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## The Presidents Reflections

This year is swiftly slipping away. We have just stepped into the final season of the year, but what season is it?

I grew up calling it FALL. I was told that was because all the leaves would fall off the trees and I must go out and rake them out of the yard.

I was later taught the proper name for the season is AUTUMN. I was given no explanation, It's just Autumn. What does Autumn mean? I don't know, it is just the last chance you get to enjoy warm weather before Winter sets in.

Many of my friends and family call it FOOTBALL season. I have never been much of a sports fan, so this has very little appeal to me.

I was raised in rural South Georgia, so it meant It's COTTON PICKIN' season. Yes, I have picked cotton by hand.

Also, as a backwoods, dirt road country boy it always meant HUNTING season. From a very young age my brothers and I were taught marksmanship and had many meals of wild game. Squirrel, Rabbits, Doves, and Quail. I carried on the tradition with my children and Grandchildren.

My Father was a fine sharpshooter and prided himself with his skill. His Game of choice was Doves, my older brother was proficient at Quail hunting. My most memorable experiences were the taking of a White Tail deer at 200 yards with a 30-06 Winchester and sitting in a deer blind with my seven-year-old Grandson and watching him take his first Deer with his Grand Ma's Marlin 30-30.

Now a days, it seems like this is CAR SHOW Season. We have attended some kind of CAR event every weekend during September and still have more to go, We had a great tour on Drive your Studebaker Day, then we had a really good Chapter meeting in Hazlehurst, Georgia after that was the MoonShine Festival in Oak Park, Georgia, where I had the privilege to shake the hand of "Luke Duke" AKA Tom Wopat, ending the month at the Pig Squeal BBQ Festival in Lyons, Georgia. Miss Pinky and Buttercup have been busy, and I have had a blast!

I hope you are all enjoying your Autumn, whichever way you choose, and I hope you will include your Studebaker in your activities. Get'em out, Dust'em off, and DRIVE'em!

Next Meeting is in Warner Robbins, Georgia at Georgia Bob's BBQ. Nov 11<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you all there!

BE SAFE !!

*Neil*

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## Front Cover

Dylan Kelly's 62 Lark.

See page 9 for more on Dylan Kelly's 1962 Lark.

Photo by Amy Kelly

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(bottom right corner) for how you  
can get your car on the front  
cover of an upcoming newsletter.

## Treasurer & Membership Report

by ..... Terry Brooks



### Do not Forget!

To be a member of the South Georgia SDC, you must be a member of the National Studebaker Drivers Club.

To join the National SDC, go to [www.studebakerdriversclub.com](http://www.studebakerdriversclub.com), click "About," and then click "Membership."

### Bank Account:

<b>Account Summary: ..... for Sept. 2023</b> Deposits & Credits: ..... 0 Deposits Checks Outstanding: ... 0 Checks Checks Cleared: ..... 3 Checks Maintenance Fee: ..... None Acct. Activity & History: Good Standing	<b>Account Summary: ..... for Oct. 2023</b> Deposits & Credits: ..... 1 Deposits Checks Outstanding: ... 0 Checks Checks Cleared: ..... 3 Checks Maintenance Fee: ..... None Acct. Activity & History: Good Standing
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*Bank Statement furnished upon request.*

### Membership & Dues:

- Total Active Members (individuals): ..... 99
- ✓ Total number of families represented: ..... 57
- ✓ Members Paid Dues (families): ..... 57
- ✓ **Members Unpaid Dues (families): ..... 0**
- ✓ **Of the Active Members there are Honorary Member (individuals): . 5**
- ✓ **Of the Active Members there are Subscribers (individuals): ..... 6**
- ✓ **Inactive Members not included in Active Members: ..... 8**

### Website Activity:

**147** Page Views      **80** Unique Visits      **8.607** Page views per visit (average)

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/121344184681953>



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## In the News

Turning Wheels Magazine, **SDC Chapter Newsletter Editor Recognition Awards 2022-2023** voted our **Smoke Signal** newsletter, **Best of Division** in the category of **Senior BI-MONTHLY/QUARTERLY INTERNET DIVISION**.

Thanks to all who have contributed to the newsletter, the editor appreciates it.

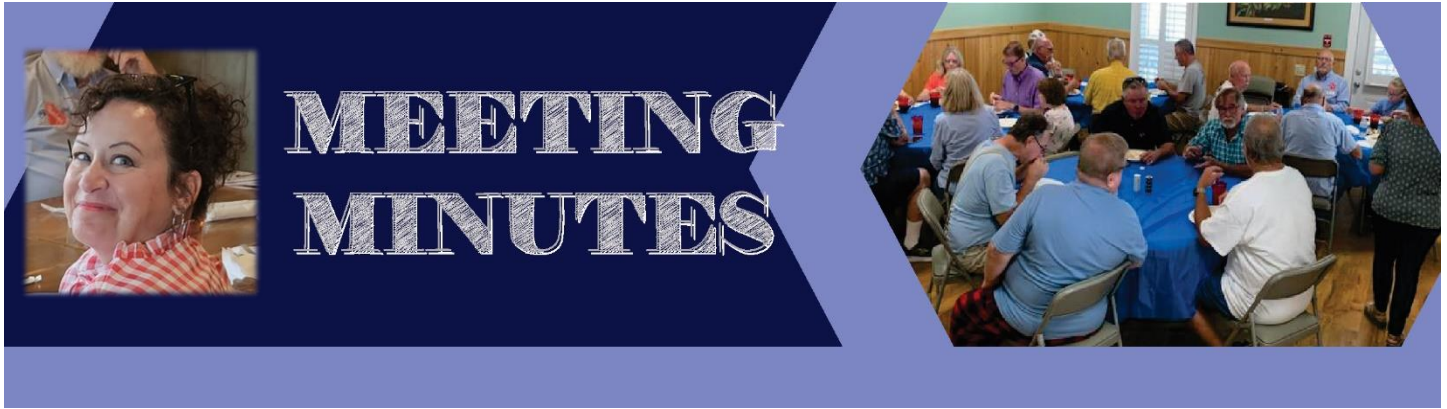
Now we can get ready for next year.

