

# The ECHO

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Grand Canyon State Chapter  
Studebaker Drivers Club

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A row of Studebaker beauties at the  
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This very sharp 1947 M16  
is owned and driven  
by Don Robertson.

Tom Molnar and wife  
Bonnie earned the Long Distance  
Award driving their 1957 Hawk  
2603 miles from Lakeville, Ind.



## Editorially Speaking

The Chapter board discussed at its first meeting giving a subscription to *Turning Wheels* to a local high school or trade school that has an automotive program. As you may have read, subscriptions to the SDC magazine are just \$19.95 for libraries or schools. If you know of a school with automotive classes that would qualify for a subscription please let a board member know. The Studebaker National Foundation will also purchase subscriptions for schools with automotive programs and would appreciate suggestions, as well.

Raffle items are needed for our March Madness event and donations will gladly be accepted by any board member. If you have an item to donate please bring it to the February meeting or to the event. Some of you might like to try soliciting local businesses for items.

Thanks to Ron Crowe for selling 50/50 raffle tickets at the January meeting. It's a great way to meet the members and each board member will take a turn at it this year.

And a big thank you to this month's contributors—Larry, Richard, Deanna and Malcolm for articles and to Dennis Lynde for the top cover picture and Richard for the other two.  
*Chris*

## CELEBRATE!



### February Birthdays

1	Anita MacFadden	20	Pete Mensing
2	Laurie McDonald	20	Brian Millette
3	Will Eastburn	22	Sandie Keating
6	Joanne Hupper	22	Kevin MacFadden
8	Nancy Bradfield	22	Eric Richardson
9	Herman Hales	25	Buzz Busbee
10	Glen Torske	25	Nancy Davis
11	Dick Eichof	25	Bill Lynch
10	Fran Rebstock	25	Harold Manley
12	John Agee	28	Virginia Miller
13	Chuck Backer		

### February Anniversaries

3	Ed & Lynda Caviar
10	Eric & DeAnna Richards
18	Keith & Nancy Davis
22	Curt & Carmen Curtis
25	Lionel & Elaine Stone

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## President's Message

Despite some early morning rain we had a great meeting at the Arizona Golf Resort hosted by our own Richard Dormois. The sun finally came out around noon, just as we were heading inside for lunch! The cold and rain probably kept a number of cars/trucks away but we had around 30 all told. The Pavilion banquet room was expanded to hold 112 and at that we had an additional table set up outside to hold 8 more hardy souls. The People's Choice awards were beautiful and were handed out by Richard at the end of the meeting. Afterwards, members had a choice of two seminars: The workings of the venerable Stude 6 hosted by George Gezelius and a look at scrapbooking hosted by Lorilee Kroulik and Lisa Lynch.

There was a moment of silence for four departed SDC members: Lorena Strang, Hezzy Kappas, Larry Miller and Wayne Francisco. The meeting was dedicated in their memory. The board, keeping in a standing tradition, has sent a \$50 memorial donation to the Studebaker Museum in the names of our Chapter members.

The cars and trucks were admired by all and included Gary Keating's 1952 deuce and a half army truck painted a lovely shade of olive drab. Steering is by Armstrong and he was followed out of the meet by one of Mesa's finest. Some thought he would be pulled over as soon as his front tires hit the road but Gary left the patrol car in a cloud of dust! There were many fine cars and trucks in attendance so I hope you got to view them all. While the car show was fun so was the meeting. We had guests from all over the west, including Colorado, Utah and Nebraska. Seeing all the members from Nebraska I was as confused as Denny Lockmon was as to where we were when he said our next tour would be to Wickenburg, Nebraska! Slowly, city by city, the state of Arizona is being annexed by Nebraska but since my family is from the Lincoln/Nebraska City area I guess its kismet. If E85 is the wave of the future in gasoline I guess Nebraska needs the additional acreage to grow more corn!

Upcoming events can be found elsewhere in the *Echo* and include a meeting at the Home Town Buffet (I-17 & Bell) hosted by Steve 'Honolulu' & Paulette 'Maui' Fein and the driving tour to Wickenburg (AZ) Gold Rush Days Parade hosted by Dennis & Linda. March Madness is just around the corner, March 24 at the Commemorative Air Force Museum, Falcon Field. Denny Lockmon outlined the upcoming events so please watch the *Echo* for future driving tours and meetings. See you at Wickenburg.

**Larry Vahe**

**2007 Chapter dues are due.** Please send your check for your dues with the application on the last page of the newsletter to the address on the application.

All Chapter members must be members of SDC and if your SDC dues have lapsed please include \$27.50 with your Chapter dues. Thank you.

