



2003 - 2013 CVC Celebrates 10th Anniversary



Commanding Leader

Calendar of Events

* Designates CVC Event

*January 13, 2013

Sunday @ 2:00pm

Buz and Ned's Barbecue

8205 W Broad Street

Richmond, Virginia 23294

(804) 346-4227

INFO: <http://buzandneds.com/>

*March 10, 2013

Sunday @ 2:00pm

**** Annual Meeting ****

Quaker Steak & Lube

8000 W Broad Street

Richmond, Virginia 23294

(804) 217-WING

INFO: [http://www.thelube.com/qs/pr/richmond now open.html](http://www.thelube.com/qs/pr/richmond%20now%20open.html)

*May 5, 2013

Sunday @ 2:00pm

Kanawha Canal Cruise

Intersection of 14th and Dock streets

on Virginia Street

Richmond, Virginia



Admission: \$6.00

(804) 649-2800

INFO: [http://](http://www.venturerichmond.com/experience/canal/rides.html)

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**Membership Dues are Due
March 2013!!**

CVC/SDC Meet ~ November 11th, 2012

CVC/SDC met on November 11th, 2012, at the Keystone Tractor Works Museum in Colonial Heights, Virginia.

We were joined by guest Brian Dahl of Chester, Virginia and John Weinrich of Woodstock, Virginia.

Brian and John arrived in Brian's 1957 Studebaker 3E14 Transtar 1 ton truck. This is a low mileage and rare beauty with many upgrades made by Brian.

John is the owner of a 1948 Studebaker M15A truck. Unfortunately, John was unable to bring his truck to the meet.

No collection of motorized vehicles is complete without a Studebaker, and Keystone has a 1957 Studebaker Golden Hawk! A great example for any exhibit.

Preston Young basked in the "golden glow" of the 1957 Studebaker Golden Hawk



Brian Dahl's (guest) 1957 Studebaker 3E14 Transtar 1 ton truck

After touring the museum, the group went to the Sagebrush Steakhouse for dinner.

The weather was great, and as always, a great Studebaker group!

(L-R) Becky and Lee Harrison's 63 Daytona Convertible, Melanie and Darryl Terretta's 59 Silver Hawk, Linwood Melton's 63 Avanti, Mike Welch's 41 Champion custom, Bruce Grosvenor's 64 Commander Station wagon, Brian Dahl (guest) 57 3E14 Transtar 1 ton truck





Next Meet

January 13th, 2013, Sunday @ 2:00PM

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8205 West Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23294
(804) 346-4227

The first meet of CVC/SDC for 2013 will be held 2:00PM, Sunday, January 13th at Buz and Ned's Barbecue restaurant located at 8205 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia.

To view their menu, go to:
<http://buzandneds.com/menu/>

For driving instructions, go to:
<http://www.mapquest.com>.



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This is the chapter annual meeting where the members will nominate and elect new officers for the 2013 year. The officers to be elected are President, Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer.

Annual dues are also due by the March meet. They can be paid at the meet, by mail, or online. To pay online or for mailing information, go to:

<http://www.centralvirginiachapter.org/JoinCVC.html>

For more information about Quaker Steak & Lube, go to:
http://www.thelube.com/qs/pr/richmond_now_open.html

For driving instructions, go to:
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June 30 - July 6, 2013
in Colorado Springs, Colorado

For information and registration, go to: <http://www.sdcmeet.com/>



September 14, 2013

Thomas Jefferson's country home, Poplar Forest, in Forest, Virginia. (near Bedford, Virginia)

Mark your calendar!



Central Virginia Chapter is 10!

March 2003, at the Shell Station in Centerville, Virginia, on route 250, a group of Studebaker diehards from the greater Richmond area gathered to discuss the formation of a new Studebaker Drivers Club chapter. From this gathering the Central Virginia Chapter was born.

The original chapter officers elected that day were:

- Leonard Shepherd - President
- LeRoy Cary - Vice President
- Gary Hern - Secretary/Treasurer

It was decided that the club would meet the second Sunday of odd numbered months so as to not be in conflict with the meets of the Greater Virginia Chapter.

New club President Leonard Shepherd proceeded to complete the process of getting the fledgling club charted as an official chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club. This formal process was completed and the club was recognized by SDC with the receipt of the formal charter in February, 2004.