## Welcome New Members

**No new members this cycle.**

## Secretaries Report

Minutes from our last meeting by Rebecca Burnette ..... September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023



A pleasant beginning to fall was underway at the South Georgia Chapter's regular meeting, Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at the Hazlehurst-Jeff Davis County Museum Meeting room.

A wonderful BBQ meal with the fixings was served up by hosts Neil and Edie Thornton and family.

Blessings on the food were rendered by Rudy Smith.

Treasurer Terry Brooks gave a Treasurer's Report, showing all checks and debits balanced and in order.

Reporting on the recently held International Studebaker Drivers Club Meet in Wisconsin, Smoke Signal Editor Terry Brooks reported that the Smoke Signal had won an award! "Turning Wheels Magazines, SDC Chapter Newsletter Editor Recognition Awards 2022-2023 voted our Smoke Signal newsletter, **Best of Division** in the category for **Senior BI-MONTHLY / QUARTERLY INTERNET DIVISION**." Turning Wheels September 2023 edition, page 22, lists the Smoke Signal as Best of Division.

Bill and Patty Van Alstyne accepted the award while in attendance at the meet, and our editor gave his acceptance speech at this meeting. Editor Brooks noted that the award was won by the club members and their contributions. He also noted he has challenged himself to beat his score next year.

A thank you note was read from the family of Loren Hendley, following the arrangement sent to the services following Loren's recent passing.

It was even more meaningful to have his wife, Miss Betty and granddaughter, Heather and great granddaughter, Hendley at today's meeting, complete with his beautiful red 1963 GT Hawk.

Loren Hendley was serving as Chaplain of the club at the time of his passing, and after discussion, Rudy Smith was appointed to finish out the remainder of Loren's term.

The next scheduled meeting of the South Georgia Chapter will be held November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Georgia Bob's BBQ in Warner Robins. Russ Winge will be hosting this event.

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Reminders of upcoming shows were shared, including the MoonShine Festival in Oak Park, which had upwards of two hundred and seventy-five cars entered in their car show last year. You can read more on the MoonShine Festival on page thirteen.

Our meeting was a mini show in itself with eight Studebakers, one Dodge and one Chevy in the parking lot.

After general discussion and remembrances, the meeting adjourned with prayer and a wonderful intro to fall.

Til next time!

Respectfully submitted,

*Rebecca Burnette*

## New Member Challenge

When a chapter member recruits a new member to join SDC and the South Georgia Studebaker Drivers Club Chapter, he or 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 a South Georgia Studebaker Chapter Name Badge or shirt for yourself or a family member.

Place your order with:

Neal Thornton; [259lark@gmail.com](mailto:259lark@gmail.com) / (912) 375-7986 or Terry Brooks [teanle@comcast.net](mailto:teanle@comcast.net) / (912) 656-3581.

The name tags are available in white plastic with the chapter logo and your name for \$10.00. The shirts are blue oxfords with the logo on the left chest plate for \$30.00. Do not forget to give your shirt size.

(New Prices effective January 2022)



## Meeting Photos

Taken on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at the Hazlehurst-Jeff Davis Historical Museum Society

*Thanks for Hosting Neil & Edie Thornton!*



Eight Studebaker's, one Dodge & one Chevy (not in Photo).  
*Above photo by Terry Brooks, Thanks*



The Savannah Group driving to Hazelhurst.  
*Above photo by Joe & Terri Lake, Thanks*



Our Hazelhurst Hosts were Neil & Edie Thornton.



There were twenty-two members present, including Betty Hendley, Heather and Hendley Culpepper. Rudy Smith had three guests. The meal was very good, BBQ with salads and desserts. You can tell by those happy faces the food was incredible.

Members Present: Neil & Edie Thornton, Rudy Smith, Rebecca & Jack Burnette, Terry & Andria Brooks, Betty Hendley, Heather & Hendley Culpepper, Richard Miller, Rick Hughes, Bob Haggard, Michael Benson, Corinne Wooden, Conrad & Michelle Monroe, Joe & Terri Lake, Art Joly, Lynn Shackelford, Cilicia Pair, Barnie O'Quinn Jr. Quests of Rudy Smith; Jim Johnson, Eddie Lott, and Charles Waters.

*Dining Room Photos by Rebecca Burnette, Thanks*



Everyone chowing down on that great food.



Photos of the Studebakers and other cars attending the Hazelhurst event on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023. There were eight Studebaker's present with one 56 Dodge Modified and one 69 Nova SS driven to the event.

Everyone was excited to see that Red GT Hawk of Hendley's there. This car has been a fixture in the club at all the events for a long time. Loren passed the GT Hawk on to his Great Granddaughter, Hendley last year at the Southeast Studebaker Event in Florida. Hendley was there with her mother Heather, the current driver since Hendley is short a couple of years before getting her driver's license, and Mrs. Betty Hendley.

Photo to the right; Bob Haggards 1969 Nova SS's photos could not be found, so we used the photo from the last Hazelhurst event back on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Bob also has a 1955 Commander Coupe and is a member of the North Georgia Studebaker Chapter.

*The following photos by Conrad Monroe, Thanks*



Bob Haggard's 69 Nova SS



Rudy Smith's 55 C Cab Mod. Truck



Richard Miller's 53 Coupe Mod.



