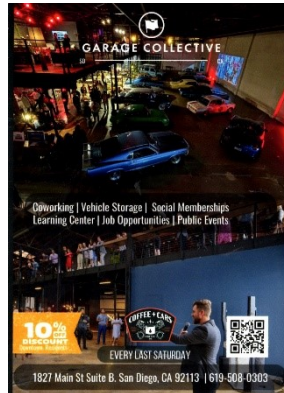


Starlight S'coupe

The Official Newsletter of the San Diego Chapter of the SDC



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - * JUNE JUBILATION



We rearranged our May Meeting to take place at the La Palma 50 year anniversary Car Show and Swap meet. The show was well attended with almost 100 cars and a great community turnout. Many photos and stories below. At the meeting we discussed a get together at the Garage Collective. With lunch following at La Divina Cantina. Our RSVP yielded only 6 people in attendance so we are pushing it off for a future date



La Palma was a big hit. I drove up with member Ed Quinn and Guest Mark Richards from the AACA. I am wearing the Army Mechanics overalls that Ricky Gave me!! We took the 64 GT Hawk for its Debut and garnered a peoples choice for Group 5 GT Hawks. The Avanti Club of Southern California under the NEW leadership of new President Ken Buchanan had a great turnout.



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Eight generations of Studebakers are represented by the three sisters in the picture. See Bob Halgrens write up and photos. Here is a summary of the show winners from Dan Scott

For the first time, awards were based on “People’s Choice” instead of the traditional “400” point system of the past. The reasons were many, but basically to focus the event on FUN. Get the car owners away from their cars and mingling with others. From my perspective, it worked! I know I was out and about more than normal and had a great time doing so. Our “People’s Choice” system, unlike most, allowed everyone to vote, not just car owners. All visitors were encouraged to get involved and vote for their favorite car in each of the ten divisions. Following is a list of winners.

Division 1	<u>Pre-War</u>	David Everett, 1925 Standard six phantom
Division 2	Early Post War, Sedans/Wagons '47 – '58	Robert Miller, 1950 Champion
Division 3	<u>Lark Type, '59 – '66</u>	Dan Scott, 1962 Lark Daytona
Division 4	Coupes (C) & Hardtops (K) '52 – '61	Ryan Clark, 1954 Champion
Division 5	G.T. Hawks, '62 – '64	Keith Wahl, 1963 R2-Hawk
Division 6a	<u>Avanti, Studebaker</u>	Will Haynes, 1963 Avanti
Division 6b	Avanti, All Other	Mark Udoff, 2007 Avanti
Division 7	Trucks, '02 – '64	James Lafenhacen, 1955 Pick up
Division 8	Modified, Studebaker Powered	Neil Nelson, 1950 Champion
Division 9	Modified, Non-Studebaker Powered	John Perchaz, 1949 Truck

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Palma 2024
26 May 2024



La Palma is the largest Studebaker gathering on the West Coast. This year was the 50th and the Beach Cities Inland Empire Chapter did a great job.

Besides the car show, there was a sizable swap meet which I partook of this year. My take on swap meets is that they are an opportunity to clean out your garage and if you get some money all the better. I usually try to get 25-50% of the retail price while giving some stuff away and making package deals. By noon my tables were clean, nothing to take home and just in time to chow down. Now I have room for parts for my next project.....🤔. (Just don't tell Mimi).

Lunch is one of the best parts of the meet: Costco dogs (cooked by Mimi) , chili cheese nachos, brownies, lemon bars, and blueberry crunch bars. I ate so healthy I won't need a salad for a couple of days!

Don Cox did a great job, as always, as the emcee playing music and giving away prizes and trophies.

A new twist this year was a “Poker Run” set up by Ed and Linda Smith. You went around to vendors drawing cards out of a loose deck in a bag. Best hand won. It was fun and Mimi won. Thanks guys.

There were about 75 cars and trucks of all descriptions. My favorites were a couple of modified 2R pickups, a 1937 Coupe Express, and a 1926? Big Six Duplex Phaeton.

Of course the best part of the meet is getting to see all our old friends. Ken and Michele (50 Starlight), Keith Wahl (63 GT), Ricky Logier, Gene Nagle, Mark Richards, Mark and Angel Clifton, Colin, Sean and Garrett Fort and Family, Ed Quinn, Tim and Sabrina Huntley (58 Commander HT), Ed and Linda Smith, and Bob and Mimi Halgren (53 PU) were all there from our club. Quite a turnout!

