



## Chapter Dues are due!



# Commanding Leader

### Calendar of Events

#### \* Designates CVC Event

April 4, 2015

Saturday @ 9:00am - 4:00pm

Virginia Classic Cruisers  
19th annual Open Car Show  
Southside Nazarene Church  
Route 288 and Courthouse Road  
Chesterfield, VA  
INFO: Anita Palmore, (804) 598-2311  
[www.vaclassiccruisers.com](http://www.vaclassiccruisers.com)

April 18, 2015

Saturday @ 9:00am - 2:00pm

Varina American Legion Post 233  
Car, Truck and Bike Show  
5110 S Laburnum Ave  
Richmond, VA  
INFO: Donald Small, (804) 222-2872  
Email: small88@comcast.net

May 9, 2015

Saturday @ 8:00am - 3:00pm

Lions Club Car Show at Amelia Day  
Wells Fargo Bank parking lot  
Amelia Courthouse square  
Amelia, VA  
INFO: Lee Harrison (804) 561-0495  
Becky Harrison (804) 513-0962  
Email: ameliatitle@tds.net

\*May 23, 2015

Saturday @ 5:00pm

Orphan Car Cruise-in

Extra Billy's BBQ

1110 Alverser Dr

Midlothian, VA 23113

INFO: <http://extrabillys.com/index.php>

June 6, 2015

Saturday @ 8:00am - 3:00pm

Historic Fredericksburg Region AACA  
Historic Downtown Fredericksburg  
Automobile Show  
INFO: J Gordon Brown, (703) 725-7948  
Registration form attached

June 20, 2015

Saturday @ 8:00am - 3:00pm

Richmond Region AACA  
46th Annual Car Show & Flea Market  
Richmond International Speedway  
600 E Laburnam Ave  
Richmond, VA 23222  
INFO: Joe Guckert @  
Ndjoe79@hotmail.com  
<http://richmondaaca.com/show.html>

\*June 20, 2015

Saturday @ 5:00pm

Orange County Cruisers Cruise-in  
Burger King  
15 Orange Village Shopping Center  
Orange, VA 22960

INFO: [www.orangecountycruisers.com](http://www.orangecountycruisers.com)

## CVC/SDC Meet ~ January 10th, 2015

The first meet of CVC was held on a sunny warm day in January at the Rumble Seat Grill located in Manakin, Virginia.

We had a good turn out for our first meet of 2015 with five Studebakers on display.

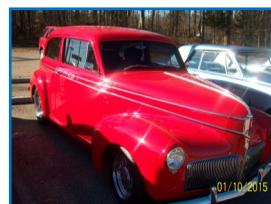
In attendance were new members Betty and Linwood Crawford. The Crawfords drove a nice Brand-X (2012 Mustang GT 5.0 Fastback) that was appreciated by the group.

The event calendar was discussed for the coming year. As a group, we will attend various Cruise-ins to get our Studebakers out in front of the classic car fans to raise the recognition and appreciation of the marque.

After the meet, all enjoyed a pleasant ride home in the warm winter weather.



(L-R) Mike Welch with grandsons Rocko & Jake, Herman Gantt, Betsy & Preston Young, Dan Gori, Martin Pajka, Linwood Crawford, Marjorie & Fred Meiners, Marie Gori, Debbie Jett, Lee & Becky Harrison (Attended but not pictured, Barbara & Jim Beadle, Betty Crawford, Jim Jett)



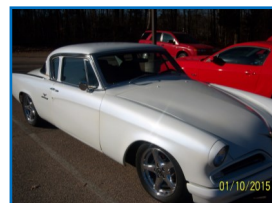
1941 Studebaker Custom,  
Mike Welch



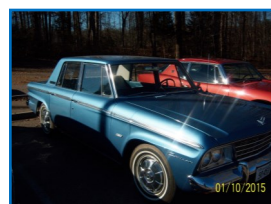
1963 Studebaker GT Hawk R1,  
Debbie & Jim Jett



1964 Studebaker Avanti R-2,  
Marjorie & Fred Meiners



1953 Studebaker Custom,  
Herman Gantt



1965 Studebaker Cruiser,  
Betsy & Preston Young



Betty & Linwood Crawford's  
2012 Mustang GT 5.0



The group at The Rumble Seat Grill



## CVC/SDC Meet ~ March 8th, 2015

The annual business meeting of the Central Virginia Chapter was held on March 8th, 2015, at the River City Diner located on Parham Road in Henrico County, Virginia.