Terry Brooks' 62 GT Hawk



Conrad Monroe's 56 Dodge Modified



Neil Thornton's 60 Lark W/Surfboard



Rick Hughes' 55 Pickup



Art Joly's 62 Lark



Hendley Culpepper's 63 GT Hawk



Neil Thornton's 62 Lark



## November Chapter Meeting



*Mark your Calendars!*

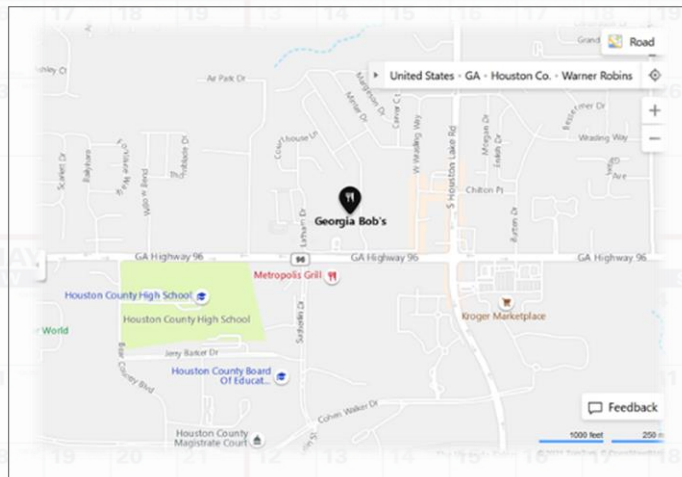
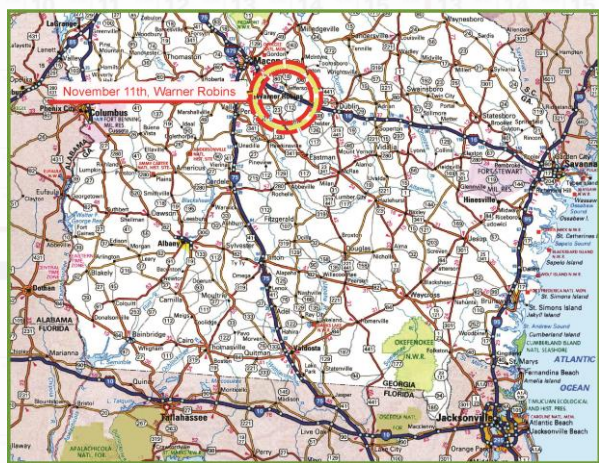
**November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Saturday - 12:00 a.m. to ~1:00 p.m.**

**Georgia Bob's BBQ**

Address: 120 Howland Ave.,  
**Warner Robbins, GA. 31088**

Phone: (478) 287-2108

Host: Russ Winge, Info: (478) 919-8144



## Upcoming Chapter Meetings

**January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Saturday - 12:00 a.m. to ~1:00 p.m.**

**Hungry Hillbilly Grill & BBQ**

Address: 340 Northview Dr, Jesup, GA 31546-3125, Phone: (912) 427-3330

Host: Logan Breedlove, Info: (912) 278-3023

**March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Saturday - 12:00 a.m. to ~1:00 p.m.**

**Georgia Bob's BBQ**

Address: 120 Howland Ave., Warner Robbins, GA 31088, Phone: (478) 287-2108

Host: Bobby & Elaine Dorsey, Info: (478) 957-5065

**May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Saturday - 12:00 a.m. to ~1:00 p.m.**

**Carey Hillard's**

Address: 11111 Abercorn St., Savannah, GA 31419, Phone: (912) 925-3225

Host: Richard & Ann Miller, Info: (912) 335-7268

**July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Saturday - 12:00 a.m. to ~1:00 p.m.**

**Georgia Bob's BBQ**

Address: 120 Howland Ave., Warner Robbins, GA 31088, Phone: (478) 287-2108

Host: Elza Fowler, Info: (478) 320-1462

*Thank you all for hosting!*

Have you considered Hosting an event? It is not complicated, you just pick one of your favorite spots (Restaurant, Park, Museum, or even your home) then make plans with the owner for a group of fifteen to twenty-five people to gather on the specified date for the meeting and a meal. The local businesses will love it and they will remember what the South Georgia Studebaker Chapter is afterwards. The club will pay your next year's dues for Hosting. *Voted on at the 03/18/2023 mtg.*

*Our thoughts and prayers  
are with you all during  
these trying moments of  
your lives.*

Karl Peace difficulty with hand after breaking his Humerus.  
Edward Burris been in the hospital.  
Ann & George Klutkowski with medical concerns.  
Betty Hendley and family in this challenging time.  
Teresa Smith is having medical difficulties.  
David & Barbara Whitworth, David's recovery.  
And any others we may have missed.  
*Please remember these folks as they recover.*

*Check out Clubs Memorial Page on our website:  
<https://studebakercarclub.weebly.com/memorial-page.html>*

## Today's Thought

*Doing nothing is hard, you never know when you are done. - Unknown*

### Birthdays & Holidays

*We wish you  
a Happy Birthday!*

#### OCTOBER

01 *National Coffee Day*  
06 Corinne Wooden (Benson)  
14 *National Dessert Day*  
16 Tony Costrini  
17 Elza Fowler  
17 Elaine Dorsey  
18 Janet Aspinwall  
22 *National Nut Day*  
23 Suzanne Findley  
25 Barney O'Quinn Jr  
25 Bobby Dorsey  
28 *National Chocolate Day*  
31 Joe Lake

#### NOVEMBER

03 Karel Daniel  
05 *National Redhead Day*  
06 Karan Fowler  
07 *Election Day*  
11 Mitchell Pair  
14 Jack Burnette  
15 Connie Eastwood  
23 *Thanksgiving Day*  
25 Eric Lee  
26 *National Cake Day*  
29 Rebecca Burnette

*Let us know if we missed  
anyone's birthday!*

### Recipes

Forking Noodles: *"Admit it, we've all done this while eating our mac & cheese"*



*You can share  
your favorite  
recipes right  
here!*

**From the Editor:** We thought it would be interesting to add individual editorials about our members cars, their stories, and their history, like the one on page 9 of 20 from Dylan Kelly about his 62 Lark.