Since that day in March way back in 2003 when this intrepid group forged their way to the wilds of Goochland County west of Richmond, CVC has flourished and matured thanks to the leadership of Leonard during the formative years and forward.

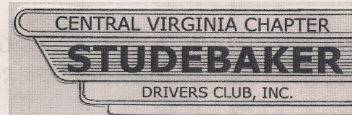
To commemorate the passing of 10 years as a club and chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club, Commanding Leader will feature articles from past issues, pictures from events of the Studebaker vehicles and people who have been part of, and made the first 10 years of the Central Virginia Chapter a success.

If anyone has pictures of, or stories from, the early 2003 meets, or any over the past 10 years, please send them to jsjett@centralvirginiachapter.org so they can be shared with the group.



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Premier Issue...Spring 2004

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There will be food and Bluegrass music!

Directions to meet: House is at 12260 Elmont Road. From I-95 take Exit 86, Atlee/Elmont exit. Go left 1/2 mi. to US Rt. 1. Turn right and go north on Rt. 1 approx. 1/2 mile. Turn left onto Cedar Lane at the 7-11 store. Go approx. 2 miles, turn right onto Elmont Road. Go approx 2.5 miles. Driveway on right. From Ashland: Go west on Ashcake road from Rt. 1 at Luck Chevrolet and Sheets gas station. Go 1 1/2 miles on Ashcake. Turn right onto Elmont Road. Go 1/2 mile. Driveway on the left.

We can gather in the garage if it is raining, so come rain or shine!

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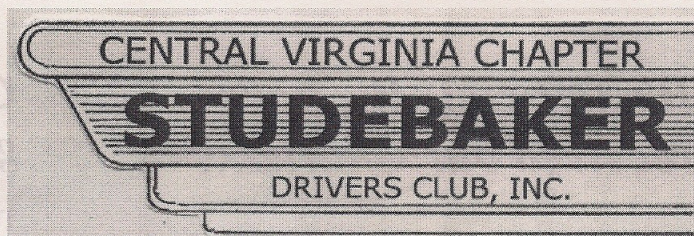
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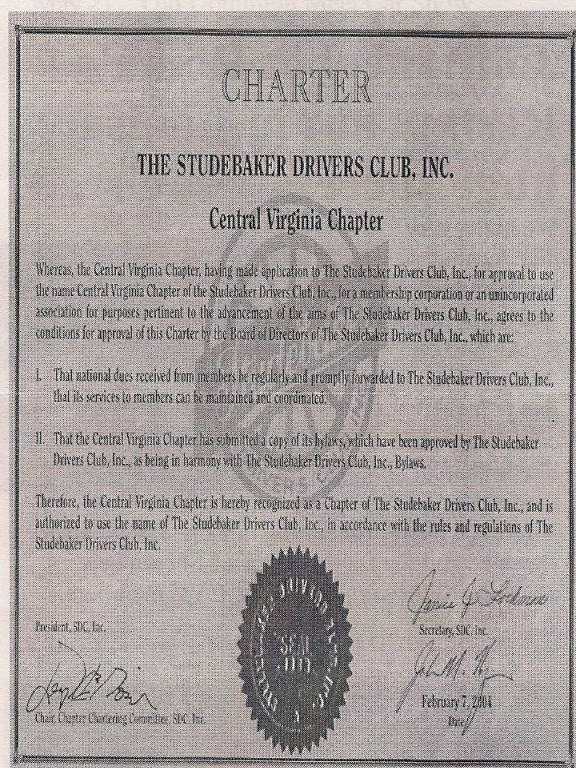




