



# Commanding Leader



## Calendar of Events \* Designates CVC Event

October 5, 2013  
Saturday @ 8:00am to 3:00pm  
Old Dominion Late Great Chevys  
NAPA Auto Parts Auto Show  
800 Southlake Boulevard  
North Chesterfield, VA 23236  
INFO: Bob Akers (804) 402-2216

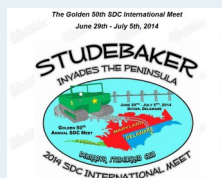
October 12, 2013  
New Kent High School PTSO  
Car, Truck, and Bike Show  
(Rain date Oct. 19)  
New Kent High School  
7365 Egypt Road  
New Kent, Va. 23124  
Registration: 9:00am to 12:00pm  
INFO: Ginger Hayes (804) 514 4314  
E-mail vhayes5@cox.net  
Paul Wright (804) 363 3511

October 12, 2013  
16th ANNUAL Chesterfield Technical  
Center Skills USA Car Show  
Tractor Supply Company  
on Hull St. (360) near Woodlake  
Registration: 8:30am to 11:00am  
INFO: (804) 768-6160, ext 1033

October 13, 2013  
Sunday @ 1:00pm  
Greater Virginia Chapter  
Car and Truck Meet  
Host: Nancy and Chester Bradfield  
9219 Centerville Rd  
Bridgewater, VA 22812  
INFO: Dale Early at  
pup5studies@yahoo.com

\*November 10, 2013  
Sunday @ 2:00pm  
Tour of Henricus Historical Park  
251 Henricus Park Road  
Chester, VA 23836  
(804) 748-1613  
Admission: \$8.00  
INFO: <http://henricus.org/>

For a complete list of planned  
CVC/SDC and other events,  
go to: <http://centralvirginiachapter.org/events.html>



## CVC/SDC Meet ~ July 14th, 2013

"Hot fun in the summer time!" That is descriptive of the CVC July Ice Cream Social held at the River City Diner in Midlothian, Virginia.

The meet was a real Studebaker truck treat with 3 pickups in attendance. We welcomed new CVC member Jim Beadle who brought his 1953 Studebaker 2R pickup. We were pleased to have as guest Joan and Brian Dahl, of Chester, Virginia, and Kim and Eric Branch, of Powhatan, Virginia. Joan and Brian came in their 1957 Studebaker 3E14 Transtar 1 ton pickup, and Kim and Eric drove their 1950 Studebaker 2R pickup.

We were also pleased to welcome Dan Gori, who became a member at the meet. Dan owns a 1976 Avanti II.

Ted Johnson made the journey to Colorado Springs to attend the SDC International meet held June 30th to July 6th. He brought pictures of the event to share with the group.

We had a great meet; "love those trucks!"



*Kim and Eric Branch's (guest) 1950 Studebaker 2R Pickup*



*Jim Beadle's 1953 Studebaker 2R Pickup*



*(L-R) Ted Johnson, Joan & Brian Dahl (guest), Jake & Rocco (Mike's grandsons), Mike Welch, Eric Branch (guest), Bruce Grosvenor, Lee Harrison, Maze & Linwood Melton, Marjorie Meiners (behind Linwood), Betsy Young, Kim Branch (guest), Dan Gori, Preston Young, Jim Beadle, Fred Meiners*



*Joan and Brian Dahl's (guest) 1957 Studebaker 3E14 Transtar 1 Ton Pickup*





## CVC/SDC Meet ~ September 8th, 2013

Our September meet was hosted by Becky and Lee Harrison at their home in Amelia County.

We were pleased to welcome back Wayne Barricks and Sandra Turner who joined us at the meet.

After enjoying a good meal we had a short business meeting. The plans for the International Drive Your Studebaker Day event at Poplar Forest with the Southwest Virginia Chapter and our November meet at Henricus were discussed.

The group took a tour of Lee's garage to see what projects were under way.

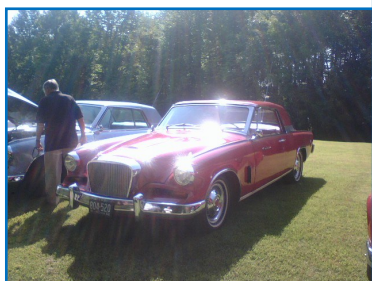
Thanks Becky and Lee for hosting another great meet.



