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THIRTY FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

By Richard Dormois

Just shy of eighty Grand Canyon State Chapter members and guests, including first timers James Clever and Steve and Kay Schmidt, gathered at the Deer Valley Airport Restaurant in Phoenix to celebrate thirty five years of being chartered as a Studebaker Drivers Club Chapter and honor those who formed it. The main terminal parking lot was filled with about twenty Studebakers which drew attention from many on a beautiful day. The intimate private dining room was very comfortable for members and nostalgic photography and memorabilia displays. An added amenity was a back drop of a continuing air show of vintage and modern fixed wing and helicopter aircraft taking off and landing just outside the glass wall.

President Larry Vahe welcomed the membership and updated us on plans for the forty sixth Studebaker Drivers Club International Meet in Glendale in 2010.

Chapter Founders Ike Quigley and Bill Eastburn spoke about the formation of the chapter and its progress through the years. Master of Ceremonies Richard Dormois spoke of Founder Chuck Naugle's early interest in the Chapter and his continued involvement with Studebakers and our chapter members. Each was presented with an attractive plaque honoring their early efforts and continuing dedication.

Peggy Eastburn and Lorilee Kroulik spoke of the chapter's meaning to their families and Lorilee invited the membership to her home for our Holiday Party, December 1. Richard told how the chapter has changed the course of his life since 1999. Lisa Lynch shared a very poignant story of what the chapter members have meant to Bill.

Scott Grainger invited us to his home November 17 for breakfast then a day of Studebaker fun at Tonto Natural Bridge State Park.

Denny Lockmon spoke about future meeting plans. Then, he presented Richard with a diaper which may have been used on a harrowing Antique Studebaker Tour in Pennsylvania the previous week. Upon encouragement, Richard shared some details of a twenty eight mile tour of pre-war Studebakers on unpaved treacherous mountain roads designed to show off the fall colors, but provided life threatening challenges for man and machine in a 1922 Light Six Touring with limited braking.



Ike & Bill reminisce.
Photo courtesy of Denny Lockmon.

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Editorially Speaking

With the end of 2007 nearing, many of you will be thinking of making last minute donations for tax purposes. An organization you should consider for your donation is the Studebaker National Foundation. The purpose of the Foundation is to "raise money to provide funds for various charitable and educational purposes that are related to all aspects of Studebaker." Because of many generous donations made during the three years the Foundation has been in existence, two young people were awarded \$750.00 each at the SDC International Meet in South Bend to further their education in the auto restoration industry. The Foundation hopes to award many more scholarships and to be able to help museums and other institutions preserve Studebakers and other historic vehicles. You can make your donation when you pay your SDC dues or send a check, made out to the Studebaker National Foundation, to the Foundation Treasurer at 2410 W. Freeway Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85021.

Another worthy cause to consider for your donation is the Studebaker National Museum's "Save America's Treasures" fund raiser to conserve the eight special vehicles designated as National Treasures the Museum houses in its collection. Donations can be sent to

the Museum at 201 S. Chapin St., South Bend, IN 46601. Include a note that your donation is to help conserve the National Treasures.

Happy giving at this time of Thanksgiving.

Chris



Nominations

Nominations for Pacific Southwest Zone Director and Zone Coordinator for two year terms are being taken by SDC vice-president Richard Dormois and they must be submitted by November 20th. Contact Richard Dormois at 480-827-78178 or 1938studeman@earthlink.net to place your name or another's into the race.

GCS Chapter member Jon Carter is running for Zone Coordinator and he would appreciate your vote when you receive the ballot in your January *Turning Wheels*. Jon has been an SDC member since he was thirteen years old when he acquired his first Studebaker. Jon enjoys attending Studebaker events of all kinds and expects to attend many more if elected zone coordinator.

The ECHO is the official newsletter of the Grand Canyon State Chapter, SDC and is published 11 times per year. Contributions are welcome and encouraged. Please submit articles, tech tips, etc. by the 20th of the month preceding publication. Other newsletters are welcome to use any material with proper credit given.