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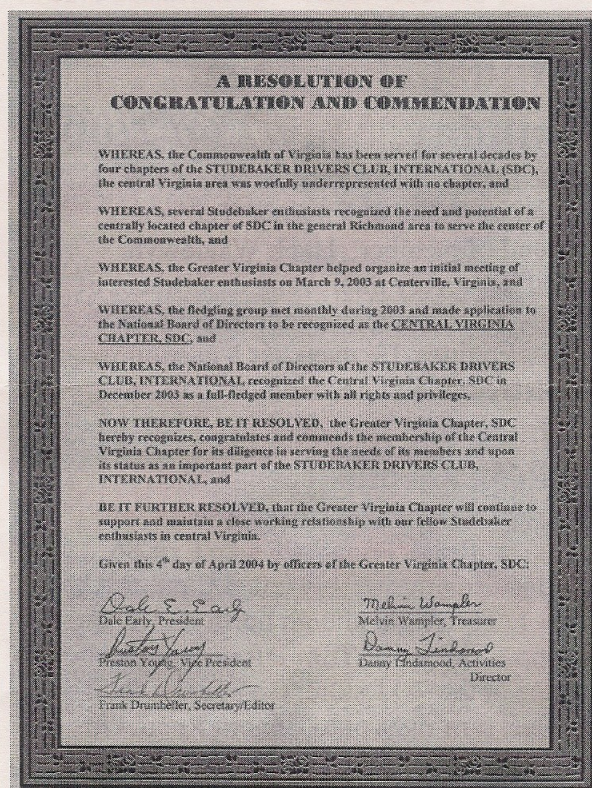
It's Official! We have received our Charter

Shown below is the Official Charter of the Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc. for the Central Virginia Chapter. We are now a recognized chapter.



Greater Virginia Chapter gives Resolution!

The Greater Virginia Chapter presented a Resolution of Congratulation and Commendation to the Central Virginia Chapter. The resolution was presented by Frank Drumheller to Leonard Shepherd at the April meet at Roma's restaurant.



Letter from the Editor

It looks like we are off to a very good start this year. We have had two good meets and the next one promises to be very interesting. I would like to thank Frank Drumheller and all the folks of the Greater Virginia Chapter for all of their help and support in getting out chapter started.

It is encouraging to see so many happy faces and nice looking cars at our meets, and everybody seems to be getting to know each other better. I hope we will have a good showing at the International meet in Charlotte. It is not often that an International meet is so convenient.

Leonard



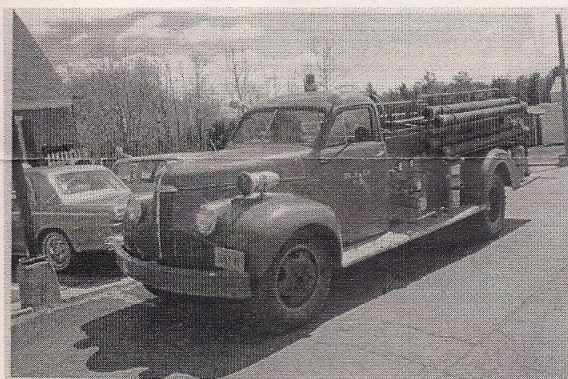
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Studebaker M-Series Fire Truck

Frank Drumheller brought his very rare Studebaker M-Series fire truck to the April meet. He was prepared in case things got too hot at Roma's restaurant.

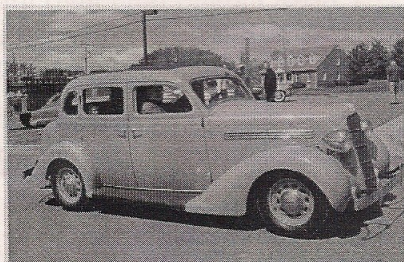
Frank gave your editor a ride through the streets of Louisa and it was quite a thrill. I have wanted to ride in a fire truck since I was 8! As Frank was furiously double clutching, we reached speeds of over 25 mph at one point!

Seriously, it is a wonderful truck and Frank is collecting parts to make it look like new again.



35 Plymouth Shows Up at Studebaker Meet

Some friendly folks in a nice 35 Plymouth stopped to look at our Studebakers. When was the last time you saw one of these?



Members Visit Gary Hearn's "Truck Farm"

CVC Secretary-Treasurer, Gary Hearn has been sowing some seeds on eBay and other places and has raised a good crop of Studebaker trucks, not to mention tractors, bulldozers, saw mills, etc. We always enjoy going to Gary's lot and looking at all of his stuff. Gary is also involved with the Goochland "Field Days of the Past" which is coming up in September.



A Blast From the Past

Below is an old snapshot of a guy with a new Studebaker truck. The license plate is dated 1950. On the back it says: Bob and the pickup Clark bought this spring (1950) Bob uses it the most and takes good care of it.





