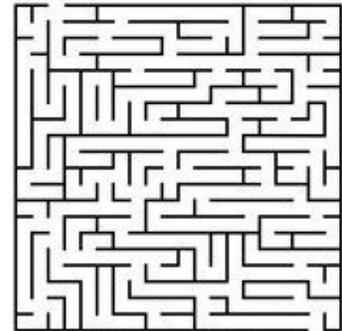
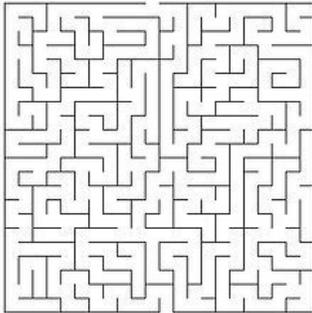
With the rise of self-driving vehicles, it's only a matter of time before we get a country song where a guy's truck leaves him too.

Apparently, I snore so loudly that it scares everyone in the car I'm driving.

A dad is washing the car with his son. After a moment, the son asks his father, "Do you think we could use a sponge instead?"

Brain Teaser

1. You are in a cabin, and it is pitch black. You have one match on you. Which do you light first, the newspaper, the lamp, the candle, or the fire?
2. Who is bigger: Mr. Bigger, Mrs. Bigger, or their baby?
3. Mike is a butcher. He is 5'10" tall. What does he weigh?
4. A farmer has 17 sheep and all but nine die. How many are left?
5. How far can a rabbit run into the woods?
6. In a year, there are 12 months. Seven months have 31 days. How many months have 28 days?
7. Jimmy's mother had four children. She named the first Monday. She named the second Tuesday, and she named the third Wednesday. What is the name of the fourth child?
8. Before Mt. Everest was discovered, what was the highest mountain in the world?
9. Which is heavier, A pound of feathers or a pound of rocks?
10. What is full of holes but can still hold water?



Answers:

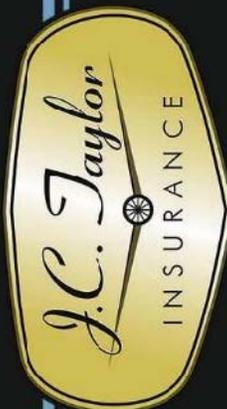
1. You light the match first!
2. The baby because he is a little bigger.
3. Meat
4. Nine
5. Halfway. After that, he is running out of the woods.
6. They all do.
7. Jimmy because Jimmy's mother had four children!
8. Mt. Everest. It was still the highest in the world. It just had not been discovered yet!
9. Neither. Both weigh a pound!
10. A sponge

**Manitowoc County Fairgrounds
September 12-16, 2023**



Manitowoc, Wis.
59TH SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET

**DEDICATED TO HAROLD "BUZZ" BECKMAN &
RICK RECHECK WHO HAVE DONE SO MUCH FOR OUR
CLUB – BOTH WERE RESIDENTS OF MANITOWOC, WIS.**



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Membership Application & Renewal Form

New Membership Renewal

The SDC welcomes anyone with an interest in Studebaker history and Studebaker produced vehicles. Memberships are for one year only and include twelve (12) issues of *Turning Wheels*. All chapter members must also join the national club. Send a completed copy of this form along with payment in the form of credit card (Visa, MasterCard or Discover), check or money order in U.S. Dollars to: Studebaker Drivers Club, P.O. Box 1715, Maple Grove, MN 55311-6715, USA

NEW U.S. Membership:	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years
Regular Membership with Periodical Class mail	\$29.00	n/a	n/a
Student / Young Adult Membership (12 through 22 years old)	\$29.00	\$87.00	\$145.00
Subscription to <i>Turning Wheels</i> magazine only. NO MEMBERSHIP	\$29.00	\$87.00	\$145.00
NEW Canadian Membership:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Membership with Surface mail	\$46.00	n/a	n/a
NEW Overseas Membership:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Overseas Membership with Surface Class mail	\$46.00	n/a	n/a
RENEWING U.S. Membership:			
Regular Membership with Periodical Class mail	\$36.00	\$99.00	\$161.00
Regular Membership with First Class mail	\$62.00	\$183.00	\$300.00
Student / Young Adult Membership (12 through 22 years old)	\$29.00	\$87.00	\$145.00
Subscription to <i>Turning Wheels</i> magazine only. NO MEMBERSHIP	\$29.00	\$87.00	\$145.00
RENEWING Canadian Membership:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Membership with Surface mail	\$52.00	\$144.00	\$236.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Membership with Air mail	\$66.00	\$186.00	\$306.00
RENEWING Overseas Membership:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Overseas Membership with Surface mail	\$52.00	\$144.00	\$236.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Overseas Membership with Air mail	\$66.00	\$186.00	\$306.00
Other:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership Only (No <i>Turning Wheels</i> Magazine)	\$12.00	\$36.00	\$60.00

Total Amount: \$ _____

Name: _____ Spouse: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State/P/Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____
 Phone: (____) _____ E-Mail: _____
 Source of referral (if new member): _____
 SDC Member # (if renewal): _____ (Please specify Studebakers owned on back of form.)

Payment:
 If paying by check, make checks payable to: **The Studebaker Driver's Club, Inc.**
 Check Money Order Visa MasterCard Discover
 Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____
 CID # _____ (This Card Identification Number (CID) can be found on the back of your credit card. It is the last 3 digits that appear in the signature space. This number is REQUIRED to process your credit card.)
 Name on Credit Card: _____
 Signature: _____



Studebaker ownership is not required, just an appreciation for the marque. You must be a member of the **Studebaker Drivers Club** to apply for membership in a local chapter! If you would like to become a member of the South Georgia Studebaker Chapter, please fill this out and send or hand it to Col. Terry Brooks.

Referred by: _____ NAME: _____
 SPOUSE'S NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 CITY, STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
 PHONE: _____ (Home)
 (Cell) _____ EMAIL: _____

What Studebakers do you own?? Year Model Body Style _____

Dues: \$20.00/year (First Class Mailing) SEND APPLICATION AND CHECK PAYABLE TO:

SDC South Georgia Studebaker Chapter,
 Attn: Col. Terry Brooks 141 Mackay Drive Richmond Hill, GA 31324

You must be a member of Studebaker Drivers Club (national organization) to be a member of South Georgia Studebaker Chapter SDC Membership # _____
 If not a member see pricing schedule below For new members only of the SDC prices are as follows:

SDC membership (1 year) \$29. if not currently an SDC member. SDC Student /young adult membership 12 through 22 years old (1 year) \$29 if not currently an SDC student/young adult member

Detach and Mail this Portion with your Payment