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*Donna & Doug Sommerville's 52
Champion HT in front of a beautifully
decorated home in Ayr On.*

Letter from the President

By: Peter Downey



Hello friends,

Well, here we are again another Holiday Season upon us. To quote the late John Lennon

"So this is Christmas, I hope you have fun, the near and the dear ones, the old and the young."

In 2025 we enjoyed a good year with a number of car shows and Club events, which all had a great turnout. The Welland Car show was our practice run for 2026. and the 60th anniversary of the end of Studebaker automobile production. Stay tuned for details.

Our Christmas Dinner at King's Forest Golf Club, was well attended and we enjoyed good friendship and good food. Many thanks go to Susan Lusted for putting together the dinner confirming the venue, to VP Aaron Dorsch for providing the slide show showing highlights of the past year in pictures on the big screen.

Congratulations to Susan Lusted the 2023 recipient of the Silcox Family Award, and to Paul Cronkwright this year's recipient of the Roland Lusted Award.

We raised 738.78 for Hamilton Foodshare which will go a long way to providing much needed food to those less fortunate. The silent auction saw many excellent items donated, and some fierce bidding right up to the final second, raising \$709.00. Thanks to all who contributed.

Next up is the Potluck and card party in January in Grimsby and finalizing our by-laws.

Hopefully you all will be spending some time with family and friends celebrating over the Holidays, sharing a meal and laughter, continuing your Christmas traditions or possibly making new ones. Wherever you are celebrating and however are celebrating, I hope you enjoy it all. Most of all stay healthy and safe!

From our home to yours. Merry Christman, Happy Hanukkah and a Happy New year

Peter and Joan

Membership



Membership to the SDC is a requirement for membership in our chapter.

Currently, we have 73 memberships, 3 Honorary members.

All of our memberships are paid up. Our chapter membership is \$25. For membership in the SDC only, it is \$15 in US funds. This is membership only and no magazine.

We would like to welcome James Parkhill our newest member from Niagara Falls On. Applications for both our chapter and the Studebaker Drivers Club can be found below for our chapter and on page 12 of this newsletter for the SDC.

Hamilton Chapter SDC Membership Annual Dues: \$25.00 Jan.-Dec.

Membership in the HAMILTON CHAPTER is open to any person who supports the purpose of the Club and is a member in good standing of the National Studebaker Drivers Club. This membership includes six bi-monthly issues of the Bullet-Tin, the chapter newsletter.

Send completed application and your check payable to Hamilton SDC to our membership secretary at this address:

Sue Lusted 201 Livingston Ave. Grimsby On. L3M 4X2 Telephone: 905-945-0027 Email: hamiltonsdctreasurer@gmail.com
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Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ Prov. _____ Postal Code _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

New _____ Renewal _____ Date _____

National S.D.C. Number _____

Please list your Studebakers below

Year _____ Model _____ Body Type _____

Year _____ Model _____ Body Type _____

Treasurer's Report Sue Lusted

For members only, check the newsletter that was emailed to you.

Social Media: Susan Lusted

Social media for our chapter is our website, and our Facebook page. Our website is up to date. We do maintain a very active Facebook page. It has lots of visits as monitored each week.

Our website page is located at www.thehamiltonchaptersdc.ca. It does contain pictures of members' cars. If yours is not there, please submit a picture in jpg format and we will

The Award winning Hamilton Chapter SDC newsletter, "The Bullet-Tin", is published bi-monthly to inform and serve its members.

Permission is given to reprint articles from this newsletter as long as credit is given to the author and the Bullet Tin.

