

# The Strato-Vue



See more of this pick-up and other  
Studebakers in Maggie Valley, North Carolina.

November / December 2025



**Wishing you a SAFE and HAPPY HOLIDAY Season**

The Rock River Valley Chapter - Studebaker Drivers Club (RRVC SDC) is a chapter of the National Studebaker Drivers Club (SDC). Be sure to join the National S.D.C. Our club has activities for the family throughout the year. Annual dues are \$30 from January 1st to December 31st and includes 6 issues of The Strata-Vue and special mailings. Anyone with an interest in Studebakers or classic cars is welcome to join.

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### R.R.V.C.S.D.C. MEETINGS

1st Monday of each month, unless it falls on a holiday then it will be the 2nd Monday of the month. 5:30 for dinner, 6:30 for meeting

Meeting location: Machine Shed, 7475 E. State Street, Rockford, IL

### Don't Forget About the Fall Party and X-Mas Party

**Nov 15 RRVC-SDC Fall Party - Paulson's Agriculture Museum**

**Dec 13 RRVC-SDC Annual Christmas Party - Thunder Bay Grille**

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If you would like your business advertised in the Strato-Vue let me know. (Your business does not have to be car related to be advertised). Dennis

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# The President's Message



Our season is coming to an end. But we still have two events planned for this year. Please try and join us!

My '48 is running well. Kathy's Brand X is behaving. Which is all good news because I have finally started building our new home. And as you can imagine, with the coming change in weather, this is taking up all of my time. It has been twenty-five years since we built our daughter's house. My mind is there; but I can tell you that the body is not on board.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the Fall and Christmas Parties.

— Fran

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## Wednesday Night at the Coop

The RRVC-SDC met at the Smoke'n' Coop September 10th on Hwy 20 just west of the Belvidere for the Wednesday Night Cruise In. This was the first chance that we had as a group to attend the cruise this year, and the weather was great! It was nice to walk around and look at the cars. We enjoyed their great food and visiting with friends and other car owners.

— Fran



Club cars left to right... Gordy and Annette Buestch's 1935 International Panel Truck, Jerry and Roseann Johnson's 1956 Studebaker Skyhawk, Don Smith's 1942 Plymouth Truck, Harry & Helga Brady's 1937 Nash LaFayette 400



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“New Teslas don't come with a new car smell they come with an Elon Musk.”

“That's not a leak... My car is just marking its territory.”

# GIMMICK RALLY 8/11/25

Monday was a beautiful day in the country, and fortunately for us, Harry & Helga Brady had organized another great Gimmick Rally. Fifteen members and one guest arrived at Harry's house to begin the Rally. We had five cars participating, but only two of them were old cars. Father Tim brought his 1948 Land Cruiser (the only Studebaker) and I brought Kathy's 1957 Brand X (Chevrolet).

This time our route was more rural, so Harry shortened the time. This was also to prevent doubling back to find the clues you might have missed. We worked as teams, five in total. The team of Jeff Rollens, Ray Meyers, and Bob Givens took first place with 49 points out of a possible 54 points. Second place went to the team of Roger Kunzelman and Mark Hulbert (Mark is Harry's neighbor) with 48 points. The coveted last place "Traveling Trophy of Shame" went to Father Tim Barr and Jay Frank with 44 points. The other two teams were



Clockwise for top; Roseann Johnson, Mary Hageman, Mark Hulbert, Roger Kunzelman, Jay Frank and a bit of Jerry Johnson. Fran is across from Jerry.

Jerry and Roseann Johnson, Don Smith and Mary Hageman. Ed Stevens and Fran Tremain made up the last team. As you may have noticed, the point spread was very close again.

There were three old car bonus questions this time. That way we had a chance to earn extra points. Neither old car got the last question.



Harry's Nash with the club insignia



Coveted Traveling Trophy of Shame to Father Tim Barr, and Jay Frank

## GIMMICK RALLY 8/11/25 (cont.)

Harry, Helga and Jan Givens took care of the check points.