## Welcome New Members

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1950 Pickup, 1952 Champion 4 dr  
1959 Lark 8 cyl 4 dr  
1960 Lark 6 cyl 4dr Station Wagon  
1965 Cruiser

## Roster Updates

### New E-mail Address

Steve Fein                      studie66@cox.net  
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### New Phone Number

Dick & Kay La Torre      928-203-1191

## Condolences

The Chapter sends its deepest sympathy to Jim Strang on his loss of Lorena who passed away in late December. Our thoughts are with you, Jim.

## THANK YOU FROM THE SNM

The Chapter received thank you letters acknowledging its contributions in memory of three members who passed away recently. Donations to the Studebaker National Museum have been made in memory of Wayne Francisco, Donald "Hezzy" Kappus and Lorena Strang as a tribute to their involvement with Studebaker and the club.

Order your Chapter name badge by contacting Chris Collins at 602-995-311 or chuckstude@juno.com. The price of each badge is \$5.00 and the badge comes with a pin back.

You can also order a badge with the model of your Studebaker engraved on it which you can affix to your engine compartment or another place in your car for identification purposes. It will come without a pin back.

## MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 20, 2007 GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER MEETING

Meeting Host Richard Dormois welcomed members and guests at the Arizona Golf Resort and Conference Center, 425 South Power Road, Mesa, Arizona and dedicated the meeting to the memory of Lorena Strang, Wayne Francisco, Hezzy Kappus and Larry Miller. The Studebaker Drivers Club Board of Directors and Officers were introduced. Secretary Jan Lockmon, Treasurer Brian Millette, Vice President Richard Dormois, Past President Colin Fort, Director Carl Thomason, Director Larry Swanson. Invocation by Richard and luncheon in the Pavilion Dining Room.

Self introductions during lunch from a hundred and thirty four members and guests from twenty states and provinces.

At 1:20 PM President Larry Vahe called the meeting to order and welcomed the members and guests and introduced Chapter Officers and Board of Directors for 2007. President Larry Vahe, Vice President Denny Lockmon, Secretary Richard Dormois, Treasurer Chuck Collins, Director Ron Crowe, Director Bill Lynch, Director Steve Fein. Membership and Newsletter Editor, Chris Collins. Mr. Fein was sailing the Pacific Ocean and not present.

Chuck Collins reported that the Chapter has 2681.61 in checking and 8118.61 in money market for a total of 10,800.22.

Chris Collins thanked the chapter for its support of the Echo Newsletter and welcomed contributions. Membership is holding steady at about 140 families with several yet to renew.

Richard Dormois moved that the highlights of our November and December chapter meetings, as published in the Echo, be accepted as the Secretary's report in lieu of minutes being read. It was seconded and given strong approval.

Denny Lockmon outlined the 2007 Chapter activity calendar and solicited hosts for those months not taken.

Deanna Manley briefed the membership on the progress of the 2010 International Meet Committee and asked that venue ideas be shared with any member of the committee.

SDC Publications Director, Larry Swanson, presented Scott Grainger with the Harold Churchill Award for the best unpaid article in *Turning Wheels* for 2006.

Pacific Southwest Zone National Director Carl Thomason updated the membership on actions by the Board of Directors and invited the membership to the Beach Cities Inland Empire Chapter sponsored Orphan Car Show at Hollywood Park in Inglewood, California April 28.

Chester Bradfield, Studebaker National Foundation President from Bridgewater, Virginia made a presentation commending the Grand Canyon State Chapter for being the largest contributor of the Foundation to date and inviting individuals, chapters and businesses to follow suit.

Lloyd Prather, Pacific Southwest Zone coordinator of Bakersfield, California briefed the membership on the 2007 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet at the Holiday Inn in Selma, California hosted by the San Joaquin Chapter, September 14, 15, 16, 2007.

Chuck Donkle of Las Animas, Colorado, invited the members to the North Central Zone Meet September 28, 29, 30, 2007 at the Holiday Inn Express at La Junta, Colorado.

Tom Molnar of Lakeville, Colorado, a volunteer at the Studebaker National Museum, extended a formal invitation from the Museum to the membership for the 2007 SDC International Meet in South Bend, Indiana, June 17-23, 2007.

Malcolm Stinson invited the Chapter to the Show Low Chamber of Commerce Car Show June 8,9,10, 2007 and said he had applications for those interested.

Dave Ten Hoven of the British Columbia Coastal Chapter expressed the chapter's appreciation for our January meet and gave the Grand Canyon State Chapter a Studebaker wall clock from their chapter. An appropriate thank you card was sent to them.

Kenneth Michael of Payson, Arizona and Bruce Wheeler of Tucson, Arizona were honored for forty years of membership in the Studebaker Drivers Club.