Submission Deadlines & Date to Email Newsletter

Jan/Feb Jan. 25th, Feb. 1st

Mar/Apr Mar. 31st April 10th

May/June May 29th June 6th

July/Aug. July 31st Aug. 6th

Sept/Oct Sept. 25th Oct. 1st

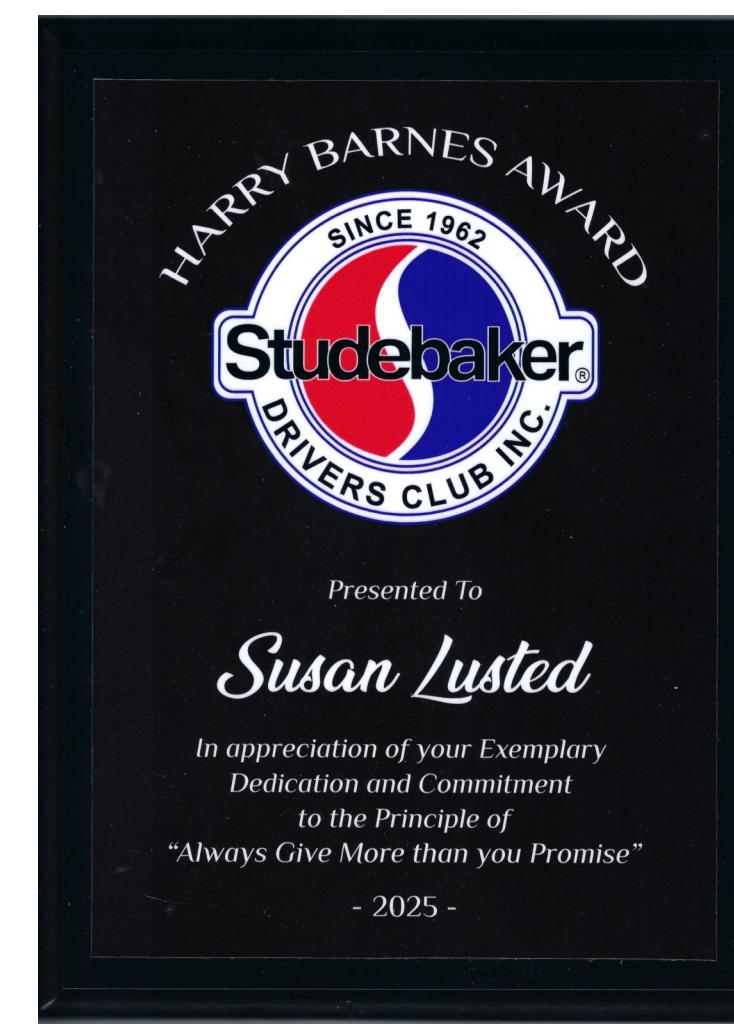
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Note:

When submitting an article, please use Word or RTF. Pictures should be in either Pdf or JPEG format.

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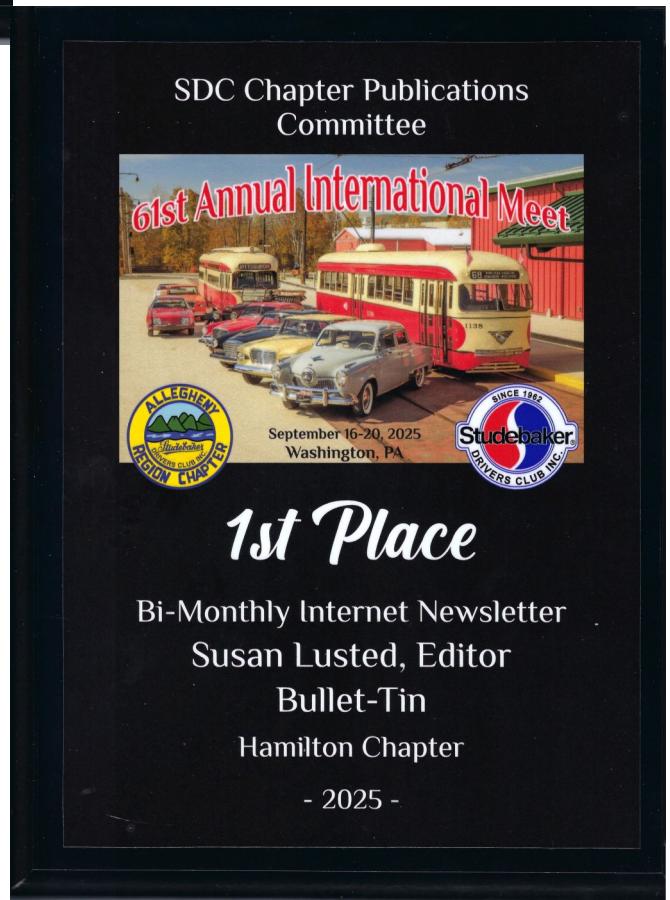


Our newsletter which editor Susan Lusted submits for the newsletter judging was recently awarded 100 % and placed first in judging. I thank you as members for all of your pictures and articles for the newsletter. We need to be very proud of our award winning newsletter as it is a chapter effort!. There were 3 Canadian newsletters that received 100%. Thanks to all who contribute to our newsletter. Keep those contributions coming!!!

