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**A 51 Studebaker taken by member Bob Barrick's son. It is being used in the making of a movie in downtown Toronto Ontario. Taken on Feb. 2, 2026**

# Letter from the President



Hello Friends,

This year is the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of automobile production for Studebaker. There are not many long defunct

automobile names that are still remembered, and it is people like us who keep the Studebaker name alive. This year in Welland we are hoping to do something a bit special to mark the anniversary. Our chapter has been asked by the organizers of the International Meet to put together a slide show of Studebaker in Hamilton, and fortunately we have a lot of info in our Archives. Aaron and I visited with Paul and Lorraine Cronkwright, to accept the hand off the Chapter Historical records from Paul who has been our Historian. I have had an opportunity to have a look at what is there and it is a treasure trove of information, and articles, including the very first issue of our newsletter. For now, I have them, but they need to find a more permanent home, and we need to have new Historian.

Jomar Quillatan, has agreed to assume the Newsletter Editor role and Susan will work with him to transition him into that role. I want to thank Susan for her work on our award-winning newsletter these past years. She has put a lot of work into the newsletter, building on what the previous editors have done, to continuously develop it, and keep it current while honouring our past.

What projects do you have in mind this winter? Take some photos of the project and tell what you are up to. And we really like photographs of them and you.

Thank you all for your commitment and support!  
Spring is coming soon

Stay safe!

Peter Downey

## Membership



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

Currently, we have 73 memberships, 3

Honorary members. Our chapter membership is \$25. For membership in the SDC only, it is \$15 in US funds. This is membership only and no magazine.

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.

Susan Lusted, membership chair

### 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:

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## Treasurer's Report Sue Lusted

Members Only, see your emailed newsletter

### 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 [thehamiltonchaptersdc.ca](http://thehamiltonchaptersdc.ca). It does contain pictures of members' cars. If yours is not there, please submit a picture in jpg format and we will

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### **Submission Deadlines & Date to Email Newsletter**

Mar/Apr	Mar. 31st	April 10th
May/June	May 29th	June 6th
July/Aug.	July 31st	Aug. 6th
Sept/Oct	Sept. 25th	Oct. 1st
Nov/Dec.	Nov. 25th	Dec. 1st



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Barb Gibson, and Bob Easton and Shirley Roden.



Sue Lusted and Carl Schlosser



Tom Roden, Dreena Gallagher, Bob Barrick and Janice Barrick



Joanne Easton, Larry Gibson, Roger Hill and Joan Archdekin



A great picture of Suzann English

# Cards, Memorabilia, Crafts

James Parkhill sorting for beads!!



Steve Porter, Dennis Kennedy Peter Downey and Ray Wise looking over some Memorabilia



Joan Kemp and her creation



We did get some business done!!!



## Odds and Ends

**Electric fuel pumps** installed in cars that never had them when they came from the factory should have a switch to shut off the fuel pump when the engine stops running. The switches may not be mandatory in some jurisdictions but it should be. Some parts jobbers may not stock such an item but worth asking anyway. They may bring one in from their supplier for you.”

The purpose of this switch is to shut the power off to the pump in the event of an accident and the engine stops running so that the pump will not keep running.

The switch is not a superfluous piece of equipment, it is a safety feature and a 1/8th inch male pipe thread. The actual diameter of the tapered thread is slightly more than 3/8th of an inch. A switch that will close with minimum of “5PSI should work fine.”

“You may need to use some fittings to connect the pressure switch to the Stude engine. On the right side of the Studebaker engine there is an oil gallery or channel that runs from the rear of the engine to the oil pressure relief valve towards the front of the engine. There are several oil plugs on the gallery. Remove the most convenient one to attach the pressure switch. The switch operates on oil pressure. With the engine running, there is enough oil pressure to maintain a closed circuit. To wire this switch into the system, refer to the literature that will come with the fuel pump. If there are wire gauge specs in the literature, follow as directed. If there are no wire gauge specs, use 16-gauge or heavier. 18-gauge wire is likely too light. Note that in the wire gauge numbering system, the smaller the number, the larger the wire conductor girth. Example: A 6-gauge wire is much heavier than a 12-gauge wire.”

**Do not use solid wire as found in houses for automotive wiring. They are not intended for use in cars.**

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**Wiring check on used cars** – When purchasing a used vehicle, one of things to look at is the wiring to help determine if the car had been involved in a major fender bender. Caution flags should go up when you see the use of new wiring and splicing of wires or if the original wires had been tampered with in the engine compartment or the trunk area.

Examine the wiring closely, then check the warning lights on the instrument board to see if they are operational with the ignition switch turned on before the engine is started. You should see, (in cars so equipped) 1 - Engine or engine check warning light, 2 - Oil pressure light, 3 - Alternator or battery warning light, 4 - Temperature warning light. CHECK OPERATION OF LIGHTS AND GAUGES WHEN THE ENGINE HAS BEEN STARTED.