We will be adding an article to each of the Smoke Signal Newsletters consisting of a page or two about our members' car (s), titled **"Members Cars."**

The subject matter will be a history of the car, like when you purchased or received the car, the things that you have done to the car, what you are planning to do to the car and more. The article will also include photos of your car at different events or occasions you have photographed your car, including memories from taking your car on an interesting drive. We would love to know what people are saying regarding your car when at events or while on a drive in the car.

We would like to tell your car's story or history to our members.

Please fill out the Smoke Signal Car Article Form.PDF found on our website: <https://studebakercarclub.weebly.com/latest-newsletters.html> and forward it to the editor at [teanle@comcast.net](mailto:teanle@comcast.net).

The form can be completed quickly, and the other chapter members will find your stories and history interesting.

*Thanks in advance, ..... Editor Terry Brooks*



### Dylan Kelly's 62 Lark



Dylan is one of our youngest chapter members, and we are excited about his enthusiasm for his 1962 Lark. As you will see he has completed many projects on his Lark and has plans for several more. We look forward to the first time Dylan drives his 62 Lark to one of our future events.

1. When did you get the car?
  - a. I got the car in December of 2022. We were looking for Larks in a few places, and we saw one on Facebook and bought it.
2. What is the original Car? Year? Make, and Model?
  - a. The car is a '62 Studebaker Lark.
3. What would you call the car now "Restored original" or "Modified"?
  - a. Modified, as the person who owned it before made changes to the speakers, dashboard, & other parts of the car.
4. What Engine and Transmission does the car have?
  - a. The car has a 170 inline 6 cylinder.
5. What are some of the things that you have done?
  - a. Installed new brake lines.
  - b. Installed new brake shoes,

- c. Installed new brake drums,
- d. Installed new Whitewall tires.

6. What are some of the other things you are planning on doing to the car?
  - a. A few of the things I plan to have done on the car include bodywork, paint (metallic blue), new interior, and adding a modern AC system.
  - b. I would also like to change the engine to any V8 engine later down the line.
7. Where are some of the places that you have shown the car off or driven it?
  - a. As of now, it only gets shown off in the driveway. I'd like to have some more work done under the hood before it begins showing up around town and on the road.
  - b. It has been driven around the neighborhood a handful of times.
8. How would you describe the car when you purchased it?
  - a. The car drove when we bought it and was in fair condition.
  - b. There was some rust and dents in and on the body.
  - c. The outside chrome (save the mirrors, bumpers, and door handles) was all painted black. I am heavily considering keeping it that way, as I feel the black will pair nicely with the paint job I want.
9. How much do you drive the car? And where?
  - a. Recently, the car has not been driven much. This is because we are working on the entire rear brake system.



*We wish you well with all the work you have planned for your 62 Lark. We are anxious to see the car running as we know you are.*

*Thank you, Dylan for sharing about your great 62 Lark.*



## Packard's 352 Cubic Inch Engine

By John E. Krauser .....from the Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club, Inc. Newsletter April 2023 Hoover, Alabama

In 1955 Packard built an all new V8 engine. The block displaced 352 cubic inches and had an overhead valve design. The demand for overhead valve V8 engines was increasing. Cadillac and Oldsmobile had this overhead valve design six years earlier.

During the 20th Century most automotive manufactures, including Packard, developed and built their own engines. Over the years engine designs were modified, improved, and ultimately retired. Each engine had a life expectancy of several years. Chevy's 327 V8 cubic inch engine was built eight years. Ford's 289 V8 cubic inch engine was produced for 5 years. Studebaker's 289 V8 cubic inch engine lasted nine years.

The 352 V8 cubic inch engine design was considered "Packard's Last Hurrah". The engine was used for just two years. By the time this engine hit the market the mighty Packard Car Company demise was near. The basic 352 V8 block weighed 210 pounds. The cast crankshaft was 56 pounds in weight with five main bearing journals. 22-ounce Aluminum alloy pistons were used with one oil ring and two compression rings. The iron camshaft had a 1" wide timing chain. The cam was supported by five removable bearings.

The 64-pound heads were interchangeable from side to side. Fifteen cap bolts connected them to the block. Compression ratios as high as 12.0:1 could be employed. The final weight of the engine minus the air cleaner is listed as anywhere from 698 to 710 pounds.

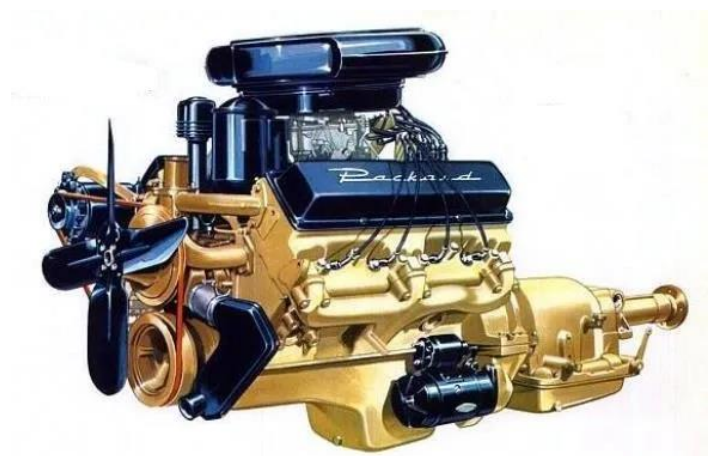
The 1955 Packard Clipper Custom, Patrician, and Four Hundred received this 352 cubic inch engine with the following specifications: Bore and Stroke: 4.00" x 3.5"; Compression was 8.5 to 1; Horsepower was 245 @4600 RPM. Torque was listed at 355 ft. lbs. @ 2400 RPM. A Carter WCFB four-barrel carburetor was used on the Clipper while a Rochester 4GC four-barrel was employed on the Patrician and Four Hundred.