Our final destination was Sebastian's Café in Roscoe. We had very good service and good food.

Kathy's Brand X did great. Ed suggested that he drive because he has a hard time reading the directions. By the end of the Rally, Ed was complaining that his arms might fall off! Brand X is an automatic with air conditioning, but no power steering.

Everyone had a good time. THANK YOU, HARRY AND HELGA, for another great Rally!!!

— Fran



Second place winners, Mark Hulbert and Roger Kunzelman (Mark is Ron's neighbor)



Left to right, Father Tim Barr, Jeff Rollens, Bob Givens, and Roseann Johnson



Winners of the Gimmick Rally; Ray Meyers, Bob Givens, and Jeff Rollens

### Acknowledgements

Wednesday Night at the Coop - Fran Tremain

Gimmick Rally 8/11/25 - Fran Tremain

Celebrating Drive Your Studebaker Day RFD Airport - Jerry Johnson

Maggie Valley NC Tri-State Zone Meet - Jeanine Rader

10th Annual Edwards Apple Orchard Cruise - Jerry Johnson

News from the National Museum - Studebaker National Museum

Alpine Fest - Fran Tremain

RRVC-SDC Club Picnic 8/14/25 - Fran Tremain

# CELEBRATING DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY At Chicago Rockford International Airport



To celebrate Drive Your Studebaker Day, Roger Kunzelman planned a tour of the Chicago Rockford International Airport (RFD). We had twenty-two members meet on a beautiful sunny morning at the airport Cell Phone Parking Lot. Promptly at 10:00 am we boarded the RFD tour bus and headed out to the tarmac.



The airport was founded in 1946 and was built on the grounds of the former Camp Grant which served as one of the largest US army training bases of World Wars I and II. RFD is currently ranked as the 220th largest passenger service in the US. The airport is home to a continually growing air cargo industry and is ranked as the 13th largest airport in the US for air cargo.



In 2023, there was more than 3 billion pounds of landed weight as it is the second-largest UPS hub in North America, and a major base of operations for Amazon Air.



UPS has operated a Regional Air Hub at Rockford since 1994 and can accommodate up to thirty aircraft on its ramp. The Rockford hub is used to sort overnight air packages and heavyweight Air Freight shipments from its 500,800 square foot facility which can sort 121,000 packages and employs over 1,100 people.

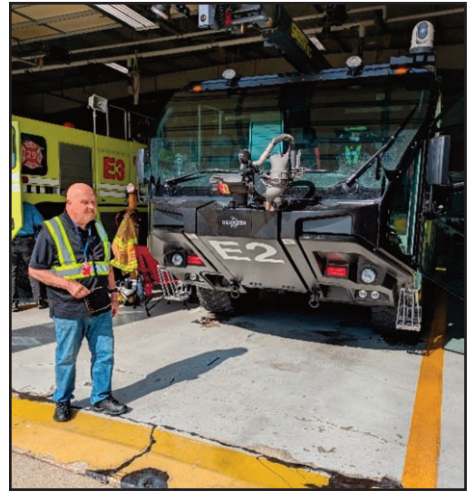


Amazon Air has operated out of Rockford since 2016, employs approximately 1,200 people and can sort 300,000 shipments per day. The ramp can accommodate up to eight Boeing 767-200 & 747-300 series wide body freighters.

**CELEBRATING DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY - At Chicago Rockford International Airport (cont.)**

State-of-the-art facilities, coupled with runway lengths of 10,000 ft. and 8,200 ft., allow RFD to land any jet aircraft operating in the world today – even under the most adverse conditions.

On the airport campus of roughly 3000 acres, there is an aviation maintenance operation capable of servicing next-generation aircraft. In partnership with Rock Valley College, RFD turns out a highly trained and skilled workforce. More than 15 international airlines service RFD.



Our first stop on the tour was at the airport fire station which is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 weeks a year by firefighters from Pro-Tec services. The airport has three pieces of Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting equipment, three Oshkosh Striker vehicles. We were also treated to a demo of the equipment's water pumping capability.