Esther and Walter Overgaard of New Holland, Pennsylvania were honored as the oldest couple attending the meet.

Liz and Frank Van Doorn of Omaha, Nebraska, North Central Zone Coordinator, were recognized as deserving a "Hard Luck" award. Their Avanti powered 1941 Champion two door, brought from Nebraska to participate in our meet, developed serious cooling problems as it was starting its journey from Sun City to Mesa.

Tom and Bonnie Molnar received the "Long Distance Driven" award for driving their 1957 Hawk 2603 miles to Mesa from Lakeville, Indiana, pulling a matching vacation trailer.

Chris Collins awarded Studebaker Drivers and fifty/fifty prizes.

Richard Dormois presented 42nd International Meet Concours awards to Jay Derbidge, Ely, Nevada, Ken Michael, Payson, Arizona and Malcolm Stinson of Show Low, Arizona.

The meeting was concluded with the presentation of People's Choice awards to Dan Talbot, Queen Creek, AZ, '02 Runabout; Chris and Rachel Eastburn, Surprise, AZ, '63 R1 Lark; Tom and Bonnie Molnar, Lakeville, IN, 1957 Hawk; Claudia Robinette, Mesa, AZ, 1960 Lark; Malcolm Stinson, Show Low, AZ, '63 Champ pick up; Jay Derbidge, Ely, NV, '58 E12 4X4; Gary and Sandy Keating, Gilbert AZ, '52 Military 6X6; Ron and Vickie Crowe, Cave Creek, AZ, '64 GT Hawk; Linda Saar and Dennis Lynde, Mesa, AZ, '63 GT Hawk; Harold and Deanna Manley, Mesa, AZ, '32 Commander; George Sanders, Gilbert, AZ, '42 Commander; Denny and Jan Lockmon, Sun City AZ, '53 Champion.

## GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER UPCOMING EVENTS

- FEBRUARY 4**      **BOARD MEETING 1:30 PM AT THE LOCKMON HOME. INFO: DENNY AT 623-974-5424**
- FEBRUARY 5**      ARIZONA AUTOMOBILE HOBBYIST COUNCIL (AAHC) MEETING, 7:30 PM AT DON SANDERSON FORD, 5300 NW GRAND AVE, GLENDALE. INFO: GEORGE WOODS 480-473-0946. ANY MEMBER IS WELCOME TO ATTEND.
- FEBRUARY 10**     **59TH ANNUAL GOLD RUSH DAYS PARADE, WICKENBURG. STUDEBAKERS WILL MEET TO CARAVAN TO PARADE. SEE PAGE 6 FOR DETAILS OR CALL DENNIS: 480-898-3425**
- FEBRUARY 17**     **CHAPTER MEETING HOSTED BY STEVE & PAULETTE FEIN AT HOMETOWN BUFFET, 2730 W. BELL RD. (NORTHWEST CORNER OF BELL RD. & I-17). PLAN TO ARRIVE AROUND 5:00 PM. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO EAT AT THE RESTAURANT TO ATTEND THE MEETING BUT IF YOU DO YOU WILL RECEIVE A 10% DISCOUNT. MORE DETAILS ON PAGE 6 OR CALL THE FEINS AT 602-692-4976.**
- FEBRUARY 25**     ARIZONA AUTOMOBILE HOBBYIST COUNCIL "UNITED WE DRIVE" CAR SHOW 10-3PM AT SANDERSON FORD, 5300 NW GRAND AVE. \$15 REGISTRATION FEE PRIOR TO FEB. 10. \$15 DAY OF SHOW. INFO: JOAN AT 623-937-1171. REG. FORM AT <http://www.azautohobbyist.com>
- MARCH 3-4**        FUN IN THE SUN CAR SHOW HOSTED BY THE TUMBLEWEEDS CHAPTER IN LAUGHLIN.
- MARCH 17-18**     PARTS EXCHANGE SPONSORED BY THE VINTAGE CHEVROLET CLUB AT GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE. SWAP SPACES \$35.00 EACH BOTH DAYS. CAR CORRAL \$10 BOTH DAYS. INFO: 623-934-6092
- MARCH 18**        WINTER MEET 2007 HOSTED BY THE LOS ANGELES CHAPTER AT THE PETERSEN MUSEUM, 6060 WILSHIRE BLVD, LOS ANGELES. NO PRE REGISTRATION. PAY \$15.00 AT THE GATE. \$15.00 PER SPACE FOR VENDORS. INCLUDES ONE FREE PASS TO MUSEUM. NO VEHICLES MAY ENTER SHOW FLOOR AFTER 10:00 AM. INFO: CONTACT ANDREA 'ENTHAL AT 818-889-9880 OR [AENTHAL@YAHOO.COM](mailto:AENTHAL@YAHOO.COM)
- MARCH 24**        **ALL-ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING AT THE COMMEMORATIVE AIR FORCE WING MUSEUM AT FALCON FIELD, MCKELLIPS & GREENFIELD RDS IN MESA. MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO THINK OF A FUN AWARD TO CREATE AND PRESENT FOR THE FUN JUDGING. DONATIONS FOR THE RAFFLE ARE WELCOME AND YOU CAN BRING YOURS THE DAY OF THE EVENT OR TO THE FEBRUARY MEETING. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT JUDGING AWARDS OR RAFFLE ITEMS CONTACT DENNY LOCKMON AT 623-974-5424 OR AT [LOCKMON@COX.NET](mailto:LOCKMON@COX.NET).**
- MARCH 25**        **ANNUAL VALLEY OF THE SUN KIWANIS BBQ & CAR SHOW AT PERA CLUB, 1 CONTINENTAL DR., TEMPE. MORE INFO NEXT MONTH OR CALL CHRIS AT 602-995-5311.**
- MAY 27**            33RD ANNUAL LA PALMA STUDEBAKER SHOW HOSTED BY THE ORANGE EMPIRE CHAPTER AT LA PALMA PARK, ANAHEIM. \$25 ENTRY FEE FOR JUDGED CARS, \$20 FOR DISPLAY. INFO: GORDON BRICKEN 714-835-0249 OR [GBRICKEN@AOL.COM](mailto:GBRICKEN@AOL.COM)
- JUNE 8-10**        4TH ANNUAL SHOW LOW DAYS "STILL CRUIZIN" CAR SHOW AT SHOW LOW CITY PARK. ENTRY FEE \$30 PRIOR TO MAY 1ST, \$40 AFTER MAY 1. MANY ACTIVITIES ALL 3 DAYS. SEE PAGE 9 FOR ARTICLE BY MALCOLM STINSON ABOUT EVENT OR CONTACT HIM AT 928-532-0942 OR [STUDEBAKESW@CYBERTRAILS.COM](mailto:STUDEBAKESW@CYBERTRAILS.COM)
- JUNE 18-23**      **SDC 43RD INTERNATIONAL MEET IN SOUTH BEND, INDIANA. "WELCOME HOME" HOSTED BY THE STUDEBAKER NATIONAL MUSEUM. ONLINE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION AT [HTTP://WWW.STUDEBAKERDRIVERSCLUB.COM](http://www.studebakerdriersclub.com)**