The 1955 Packard Caribbean had the 352 cubic inch engine with the same above specifications except the horsepower was 275. Two Rochester Type 4GC four-barrel carburetors provided extra horsepower.

In its second and final year, the 352 cubic inch engine was found in the Packard Clipper Deluxe and Super. The compression ratio changed to 9.5 to 1 and had 240 horsepower @4600 RPM. A Carter WGD two-barrel carburetor was used.

The 1956 Packard Clipper Custom and Executive had the same 352 cubic inch engine and specifications with one exception, the carburetor. A Rochester Type 4GC four-barrel carburetor was used, and this moved the horsepower to 275. Packard was believed to use methods of

testing HP/torque values that underestimated the engine's final HP and torque.



By 1956 the Packard/Studebaker merger had been completed. Studebaker introduced the Hawk Series for the first time in 1956. This was also the year that Studebaker's 289 V8 cubic inch engine came out. It was installed in the Sky Hawk. The premier Studebaker Hawk was the Golden Hawk. And, it had Packard's 352 cubic inch engine with the same setup as the Clipper Custom and Executive. Studebaker built 4071 of the 1956 Golden Hawks. All of them had the Packard Engine. There was a rumor that Studebaker dealers would offer the option of installing two 4-barrel carburetors on this engine. There is no definitive number as to if and how many engines received this option. The horsepower rating was believed to be three hundred.

The Packard 352 cubic inch engine was considered too heavy for the 1956 Golden Hawk. There were many poor reviews as a result. So, in 1957 the 352 cubic inch engine was discontinued in the Golden Hawk.

The 1957 and 1958 Golden Hawk had the 289 V8 cubic inch engine installed, with a supercharger. Studebaker's 289 V8 cubic inch engine weight was listed as 685 pounds. The supercharger's weight is 45 pounds. The difference between the Packard 352 cubic inch engine (710 pounds) and the Supercharged Studebaker 289 V8 cubic inch engine (730 pounds) is 20 pounds. The Packard engine was lighter.

The 1957 and 1958 Packard automobile was built by Studebaker and based on Studebaker models. But the 352 cubic inch engine was no longer made. Instead, the Packard was fitted with the Studebaker 289 V8 cubic inch engine and supercharger.

So, let this sink in: The Packard 352 cubic inch engine was too heavy at 710 pounds to be used in the 1957 & 1958 Golden Hawk. Yet the Packard auto built on a Studebaker chassis used a Studebaker 289 V8 cubic inch engine and supercharger with a combined weight of 730 pounds.

**GO figure!**



Handing the Keys Over to the Next Generation

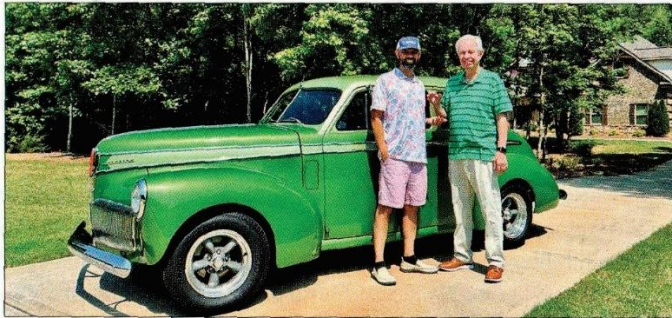
by Wayne & Ann Lee

## Handing the Keys Over to the Next Generation

by Wayne & Ann Lee

Back in the 1990s, I was driving a 1951 blue Studebaker pickup that we'd found as an abandoned project in middle Georgia. After rebuilding it and getting it back on the road, our teenaged sons drove it frequently and we still enjoy retelling some of the adventures they had. Eventually, we moved on and the truck was sold.

Fast forward a bunch of years. After retiring for the second time, the hunt was on for another Studebaker project. I found a modified 1941 Champion sedan in nearby South Carolina. While I worked on its rehab, a modified C-cab pickup followed us home from the north Georgia Mountains.



Eric in Forsyth, Georgia got the green 1941 Champion affectionately known as Sweet Pea.

Both vehicles required an extensive amount of rebuilding to make them reliably street worthy again.

Fast forward a few more years and my birthdays are adding up. At 75, sliding around on the cold garage floor isn't as much fun as it used to be for me. After discussing it with the boss, we decided the best thing to do is to give each of sons memberships in SDC, and to pass these Studebakers on to them.

The days we turned over the keys were exciting for us all and are a memory that will stay with us forever. Now, as members of their new families, these fine Studebakers are once again creating new family adventures and memories.



The yellow C-cab pickup, aka Big Bird, went to Patrick in Armada, Michigan.

### Family traditions of passing items (cars) down to children and family members.

Family history is a precious gift.

If stories, items, traditions, and information are not passed down from one generation to the next, eventually they will be lost and forgotten. Family traditions are a vital part of our cultural heritage, and they provide us with a sense of identity, community, and history. By passing down these traditions, we can preserve memories and stories, create a sense of unity, and pass down important values to future generations. So, let us celebrate our traditions and the rich diversity of our cultural heritage!

It can be fun for family members to get to know more about their past and what life was like years ago. Having those experiences with stories, items, traditions, and information. Nothing better than to pass down one of the family's old cars with the history and stories about it. It can also build a sense of pride and respect.

Remembering the past can be a wonderful way to connect with seniors and strengthen bonds. For Andria and me it is the 1959 Silver Hawk her father had for over forty-five years. I am sure that Heather and Hendley Culpepper would agree that their red 63 GT Hawk has many memories of Loren and the trips they took together in that 63 GT Hawk.