The second stop was Code 1 Aviation. Code 1 Aviation began operation in early 2012 in Lakeland, FL. Shortly after this, they added a location in DeKalb, IL. In the fall of 2012, they moved their northern operation to a much larger facility in Rockford. Code 1 Aviation L-39 specialists have over 100 years of combined experience with the L-39 Albatross and many



other aircraft types. While they would not allow us to photograph anything in their location, somehow, an image did somehow appear on someone's cell phone.

Our last stop was AAR maintenance facility. AAR is currently doing maintenance work on the United Airlines Fleet of narrow body 747 series aircraft. AAR occupies two 10-story tall 238,000 square foot hangers that are 300 x 300 feet and can accommodate eight Boeing 747 aircraft at one time. AAR opened the Rockford facility in 2016 and employs over 350 aviation mechanics performing everything from heavy maintenance checks to aircraft modification.

We had a great turnout. Eight old cars



in all! Those who attended were Roger Kunzelman with his 1967 Mustang, Harry with his 1937 Nash, Ron Johnson and his 1957 Golden Hawk, and Keven Medearis, Michell Hahn and David Hahn with their 1947 M-series Truck. Gordy and Anette made the trip in their 1961 Hawk, and it was nice to see Don and Edwina Sheldon with their 1951 Commander. Kathy and Fran drove their 1948 Commander along with Jerry and Rosann in their 1956 Sky Hawk. Also joining the group were Doug Pherigo, Don Smith, Bill Abelson, Ginger Powell, Ray Meyers, Bob and Janice Givens, and Sherm and Carol Buetsch.

From the airport we drove South down Hwy 251 to Grub Steakers Bar and Grill for lunch. It was a beautiful day to have the old cars on the road. And a good time was had by all!

*— Jerry & Fran*



Clockwise from bottom left; Roger Kunzelman, Fran Tremain, Sherm Buetsch, Harry Brady, Ray Meyers and Kevin Medearis



Clockwise from bottom left; Roseann Johnson, Carol Buetsch, Ginger Powell, Jan Givens, Kathy Tremain, Annette Buetsch



Left to right; Doug Pherigo, Roger Kunzelman, Don Smith, Gordy Buetsch, and Bob Givens

# The 10th Annual Edwards Apple Orchard Cruise



Friday, October 2 was a gorgeous fall day as we gathered in the Target parking lot to start our 10th annual trip to Edwards Apple Orchard. This is always a popular event, and this year was no different with 18 members and 8 old cars. Our small caravan included three Studebakers, one Nash, one Ford, one Plymouth, and one modern car. After we arrived at the Orchard, we were greeted by one more Studebaker and later a Chevrolet.

Shortly after our arrival we headed toward the Orchard barn basement to beat the crowd and get lunch. The apple pie ala mode was wonderful as usual, and the rest of the food offerings were not bad either. As usual, the girls headed out to do some shopping while the guys gathered for a bit of storytelling. Once the event was over, everyone scattered toward their separate destinations.

This was Phil Torgerson's first event with the Club. Boy, his Chevelle sure looked great!!

— Fran & Jerry



Club cars left to right...New car, 1967 Ford Mustang, 1955 Plymouth, 1955 Studebaker Commander



Left to right...Annette Buetsch, Gordy Buetsch, Roger Kunzelman, Debbie Jean



Club cars left to right...1956 Studebaker Sky Hawk, 1948 Studebaker Commander, 1961 Studebaker Hawk, 1971 Chevrolet Chevelle



Left to right...Bob Givens, Jan Givens, Roger Ables



Jerry and Roseann Johnson



Sherm Buestsch and Harry Brady



Left to right...Fran Tremain, Kathy Tremain, Phil Torgerson



Clockwise left to right...Carol Buetsch, Doug Pherigo, Kathy Pherigo, Helga Brady

# MAGGIE VALLEY

## HOME OF THE NORTH CAROLINA TRI-STATE ZONE MEET



When you enter the town of Maggie Valley, you wonder where the town actually is. Outstretched before you on North Carolina Highway 19 are souvenir shops, T-shirt shops, restaurants and motels.