*Studebaker line-up*



*(L-R) Marjorie & Fred Meiners, Wayne Barricks, Sandra Turner, Lee Harrison, Linwood & Maze Melton, Patty & Ted Johnson*



*(L-Top to Bottom) Becky & Lee Harrison's 1962, 1963 & 1964 Studebaker Lark Daytona Convertibles & 1962 Studebaker GT Hawk*

*(R-Top to Bottom) Debbie & Jim Jett's 1962 Studebaker GT Hawk  
Patty & Ted Johnson's 1962 Studebaker GT Hawk  
Maze & Linwood Melton's 1963 Studebaker Avanti R-2*



*(L-R) Ted Johnson, Preston Young, Becky Harrison*

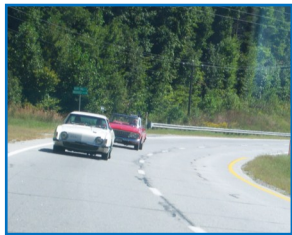
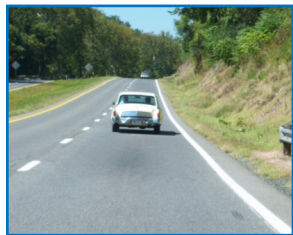


*Lee's 1967 Avanti II under restoration*





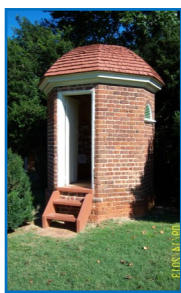
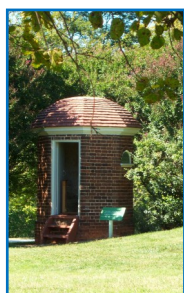
## CVC/SDC International Drive Your Studebaker Day ~ September 14th, 2013



*Studebakers cruising on US 460 in-route to Poplar Forest  
(L) Don Jones & Diana Davis 1963 Studebaker GT Hawk  
(R) Maze & Linwood Melton 1963 Studebaker Avanti R-2  
Lee Harrison 1964 Studebaker Lark Daytona Convertible*



*The group gathering on the front porch of  
Jefferson's house for the tour*



*Matching "Privies" on each side of the main  
house*



*(L-R) Betsy Young Willard Hamill, Don Jones, Diana Davis, Lee Harrison,  
James Marshall, Maze Melton, Linwood Melton, Elaine Handy, Cecil Handy,  
Phil DeVos, Paul M. Howell, Paul V. Howell, Debbie Jett, Betty Lamons, Jim Jett*

The Central Virginia Chapter and the Southwest Virginia Chapter participated in IDYSD this year with a road trip to Thomas Jefferson's retreat, Poplar Forest, located in Forest, Virginia.

Thomas Jefferson and his wife Martha inherited the Bedford County plantation known as Poplar Forest from her father in 1773. The property's name, which predates Jefferson's ownership, reflects the forest that once grew here. Several stately poplars in front of the home welcome visitors today.

The weather for the event could not have been better, mid-seventies and sunny. CVC members drove from the Richmond area to Forest Virginia to meet-up with the SWVA members at the Sheetz store on US 460 in Forest. From the Sheetz store, we went on to Poplar Forest.

Diana Davis and Don Jones joined the group caravanning on US 460 at Concord, Virginia. Don and Diana became members of CVC this year and this was the first event with the chapter.

We were joined at Poplar Forest by local Studebaker drivers from the Lynchburg area who were not members of either chapter. Dave Barnes drove his 1949 Studebaker Champion, Dave and Claude Williams drove a 1941 Studebaker Champion, and Claude's 1931 Studebaker Roadster was driven by his son.

After a presentation, the group was given a guided tour of the house. We then were free to view the addition and the grounds.

From Poplar Forest, we drove to Charley's Restaurant in Lynchburg, Virginia, where we enjoyed a meal and fellowship.

Our Studebakers attracted a lot of attention and interest all along the route.

CVC members enjoyed the opportunity to get together with members of the SWVA chapter and look forward to sharing events in the future.