The first order of business was to nominate and elect the slate of chapter officers for the period of April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016. The existing officers in each position were nominated and elected to continue in their current post for another term.

The officers for 2015 are:

- ◆ President: Jim Jett
- ◆ Vice- President: Preston Young
- ◆ Treasurer: Betsy Young

After the election of officers general discussion of club business was completed.

After our meal the group adjourned to the parking area where Studebakers were discussed.

## CVC/SDC Welcomes New Members

The Central Virginia Chapter SDC has 2 new memberships; Betty and Linwood Crawford and Mary Bruce and John Ring.

Betty and Linwood Crawford live in Gordonsville, Virginia and have a 1957 Studebaker Silver Hawk.

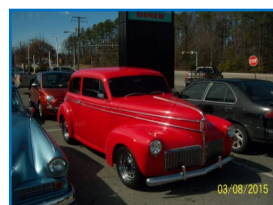
Mary Bruce and John Ring live in Henrico, Virginia and have a 1952 Studebaker 2R pickup.



(L-R) Betsy & Preston Young, Becky & Lee Harrison, Dan & Marie Gori, Debbie Jett, Linwood Melton, Darryl Terretta, Mike Welch



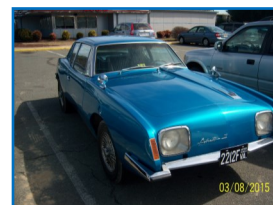
Checking out the newly refurbished 327 in Lee Harrison's 1967 Avanti II



1941 Studebaker Custom, Mike Welch



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



1967 Avanti II, Becky & Lee Harrison



1963 Studebaker Avanti R-2, Linwood Melton

## Next Meet

May 23rd, 2015, Saturday @ 5:00pm

### Extra Billy's BBQ Orphan Car Cruise-in

1110 Alverser Drive  
Midlothian, Va 23113  
(804) 379-8727



For our May meet, CVC will be at Extra Billy's Orphan Car Cruise-in.

The theme of the cruise-in is automobile marques who have been orphaned. With that, it makes sense that the best of the orphans be well represented by our club.

All drivers will receive a 20% discount on any meal and all will receive a free dessert or drink with a meal.

Let's try to get there close to 5:00pm so we can park together as a club.

For additional information and to view their menu, go to:  
[http://extrabillys.com/menu\\_alverser.php](http://extrabillys.com/menu_alverser.php)

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

June 20th, 2015, Saturday @ 5:00pm

### Orange County Cruisers Cruise-in

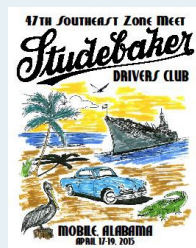
Burger King  
15 Orange Village Shopping Center  
Orange, VA 22960

Sponsored by the Orange County Cruisers, the cruise-in occurs every 3rd Saturday from April through October. CVC will attend the June cruise-in where the theme is "Celebrate Summer".



For additional information, go to:  
<http://orangecountycruisers.com/>

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



**47th Southeast Zone Meet**  
April 17th - 19th, 2015  
Mobile, Alabama

**HOST:** Gulf Coast Chapter, SDC  
At Fairfield Inn & Courtyard Marriott  
12000 & 13000 Cypress Way  
Spanish Fort, AL 36527  
**INFO:** Mary Baumgarten (251) 510-5217  
or Jan Hartman (251) 979-7196

(Registration form at end of newsletter)

**Lions Club Car & Truck Show  
At Amelia Day**

Saturday, May 9th, 2015  
8:00am - 5:00pm  
Wells Fargo Bank lot  
Amelia Courthouse Square  
Amelia, Virginia