All of us have memories of our cars and our parents' cars. The new articles titled "**MEMBERS CARS**" that we are doing in the newsletters is a wonderful place to share those memories and photos if you have them. Examples from this newsletter and the last couple are of Richard Millers 53 Commander, Jason Saxon's 53 Champion, Dr Tony Costrini's 63 GT Hawk, and in this newsletter Dylan Kelly's 62 Lark.

We would like to have your car's story and history told. Please fill out the Smoke Signal Car Article Form.PDF found on our website: <https://studebakercarclub.weebly.com/latest-newsletters.html> titled Smoke Signal Car Article Form.PDF.

..... Editor Terry Brooks



## Something That We Take for Granted!

From ..... Pete Yuen

Our FIRE EXTINGUISHERS to be working effectively - - - Most of the fire extinguishers in home use and in cars are the dry chemical type. Nothing wrong with that, however, the question is, "Will it function as it should when required?" There are 3 answers to that question and any one of them could be correct.

- 1) Yes. This is good and the way that it should be.
- 2) Perhaps – The fire extinguisher has partial effectiveness.
- 3) No – The unit, when needed and used only puts out a small amount of the dry chemical followed only by the propellant. Not good and not effective.

I would suspect that most of the fire extinguishers that are carried in the cars would fail to function properly. In having a fire extinguisher in the car, it is only false security. But that can be and needs to be changed. After all, what is the point in having a fire extinguisher that does not function effectively when needed?

Over time, the dry chemical in the fire extinguisher gets packed and becomes a solid mass. This is due to the vibration as the car is driven. When the fire extinguisher is needed and used, the propellant can only force out a small amount of the chemical and the solid mass remains in the unit where it does absolutely no good towards putting out a fire.

Since we know that the dry chemical has become a solid mass, we also know that it needs to flow freely so the propellant can effectively force it out onto the fire.

If you have a plastic hammer, use it to strike all around and the bottom and side of the fire extinguisher to loosen the mass. An ordinary hammer could be used also but only strike the fire extinguisher with limited force so as not to dent it. After you feel that the powder has been loosened, shake the fire extinguisher vigorously.

Every home should have a fire extinguisher(s) in it. If it is a dry chemical type, it does no harm to tap it with a hammer and shake it afterwards. If the fire extinguisher is the CO2 type, nothing needs to be done to maintain its' effectiveness. With electric cars, there is no known fire extinguisher to be effective at this point. If anyone is in an electric car and there is a fire, just get out of the car as quickly as possible and distance yourself from it, the farther, the better.



### **What Fire Extinguisher is right for you and your application:**

Every home should have a kitchen fire extinguisher for putting out cooking fires, while an ABC extinguisher is ideal for general fires and can tackle trash and wood, liquids, and gases, and energized electrical sources.

Your car should have a BC extinguisher for gas, oil, solvents, and electrical fires.

Following additions: ..... Editor Terry Brooks

**The SDC Board of Directors has also stipulated, effective 1/1/2017, that a fire extinguisher is required for each car, displayed, or judged, at all SDC sanctioned Meets. .... SDC Judging Standards Committee**  
**Carl Thomason, Chairman**  
**2019 Revision.**

### *From Chapter 1 Introduction*

*A fire extinguisher is required for each car, judged, or displayed, at any SDC sanctioned Meet. The fire extinguisher must be placed beside the front tire on the driver's side. For Drive through Judging, the fire extinguisher must be visible on the front seat on the passenger side. \*Each vehicle is required to have a fire extinguisher at all SDC sanctioned car shows, required placement to be on driver's side of car, beside the front tire.*

**Chapter 6 Judging Standard THE JUDGING STANDARDS for all Division are: Rule 5. Failure to have an approved Fire Extinguisher will disqualify a Club member to display or enter their car into SDC Judging at an official SDC sanctioned meet or show. The Fire Extinguisher must be UL listed or equivalent and fully charged. The minimum for all vehicles is a UL type 1-A:5 – B:C.**

**Found at:** <https://studebakerdriversclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/2019-Judging-Manual.pdf>

Class of Fire	Description
Class A Fires	Fires in ordinary combustible materials, such as wood, cloth, paper, rubber, and many plastics.
Class B Fires	Fires in flammable liquids, combustible liquids, petroleum greases, tars, oils, oil-based paints, solvents, lacquers, alcohols, and flammable gases.
Class C Fires	Fires that involve energized electrical equipment.
Class D Fires	Fires in combustible metals, such as magnesium, titanium, zirconium, sodium, lithium, and potassium.
Class K Fires	Fires in cooking appliances that involve combustible cooking media (vegetable or animal oils and fats).



## Events Attended by Members

Where have you driven your car over the past few weeks?



*Forward your photos and events that you have participated in, and we will add them right here in this section in the next newsletter.*



### 08/27/23 - Joe's Classic Car Meet

We attended the Joe's Classic Car Meet in Bluffton, SC. It was a great drive up Highways 17 and 46 to Bluffton. Joes Classic Cuts (a really cool barber shop) hosts the event. There were some really cool cars present, photos above, but of course the two coolest cars were a 59 Silver Hawk and 56 Dodge Wagon Modified.



### 08/05/23 - Richmond Hill, Ga. - Cars & Coffee

From left to right: Mike Benson's 1955 Commander, Conrad Monroe's 1956 Dodge Wagon Modified (*Alias, Studebaker Wagon*), Col. Brooks' 1962 GT Hawk and Andria Brooks' 1959 Silver Hawk. The South Georgia Studebaker Chapter had a good showing at the event, we were four of twenty-eight cars present drawing a lot of attention in the old Studebakers. Of course everyone had a father, grandfather, or uncle that had one just like ours. It never gets old hearing the stories about their cars, how fast they would go and the comments that they would get about them. Most stated they wished they still had them. .... **OBVIOUSLY!**



### 08/26/23 - Hinesville, Ga. - Cars & Coffee

Out of the 115 cars present, the Monroe's and Brooks' both won one of the twenty-five trophies. Yes Michelle and Andria are holding their trophies. It was a 93 degree day that was very hot, especially on that asphalt parking lot however we survived with some fans from the car owner next to ours. There was only two original cars on the lot this day, Andria's 59 Silver Hawk and a 51 Buick, most of the cars were new Cameros and Mustangs.

