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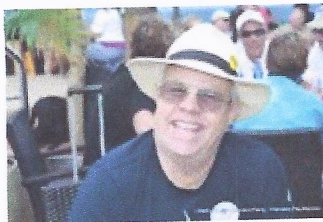
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President's Message June 2015

Summer is upon us, almost, and I hope folks are getting out and enjoying their Studebakers, either driving them or working on projects. I have been getting calls and emails from

folks looking for cars and parts lately. They have found my contact info on our chapter web page www.Hawktalks.com. I have sometimes referred them to various club members who I knew might have the parts they were looking for or might be interested in a car they have for sale. Most recently this has resulted in one of our members buying a 1955 President project car. I always take the opportunity to promote our chapter and hopefully gain some new members. This shows how powerful a medium our Internet presence is. Whenever you meet someone who has an interest in Studebakers remember to refer them to our web page.

We have exciting events coming up. So far we have 12 members bringing their cars to the John M Studebaker Wheelbarrow Races at the El Dorado County Fair on Father's Day June 21. Thanks for coming out to support this celebration of one of the Studebaker Corporation Founders. We have a small contingent making preparations to travel to St Louis for the International Meet and then meander back home along Route 66. If you think you might like to check driving to an IM or along Route 66 off your bucket list please contact me for details. Another event coming up that plans to Honor Studebakers is the annual Concours d'Elegance at Ironstone Winery in Murphys, CA on September 26. This event is for original cars, no customs or modified vehicles. It is a charity event benefitting youth involved in agriculture such as 4H. Find more information here: <http://www.ironstonefoundation.org/> Murphys is a fun place to visit and there is a lot of history and other sights to see in the area.

Our planning meeting for 2016 events is still a ways off, but I encourage all of you to be thinking about fun places to meet as you enjoy your summer outings this year. I will be travelling on vacation so will not be able to join you for the meeting at the Sundial Bridge in Redding. Hope everyone has a great time and a safe journey there and back. See you all at the Smith's house in Napa in July.



Secretary Report 5/17/2015

The Karel Staple Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club held the monthly meeting at the "Taste Of Tuscany" restaurant at 10:00 A.M. We had 24 members with 8 Studebakers in attendance. We had a great breakfast buffet set out by the restaurant staff. Thanks to the staff and thanks to

Peggy and Lenard Brewer for setting this up and hosting.

Oct. 16 through 18 is the dates for the International Auto Show at Cal Expo. Pat Dilling needs to know who will be going by Aug. 1. Contact Pat for details.

Steve Rainville talked about the Studebaker Swap Meet in Redwood City at Studebaker West. There were 8 vendors and many parts, as well as other items for sale.

Lou Van Ann, who hosted the April multi club meet in Stockton. There were 24 cars and close to 100 people who attended. There was great weather and a perfect day for Studebaking! Name tags are in. If you ordered a name tag contact Linda Barnard :916-213-8989.

Johna Perce Has our club sweat shirts for sale. She has different styles available . See her at the meeting or contact her.

Linda Barnard is asking for recipes to put together a Club Cook Book to sell as a fund raiser for our club. If you have a favorite recipe you would like to contribute, or some handy cooking tips, e-mail to Linda: sweetlorraine44@hotmail.com . Maybe some Champion Chops, or Commander Cookies?

Brian Challender, our Hawk Talks editor, brought up the mailing of the paper newsletter and costing the club over \$1000.00 a year. There was a proposal and seconded and a vote to end mailing paper hardcopies of the newsletter to members having an email address. Only those members that don't have email will continue to have a copy mailed to them after the June Hawk talks.

Editors Corner By Brian Challender

As the Editor of this news letter I thought I would lay down some ground rules for articles published herein. I would like all articles, announcements , pictures, and advertisements submitted to me no later than three weeks before the next meeting. This gives me time to put this all together to distribute via email and to the printer, then the post office to mail out.

I will not put articles in the news letter that are of religious nature, political, or in what I consider bad taste. I consulted with our International Drivers Club President. He told me that newsletters are for Studebaker related interest information , and as editor it is my job to make decisions based on what is included in the news letter based on that.

So keep in mind when you are writing an article to be in our Hawk Talks, be aware that if it slips over into a religious or political viewpoint it won't be in Hawk Talks.