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President's Message

On the lighter side the 35th Anniversary meeting is now pleasant history. Some 72 members and guests gathered at the Deer Valley Airport restaurant to celebrate the 35th anniversary of our club. Present were two of the founding members: Ike Quigley and Bill Eastburn. Not present but not forgotten was Chuck Naugle who could not attend. Both Ike and Bill reminisced about how the club was founded and memorabilia was spread out over three tables giving a pictorial portrait of the club over the years. All three founding members received a plaque from the club based on the 35 year pin Studebaker employees would have received. Peggy Eastburn also added her memories to the founding of the club as she married Bill a scant two years after the club was founded. Thanks to Peggy, Bill and Ike for taking the time to talk about the clubs founding and what it was like all those years ago. Thanks also to Denny Lockmon for arranging the meeting place and Richard Dormois for being the master of ceremonies. After the meeting everyone enjoyed a great dinner with, it appeared, most choosing the prime rib. For some reason the cod entrée did not fare as well, imagine that! Both before and after the meeting the members enjoyed looking over the 20 some odd Studebakers parked in front of the restaurant.

On a sadder note, and otherwise noted in the ECHO, one of our members, Bill Lynch, died the other day. His funeral will be held prior to the ECHO being published but I'm sure many will attend and many will drive their Studebakers. Bill was very active in the club and on the board. He will certainly be missed.

I encourage you to look at the upcoming events and plan on attending as many as you can. The next chapter event will be on November 17 hosted by Barbara and Scott Grainger. Things will kick off with a pancake breakfast at 8:00 am followed by a drive up the Bee Line to the Tonto Natural Bridge State Park. Plans are underway for anyone not able to make the breakfast to join the caravan so please check the upcoming section for any recent updates.

December 1st is the Christmas dinner at the Krouliks. Details were still pending as of this writing but I'm sure table hosts are still needed. One last piece of vital information is reminding everyone to vote for club/board positions. While the current slate of officers looks suspiciously like the present club officers we all urge you to vote. In this case even if only one of you vote it will ensure the election of the officers and board members! Variety is the spice of life so if you feel like running for a office please do not be shy.

Larry

Chapter Dues for 2008 are due in December. Please submit a completed membership form with your dues and mail to the address on the form.

MEMORIES OF BILL

Submitted by Richard Dormois



It is easy to care a lot for someone, if every time you are around them, they show how much they care for you. I guess that's why Bill Lynch has always been a very special person in my life. Bill has always been supportive of me and what I try to do and never missed a chance to express his appreciation.

Topping his list of Studebakers has been his Avantis and he once gave me a gift of a framed, auto-graphed picture of Tom Kellogg with one of the Avantis he helped design. It wasn't Christmas or my birthday. It was just Bill being Bill. I'm sitting here at my desk looking at that picture where it's been ever since he gave it to me knowing that void will never be filled in my life. Everyone Bill Lynch ever touched has a nice story about something in particular they admired about him, but I bet if we thought about it, we'd all agree..... he was one of the best grandpas we ever knew.

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Bill passed away October 21st and the memorial service was held on the 27th. Several members, many driving Studebakers, attended to celebrate his life and express their sympathy to the family.

Bill was devoted to his family, was an involved member of his church and participated actively in our SDC chapter. This past year he served a second term on the board and had volunteered to help with many chapter activities during the years he was a member. His great smile, wonderful sense of humor and generous nature will be missed by all.

The Chapter extends its deepest condolences to Dolores, Mike, Lisa, Ben, Josh and the entire family on their loss.

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**Bill Lynch
1938 - 2007**

*Nothing beautiful in this
world is ever lost...
Those we cherish will
always live on in our
hearts and memory.*

Courtesy of Hansen Chapel



35th Anniversary Celebration continued from page 1

Deanna Manley gave the invocation and we had a wonderful meal complete with anniversary cake. The Studebaker driver prizes of four passes to the Arizona Sonora Desert Museum donated by Mary Powell-McConnell and a 2007 SDC Roster donated by Chuck and Chris Collins were won by Ken Michael.

Thank you to Denny Lockmon for setting up this outstanding event.