Amelia  
Day  
Festival

Registration fee: \$15 in advance, \$20 day of show

**INFO:** Lee Harrison (804)561-0495  
Becky Harrison (804) 513-0962  
Email: [ameliatitle@tds.net](mailto:ameliatitle@tds.net)



**51st Annual Studebaker Drivers Club  
International Meet**  
August 16 - 22, 2015  
St Louis, Missouri

**HOST:** The Missouri/Illinois "Gateway" Chapters  
**Info:** <http://www.sdcmeet.com/>

### Commanding Leader

Quarterly publication of the  
Central Virginia Chapter  
Studebaker Drivers Club  
Jim Jett, Editor

#### Officers:

Jim Jett, President  
Preston Young, Vice-President  
Betsy Young, Treasurer

## Studebaker Sightings

Mike Welch has spotted some excellent Studebakers while in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Thanks Mike for providing the following pictures.



*1940 Studebaker Custom*



*1940 Studebaker Custom*



*1956 Studebaker Custom*



*1948 Studebaker M5 Pickup*



*1952 Studebaker 2R Pickup*



*1953 Studebaker Custom*



*1957 Studebaker Hawk*



*1951 Studebaker Customer*



*1955 Studebaker Custom*



*1948 Studebaker M5 Pickup*



*1964 Studebaker Champ Pickup*



*1957 Studebaker Station Wagon*

## Studebakers in the Snow

It's been a cold snow filled February and spring is finally here!

Commemorating the end of winter and noting that it could have been worse, below are a couple of the big snows from the past.



January, 1940.



Richmond had a record setting snow in January of 1940. The official measurement was 21.6 inches which is a record that still stands today.

The image above was taken on Grace Street near 4th Street in Richmond, Virginia.

December, 1954.



In early December of 1954, Richmond got 2 inches of wet snow and extreme cold. The cold made the streets very difficult to clear which caused commuter delays.

The picture above is from the Richmond Times-Dispatch showing a city truck clearing the slush from East Broad Street in downtown Richmond. The fourth car parked is a 1953 Studebaker.

## Studebaker Custom at SEMA



*Front view of 1951 Studebaker Woody Fastback*

A great looking 1951 Studebaker Fastback Woody was created and displayed in 2013 by Hills Rod & Custom.

It is powered by a 390 cubic inch Edsel V8 on a custom chassis along with many other fabricated components.

To read the full article and view all the pictures of this great custom Studebaker on AutoBlog, go to <http://www.autoblog.com/2013/11/07/1951-studebaker-fastback-woody-sema-2013/>



*Rear view of 1951 Studebaker Woody Fastback*



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## 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:

### 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)



## 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)

## 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/join.asp>

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



Vintage Studebaker magazine ad introducing the new 1953 Studebaker

## 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>



## 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"**

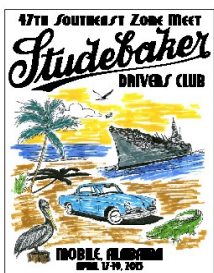
*Please list the model, year and series name of any Studebaker vehicles you own. (Ownership of a Studebaker is not a requirement for membership)*

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_

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



**47<sup>th</sup> SOUTHEAST ZONE MEET**  
**Mobile/Spanish Fort, Alabama**  
**April 17-19, 2015**



Hosted by the GULF COAST CRUISERS Chapter SDC  
At Fairfield Inn & Courtyard Marriott  
12000 & 13000 Cypress Way, Spanish Fort, AL 36527  
**888-720-1250, 888-557-8731, 251-370-1160**

Limited number of rooms available. Please ask for special Studebaker Drivers Group rates from \$76 - \$84.

Breakfast included @ Fairfield ~ on-site bistro bar & Starbucks @ Courtyard.

Deadline for registration at discounted rates March 31, 2015.