Remember, all of us have different views on these subjects, but, we all share in our interest for all things Studebaker!

Thank You All!

Dixon May Fair Parade Redemption

Story By: Jon Stalnaker



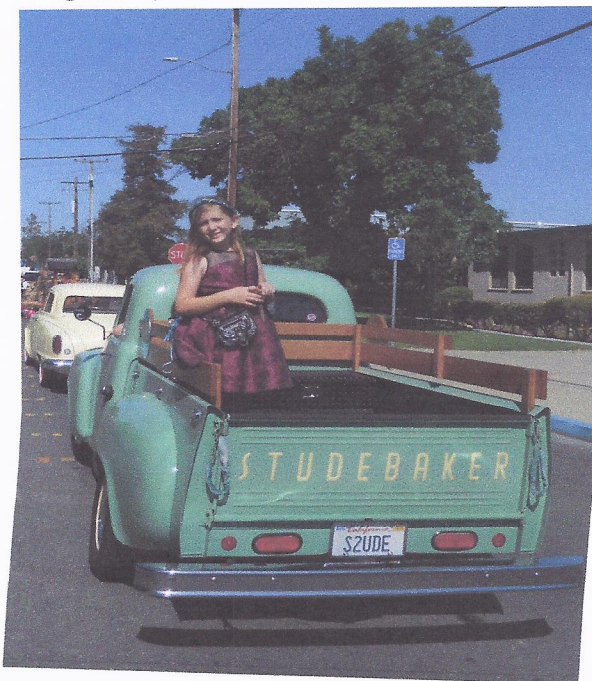
I have been driving Studebakers in the Dixon May Fair parade for over a decade and while they have received plenty of attention, I had yet to taste the love of a first place ribbon – until now.

The Dixon May Fair parade is the longest continuously running parade in the state of California at 140 years and is a big event in my community. When I first got my bullet nose in 2002, I entered it in the parade. It was barely running at the time and I requested that I be placed behind one of the tractors so that I could be towed the rest of the way should it fail on me. It didn't fail and the chain I put in the trunk was not used. It looked like the "loaner" Stanly Ipkiss drove to the Congo Bongo Club in the movie "The Mask".

I received a third place ribbon for my entry that year and was proud until one of my friends, a parade judge, laughingly told me that there were only 3 entries in that category. While that comment could have been hurtful, I thought it was funny and mused that the only thing that would have been funnier would be if I got a third place ribbon in a field of only **two** entries.

For many years after that, I drove my truck in the parade as the car was sitting in Roger's field in various stages of disassembly. After being resurrected to the beautiful car it is today, I once again drove it in the May Fair parade only to once again be rewarded the third place ribbon. Yes, there were more entries in that category that year, but after spending a ton of money on that car, I must admit that I felt a little let down.

This may be familiar a familiar story to many of you, but this time I have a happy ending. Because I now had two and sometimes three Studebakers, I had been entering the parade as a car club. Competing with all the other local car clubs, most of which had ten to twenty cars, meant I was not likely to get any ribbons. Some of the other members of our club came to help me out a few times but I still couldn't break the third place award.