Studebaker in Richmond

Automobiles were the technology of the moment in the early 20th century, but wagons were still in demand.

Studebaker continued a profitable business in the manufacture of wagons. With the growth of the automobile, Studebaker decided to dedicate their manufacturing to its production and sold its wagon business to the Kentucky Wagon Manufacturing Company of Louisville, Kentucky, in 1920.

Kentucky Wagon Manufacturing Company made an attempt at automobile production with the Dixie Flyer from 1919 to 1923, but sold the Dixie Motor Car Company to National Automobile Company of Indianapolis. Kentucky Wagon Manufacturing Company is still in business today as Kentucky Manufacturing Company producing truck trailers.

In Richmond, the demand for buggies and farm wagons continued, and you could get your Studebaker wagons from Thomas H. Duke & Company, located at 804 Brook Avenue, Richmond, Virginia.

Thomas H. Duke & Company offered a complete line of Studebaker and other manufacturers of buggies, carriages and farm wagons as well as repair and black smith services.



Site of Thomas H. Duke & Company today,
804 Brook Road (formerly Avenue), Richmond, Virginia

BROOK AVENUE MERCHANTS
And Property Owners are Alive to the Business and Investment Possibilities of Their Section of the City

The extension of Chamberlin Avenue from Brook Road will open up new territory and afford easy entrance to the city for hundreds of country people and residents in the suburbs.

Thos. H. Duke & Co.
804 Brook Avenue Phone 2934
Manufacturers of All Kinds of

Vehicles, Carriages, Wagons, Trucks, Buggies, Runabouts, Surreys, etc.

We carry a large stock and make shipments out of town, having customers in large cities in several States—notably New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington; also do business in nearly every county of Virginia and North Carolina.

Brook Avenue stores and factories furnish a logical base of supply for a wide country and suburban trade. Fine transportation facilities and manufacturing sites available. Inspection is invited.

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The best facilities and latest equipment for repair service.
Skilled workmen, capable of turning out first-class guaranteed work.
We do every line of repair work, painting, rubber tires, etc.
We conduct a thoroughly up-to-date horse-shoeing department, where work is done promptly and scientifically.

ESTABLISHED 1898

Brook Avenue Merchants featuring Thomas H Duke & Company

The Times Dispatch, Richmond, Virginia,

May 31, 1908

WE HAVE STUDEBAKER SPRING wagons, buggies and runabouts. Several second-hand buggies and runabouts cheap; also farm wagons; one surrey, \$55; one top buggy, \$37; one runabout, \$35. THOS. H. DUKE & CO., 804 Brook Avenue.

Thomas H Duke & Company ad listing Studebaker buggies and wagons

The Times Dispatch, Richmond, Virginia

March 24, 1908

WE HAVE THE HAYDOC BUGGY IN many styles; good as the best, better than the rest; also the Studebaker buggy. Nice line of surreys, high in quality, low in price. See THOS. H. DUKE & CO., 804 Brook Avenue.

Thomas H Duke & Company ad listing Studebaker buggy and surreys

The Times Dispatch, Richmond, Virginia

December 3, 1912



The last Studebaker-built Farm Wagon entered the Studebaker Museum upon its completion, where it still resides today.



CVC members Out-N-About

Betsy and Preston Young attended the 2012 Field Day of the Past where they displayed their 1965 Studebaker Cruiser.

Field Day of the Past is a family event sponsored by the Rockville-Centerville Steam and Gas Historical Association. This show mixes the warm, down-home atmosphere of the county fairs of yesteryear with exhibits and displays of museum quality. In the summer of 1992, a few steam and gas engine collectors gathered for an informal discussion on the

possibility of hosting a steam and gas engine show in Goochland County, VA. They organized the Rockville-Centerville Steam and Gas Historical Association and hosted its first show, which attracted 5,000 people. Today the show has expanded into a 3 day event, held the third full weekend in September and draws a crowd of approximately 35,000 people annually.

CVC members have supported this event for several years.



Photos and articles for Newsletter and Website

Do you have any photos of events you attended? Is there an upcoming event you would like to promote? Do you have any interesting information you would like to share? If so, send them to the editor at jsjett@centralvirginiachapter.org so they can be included in the newsletter and posted on the website.