**Welcome all Studebakers, Avantis, Packards! Please help us make this the best Zone Meet in the South.**  
**Make THIS Zone Meet your vacation destination.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

SDC Chapter Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_ Nat'l SDC # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Registration (includes dash plaque for 1<sup>st</sup> 50, hospitality room access, goodie bag, free lunch Saturday @ Show) **\$15.00**

S \_\_\_ M \_\_\_ L \_\_\_ XL \_\_\_ XXL \_\_\_ or XXXL T-shirts available @ \$15.00, XL, XXL @ \$18.00 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Car Show Registration (Year/Model) \_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Car (Year/Model) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 5.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Banquet/Awards Dinner Saturday 6:00pm How many in Party \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Maximum 50 seating) Children \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Entrees: Qty \_\_\_ Smoked Gouda Cheese Grits w/White Jambalaya or Qty \_\_\_ Pork Roulade w/Portabella Sauce

**Swap Meet Space @ USS Alabama Battleship Park, 2703 Battleship Pkwy, Mobile, AL 36603 (Free w/General Registration, but there is a vehicle entry fee to the park).**

Number of Passes needed for \_\_\_\_\_ 2 axle vehicles.

**Make Checks payable to Gulf Coast SDC**

**Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Mail Registration & Check to: **Webster Tucker, 6308 Wesley Powell Rd., Lucedale, MS 39452**

For more info contact: Mary Baumgarten 251-510-5217 or Jan Hartman 251-979-7196 or visit us on SDC  or our website:

I do hereby release and hold harmless the Gulf Coast Cruisers Chapter of SDC and its members from any suits, actions, damages, or claims which may arise from any loss or damages to me or my personal property. Signature required with registration.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Antique Automobile Show Information

- The meet will be held on June 6, 2015, rain or shine.
- Hours will be from 8 AM to 3 PM.
- The show is **exclusively for originally preserved or restored antique automobiles**, 25 years and older. Street rods and modified vehicles will not be admitted. The Fredericksburg Region reserves the right to refuse entry to any vehicles not preserved in the interest of the hobby.
- Membership in the AACA is **NOT** required to show vehicles.
- First 175 cars registered and on the field will receive a Meet Plaque.
- No refunds will be issued.
- **No For Sale signs in the show area.**
- Trailer Parking will be provided.
- **A fully charged and UL approved fire extinguisher is mandatory and must be clearly displayed in order to admit vehicles to the show area.**
- Judging and Awards:
  - Vehicles must be driven on the field by 11:00 AM in order to be judged and remain until 3PM. **Car and owner must be present to receive awards.** Awards will be given out at 3 PM.
  - Judges meeting at 11:30 AM
  - 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies will be awarded in each class.
  - Trophies will be awarded for best GM, Ford, Chrysler and Independent cars.
  - **Chief Judge's decisions on the awards are final.**
  - **Trunks must be opened and hoods must be raised.**
  - **Convertible tops must be up and window glass must be raised.**

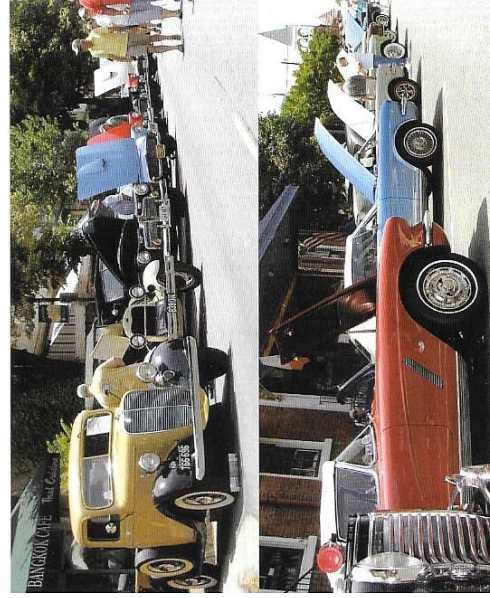
## Show Classes

### ALL PRE-1920 CARS MUST PRE-REGISTER - NO FEE

1. All cars, except T's thru 1931
2. Ford Model T and Model A 1909-1931
3. Early Ford 1932-1953
4. Production Cars (not Ford) 1932-1942
5. Production Cars (not Ford) 1946-1953
6. Production Cars 1954-1956
7. Production Cars 1957-1961
8. Production Cars 1962-1964
9. Production Cars 1965-1967
10. Production Cars 1968-1970
11. Production Cars 1971-1979
12. Production Cars 1980-1990
13. Thunderbirds 1955-1957
14. Mustangs 1964½-1990
15. Corvettes 1953-1990
16. Commercial Vehicles thru 1990
17. Motorcycles/Scooters thru 1990
18. British Cars thru 1990
19. Mercedes-Benz thru 1990
20. Other Foreign Makes thru 1990