As you continue to drive along Highway 19, it occurs to you that you might already be in the town of Maggie Valley as you travel east and west along the floor of a valley created by the Great Smoky Mountains. Both sides of the street are full of these shops and motels, with hardly a fast-food restaurant or chain hotel in sight.

It seems that it just may be the town that time forgot.

So, seeing a couple of Studebakers on the front lawn of one of those cozy family-owned motels seems perfectly normal. Consequently, I almost drove right by the Creekside Lodge the first time seeing only the Studebaker Driver's Club flag flying out of the corner of my eye, as I curved gently past to continue my discovery of Maggie Valley.

It is there, at the Creekside Lodge (along the Jonathan Creek) that the North Carolina Tri-State Zone Meet took place on Friday, August 15, and Saturday August 16. And it has occurred right there, in the beautiful North Carolina mountains, since 1971!

Below...a few of the Studebakers parked on the lawn.



I pulled in and immediately saw cars parked on the lawn with their owners

## MAGGIE VALLEY

### HOME OF THE NORTH CAROLINA TRI-STATE ZONE MEET (CONT.)

sitting nearby under the picnic pavilion roof. I recognized Kevin and Martha Studebaker's yellow Lark convertible right away, but I did not see them sitting under the shelter. (I first met the Studebaker's in South Bend at the International Meet in 2022). So, I headed out to look at the cars. It was around 1:00 on Friday, and there were about half a dozen cars parked. I started taking pictures wearing my RRVC-SDC shirt and walked up to some folks to try and explain who I was, and why the heck I was there!

I asked the group nearest me about Kevin and Martha, and Jeff (Studebaker) spoke up right away to tell me that Kevin was his cousin. And yes, they were there but had gone off site to find something to eat. So, I sat down with Jeff, and his friend, Ken Perry.

As it turns out, neither Jeff nor Ken had brought a car to the Meet, but I got them talking anyway. Jeff lives in St Josephs, Indiana, and bought a Studebaker pick-up in 2016. It was green with a very recent upholstery

job done in Notre Dame colors as the previous owner's wife was a huge fan. Jeff and his wife drove 31,000 miles until the winter of 2017, when they took it all apart, off frame, finally finishing it in 2021. But they kept the Irish interior.

Not to be overshadowed, Ken Perry mentioned that he also had a famous cousin. If you remember the rock band Journey from San Francisco, then you might know Steve Perry, the lead singer during their biggest commercial success. Steve is Ken's cousin, alive and well at 76, recovering from bilateral hip replacements. I was a



Above is Jeff's truck....

huge fan. And I was stunned that he was so old. But then, I got older, so I guess it makes sense that he did too.

Ken was also a fan of Studebakers but had been waiting for "the right one" to buy, for the right price, of course. He once had put \$1000 down on a 1957 red Silver Hawk only to have the guy



12 Above is Kevin & Martha's yellow Lark Convertible

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sell it out from under him. He does have 3 other old cars, all brand X's. Below you will see a 1979 Seville (triple yellow which I understand from Ken is rare), a 1979 Dodge Diplomat 4 door Medallion that once was owned by Rex Ryan (son of famous coach Buddy Ryan), and a 1980 Chrysler Cordoba.



Next, I headed back out to the lawn to check out a gorgeous 1935 Land Cruiser Dictator owned by William Edward Reece Wingate. I felt like the name matched the car! But he went by "Ed" and soon we were talking about how he had changed the hood ornament to a President hood ornament because he just couldn't buy into the "Dictator" name. He also is the proud owner of a 1966 Lark Cruiser that was one of the last cars to come



off the Studebaker manufacturing line in Canada.