## FEBRUARY EVENTS

### February 10 Gold Rush Days Parade

Coming up on Saturday, the 10th is the 59th Annual Gold Rush Days Parade in Wickenburg. We had a great turnout last year and hope for even more this year. We'd hate to see more Ford Model A's there than Studebakers. Dennis Lynde and Linda Saar are the tourmasters this year, and the plans are to meet at the McDonald's on Grand Ave., north of Bell by 8:00 AM to travel to the parade site by caravan. You can also join up if you are coming from the north by taking the Carefree/Lake Pleasant highway (US 74) to where it intersects with Grand Ave. (US 60) and join up there.

We plan to stop and have a picnic after the parade at a rest stop approximately 4 miles south of Wickenburg on US 60. Please bring your own picnic basket. Contact either Dennis or Linda at 480-898-3425 or email at dlynde012@aol.com to let them know you are coming as this will help tremendously in planning.

### February 17 Chapter Meeting

The February membership meeting will be hosted by Steve and Paulette Fein on Saturday, the 17th at the Hometown Buffet, 2730 W. Bell Rd. at 5:00 PM. The restaurant is located on the northwest corner of I-17 and Bell Rd. Exit I-17 at Bell Rd. and go west, then turn right into the parking lot. There are several entrances to the shopping center. A 10% discount has been arranged and will

be deducted by mentioning the club meeting when paying for the buffet. A purchase of food is not necessary to attend the meeting. For additional information contact Steve or Paulette at 602-692-4976 or studie66@cox.net.

### LOOKING AHEAD - March Madness March 24 All Arizona Studebaker Gathering


At the Commemorative Air Force Wing Museum at Falcon Field Municipal Airport from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. The Museum is located at 2017 N. Greenfield Rd. in Mesa. There will be fun judging and awards, swap meet and a raffle. Members can vend parts out of the trunk of their Studebaker or bed of a Studebaker truck on display. Bring a picnic lunch or go across the street to several fast food restaurants. Falcon Field has a restaurant on site, as well. Canopies will be set up for shade so bring chairs.