The 51 Buick also won a trophy. Yeah!

### 09/02/23 - Richmond Hill, Ga. - Cars & Coffee

Same group of cars were at this Cars & Coffee as at the 08/05/23 Richmond Hill Cars & Coffee. Brooks' 59 Silver Hawk, Brooks' 62 GT Hawk, Benson's 55 Commander, and the Monroe's 56 Dodge Mod.



### 09/23/23 - Oak Park, Ga. - MoonShine Festival

There were 282 Cars, Trucks, Motor Cycles and one Tractor present at the event. Twelve members of the South Georgia Chapter were present. President Thornton's 60 Convertible Lark, Vice President Smith's 55 C-Cab Mod. and Treasurer Brooks' 59 Silver Hawk, everyone likes the drive-in speakers. Others present were Miller's 53 Commander and the Monroe's 56 Dodge Mod. Great day for the event.





## International Drive Your Studebaker Day



A group of twenty members from the South Georgia Studebaker Chapter drove their Studebakers to Hungry Hillbilly Grill & BBQ, southeast of Jesup, Georgia. Members drove in from the following towns; Bloomingdale, Hazelhurst, Jesup, Lyons, Richmond Hill, and Savannah, Georgia for a total of six Studebakers & one Dodge pictured top right of this page.



### Drivers and Riders of cars:

**Richard Miller** with passenger Jim Marston, 53 Commander Mod. from Bloomingdale, Georgia.

**Neil & Edie Thornton** with passenger Logan Breedlove, 60 Lark, James Thornton & Valaree with two neices in **Neil's** 62 Lark from Hazelhurst, Georgia.

Mike Aspinwall with Daughter and Son-in-law from Jesup, Georgia.

**Art Joly** with passenger Lynn Shackelford 62 Lark, from Lyons, Georgia.

**Mike Benson** with passenger Corrine Wooden, 55 Commander from Savannah, Georgia.

**Conrad Monroe** with passenger Michelle Monroe, 56 Dodge Wagon Mod. & **Terry Brooks** with passenger Andria Brooks, 59 Silver Hawk from Richmond Hill, Georgia.



The group enjoyed **Hungry Hillbilly Grill & BBQ** so much, that we are planning a club meeting there next year. The food was excellent, including the Frog Legs, Gator Tail, BBQ, Fish, and Shrimp eaten by our members. The menu included a House Special titled **"Swamp Platter"**, consisting of; *Frog Legs, Catfish, Gator, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, Served with toast and 2 sides.*

The owner accommodated us in his party room that will hold fifty people comfortably. The restaurant's decor was fun, including feeding the ducks from the pond just next to the restaurant. It is a family business and in the opinion of this writer, and the group they are running the business right. I am confident that we will be back to **Hungry Hillbilly Grill & BBQ** in the future.



Some of the meals are pictured below.  
From left to right; Gator Tail, Fried Fish, and Frog Legs.





## Studebaker Links:

Studebaker Vendors

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

Pat Skelly's Pertronix III Install Test Run

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ocUU9h4x50A>

Find your car (s) in the movies

<https://www.imcdb.org/>

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>

A Virtual Tour of the Studebaker Factory

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aOAdYJAS5P0>

South Bend's Studebaker Legacy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AvKW931UMqM>

Get your Studebaker Production Order Sheet:

<https://www.studebakermuseum.org/store/studebaker-production-orders>

Studebaker Dealerships Listing

<https://www.studebaker-info.org/Dealers/GAdealers.html>

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/>

Studebaker-Info.Org.

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

Studebaker Related Web Sites

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

Barn Finds

<https://barnfinds.com/studebaker-graveyard/>

## Funny Bones!



Two men while visiting Charlotte were arguing about how to pronounce Charlotte. One said you pronounce it, "Char-lotte," while the other said it was "Char-lot-ta." After arguing for several minutes one of the men said I am going to resolve this once and for all. He turned to a young lady and asked, "How do you pronounce this place?" and she looked at them for a minute, then replied "Wendy's."

Why does your nose run, and your feet smell?

Why is it that if someone tells you that there are 1 billion stars in the universe you will believe them but if they tell you a wall has wet paint you will have to touch it to be sure?

## Thanks for Contributing to this Newsletter.

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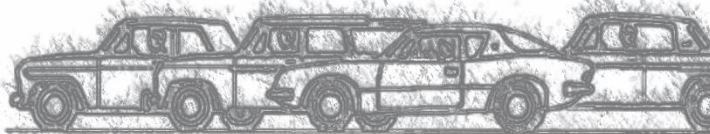
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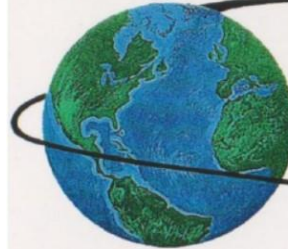
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### Fake Or Not?

Seasonal air for tires!

"Yep, gotta put that  
winter air in before the  
snow flies."

What happens if you  
continue to drive your  
auto into the summer  
and you have winter air  
in your tires?

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## For Sale

As a service to our members the Smoke Signal Newsletter will post on a in order of arrival, all Studebaker connected advertisements. South Georgia Chapter members will receive right of way when space does not permit all ads. All ads will be published for three months if space allows. Each publication can be extended three months. If you would like to extend or remove your ad, contact the Smoke Signal Editor at [leanle@comcast.net](mailto:leanle@comcast.net) and express your desires. You may incorporate one photo with your ad to be contained in the Newsletter, more at the Editors discretion. The Smoke Signal Editor reserves the right to organize the ad for the best fit. You remain exclusively liable for the substance of your ad. South Georgia Studebaker Chapter shall not be liable for the correctness and legitimacy of your contents.