I have always been a huge fan of Studebaker trucks, except for the Champs, which is a story for another time. So, when I saw Ernie Brown's PERFECT 1957 Studebaker Transtar pick-up parked in front of the motel, I was immediately smitten. And being red did not hurt either! Ernie had replaced the motor with an LT 1 and the transmission with a 3 Bolt Corvette. The seat has been replaced with a 3rd row Cadillac Escalade seat and tail lights from a 1995 Cadillac. The paint is Ermine White and Apache Red with custom embroidery and houndstooth check carpet. And I get it; being obsessed with all original NOS parts and pieces, my little Lark would have held up better if I hadn't been such a purist. But live and learn.

In my humble opinion, this was best in show.



Ernie Brown's PERFECT 1957 Studebaker Transtar pick-up

## MAGGIE VALLEY

### HOME OF THE NORTH CAROLINA TRI-STATE ZONE MEET (CONT.)



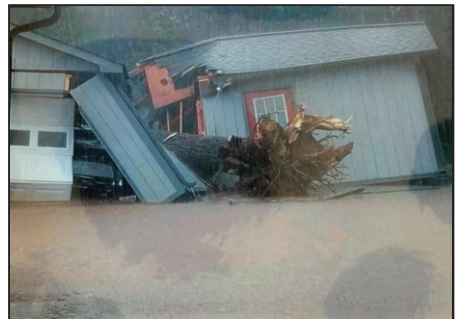
My last interview was with Tom Pratesi. Tom remembers his grandfather having Studebakers and still remembers riding in them as early as when he was 3 years old. He met his first love, a Golden Hawk with a Packard engine and two 4-barrel carburetors while working as a gas station attendant in New York. Tom joined the Air Force and had that Golden Hawk for several years. But when it came time to move back to New York, he traded the Hawk for a 1959 Ford Country Squire to carry all his stuff home after getting out of the Air Force. He spent the next 31 years living and working in Florida. He also did a stint at a Restoration Company, but he claims that he caused more problems than he fixed working there. But I find that one hard to believe. Tom has quite the sense of humor.

Then in 1991, while visiting South Bend, he found another Golden Hawk.

He transported it to North Carolina only to have a tree fall on the building it was stored in on August 6, 2020.

He had paid dearly for that car, around \$30,000. As Tom explained to me, there are only two reasons that you buy a car already restored. 1) sentimental, and 2) you can't find it unfinished. Number two pretty much explains his current situation.

It was quite a weekend back in time. Even the junk yard along Highway 19 was full of old cars. Bob and I enjoyed our visit, although it was not without incident. If you recall, I pulled in immediately to look at the cars at the Creekside on arrival into town. Well, when we went to leave and check into the cabin we had rented, my Subaru Outback was dead as a door nail. And I do not even pretend to know what is going on in a car that I cannot see the ground around the motor. (Although I suspected the battery as this was not the first time that this had happened.)



And as Tom explained, "...that poplar was not too poplar-er with me! The poplar tree had bent the frame.

## MAGGIE VALLEY

### HOME OF THE NORTH CAROLINA TRI-STATE ZONE MEET (CONT.)



Here's Tom's current Golden Hawk....fully restored



But there were plenty of jumper cables offered up and pick-up trucks to jump our car, and off we went to a Walmart 45 minutes away! Armed with a new battery, we went back to the Creekside because we did not have any tools with us. Again, plenty of help! Like I always say, if you're going to have car trouble, have it with a Car Club nearby. Even with a 2019 model.

—*Jeanine*





# News from the...

NATIONAL MUSEUM

The Studebaker National Museum is proud to announce the opening of A Bear's Natural Habitat: The Return of Fozzie's Studebaker, a special exhibition celebrating the completed restoration of one of Hollywood's most recognizable cars. The exhibition will be on view September 24, 2025, through February 9, 2026, marking the first time the restored vehicle will be displayed to the public.