Attending were Malcolm Stinson, Glen & Phyllis Brose, Brian & Aleta Millette, Denny & Jan Lockmon, Walter & Nicki Ready, Al & Anna Riedel, Tim & Joen Painter, Jim & Aileen Ten Eyck and 2 guests, Larry Vahe, Steve & Paulette Fein, Scott & Marlene Benson, Richard Dormois, Claudia Robinette, Ron & Sherry Watson, Harold & Deanna Manley, Gary & Sandie Keating, Jim Strang, Bill & Peggy Eastburn, Michell Eastburn, Will & Maryanne Eastbrun and daughters, Chris & Rachel Eastburn, Ike Quigley, Pres & Terry Connolly, Scott & Barbara Grainger, Paul Grainger, Kevin, Anita & Sara MacFadden, Willard & Ruth Pike, Dick & Marybeth Eichof, John & Lorilee Kroulik and children, Ed & Linda Smith, Steve & Kay Schmidt, Ralph & Barbara Robbin, John & Fran Rebstock, James Clever, Ken Michael, Mary Powell-McConnell and guest, Bruce Cook, Mike & Lisa Lynch, Mr. Wolertz, Lennart Andersson.

(More photos from the party can be seen at the online version of the ECHO at <http://www.grandcanyonsdc.com>.)

PAST EVENT REPORT

North Valley Overdrive Car Show

On Saturday, October 13th seven Chapter members displayed their Studebakers at a car show hosted by the Community Church of the Valley at their church campus at 7007 W. Happy Valley Rd. in Peoria. Another two members displayed other collector vehicles and a non-member showed a Stude pickup.

There was no entry fee for the event which was presented for the enjoyment of church members. Participants received a nice goody bag from Meguires and complimentary dinner passes for a bite to eat at one of the church's dining areas.

Those attending were Ron & Vicky Crowe, 1964 GT Hawk; Lennart Andersson, 1984 Avanti; Bruce Cook, 1953 Street Rod; Ed & Linda Smith, 1951 Stake bed pickup; Pres & Terry Connolly, 1957 Silver Hawk; Chuck & Chris Collins, 1966 Cruiser; Denny & Jan Lockmon, 1953 Champion; Al & Anna Riedel, 1969 Fury; Walter & Nicki Ready, 1960 Dodge. Joe McCarthy, who is not a member, showed a 1949 pickup. For long time members, it might be of interest to know Joe is the son of Patty Chrissy who along with her husband Carl were chapter members several years ago. Carl owned a 1955 President, affectionately known as the "Pink Lady".

Welcome New Members

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Bob & Mimi Halgren
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2-1934, 1-1935 & 1-1936 Big Trucks
1937 Dictator 3 window Coupe
1938 Coupe Express
2-1950 Starlight Coupes
1953 2-R Pickup, 2-1953 Starlight Coupes
1955 Commander Station Wagon

Mike & Willie Shearhart
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480-984-7742
do8@msn.com
1951 2R11-22, 1960 Lark 4 dr
Current membership is 151.

This * n That

Chapter members attending the North Central Zone Meet in La Junta, Colo. September 28-30 were **Malcolm Stinson** and **Gary and Sandie Keating**. Malcolm displayed his Champ pickup and the Keatings brought their 1964 Daytona convertible.

Representing Studebaker and the chapter at the Thunderbird birthday party on October 19th was **Steve Fein** showing his 1966 Cruiser.

Sam Snail was slow. He was always late for every meeting. People used to call him "Slow Sam Snail". Finally, he saw the light. He needed wheels, and he had always admired Studebakers. He especially liked Studebaker Speedsters, because he liked the relaxed S on the side and the letter "S". In fact, he liked it so much he bought a Speedster and he painted two more S's on each side - one for Sam and one for Snail.

Now, if you should see him, you will find that Sam Snail has undergone a big personality change - all due to his new Studebaker wheels. People no longer call him "Slow Sam Snail". Instead, they say "Look at that S-car go!"