We had a short meeting at noon where we discussed upcoming events. I'm sure Keith will have more information later.

Thanks again to all the great people who helped put this on.

See you next year.

Bob



SECRETARY REPORT- Upcoming car shows – Ricky Logier

The San Diego Association of Car Clubs (SDACC) bi-monthly meeting was held on June 4th at the Classic Malt Shop in the Sports Arena area 5:00-7:00pm, meeting started at 6:00pm.

SDACC President Paul talked about the car show insurance policy coverage that the SDACC council provides free to all SDACC car clubs for their car shows. The next SDACC meeting will be held 6th August at Big Kahuna's, Imperial Beach 5:00-7:00pm. There were 10 car club representatives present and 25 show cars were in attendance. 4 trophies 🏆 were presented to the show cars 🚗 in attendance.

SDACC is making \$500 donation to one of the SDACC car club's favorite charity at each bi-monthly meeting. This is new started this year. A SDACC car club representative must be present at the meeting, their car club name is placed into a drawing and one is chosen for that meeting. For the June meeting the San Diego Studebaker Drivers Club was the lucky one, the charity chosen is the Moores Cancer Center UCSD.

El Cajon Classic Cruise every Wednesday 5:00-7:30pm, get there early before 3:00pm to get a spot to show off your Studebaker, Main & Magnolia El Cajon, final nite 30th October 🍷🍷.

Up coming car shows;

- Mission Beach Father's Day 16th June 10:00am-3:00pm
- Serra Mesa Block Party 13th July 1:00-7:00pm
- Pacific Beach Wild Rides 10th August 10:00am-2:00pm
- Christian Rods & Customs 24th August 9:00-2:00pm
- Greatest Show on Turf 14th September 9:00am-3:00pm, this will also be the location for SDSDC MEETING in September.

Ricky



The El Camino Memorial event is a worthwhile show. Please let me know how many of you will attend so I can get us a group location.

El Camino Classic Car Registration
All proceeds from this event, including car registration fee, will benefit the Garden of Innocence. The Garden of Innocence is a non-profit organization comprised of volunteers that provide dignified burials for abandoned babies.
PRE Registration: \$35 DAY of event: \$40
Includes entrance into the car show, lunch, T-shirt and goody bag. Participation "Thank You" plaques will be awarded.
Mail registration form to:
GOI, PO Box 934, Poway CA 92074 or Register online @ www.gardenofinnocence.org
Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____
Email: _____
CAR: Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

UPCOMING EVENTS: JULY 4TH PICNIC ON JULY 6 * PLEASE RSVP TO MICHELE BY JULY 1 – CURRENTLY 9 PEOPLE

Admiral Baker's picnic area on July 6th beginning at 11:30.

A military ID is **not** required to get to the picnic area.

There is a large parking lot and bathrooms.

The club will supply

SANDWICHES

DRINKS

COOKIES

No pets are allowed at the picnic areas.

Designated smoking area is the parking lot.

CAR PROJECTS – Ricky is still working on his truck. He misplaced a fuel line that he just bought and continues the hunt for it. He will be traveling to the international show in June so maybe some updates next month

MEMBERS OUT AND ABOUT



In December 2022, I was contacted by Bob Robinson to give him advice on selling his 1962 GT Hawk. This was a family owned car. Bob was raised in Velva North Dakota, 90 miles from the Canadian Border. His dad had a dealership only prior to WW2. Bob's dad got this car from the South Bend Studebaker Factory. His parents kept it until 1973. It was driven all over the country, accumulating about 85,000 miles. Bob's father passed away in 1980. Bob's mom kept it in Velva, ND. It was maintained and used in parades. Bob's mom passed in 2002 and he got the car in 2003. He was living in San Diego and worked for the Union Tribune. Bob occasionally drove it to his work at the Union Tribune.

The car was to be passed down to Bob's son, who sadly died in a bicycle accident. Bob decided that it needed to go to somebody who might appreciate it. He contacted our club looking for advice. That's when we met him in 2022. Bob came to our meeting

at the Studio Diner. I gave him some help to sell the car on Bring a trailer. As it turns out Bobs

job at the Union Tribune put him in contact with my childhood friend, Marc Gamson, who was a consultant for many years to the company.