The exhibition showcases the 1951 Studebaker Commander driven by Fozzie the Bear and Kermit the Frog in Jim Hensen's *The Muppet Movie* (1979). Known for its colorful psychedelic paint scheme created by Dr. Teeth & The Electric Mayhem in the film, the Commander has undergone an extensive 18-month restoration led by RazorFly Studios. Now for the first time, visitors can experience the car in its fully restored state in the Museum's Carmichael Bullet Nose Gallery.

In addition to the restored vehicle, the exhibition will feature:

- A photo series documenting the restoration process from start to finish
- Insights into how Jim Hensen's team modified the Studebaker for on-screen use
- A look at the car's history, from its production in 1951 to its Hollywood career and eventual homecoming at the Museum

A Bear's Natural Habitat offers an engaging and family-friendly experience that blends Studebaker heritage with the enduring creativity of Jim Hensen's Muppets.

PLAN YOUR VISIT!



# STRATO-VUE Calendar of Events

- Nov 15 RRVC-SDC Fall Party  
Paulson's Agriculture Museum, 6950 Belvidere Road  
Caledonia, IL 61011
- Dec 13 RRVC-SDC Annual Christmas Party  
Thunder Bay Grille, 7652 Potawatomi Trail  
Rockford, IL 61107
- Jun 20, 2026 Sugar Shores RV Resort Car Show  
9938 West Winslow RD  
Durand, IL 61024
- Summer 2026 62nd Int'l Meet hosted by North Texas Chapter SDC



*Happy Holidays*





RRVSCDC Attends Alpine Fest  
Sponsored by  
Alpine Lutheran Church  
August 24th, 2025

Late on this Sunday morning in August, the sun was shining, and the weather was cool as 17 members with 9 classic cars headed out to Alpine Fest at 5001 Forest View Ave in Rockford, IL.

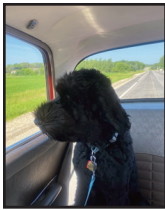
Alpine Fest is fun event put on by Kathy Mund's church, Alpine Lutheran Church. They served hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and ice cream. This year the River City Sound Chorus of the Sweet Adelines provided live music. There is a bounce house and train ride for the kids, crafts, games and a dunk tank.

We all enjoyed a peaceful afternoon visiting and eating; two of our favorite pastimes. RRVSCDC attendees include:

- Bob & Jan Givens ..... '55 Commander Stude-o-let
- Harry & Helga Brady ..... '37 Nash
- Ed & Sharon Stevens ..... '56 DeSota
- Jerry & Roseann ..... '62 Lark
- Gordy & Annete Buetsch ..... '55 Conestoga
- Sherm & Carol Buetsch ..... Avanti II
- Fran and Kathy Tremain ..... '57 Chevy
- Kevin Medearis & Michelle Hahn ..... M pick-up
- Jeff Rollen ..... Shelby car kit
- Kathy Mund