Harry Barnes Award

Harry Barnes was the founder of the Studebaker Drivers Club. This year, Susan was nominated by Pete Yuen and Larry Metz for this award. At the recent International Meet in Washington Pa. she was awarded the Harry Barnes Award. She is so thrilled to receive this for all of her contributions to our chapter, and to the Studebaker Drivers Club. Susan does the What's Happening Column for Turning Wheels listing all of the upcoming events.

Congratulations Susan on receiving this very prestigious award.



Christmas at King's Forest!

		
<p>Chris & Peter Worron Roger Hill</p>	<p>Steve & Kathy Porter Kathy is demonstrating balance one in each hand</p>	<p>Bob & Janice Barrick</p>
		
<p>Ray Wise, Laura Newell, & Roger Hill</p>	<p>Paul & Lorraine Cronkwright, Marguerite Ward, Joyce Downey & Aaron Dorsch</p>	<p>Bill Harris, Bob & Joanne Easton and Steve Tournay</p>
		
<p>Doug & Donna Sommerville</p>	<p>Aaron Dorsch, Joan Kemp, Peter Downey, Susan Lusted</p>	<p>The Buffet Table</p>

Christmas at King's Forest!



Slide Show Done By Aaron Dorsch



Silent Auction Table



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Fanny Linkletter, Pat & Lou Saunders



Donna Sommerville, Dreena Galagher, Barb & Larry Gibson



Jean Archdekin, Harold Ferrier, Sheldon Rier and Lee, Carl Schlosser, Sharon Pearce & Wayne Hamilton

Roland Lusted & Silcox Family Award

This year the Roland Lusted Award was presented to Paul Cronkwright. Paul has been a long time member of the Hamilton Chapter. He was instrumental in securing the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum for our meetings. Paul was instrumental in the car shows that were featured at the museum with cars and planes. Not only did he serve as our newsletter editor, but was president for a long time and mentored those who followed after him. We are pleased to be able to present this award to Paul. Well done!!

This year the Silcox Family Award was presented to Susan Lusted who is our newsletter editor and media person. Susan was presented with the Harry Barnes Award at the recent International Meet. Harry Barnes was the founder of the SDC. This award is presented each year to a person who furthers the marque. "Always Give More Than You Promised? The Hamilton Chapter is pleased that Susan was presented with the Silcox Family Award.





What's Happening

ONTARIO, Jan.18th, Grimsby, Hamilton Chapter to meet at the Livingston Activities Centre 18 Livingston Ave., 1 p.m., potluck at 4 p.m. Cards and games at 2 p.m. Creative activity TBD. Contact: Susan Lusted, hamiltonsdctreasurer@gmail.com or 905-945-0027. Website: www.thehamiltonchaptersdc.ca. Crossroads Zone. qq

ONTARIO, May 2nd. Morriston, Ontario Chapter & Hamilton Chapter hosts the annual Badenoch Swap Meet from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. at the Badenoch Community Centre (Old School House) near Morriston, Ontario. All Ontario Chapter, Hamilton Chapter, Canadian Avanti Owners along with all Studebaker enthusiasts are welcome. Free Attendance. Bring your surplus Studebaker parts to sell or want lists. Drive your Studebaker to this event. Food is available. Contact: Paul Revell, 905-587-0181. Email: paulrevell01@gmail.com. Website: www.ontariosdc.ca. Crossroads Zone.

Upper Mississippi Valley Zone Meet

ILLINOIS, July 30th to August 1st, Warrenville/Naperville (Chicago area), Black Hawk Chapter will host the 2026 Upper Mississippi Valley Zone Meet. Held at the Hilton Garden Inn which is conveniently located near I-88 and Winfield Road. More details to follow. The meet chair is Rolf Snobeck. Email: rsnobeck@tectaamerica.com. Upper Mississippi Valley Zone. qq

Northeast Zone Meet 2026

MASSACHUSETTS, August 27th-30th, Boxborough, Ocean Bay Chapter will host the Northeast Zone Meet. Boxborough Regency Hotel, Exit 75 from I-495. Contact: Jane Ash, stude.event@gmail.com. Northeast Zone.