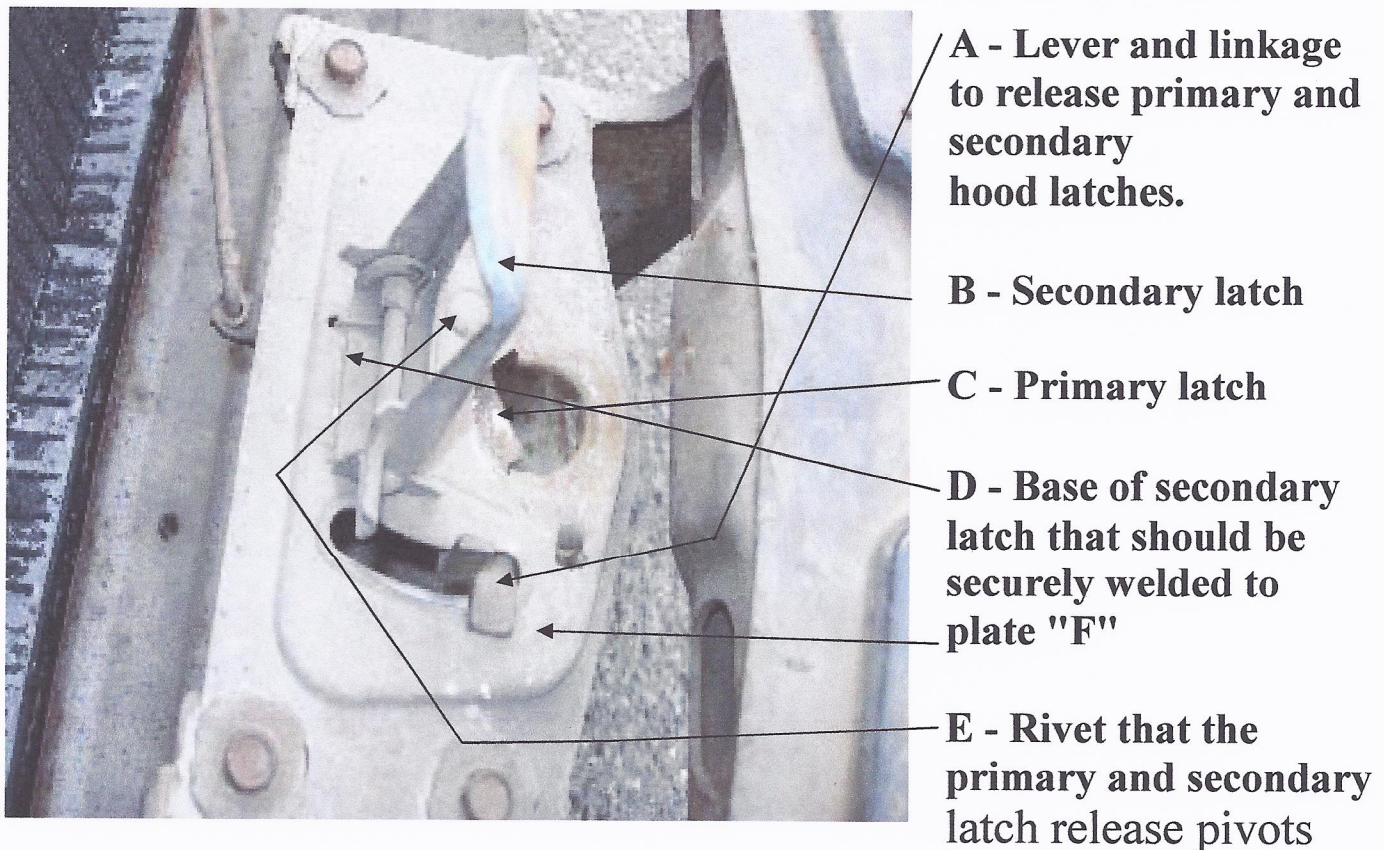
This year I decided to enter the car and the truck individually in the "Milestone Vehicle" category of cars and trucks from 1949 to 1965. This is a pretty broad category and has many entries as you can imagine. My son, Jon Jr. drove the truck and I drove the bullet nose. Winning a ribbon is really something I had pretty much given up on but we attended the award ceremony at the fair anyway. Imagine my surprise when they called my name for first and second place. The bullet nose was first and the truck was second. What made this particularly special for me was to be able to share the moment on stage with my son. Redemption is here.

Secondary Hood Latch On Hawk Models

By Pete Yuen

The secondary hood latches on the Hawk models are installed as a safety feature. It is to restrain the hood from flying off the car when driven in the event that the primary catch fails to hold the hood securely. After hearing of Hawk owners that have lost their hood while driving, it was learned that in each case, the secondary latch did not do the job that it was intended to do. . . To secure and hold the hood down. When driving and the hood suddenly comes up and over the car, it is not a fun thing to experience. The immediate danger is that it has blocked the view of the driver but it could get worse as the hood becomes detached from the car it becomes a hazard to other motorists on the road. When the hood is airborne, nobody has any idea of where it will come down. Once the hood is on the way down, it is a potential killer to other motorists in the vicinity.