The Wing personnel request we have all Studebakers in the display area by 10:00 AM and stay until 2:00 PM. The awards will be presented at 1:00.

The entrance for Studebakers only is on Greenfield Rd. just north of McKellips Rd at the west rolling gate. Other vehicles are to park in the Museum's public parking area and can enter at the PX and Gift Shop from Greenfield Rd., also just north of McKellips Rd.

There is no registration fee for this event; however, to help the Wing maintain the Sentimental Journey and other historic airplanes, members and guests will be charged a \$5.00 admission fee to the museum and grounds (simply say you are there for the Studebaker show). For info contact Denny Lockmon at 623-974-5424.

## February 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Board Meeting	5 AAHC Meeting	6	7	8	9	10 Parade
11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day!	15	16	17 Meeting
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28		Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-5311	

## RECORD ATTENDANCE AT JANUARY MEETING

By Richard Dormois

We don't generally think of setting or breaking records at a chapter meeting, but several marks were recorded at our Winter Studebaker Celebration at the Arizona Golf Resort, January 20, 2007. Likely because of two months of gratis display advertising in *Turning Wheels* and exposure in *Old Cars Weekly* and *Hemmings Motor News*, we were blessed with guests from Alberta, Arizona, British Columbia, California, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, New York, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

Our People's Choice Show and Shine drew Studebakers from sixteen cities in three states. The quality of the vehicles continues to run high and the number of ballots cast exceeded previous years. Thank you to each of you who shared your Studebakers with us and to those who voted.

There are many to thank for the success of the gathering, but our awards sponsors deserve special recognition for their generous contribution to the meet. Premier Irrigation, Rachel and Chris Eastburn, Surprise AZ; Burk Automotive, Bob and Anna Marie Burk, Phoenix AZ; The Right Impression, Stuart Tritt, Kimball, NE; Studebakers Only, Ken Michael, Payson AZ; Studebaker Parts.Com, Chris and Chuck Collins, Phoenix, AZ; Studebaker National Museum, Becky Bonham, South Bend, IN; Southwest Studebaker, Malcolm Stinson, Show Low, AZ; Claudia Robinette, Mesa AZ; Mensing Sales and Service, Karen and Pete Mensing, Prescott, AZ; Drafting Equipment Warehouse, Sandie and Gary Keating, Gilbert, AZ; Richard Dormois, Mesa, AZ; Cornerstone Registration, Mark Wheeler, Maple Grove, MN; Good Printers, Nancy

and Chester Bradfield, Bridgewater, VA. Thank you. Your generosity added a great deal to our gathering.

My sincere apology to those who were not properly accommodated at the awards luncheon and ate outside or had to go to another restaurant to eat. I'm sorry. The banquet captain and I added twenty chairs to the room Friday, but it was not enough to seat the overflow crowd.

Special thanks to Jan Stanton and Claudia Robinette who handled show car registration and banquet cashing and to Marge Grauberger and Mary Miller who delivered the awards from Nebraska.

It was gratifying, indeed, to see that our first time seminars were well received. Lisa Lynch and Lorilee Kroulik.....Thank you for entertaining and teaching twenty ladies in the craft seminar and Dick Eichof and George Gezelius for putting on the engine performance for twenty two members. I have received several compliments on both gatherings via email and in person.

Our annual January meet has been designated the venue for the bi annual meeting of the Studebaker National Foundation. Significant business at this meeting included fund raising plans and the awarding of \$750.00 scholarships for automotive restoration students at McPherson College in Kansas and Wyoming Technical Institute in Laramie.

A sincere thank you to all of you who braved the less than perfect weather to make this meet one of the best ever.....And speaking of records we were honored to have four generations of Karen Mensing's family from New York, Prescott and Glendale.

## ACC MOTORSPORTS DAY

By Deanna Manley

January 13 dawned cold and cloudy but dry so we jumped in the cars and headed down the freeway to the 9th Annual ACC Motorsports Day in Tempe at Arizona Community Church. Harold and I drove our '32 Commander and '55 Speedster and as we checked in were immediately photographed and directed to the Studebaker section where we met Dick Eichof with his 1947 M Series who had graciously spread out chairs and anything else he could find to save spaces. Also attending were Terry Stines 1931 President 4 Seasons Roadster, Will Pike 1956 President, Dennis Lynde 1963 GT, Denny Lockmon 1953 Champion hot rod, Frank Van Doorn 1941 Champion hot rod, Steve Fein 1966 Cruiser, Ron and Sherry Watson 1931 Dictator, Dale Sexton 1988 Avanti and Claudia Robinette and Richard Dormois 1960 Lark. Al and Anna Riedel brought their Plymouth and George Gezelius a T-Bird to round out our group along with a friend of Denny's with a 1956 Oldsmobile Holiday.