Bob became acquainted with Phil Currie, a neighbor, who had an Avanti and loves Studebakers, We invited him along for a ride in the finished GT Hawk. In a few weeks we will go for a ride in the Avanti. After our visit, Bob wanted to show me something in his car. He presented me with a Neon Studebaker sign made by his son for father's day. It is mounted on a Studebaker Truck tailgate. This gift was heartfelt and touched me deeply and will be cherished.



I attended the San Diego Auto Museum Shifting Gears Rally, Poker Run and Car Show at Flinn Springs Park. I took Consuelo and she

behaved beautifully!! We were served breakfast, got a swag bag, had a poker run and then street Tacos Lunch at Flinn Springs. The Auto Museum did a great job. They have all new wonderful displays. Might be fun to hold a club event there? Here are some photos



DEVIN'S STUBAKER SALES REPORT



May '24 Stude Sales

Bring A Trailer had 3 sales:

\$56,00 for this R2 Avanti! -> <https://bringatrailer.com/listing/1963-studebaker-avanti-60/>



\$44,000 for this Golden Hawk 3-Speed -> <https://bringatrailer.com/listing/1957-studebaker-golden-hawk-10/>



\$42,00 for this GT Hawk R2! -> <https://bringatrailer.com/listing/1964-studebaker-gran-turismo-hawk-14/>



3 most recent Hemmings Auctions of Stude's:

5/29: \$1,700 for this purple Starlight project ->



<https://www.hemmings.com/listing/1952-studebaker-starlight-612360/sold>

5/9: \$10,50 for this Champion -> <https://www.hemmings.com/listing/1955-studebaker-champion-688179/sold>



4/26: \$15,750 for this Starlight Coupe -> <https://www.hemmings.com/auction/1950-studebaker-champion-fayston-vt-784487/sold>



THE LOEWY CHRONICLES

Raymond Loewy has long been regarded as the most famous American Industrial Designer.

By now you know how much I love Raymond Loewy! Here is the official website and it is just wonderful

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

Loewy's Rack of Lamb with Shallots and Mustard



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Ingredients

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| 1. 1 crown of lamb, 4 ½ pounds of two 8-rib racks | 6. 1 cup dry white wine |
| 2. 3 Tbsp. butter | 7. ¼ cup chicken stock |
| 3. 1 Tbsp. plus 1 Tsp. Dijon mustard | 8. 3 Tbsp. chopped fresh mint |
| 4. 2 Tsp. dried rosemary | 9. Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper |
| 5. 2 large shallots, thinly sliced | |

Directions

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| 1. Preheat oven to 450. Mix 2 Tbsp. butter, 1 Tbsp. mustard, and 1 ½ Tsp. rosemary in a bowl. | 6. Melt 1 Tbsp. of butter in a heavy skillet over low heat. Add shallots and ½ Tsp. rosemary, sauté until shallots are tender. |
| 2. Season lamb generously with salt and pepper. Place lamb in roasting pan. Rub lamb with butter mixture. | 7. Add wine to roasting pan and bring to boil, scraping up any brown bits. |
| 3. Roast for 15 minutes. Reduce over temp. to 350 and continue until meat thermometer registers 140. | 8. Add wine to skillet. Add stock, boil until slightly thickened. Mix in ½ Tsp. mustard and mint. Season with salt and pepper to taste. |
| 4. Transfer lamb to platter and let stand 15 minutes. | 9. Carve roast lamb into chops and serve, spooning sauce as desired. |
| 5. Pour off fat from roasting pan and set aside. | |

Serves 6

STUDEBAKER VENDOR LIST

DOWNLOAD FROM OUR WEBSITE AND SAVE A COPY TO YOUR COMPUTER -https://studebakersandiego.com/SanDiego_Parts%20Service.htm

FINISHING TOUCHESHALGREN'S HILARITIES.. some OF HIS FAV'S

Procrastination is totally a good thing. You always have something to do tomorrow, plus you have nothing to do today.

***There was the person who sent ten different puns to his friends, with the hope that at least one of the puns would make them laugh. No pun in ten did.

FINAL THOUGHTS –

Appreciate any article, trip, personal accomplishment or thought for the newsletter

.....*Keith*

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END