When the secondary latch is installed on the car, it is spot welded. . . Insufficiently spot welded and therefore not strong enough do the job of securing the latch on to the plate that it is welded to. If you are a proud owner of a Hawk and have not yet lost your hood, have the secondary latch securely welded before disaster strikes



A bolt may be used to secure the base of the secondary latch to plate F. If this is to be attempted, one must make sure that it will not restrict the movement of the latch release mechanism as it pivots from rivet marked "E." To ensure that the nut does not come loose, use either LocTite or self locking nut. Suggested bolt size to be 5/16". Locate it so that it does not restrict movement of the latch operation.

Caution: If there is inadequate movement of the linkage when the hood locking assembly is mounted back in place, you may have a problem to release the hood once it has been closed. The hood latch assembly is describe as Plate Assembly, identified as item number 1622-65, part number 1326666 for C-K cars, '59 to '62. For '63, '64 K models, the number is 1351370

**ACCC NEWS**

Hello Karel Staple members!

Dear ACCC Supporter,

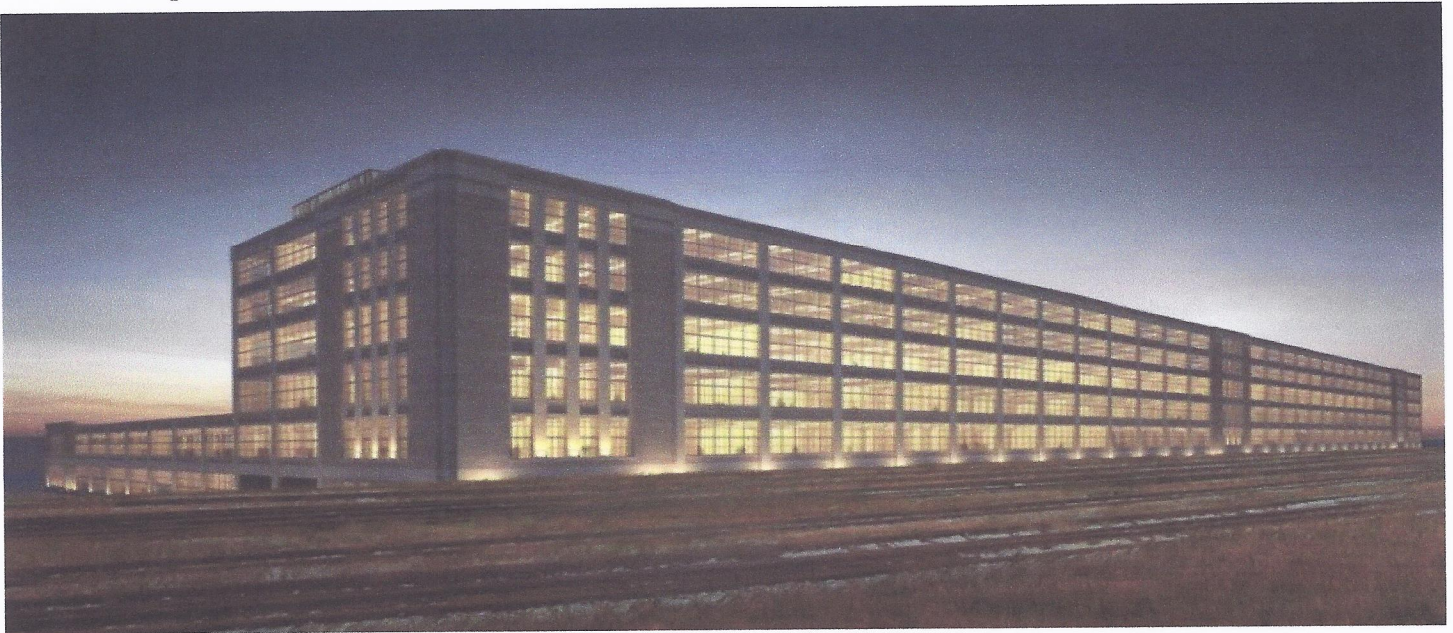
The latest E-News is now available for viewing at the link below. If not clickable, please copy and paste the address to your browser:
<http://www.acccdefender.org/docs/ACCC-E-News-June-2-2015.pdf>

Thank you for your time and continued support!
Rex Roden
President - Association of California Car Clubs

We need wagon master to lead our members up I-5 to Redding and the Sundial Bridge on Sunday June 14th. I will be in Minnesota on vacation and will not be able to attend. Who is willing to take the lead and pick a location and time to meet? Our last trip up there was very enjoyable I am sad to be missing it this year.