We had a very good turn out considering the weather and were told that the Chrysler group didn't come out due to the chance for rain. Well, Studes are made out of tougher stuff I guess and we enjoyed looking at all the nice cars and a free lunch served by the church.

Next year will be the 10th Annual and Harold and I plan to be there with our cars. Hope many of you can join us and that the weather will be a more typical Arizona sunny winter day. The show is free as well and there is plenty of room for more Studes. See you next year!



Terry Stines 4 Season Roadster

Photo courtesy of Dennis Lynde.

## SDC 21 & Under Program

By Joe Roberts

The SDC is organizing a program designed to attract and reward young Studebaker folks. The "21 and Under Program" will involve the awarding to a special t-shirt to any person 21 years of age or younger who shows or displays a Studebaker at a major Studebaker event. Zone Meets and International Meets would, naturally, be considered "major Studebaker events." Other larger events put on by local chapters would also be considered but must have prior approval. We will try to limit the number of shirts a single individual receives to one per year. Bill Glass (Bondo Billy) will be printing the shirts.

There is a 21 & Under web page at: [www.studebakerdriversclub.com/SDC21under.asp](http://www.studebakerdriversclub.com/SDC21under.asp) There is a link there to a picture of the graphic to be placed on the back of the shirts. These can be used in event fliers and newsletters. There will be a small SDC logo on the left front of the shirts. There will be no cost to the individuals be awarded these shirts, nor to the Chapters or individuals organizing the events. The cost of the shirts and the shipping of the shirts to the proper person(s) will be covered by the SDC. Again check the above website for more details. Since I am the 21 & Under Program Coordinator please feel free to contact me for information as well at [itraseecab@aol.com](mailto:itraseecab@aol.com).

I will try to send an email to event chairpersons whenever possible, but in case I miss an event, please pass on this information to those who need to know.

Finally, I would like to thank Ed Reynolds and Bob Shaw for their diligent work on this new program and their drive to include more young people in our hobby.



## Web Sites of Interest

<http://www7.nationalgeographic.com/ngm/0606/flashback.html> Check out the big Studebaker. Recommended by Jim Ten Eyck.

[http://forum.autohoje.com/topic.asp?TOPIC\\_ID=97706&whichpage=7#2821171](http://forum.autohoje.com/topic.asp?TOPIC_ID=97706&whichpage=7#2821171)  
Large warehouse in Portugal full of cars. How many Studebakers can you spot?

[http://www.thevintagerace.com/articles/pa\\_turnpike.htm](http://www.thevintagerace.com/articles/pa_turnpike.htm)  
An article about the Pennsylvania Turnpike high speed trials.

## Grand Canyon State Chapter Treasurer's Report

### Checking Account

Ending Balance as of 9/30/06 \$2033.72

### Receipts

National Dues	\$ 87.35
Local Dues	\$1012.50
50/50 - Oct., Dec.	\$ 101.00
Name Badges	\$ 8.00
TW Sales	\$ 3.00
Donations	\$ 14.00
Holiday Party Auction	\$ 990.00
Misc.	\$ 3.45
	\$2219.30
	\$4253.02

### Disbursements

National Dues	\$ 87.35
Donation - Dues check-off	\$ 4.00
Newsletter Printing & Postage	\$ 389.86
Name Badges	\$ 8.00
PO Box Rent	\$ 40.00
AAHC Dues	\$ 40.00
Gifts for outgoing Pres. & Editor	\$ 75.00
Orphan Show Pizza	\$ 66.44
Dinner Oct. Meeting Guests	\$ 20.50
Card	\$ 2.15
SNM Donation (Francisco, Kappus)	\$ 100.00
November Meeting Expenses	\$ 32.46
Holiday Party Food	\$ 817.26
Wickenburg Parade Fee	\$ 20.00
	\$1703.02

Ending Balance 12/31/06 \$2550.00

### Money Market Account

Ending Balance 9/30/06	\$8105.49
Interest, Oct.-Dec.	\$ 13.12
Ending Balance 12/31/06	\$8118.61

## Studebaker in Print

Recently I came across a book titled *Wings Over The Alaska Highway*. It is a history of all the small airfields that were built along the Alaska Highway as it was being built during WW II. The underlying story is of the highway itself and there are several photos of Studebaker US6s hauling supplies along the highway. The most interesting photo is of a DC3 being loaded with cargo, including a completely disassembled M series pickup.

Reviewed by Dictator 37 on the Studebaker news group.