CVC/SDC apparel available

Polo Shirts, T-Shirts, hats and other items displaying the club logo are available to club members.

The Polo Shirts are available in White, Navy or Black in Men's and Women's style. T-shirts are available in white in Men's and Women's style.



Items can be ordered and paid for on the club website, go to: <http://centralvirginiachapter.org/MemberStore.html>



Studebaker Chapter Articles

A NEW WAVE OF SHORTAGES

By George Hamlin

We're all familiar with the usual shortages and difficult-to-find aspects of this hobby: shiny parts, certain electrical and mechanical things, upholstery that is available only from a notoriously slow source. This is a heads up on some other shortages that are approaching very quietly while your attention is on the shiny stuff.

SEALED-BEAM HEADLIGHTS. Nobody has used the PAR-56 size (the larger ones, pre-quad era) of round sealed beams for some time, had you noticed? Every make seems to have its own design now. That has resulted in the stores' using their limited space for the faster-moving (and higher-margin) new stuff. Six-volt lamps aren't on the shelves at all, available mainly at swap meets - and we're now seeing prices north of \$25 EACH for these things. Start stocking up if you haven't already; there are Websites that have them cheaper, primarily those catering to Volkswagens. And yes, this is starting to apply to the 12-volt lamps too. And eventually, the shortage will work its way up to the PAR-46 size that came in in 1958, so...

WIPER REFILLS. Used to was, you wandered into the parts store, went down the display until you found your length, bought two, zipped them in, and Bob's your uncle. Forget that. Almost overnight, refills in varying lengths disappeared pfffft. That's because of the stylists too; each make has its own unique wipers now, and they're not using the same refills your car used. In their place, on one end of the rack in one lonely display, is a Trico product called "Break-to-Fit Blade Refills." The idea is, it comes in one length, you slip it into the blade, and snap it off.

We're here to tell you that this product is unmitigated junk. The universality means that there's no substance to the metal edges; it's too slim to stay in the blade tracks; "breaking" it off will cause the product to disintegrate; and even if you use snips instead, the resulting assembly falls to pieces the instant you activate the wiper. If you can find some refills in the right size, stock up immediately; unfortunately, rubber has a limited shelf life, so we don't know how long you'll be able to use those wipers (get some Rain-X; the stuff really works). We wonder what the new-car owners of today will do in 20 years.

TIRES. Once upon a time, tire shortages almost strangled the old-car hobby in its crib; the hobbyists of the early fifties were using truck tires, old tires, recaps, wrong sizes, anything that would go around. People like Ann Klein saved that particular bacon, and now we have

desperation, if you're going to stay with first-rate rubber, is modern radials. Those products have a few problems of their own, like limited service life even sitting in the garage, and the gradual fattening of the design; it's getting hard now even to find 75%-section sizes that correspond to what suits the car. Because you can't make your own tires, we don't see this situation getting anything but worse, and the current administration's sudden imposition of a huge tax on Chinese tires has resulted in several radials of good sizes going off the market overnight.

While you were sleeping, good substitutes have just disappeared overnight; the 185, 195, 205 sizes all went away and suddenly, the only 215-75R15 tires you will find easily are for ATVs or trailers - and they're all BLACKWALL. If you're on the cusp of needing new tires, we'd suggest that you do it now, this week, while the warehouse might still have a set of four available. Oh, and here's a note of cheer: they're probably already four years old, so they probably won't last you to 2020. Happy happy joy joy.

What we're really afraid of is those new-look tires, the ones with a very thin tread supported only by rubber-flap spokes. If those become standard, you can even say good-bye to tire shops.

AIR-CONDITIONER REFRIGERANT. You already know about Freon's disappearance, of course, because it took several years. Now the good substitutes, like Freeze 12, have also been forced off the market. Without getting too deeply into the politics of this largely symbolic act, the fact remains that the only refrigerant you'll be able to find is R-134, which will leak out of your old system quite rapidly; in the end, you may decide to let the system go and just have it in the car for looks.