Pat Dilling

As early as this fall, new tenants could start moving into the last remaining Studebaker assembly building in South Bend, and though the new resident may not have anything at all to do with the auto industry, the owner of the massive building has said he plans to keep its history in mind during its renovation. Designed by architect Albert Kahn and built in 1923 with the same sturdy steel-reinforced concrete system as many of Kahn's other automotive assembly plants – including the Packard plant in Detroit – the six-story, 800,000-plus-square-foot assembly plant known as Building 84 has managed to stick around for the 50-plus years since Studebaker abandoned operations there, thanks in part to its construction and to a number of smaller businesses that con-



tinued to occupy it since. Still, Building 84 never saw the same amount of activity as when Larks and Hawks flew from its doors, and it subsequently began to deteriorate, something developer and South Bend business owner Kevin Smith decided to change. After converting the nearby Union Station into a data center, he bought Building 84 despite the extensive graffiti and trash fires cropping up in the building and announced plans in 2012 to convert it into a mixed-use high-tech center, essentially an extension of Union Station. As the South Bend Tribune reported this week, Smith and the Chicago architecture firm Adrian Smith + Gordon Gill revealed more detailed plans and renderings that show pretty much all of the Albert Kahn structure remaining, but reworked to provide office space, data storage space, residences, and restaurants. "You can't ignore your heritage," Smith told the Tribune earlier this year. "You have to reclaim it. Let's look back on our history and build on it."

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Many parts for 53-54 C&K models - Dean Sumpter carvin9755@gmail.com 916-753-6003

Reconditioned heater core (under the seat) for 1953/54 coupe/hardtop. Also parting out a 1954 Champion 4 door sedan. **Contact Art Smith 530-743-2942, lucky7@succeed.net**

Cars for Sale

Art has a friend with a 1928 Whippet 4 door, car is complete but rough. Includes a rebuilt engine. **Contact David Cancini 209-957-3314**

Clerici Family Estate Sale

Saturday June 27th. 9am - 3pm - 5001 Silverado Trail, Napa **707-738-9433 (Don Clerici)**
Items include - 1961 Lark Cruiser, 68 Buick Sport Wagon, 1964 Ford F100 pickup, Onan/Studebaker generator, 4-53 Detroit diesel engine, misc. Studebaker parts and rusty iron

Cars/parts Wanted

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Sunday, June 14th – Sundial Bridge in Redding. 840 Sundial Bridge Dr. - Redding, CA 96002. Arrive at 10 am, I- 5 Caravan will be organized. Restaurant on-site or picnic. Hosted by: Dick and Norma Grove. 530-527-4583. All are Welcome.

Saturday, June 20th – JM Studebaker Wheelbarrow races in Placerville. Details to follow.

Sunday, July 19th – Napa social/potluck. 2140 Coronado Ave., Napa, CA. Arrive at 11:00 am. Hosts: Frank & Johanna Smith 707-255-5108. All are welcome!

Sunday, August 2 – Yuba City – Tour of Mel France's new museum. 2241 Hooper Rd. Yuba City, CA Pot Luck, Arrive 11 AM. Host: Mel France 530-674-0327. All are welcome!

Aug 16 – 22, 2015 – 51st Studebaker Drivers Club International Meet, St. Louis Missouri

Sunday, Sept 20th – Sacramento Annual Auction/potluck. 1129 Weber Way Sacramento, CA. Arrive 11:00 am. Hosts: Rick & Johna Pierce 916-442-5984. Meeting will include our annual auction. Bring Studebaker and car related items. Proceeds of the auction go to scholarship fund. All are welcome!

Oct 9 – 11, 2015 – PSW Zone Meet Henderson, NV. Hosted by: Tumbleweeds Chapter

Sunday, Oct 18th – Olivehurst – 4074 Mary Ave. Olivehurst, CA Arrive at 11:00 am for social/potluck. Call Pat Dilling for more information at: 530-743-4176 All are welcome!

All of the above underlined dates are Club events. - editor

Directions to This Month's Meeting

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Maple Grove, MN 55311-7615

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If new member, source of referral:

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Year Model Body type

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