*Editor's note: This book was written by Bruce McAllister and Peter Corley Smith and is available in paperback from various booksellers.*

### Check out the Chapter website

at <http://www.grandcanyonsdc.com> to view *The ECHO*. See the pictures in each issue and more pictures from events in color.





## HAWK TALK

BY Jack Smith

In the Studebaker-Packard post merger era, I, Jack Smith, was the Staff Engineer responsible for programming engineering activities and between the various sections of the Engineering Department at Studebaker.

When Studebaker and Packard merged, both companies were in financial trouble. The decision was made to cap the forthcoming Hawk line up with a special luxury model, one with the image of a family sports car with an engine by Packard. Neither division was very enthusiastic. Packard was reluctant to implant their engine in a "lesser car" and Studebaker thought their engines were "just fine". Regardless of the arguments, the 1956 Golden Hawk was born with luxury touches, nice styling and a performance badge of 275 horsepower.

Midstream of the '56 model run, disaster struck! Without warning, Packard closed its doors and the engine was unavailable for the '57 Hawk! Should we use a smaller Studebaker engine? Should we attempt something heroic to regain the 275 H.P.?

A McCulloch engineer from California appeared on the scene with a sample supercharger. We were to determine if the Hawk 289 under hood layout could be adapted to accept the McCulloch blower. The answer was....YES!

This is how it unfolded that day....we went to work on a 289 Hawk, lifting the hood to survey the problem of getting a 40 pound blower into a space that was already occupied by the radiator upper housing and the thermostat housing. We drained the coolant and removed the hose and 'stat. Now the blower could be held above the open thermostat hole in the engine's front coolant manifold. A flash of inspiration and the whole plan became apparent! Instead of considering mounting brackets we would cradle the blower in a casting which would mount on top of the coolant manifold exactly where the thermostat housing had been removed. By designing the casting with an internal duct, the coolant could be channeled through the cradle to a new thermostat location on the left side and from there, via a new rubber hose, back to the radiator upper tank. An elegant solution and as a bonus we could also include a boss on the casting to locate the pivot point for the idler arm and pulley needed to control blower drive belt tension.

Some other problems still needed to be addressed, especially the need to deliver the blower air to the engine intake without getting involved with a time consuming program to balance carburetor internal/external pressures. We decided to bypass the problem by enclosing the carburetor in a cast chamber into which the blower air could be directed, hopefully giving the carburetor a natural internal/external balance. Smaller problems like a drive pulley, throttle linkage, fuel lines, manifold-vacuum connections and air cleaner location would be easy and could be postponed.

Just one question remained.....what about hood

clearance? There wasn't any, we could not close the hood! We cut a hold in the hood, let the blower stick through and called Styling to solve the problem. We were done with our challenge. By September 12, 1956 Styling had completed their assignment and the 1957 Golden Hawk prototype was ready for introduction to 250 media people who attended the 1957 Studebaker Press Preview at the Proving Grounds.

I was given the job of writing the speech touting the '57 Hawk at the preview. I still have copies of the speech. A quote from page 6 of the 9 page speech: "As before, the Hawk line will be paced by the Golden Hawk, which for 1957 will be powered by a supercharged version of the President V8 engine. An engineering gem, the new Golden Hawk engine will produce the same horsepower as its large displacement un-supercharged predecessor and will sport a flexibility which will delight the sports-minded motorist."

Also, at the preview, the press was invited to test drive the Golden Hawk prototype and I was fortunate to be the Ride/Drive host with the car.

Reprinted from an article edited by Sharon Krueger in the July, 2005 issue of *The Egbert Express*, newsletter of the Northeastern Michigan Chapter of which Sharon is the editor.

## SHOW LOW DAYS

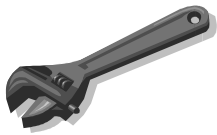
By Malcolm Stinson

I enclosed a flyer on the Show Low Days Car Show. If you remember my write up on the show last year, it is a really great weekend. Where you going to go and get a free Burger Burn, Ice Cream Social, Poker Run, Free Breakfast on Sunday, visit the many arts and craft booths, awards and a free ride to the airport on Saturday for a \$5.00 breakfast of all kinds of things, plus look at all the airplanes for as little as \$30.00 for the entire weekend. And this includes a free t-shirt.

The show is limited to the first 250 cars that are 1979 and older. So don't wait too long to register. Last year several Studebakers took home a trophy.

If you have any questions or if I can help in any way, please feel free to call me at 928-537-2571 or 928-368-7442.

Editor's note: The flyer/registration form is on page 15 of February's online edition of the ECHO or you can obtain one from the Cruisin Arizona site at <http://cruisinaz.com/carshows.html> and clicking on the event listing. You can also call Malcolm for a form.