Everyone had a great time and it was a good showing of our favorite automotive marque.







## CVC/SDC International Drive Your Studebaker Day ~ September 14th, 2013

Studebakers at Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest



*James Marshall, 1952 Studebaker 2R Pickup*



*Lee Harrison, 1964 Studebaker Lark Daytona Convertible*



*Claude Williams, 1931 Studebaker Roadster*



*Dave Barnes, 1949 Studebaker Champion*



*Debbie & Jim Jett, 1963 Studebaker GT Hawk R-1*



*Maze & Linwood Melton, 1963 Studebaker Avanti R-2*



*Phil DeVos, 1965 Studebaker Daytona*



*Dave & Claude Williams, 1941 Studebaker Champion*



*Elaine & Cecil Handy, 1963 Studebaker GT Hawk*



*Willard Hamill, 1963 Studebaker Avanti R-3*



*Diana Davis & Don Jones, 1963 Studebaker GT Hawk*



*Paul Howell, 1965 Studebaker Daytona*





## Next Meet

**October 13th, 2013, Sunday @ 1:00PM**

**Greater Virginia Chapter**

### Annual Car and Truck Show

Host: Nancy and Chester Bradfield

9119 Centerville Rd  
Bridgewater, VA 22812

(804) 346-3000

The annual Greater Virginia Chapter Car and Truck Show will be held on Sunday, October 13th, 2013 at the home of Nancy and Chester Bradfield.

There will be a pot luck lunch and you should bring a covered dish or dessert to share.

For additional information, contact Dale Early,  
Greater Virginia Chapter at [pup5studes@yahoo.com](mailto:pup5studes@yahoo.com)

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



**November 10th, 2013, Sunday @ 2:00PM**

### Tour of Henricus Historical Park

251 Henricus Park Road

Chester, VA 23836

(804) 748-1613

Admission: \$8.00 per Adult

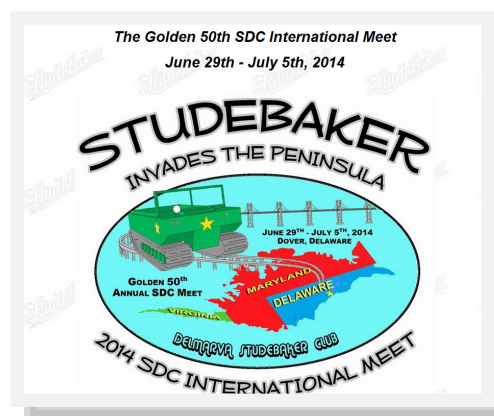
For our November 2013 meet, CVC/SDC will take the Tour of Henricus Historical Park.

Henricus Historical Park is re-creating the second successful English settlement in the New World. Four hundred years ago the opportunity of property ownership by the common man was a unique concept in the world. This innovative idea combined with the development of the first English hospital, the chartering of the first college in the New World, the English home of Pocahontas, the establishment of tobacco as the first cash crop in the New World, as well as other important events that occurred at Henricus, contributed to the successful permanent colonization of North America and the eventual establishment of the United States of America.

After the tour, we will drive to Denny's located at 12441 Redwater Creek Road, Chester, Virginia for dinner.

For information visit their website: <http://henricus.org>

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







## Central Virginia Chapter is 10!

The first 10 years of CVC have been filled with enjoying Studebaker automobiles and the people who drive them.

Below is a collection of moments of the past 10 years as we look forward to the next.







## Studebaker in Richmond

When Isaac S. Tower unexpectedly died on January 30, 1892, he left his Studebaker Agency and farming implements business in limbo.

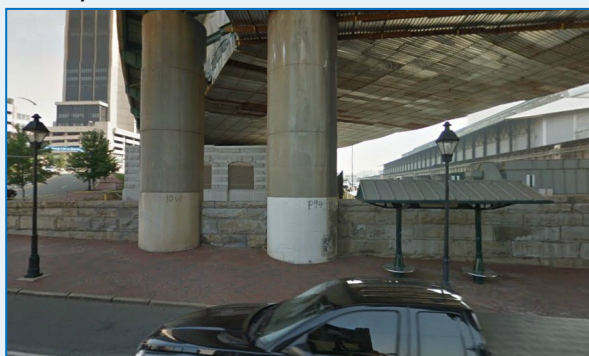
Mr. Charles E. Hunter was a friend and business associate who was a honorary pallbearer at Mr. Tower's funeral and administrator of his estate.