*Pictures of the Wedding of Carl & Laura Schlosser's Son and His Bride
Taken at Peninsula Ridge Winery in Grimsby Ontario*



One snowy Saturday night in February when all the Studebakers are hibernating in their garages waiting to be woken up by the rays of warm sunlight of spring, my son's fiancé approached me with a request. For their upcoming wedding in July, she would like to have the Cruiser as part of their wedding day. Without hesitation, you blurt out a yes and then think, wow what a privilege. Then you take a mental note on what to do, to have your Studie ready for that special day.

After washing, waxing and cleaning the white walls the car was ready for that special day that two of them were to be united. It was a beautiful day in July and the angels were in heaven looking down to ensure everything went as planned. I was so pleased that the Cruiser made their day a bit more special.

It appears that the love for Studebakers has found a new generation. From people in the parking lot coming over to view the car, the wedding guests requesting a ride in the Cruiser at a later date, to the wedding photographer's comment, "that is a pretty neat car", I found that the spirit of Studebaker was still alive. As I was leaving the wedding to go home after a long day, I received an unexpected compliment, the wedding planner who worked for the winery came over and said to me, "come back and bring the car".



Reminds me of the window display that Eatons had in Hamilton. Check out the Bullet Nose car.

A Canadian Anniversary Stamp sent to me by Ray Chartrand from Texas Ray is the chair of the upcoming International Meet in Waxahachie Tx.



One of our Members is All Ready For Christmas!!





Anniversaries

Nov.

John & Margaret Ernst 6th
Bob & Denise Stowell 14th

December

Peter & Chris Worron 7th

Birthdays

November

Gary Brucceleri 1st
Carmen Dannunzi 11th
Harold Ferrier 14th
Denise Stowell 14th
Dennis Kennedy 20th
Peter Worron 18th

December

Lorraine Cronkright 7th
Laura Newell 21st

January

Larry English 1
Gord Linkletter 1
Betty Sawyers 1
Suzann English 6
Mel Quirt 25

Marguerite Ward 28



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Membership Application

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Membership in US

Regular Members w/periodicals:	1 year	3 years	5 years	Total	Total
<input type="checkbox"/> New Members 1st year only	\$37	na	na		
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member renewal w/periodical class mail.....	\$46	\$132	\$220		
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member renewal w/1st class mail	\$73	\$213	\$355		
<input type="checkbox"/> Student & Young Adult Membership (To 22 yrs old)	\$37	\$111	\$185		
<input type="checkbox"/> SDC Membership WITHOUT Turning Wheels	\$15	\$45	\$75		
<input type="checkbox"/> Turning Wheels subscription WITHOUT SDC membership (Libraries, etc.)	\$37	\$111	\$185		

Membership in Canada

Regular Members w/periodicals:	\$55	na	na
<input type="checkbox"/> New Members 1st year only	\$55	na	na
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member renewal w/periodical class mail.....	\$63	\$183	\$305

Overseas Membership

Overseas Members w/periodicals:	\$55	na	na
<input type="checkbox"/> New Members 1st year only	\$55	na	na
<input type="checkbox"/> Overseas Member renewal w/periodical class mail.....	\$63	\$183	\$305

Worldwide

<input type="checkbox"/> SDC Membership & Digital Turning Wheels	\$29	\$87	\$145
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Other SDC Items

<input type="checkbox"/> Donation to SDC Museum Fund	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Donation to SDC Restoration Fund.....	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Donation to BOB PALMA National Museum Internship*	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Donation to National Museum Endowment Fund*	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Donation to Studebaker National Foundation*.....	\$
(*Tax deductible donation)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership Pin - (specify year-pin) Prices on p.17 (10,15,20,25,30,35,40,45,50 yrs) _____	years # of pins (1or2) _____ \$
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____ \$	

To join SDC, complete the application, send with check or money order in US funds to:

The Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 1715, Maple Grove MN 55311-6715

Or use **VISA** or **Master Card**, call 763-420-7829, or

Fax 763-420-7849 or Email: sdc@

cornerstonereg.com for information. Or visit: www.studebakerdrivesclub.com
Call or write with change of address.

- **DO NOT** send ads with your membership;
- **ALL** members of local SDC chapters must also be national SDC members.

Name (first) _____ (last) _____

Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Birth date: _____

E-mail: _____

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<input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard	Expiration _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Discover	Signature _____

If new member, source of referral: _____

If renewal, month due: _____

Member# _____

- Please list your Studebakers, including year, model, body style, serial numbers, on a separate page.