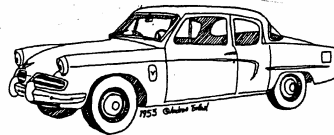
## Technical Information

**Q** I need a heater fan motor and switch for my 1960 Hawk.

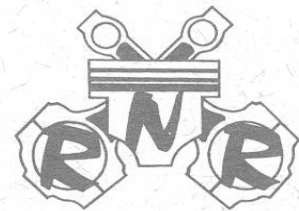
**A** The correct motor for the 1960 Hawk would be 1540090 or 1540742 (Canada). These are getting hard to find and I would replace it with a 1962 Hawk motor 1554985 which is a two speed motor. Studebaker had one speed motors and used a resistor to obtain low speed for the blower motor. In 1962 they finally realized that just adding a third wire to the blower motor would be better. It is a true two speed motor and the blower switch does not have a resistor anymore. If you get the 1554985 (bolt in replacement) motor you should replace the 1544277 switch (with resistor) with a 1554978 (no resistor two way switch). This will apply to all twelve volt Studebaker cars that have the heater motor under the passenger side front fender. For some of the older cars you would have to bypass the resistor and for all cars you would have to run a second wire from the switch to the low speed circuit of the 1962 Hawk motor or you can leave everything like it is and only use the high speed circuit of the motor (tape up the extra lead) and use your old switch with the resistor if it still functions.

These switches were a pain. On 1963-'64 Hawks the whole system is different since they did away with the under the passenger seat heater core. For real cold climates Studebaker offered a second heater under the drivers side front seat. There was even a gas heater available for some models for our friends in the north.

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January 13

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1931 President 4 Seasons Roadster shown by Terry Stines.

1932 Commander and 1955 Speedster driven by Harold and Deanna Manley.



Frank Van Doorn's 1941 Champion street rod.

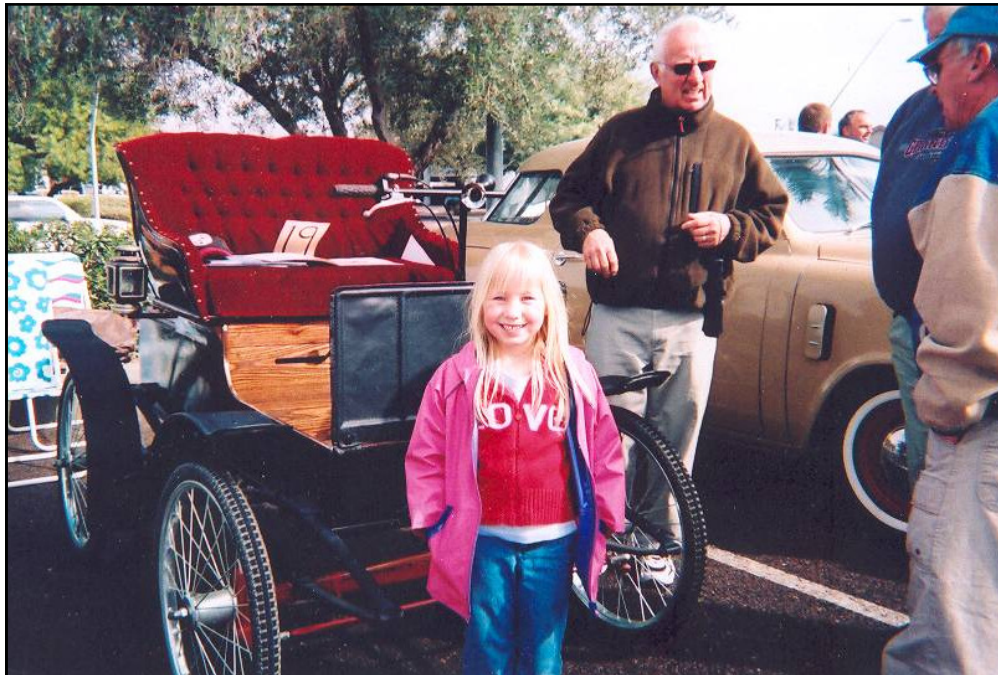
# Winter Studebaker Celebration

January 20, 2007

Photos courtesy of Richard Dormois



IMC Chairman Richard Dormois, Mesa extolling the virtues of the 2007 International Meet in South Bend to Nancy Bradfield of Bridgewater, VA



Among the oldest and the youngest at the Winter Studebaker Celebration, GCSC member Sara MacFadden with the '02 Studebaker Runabout of Dan Talbot of Queen Creek, AZ

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**Show 'N' Shine**

8:00am - 10:30am

**Awards**

11:30pm

**SATURDAY JUNE 9, 2007**

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7:00am-12:00pm

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