Mr. Hunter was a successful businessman who lived in Fredericksburg, Virginia. He was the manufacturer of the "Farmers Friend" plow and was also in the farming implements business. He had business interest in Fredericksburg, Richmond and Petersburg Virginia.

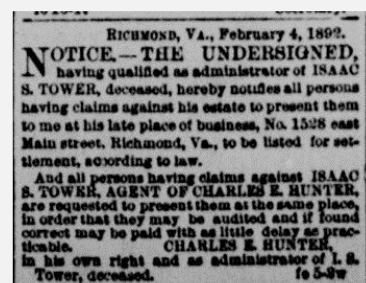
The Studebaker Agency and other business interest of Mr. Tower located at 1528 East Main Street were acquired by Mr. Hunter from the estate along with other property. Mr. Hunter continued selling Studebaker wagons from this location.

In April of 1900, Mr. Hunter announced plans to build a new warehouse on East Main Street to expand the business. However, on Wednesday, May 30, 1900, he was found dead from a heart attack in his room at the Lexington Hotel located at 12th and East Main Streets by a chambermaid.

With the death of Mr. Hunter, the plans for the expansion never occurred and the business continued to operate at the 1528 East Main Street location as Charles E. Hunter for several more years.



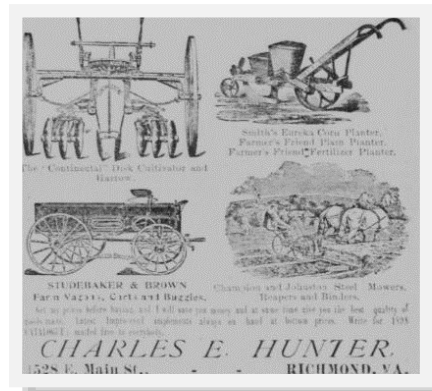
1528 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia today



*Notice of qualification of Charles E. Hunter as administrator of the Estate of Isaac S. Tower  
Richmond Dispatch, Richmond, Virginia  
February, 16, 1892*



*The Richmond Dispatch, Richmond, Virginia  
March 25, 1894*



*Virginia Gazette, Williamsburg, Virginia  
June 11, 1898*

**Building a Large Warehouse.**  
Mr. Charles E. Hunter is building a large warehouse on East Main Street for the purpose of enlarging his business as a wholesale house.

*The Times, Richmond, Virginia  
April 28, 1900*





## CVC Members Out-N-About

Jim Jett visited the St. Louis Museum of Transportation in St. Louis, Missouri, while in the area on business.

The museum has examples of rail, water, air and land transportation with a focus on the St. Louis area. This included automobiles made in St. Louis by the St. Louis Motor Carriage Company and the Dorris Motor Car Company.

There are 2 unique automobiles at the museum, a 1963 Chrysler Turbine and Bobby Darin's 1960 DiDia 150 custom built "Dream Car".

The Chrysler Turbine is the only one currently in private hands and is fully operational. It is started by the owner every 2 weeks.

Bobby Darin donated his 1960 DiDia 150 to the museum in 1970 after driving it and using it for promotions and other entertainment purposes.

Although the collection is "obviously incomplete" since it has no Studebaker, it does have a related marque. They have a 1912 Pierce-Arrow motorcycle.

Overall it was well worth the visit.

For more information about the St. Louis Museum of Transportation, go to their website:

<http://www.transportmuseumassociation.org/>



1963 Chrysler Turbine

1919 Dorris 6-80 Panel Truck



1960 DiDia 150



1912 Pierce-Arrow Motorcycle

## 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 or black 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>

## 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](mailto:jsjett@centralvirginiachapter.org).





## 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](mailto:healey66@verizon.net)

## 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>

Visit our website at [www.centralvirginiachapter.org](http://www.centralvirginiachapter.org)



### 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](mailto: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