**Wiring check on cars that have been in a flood** – Inspect under the dashboard and hood for brittle, discoloured wires or crumbling insulation. Look for corrosion, rust or mud on metal connectors, fuse boxes and inside of electrical components. There may be malfunction in lights, radio and erratic window operations due to the water exposure.

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## What's Happening

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](http://www.ontariosdc.ca). Crossroads Zone.

### Upper Mississippi Valley Zone Meet

ILLINOIS, July 30<sup>th</sup> 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@tectamerica.com](mailto:rsnobeck@tectamerica.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](mailto:stude.event@gmail.com). Northeast Zone.

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This ad is from the Studebaker dealer on Stanley Ave in Niagara Falls. My family lived a few houses away and my dad was a mechanic there. He walked out the front door of our house, turned right, walked past two houses, turned right again and he was at work! This was a small dealership and there was no room for the used car lot so it was located a few blocks away. Submitted by Hamilton member John Koshty



*Out and About Near Us*

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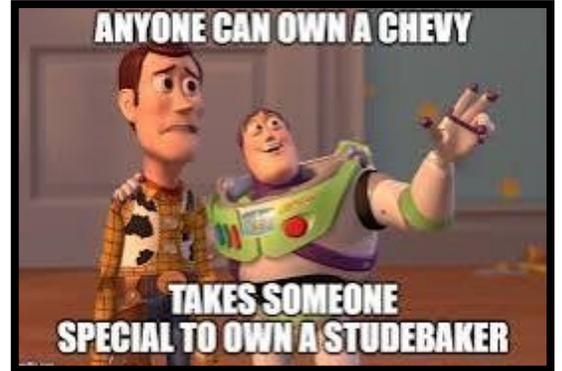
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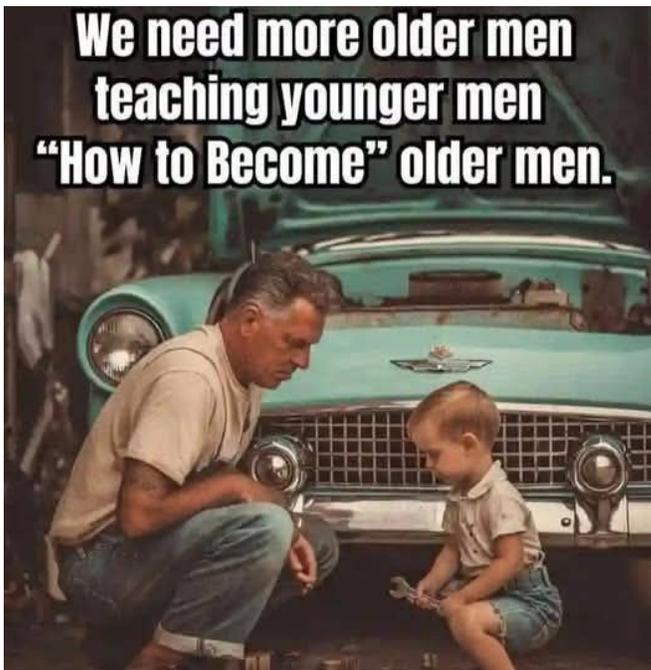
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## *James "Jim" Anderson*

*12 May, 1934 - 17 February, 2026*



It is with deep sadness that his family announces that James (Jim) Anderson passed away peacefully on February 17th, 2026 in his 92nd year. He was the loving son of the late Captain Frank and Margaret Anderson. He was predeceased by his best friend of over 60 years Roly Lusted. Left to mourn his passing is Barbara Anderson, his loving wife of over 57 years, his beloved son Robert Anderson and husband Professor Gabe Reedy and sister-in-law Linda Larrett. Daughter Margaret Anderson and grandson Ollie Anderson. His best golfing buddy Karl Quade was close for many years. As a child during the war he was one of the "Operation Pied Piper" children. He was sent by train with his name around his neck from Glasgow to the English farm countryside. Jim had a full and active life. He was an accomplished dart board player, a member of Chedoke and Oak Gables Golf Courses. He was a member of the Hamilton Studebaker Drivers Club and the Avanti Club.

Jim was fond of music, especially The Beatles and Gordon Lightfoot. He often played their music on his guitar. Jim repaired old clocks and pocket watches. He was a member of the NAWCC and Horological Society of Great Britain. Living on a ravine allowed Jim to enjoy watching all the wildlife. Jim was a Marine Engineer in Britain's Merchant Navy so he got to see many wonderful countries. While working on a ship in 1954 the captain took the ship into Hurricane Hazel. The eye was totally calm but then you have to go through the hurricane to get back out. Fortunately, all survived.

Jim came to Canada and worked for Westinghouse, Otis Elevator and was an inspector for Baker Truck (forklifts).

As per Jim's wishes cremation has taken place followed by a private burial. There will be no public service.

# CELEBRATION

## Anniversaries

March

28th Mike & Bette  
Sawyers

## Birthdays

March

4 Marlene Wingfield  
16 George Wingfield  
17 Joanne Easton  
25 Mike Sawyers

## April Birthdays.

4 James Parkhill  
11 Bob Easton  
17 Ted Climenhaga  
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