FUSES. Those familiar cartridge-type fuses found all over your car are no longer used. A recent visit to a NAPA store to buy a simple 15-amp fuse resulted in a 15-minute search through the archival bins. Find all the fuses used in your car (they're listed in the owner's manual) and lay several of them aside while it's relatively easy.

LITTLE LIGHTS. Do any new cars use any of the familiar small lamps you're used to, and which number dozens in your collector car? 57, 67, 1034, 1157, all those familiar lamps? Every lamp we see in new cars is a different (newer) design. Same recommendation as with fuses: your owner's manual lists every one in the car, so stock up. Won't cost you much.

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Be a Champion

Third in a series:

Show interest in THEIR cars (even if you dislike them)

By Bob Shaw, SDC member

Last time we talked about diplomatically dealing with folks who are inaccurate or don't like the looks of your Studebaker. Let's put the shoe on the other foot for a while and talk about our attitude toward their car choices.

Too many times we see folks ripping on others' rides... sometimes among ourselves but sometimes within earshot of the owner, which is truly unfortunate. I submit that if you show disrespect for their choices they will never show respect for your choice (Studebaker).

You never know if the person owning a car you dislike is a possible future Studebaker owner. Shoot, that person may already own many different makes, including Studebaker. I would wager that most Studebaker Drivers Club members also have an interest in at least one other marque. I am not saying that you start loving cars you don't like. We like what we like and hate what we hate. I AM saying that we can be (and must be) respectful of their choices. Chances are, when we are at a car show we are proudly wearing a Studebaker hat or shirt. Because of that, we put ourselves in the position of an ambassador of the marque. How we conduct ourselves reflects on Studebakers and our club, like it or not.

When we talk about growing club membership it rightly centers on "getting young people interested and involved" as we'd discussed in the first article of "Be A Champion". To that end, try the following at the next multi-make car show you attend.

Membership

You don't have to own a Studebaker to be a member of the club. If you do, or are just interested in Studebaker automobiles, we would love to have you as a member. You can join and pay membership dues online, or, print and mail the membership application. [Membership in the Studebaker Drivers Club is required to join the Central Virginia Chapter.](#)

Link to join CVC/SDC: <http://centralvirginiachapter.org/JoinCVC.html>

Link to join the Studebaker Drivers Club: <http://www.studebakerdriversclub.com/joinsdc.asp>



When you walk around the show and see a young person with a Toyota "tuner", don't just walk on by. Stop and ask questions about that car. Show some interest in him/her and the car. Identify yourself as a Studebaker owner. Those young people will remember that experience and appreciate it...just as we appreciate it when folks stop and ask us about our Studebakers.

Whether it's a foreign make, rat rod or a radical custom or whatever it may be about their car you object to, take a moment to consider the "person" not the vehicle. Today's Honda street machine owner could very well be your future Studebaker owner and valued club member!

Next time in Be A Champion: "This Little Light of Mine"



Classified Ads

Approved Classified Ads are free to all CVC/SDC members and available to non-members for \$5 per ad. Ads will be on the website for 90 days and in 1 newsletter unless renewed.

For Sale:



1955 Studebaker Commander Coupe

This beautiful 1955 Studebaker is in very good condition. Equipped with V8 and "3-on-the-tree" manual transmission.

Contact Eddie Bunch
Phone: 804-435-1998
email: healey66@verizon.net



Accessory for your "Horseless Carriage" so it will not alarm the horses when met on the road. A bridge between "old" and "new" tech?



Wanted:

Parts for GT Hawk

Trim for the back of the Bucket seats, chrome trim that goes over the wind lace at back panels. Contact Jim Jett at 804-232-8501 or email jsjett@va.freei.net





Central Virginia Chapter Studebaker Driver Club, Inc.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: _____

SPOUSE/PARTNER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: () - EMAIL: _____

Membership number in Studebaker Driver's Club, Inc. _____. (Found on your membership card).
This is a requirement for local membership.

Annual dues are \$15.00 per person/couple (Both husband and wife are voting members)
Checks should be made payable to **"Central Virginia Chapter SDC"**

Please list the model, year and series name of any Studebaker vehicles you own. (Ownership of a Studebaker is not a requirement for membership)

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

Please mail with dues to :
Betsy Young
Treasurer CVC/SDC
4336 Payne RD
Columbia, VA 23038-2330