## 2015 - Show Activities

**Saturday Fashion Presentation:** We encourage you to come to our show dressed in attire appropriate to the vintage of your car. A fashion display / show with special recognition of all participants will take place during our trophy award ceremony at 3 p.m. For additional information please call the show chairman.

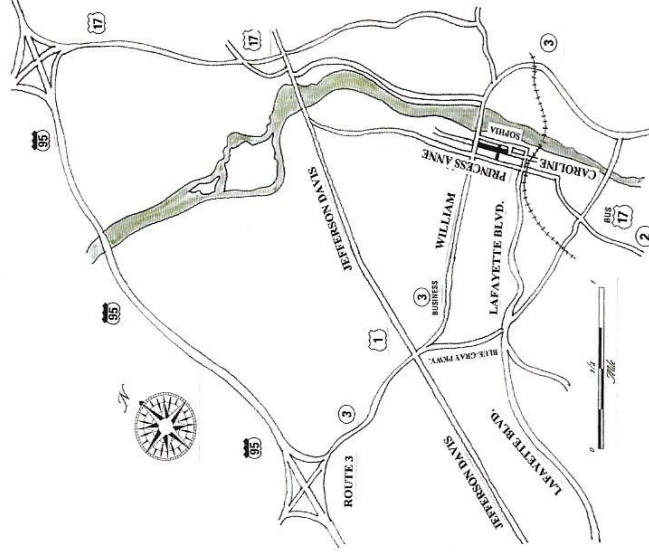


## Directions Into Old Town from the West

From I-95 take exit 130 to Route 3 East toward Fredericksburg. Stay in the left lane and follow signs to downtown Fredericksburg. Turn left on business Route 3/William Street into downtown. Turn right onto Sophia Street. Go three blocks and turn right onto Charlotte Street. Proceed one block to Fredericksburg visitor's center at Caroline Street and show area.

## Directions Into Old Town from the East

Heading West on Route 3 continue straight onto Business Route 3 West and follow till it crosses over the Rappahannock River on the Chatham Bridge into downtown Fredericksburg. Turn immediate left onto Sophia Street and go three blocks and turn right onto Charlotte Street. Proceed one block to Fredericksburg visitor's center at Caroline Street



## ***Show Entry Form***

Make Payment to:

Historic Fredericksburg Region AACA, Inc. by  
5/30/2015

Return Show Registration to:

J. Gordon Brown, 7203 Bloomsbury Ln.  
Spotsylvania, VA 22553

Class	Make	Year	Body Style	FEE

**ALL PRE-1920 CARS MUST PRE-REGISTER - NO FEE**

Pre-Registration Fee is \$15.00 per vehicle

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

Late-Registration Fee is \$20.00 per vehicle after 5/30/15

Judges are critical to the success of the show. You don't need to be a trained judge to help. Please do your part to support the hobby and volunteer.

DO YOU WANT YOUR CAR JUDGED?                      YES              NO

WILL YOU JUDGE ?                                      YES              NO

I PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FASHION PRESENTATION?                      YES              NO

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City                                      State                                      ZIP

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature\*

\* All registrants must sign this registration form. Signature waives any liability of the Historic Fredericksburg Region, AACA, Inc., the City of Fredericksburg and any associated organizations for any injury to you, your party, or damage to or loss of property while engaged in or traveling from the event.

**DIRECT QUESTIONS TO:**  
**J. Gordon Brown—Meet Chairman**  
**(703) 725-7948**