From the Studebaker Forum

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER UPCOMING EVENTS

- NOVEMBER 3** **BOARD MEETING.** CHAPTER BOARD AND OFFICERS WILL MEET AT DEER VALLEY AIRPORT RESTAURANT AT 11:30 AM. CONTACT LARRY AT 480-694-3899 OR 58PKHAWK@CABLEONE.NET
- NOVEMBER 5** AAHC MEETING, 7:30 PM AT SANDERSON FORD TRUCK DEALERSHIP, 5300 NW GRAND AVE., GLENDALE. GUEST SPEAKER. INFO: CALL GEORGE WOODS, 480-473-0946.
- NOVEMBER 10** CHAPTER MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO SHOW THEIR STUDEBAKERS AT PALMCROFT BAPTIST CHURCH, 15825 N 35TH AVE (BETWEEN GREENWAY & BELL RDS) FROM 9:00 AM-2:00 PM. NO ENTRY FEE. ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE GOODY BAGS & MORE. LIVE MUSIC, FREE LUNCH FOR PARTICIPANTS. 1976 CARS & OLDER. FOR ADD'L INFO CONTACT JOHN BALL AT 602-410-6554 OR DANG@PALMCROFTBAPTIST.ORG.
- NOVEMBER 11** OLD WORLD VILLAGE STUDEBAKER CAR SHOW HOSTED BY BEACH CITIES-INLAND EMPIRE CHAPTER, SDC IN HUNTINGTON BEACH FROM 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM. MORE INFO: DON EADES AT 949-492-8393.
- NOVEMBER 17** **CHAPTER EVENT & MEETING.** THE DAY STARTS AT THE HOME OF HOSTS SCOTT & BARBARA GRAINGER WITH A PANCAKE BREAKFAST AT 8:00 AM. THEN THERE'LL BE A DRIVE UP THE BEE LINE HWY FOR A PICNIC LUNCH, SLOW DRAGS, MEETING AND AWARDS AT THE TONTO NATURAL BRIDGE STATE PARK, 10 MILES NORTH OF PAYSON ON HWY 87. RSVP FOR BREAKFAST AT 480-924-0826. MORE INFO ON PAGE 6.
- DECEMBER 1** **HOLIDAY PARTY.** JOHN & LORILEE KROULIK, HOSTS. DINNER AT 1:00 PM AT 5218 W. TIERRA BUENA, GLENDALE (2 BLOCKS NORTH OF GREENWAY RD. OFF 51ST AVE.) TO VOLUNTEER TO SERVE AS TABLE HOST/HOUSTESS TO DECORATE AND SET A TABLE, CONTACT CHRIS AT 602-995-5311 BY NOV. 30TH. CHAPTER WILL PROVIDE MEAT AND MEMBERS BRING A SIDE DISH OR SALAD. SEE PAGE 7 OR CONTACT DENNY AT 623-974-5424 OR LOCKMON.NET
- DECEMBER 2** 23rd ANNUAL TOYZ FOR TOTZ CRUISE TO WICKENBURG AND CAR SHOW HOSTED BY REMEMBER WHEN CRUISE ASSOC. AND COPS WHO CARE. MEET AT HONEYWELL PARKING LOT AT NE CORNER OF I-17 & UNION HILLS DR. AT 9:00 AM FOR COFFE & DONUTS. BRING AT LEAST ONE UNWRAPPED TOY. INFO: BOB AT 602-943-3532.
- JANUARY 19** **2008 ARIZONA WINTER STUDEBAKER CELEBRATION AT THE ARIZONA GOLF RESORT, 425 S. POWER RD, MESA. 10:00 AM. CAR SHOW W/PEOPLE'S CHOICE VOTING, SWAP MEET, DASH PLAQUES, LADIES FAIRE, TECH SESSION, LUNCH AND AWARDS. INFO: RICHARD DORMOIS AT 480-827-8178 OR 1938STUDEMAN@EARTHLINK.NET**
- JANUARY 20** SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER'S ANNUAL MEETING & AUCTION AT TANQUE VERDE GUEST RANCH. ARRIVE AROUND 11:00, DINNER AT NOON. BRING STUDEBAKER ITEMS FOR AUCTION. TO RESERVE OR FOR INFO: CHRIS LILLIE AT 520-294-9106.
- MARCH 16** **ALL ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING - MARCH MADNESS - HOSTED BY THE SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER AT BRANDI FENDTON MEMORIAL PARK, 3700 E RIVER RD. (ALVERNON & RIVER RD.) FROM 9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM. FUN JUDGING, SWAP MEET, RAFFLES, GOODIE BAGS & MORE. A COUNTRY FAIR WILL BE GOING IN THE PARK THAT DAY, TOO. MORE INFO IN FUTURE ISSUES OR CALL CHRIS AT 520-294-9106.**