— Fran





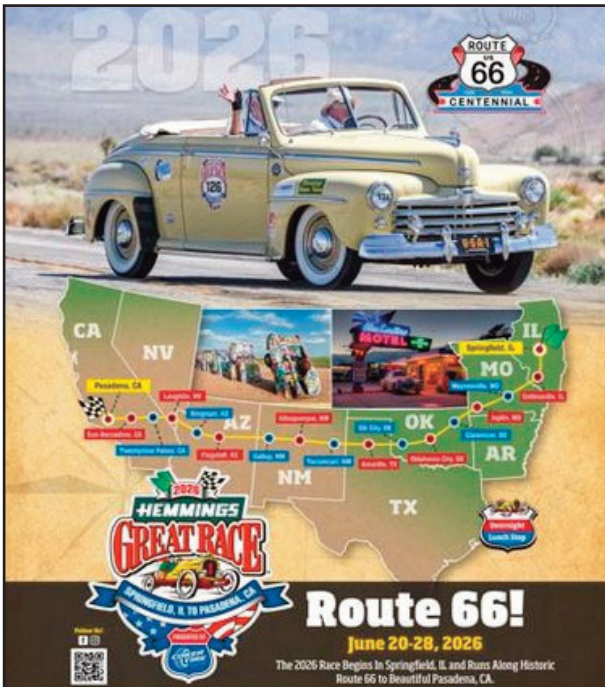
## Editor's Note

—*Jeanine*  
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I'm happy to report that I may have conquered my very steep learning curve regarding all kinds of "drives". And not the fun kind of "drives" like many of you have had these past few months. Mine have all been located on my new laptop and let me tell you just how painful that can be to navigate! But thanks to the patience and expertise of Jerry Johnson, and your publisher, Phil Torgerson, I may have made it to the top of the curve! Thank you, Phil and Jerry.

It was a joy to see all of you folks out and about in your old cars, bringing back very fond memories of when I could join you. While life is good here in North Carolina, there are just a few of Studebakers around if you know where to look (check out the Maggie Valley article!), I still miss my little red Lark, and all of you. Happy Holidays! Merry Christmas!

Please feel free to contribute stories and pictures. We welcome your input.



## The Great Race Route 66!

The Great Race in 2026 will follow Route 66. Start planning, it's neat to go to some of the lunch stops and the overnight ones. Here's the map. June 20 to June 28. Starts at Springfield Illinois and ends at San Bernardino, California.

Check the Hemmings site for more details.  
[https://www.greatrace.com/rally\\_details/route/](https://www.greatrace.com/rally_details/route/)

# RRVC-SDC Club Picnic 8/14/25

Another beautiful sunny day for our annual club picnic. Gordy & Annette Buetsch graciously hosted again this year and furnished the hot dogs, water and beer. Everyone brought a dish to pass.

We toured Gordy's neighbor's shop. We walked through Gordy's pole barn as well as and new shop. Then we wandered into his basement. Lots of nice stuff; many rooms of antique toys and car memorabilia in Gordy and Annettes private museum.

It was a very relaxing day, strolling around, stopping, visiting, eating, and then eating some more.

— Fran



A row of 1956 Hawks...left to right Don Shelton's Golden Hawk, Ron Johnson's Golden Hawk, Jerry Johnson's Sky Hawk, and a corner of Fran Tremain's Golden Hawk



Club Cars



Sherm and Carol Buetsch's Avanti II



Club members are getting ready to tour Gordy's neighbor, Sean Power's garage



Gordy's garage with Anne Fritch's Buick parked in front

# RRVC-SDC Club Picnic 8/14/25 (continued)



Inside Sean's garage



Enjoying the picnic are, left to right, Ron Johnson, Kathy Tremain, Don Smith, Don Shelton, Harry Brady, Helga Brady, Carol Buetsch, Mary Hageman, Kathy Pherigo, Roger Kunzelman, Debbie Jean, Janice Givens, and Bob Givens



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# STRATO-VUE Marketplace

The Strate-Vue Market Place provides free advertising for all members. You can place any car or car related ad for free. The ad can be for sale, trade or items wanted. All ads will be included as space permits and will be run for three issues of the newsletter. All ads can be renewed by contacting the editor. Send your ads to the editor, address on page one.

**FOR SALE** - We have 2 blue club shirts for sale. \$20.00 each One man's "XL" and "One women's "XL"  
Fran Tremain (608) 247-7330

**FOR SALE** - Small club patch for \$5.00 each  
Gordy Buetsch (815) 968-1261

**FOR SALE** - This SDC approved design, limited production run of 50 bumper stickers, are now available to club members for purchase! With only 43 currently available and priced at just \$5 each, they will go fast, so act now! After production & shipping costs are subtracted, the remainder will go to support our club.  
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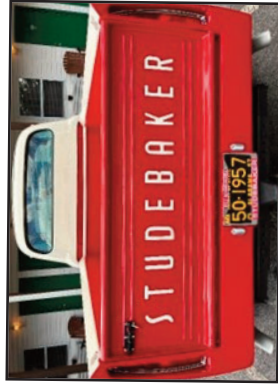
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