### 1962 4 door Studebaker Lark, Seller's description follows.



With V8 259 (originally was an inline 6), NOS master cylinder & new brake shoes & new wheel cylinders, new 11" drums & plates on the front & 10" drums & plates on rear, rebuilt fuel pump needs installing, new fuel line covered with Tompkins Industries abrasion sleeve, rebuilt 4 barrel Holley carburetor & new Holley Power Shot air filter, 14" rims, new trunk latch, seats stripped to frame, door panels removed, rocker panels rusted, surface rust, needs glove box, floor is good for age, alternator instead of generator, new spark plugs, brakes need bleeding, rust on one corner of hood, trunk latch replaced, have Production info from Studebaker Museum, have V 8 trunk emblems. Was running before fuel pump was removed, needs interior, body work & paint to make it your own.

Bill of Sale provided. HIGHLY MOTIVATED TO SELL, MAKE AN OFFER. \$5,000 or OBO.

<https://www.facebook.com/marketplace/item/194336046695532/?mibextid=9R9pXO>

Located in Woodbine, GA. Contact information: (912) 409-9112 [putonthearmorofgod@gmail.com](mailto:putonthearmorofgod@gmail.com).

.....(Oct – Nov)

### 1930 Studebaker Commander Sedan.

Great looking Car! The car was purchased from its original owner in 1995 and frame off restoration in 2005. The car came from California and has been in the SDC for most of the car's life. The color is green with black exterior with the original trunk for the luggage rack. The interior is the original Mohair Interior with many extras; step plates on running boards, footrest in back seat compartment, lots of chrome extras, spare tire, extra lights, rear light, wooden wheel spokes and medal wheels in great shape just needs new lacquer. The tires were purchased in 2005. Straight Eight engine with manual shift transmission. Runs, drives, and stops good with following. The eight-volt battery needs to be replaced, carburetor leaks, top cloth is pulling out at rear, but the rest is in good condition. Located in Richmond Hill, Georgia asking \$32,500.00 or OBO.



Only serious / interested buyers may contact Carol Brink @ [Carolbrink@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Carolbrink@sbcglobal.net) or (912) 755-2026.

For more photos and information view these autos on our website on the Classified page or: <https://studebakercar-club.weebly.com/classifieds.html>.

.....(Apr-May)



## Calendar of Events (Re-occurring)

### Richmond Hill Cars & Coffee

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month

Mar. 5<sup>th</sup>, thru Saturday, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 9 am to 11 am

11460 Ford Avenue, Richmond Hill, GA

Richmond Hill Historical Society and Museum

### 1ST SATURDAY MONTHLY CRUISE IN @HARBOR FREIGHT – TIFTON

Harbor Freight Tools (Tifton)

Tifton, GA

### CAFFEINE & OCTANE

1<sup>st</sup>, Sunday of each month; 8 am to 11 am

4400 Ashford Dunwoody Rd, Atlanta, GA 30346

For info: [caffeineandoctane.com](http://caffeineandoctane.com) and on Facebook

### RINCON CRUISE IN

2<sup>nd</sup>, Saturday of each month 3 pm to 6 pm

Huddle House, Rincon, GA

### DARIEN CRUISE IN

3<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday of each month 4 pm to 7 pm

Ruby Tuesday's Darien Outlet Mall

exit 49 off of I-95

### SOUTHERN CRUISERS CRUISE IN

3<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday of each month 6 pm to 8 pm

Statesboro Mall Highway 80, Statesboro, GA

First Friday Night of every month meet at Fordham's

Farmhouse Restaurant, in Statesboro off US 80 6PM-8PM

### CARS AND COFFEE @ Dunkin' HINESVILLE

541 W Oglethorpe Highway

Every last Saturday of the month, 9 am to 12 am

### CAROLINA DREAMERS CAR CLUB

Cruise-In 4<sup>th</sup>, Thurs. of each monthly, 5 pm to 8 pm

Shelter Cove Community Park,

39 Shelter Cove Lane, Hilton Head Island SC

### CARS AND COFFEE HILTON HEAD

3<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday of each month 8 am to 11am

1 University Blvd, Bluffton, SC

### CAFFEINE AND EXOTICS

Dates and times vary

1 Galambos Way, Sandy Springs, Georgia

More info: [caffeineandexotics.com](http://caffeineandexotics.com), and on Facebook.

## Calendar Events (Individual)

### 3rd Cruisin' Car Show in Honor of SGT Patrick M. Sondron

October 28, 2023, 6 PM – 9 PM EDT

Freedom Field

111 Bear Country Blvd., Rincon, GA

### Trunk or Treat

October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Hinesville, GA

### Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat

October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023

130 S. Laurel Street, Springfield, GA

### Full Throttle Truck & Car Show

Saturday, December 9, 2023, 10 AM – 5 PM EST

Hazelhurst, GA



### Chip'n Away @ Heart Disease CARDIAC Car Show

November 4, 2023, 9 AM to 3 PM

North Houston County Sports Complex

Warner Robins, GA

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**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH**

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Driver Registration \$25.00      Vendor Registration \$40.00

*If you are aware of an event,  
please forward it and your add can be added.*





## 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.

	1-Year	3-Years	5-Years
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Regular Membership with Periodical Class mail	\$29.00	n/a	n/a
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Canadian Membership with Surface mail	\$52.00	\$144.00	\$236.00
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Overseas Membership with Surface mail	\$52.00	\$144.00	\$236.00
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## Studebaker South Georgia Chapter

### Membership Application

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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If not, a member, see pricing schedule below for new members only of the SDC prices are as follows:

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