*Take your Stude out to one of the Valley's cruise nights!
Check here for one near you - <http://cruisinazizona.com/cruisenites.html>*



NOVEMBER EVENTS

NOVEMBER 17 MEETING AT THE BRIDGE

- ◆ Barbara and Scott Grainger, hosts. Start your Stude Day at their house for a BBQ pancake breakfast at 4135 E Fairview Cir., Mesa, AZ 85206. Please RSVP at 480-924-0826 for the breakfast so they have enough syrup for your pancakes. Park your Stude in the front yard grass. Hide your brand X in the back.
- ◆ After breakfast and a tour of the new shop construction we will head for Tonto Natural Bridge State Park, about 90 miles north of our house. If you are coming from Prescott, drive to Camp Verde and then east on Hwy. 260 then south on Hwy 87. No economy run on this jaunt. There is no gas station near the park.
- ◆ The rest of the day's events will be at the Tonto Natural Bridge State Park, 10 miles north of Payson on Hwy. 87 at 4,530' elevation. The road into the park is paved all the way as are the parking lots. The road is still steep, 14% grade. It would be a 5th gear uphill in Toto (that is in the new version when she has her brownie and 2 speed rear end, 24 gears total).
- ◆ We have reserved the two new parking lots near the lodge for you and your Stude or your brand X. There will be picnic tables available for our use. If the weather goes south, there is a large ramada nearby that we may be able to use. Pets are not recommended at the park.

- ◆ There are some short hiking trails if you want to see the bridge (400' long and 150' wide). The lodge is an interesting place to see. Unfortunately, the upper floors are closed at this time due to structural problems. There is a gift shop in the lodge. When you arrive, tell the fellow at the gate that you are with the SDC and you will get a pass after he counts noses.
- ◆ Bring a picnic lunch and a jacket. The lodge and bridge are at the bottom of a deep canyon; the sun comes up late and sets early.

8 am – Pancake breakfast at Scott & Barbara Grainger's home, 4135 E Fairview Cir., Mesa, AZ 85206 If you are coming, please RSVP at 480-924-0826.

9 am – Leave Grainger's for the Bee Line Hwy and the trip to the park

11 am – Arrive at the State Park

Noon – Picnic lunch

1 pm – Slow Drags in the parking lot. You may need a screw driver for this one. The lot is on about a 3% grade.


2 pm – Meeting, awards for the Slow Drags and most pancakes eaten.

3 pm – Head home

If anyone wishes to join the caravan to Payson from other areas of the valley plan to be somewhere on the Bee Line Highway near Shea Blvd around 9:15 am to watch for and meet up with the Studes. You can also drive up on your own. See map on page 10.

Info: Contact Scott or Barbara at 480-924-0826.

November 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Questions?	Call Chris at 602-995-5311			1	2	3 Board Meeting
4	5 AAHC Meeting	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 Tour to Payson
18	19	20	21	22 Thanksgiving	23	24
25	26	27	28	29 Party reservations due 11/30	30 Work party at Krouliks	Dec. 1 HOLIDAY PARTY

CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY DECEMBER 1, 2007

WHEN: Saturday, December 1st at 1:00 pm (to eat).
Come around noon to visit.

WHAT: Holiday party with a pot luck dinner to celebrate the season. The Chapter will provide meat and beverages and members/guests should bring a favorite holiday side dish (pasta, potato, rice, dressing or ?) or salad and a dessert.

WHERE: The garage at the home of John & Lorilee Kroulik, 5218 W. Tierra Buena (2 blocks north of Greenway Rd. west of 51st Ave.). Studebaker drivers will be directed to park in the Krouliks back yard through alley access. Brand xes will park on street.

WHO: All members are invited. You are welcome to bring friends.

OTHER INFORMATION:

- ◆ Table hosts/hostess volunteers are needed to set a 30x70 table for 8 with your favorite holiday decorations and place settings. Contact Chris Collins at 602-995-5311 or chuckstude@juno.com to reserve a table.
- ◆ An auction will be held with Richard Dormois doing the honors as auctioneer. Studebaker and non-Studebaker items, a nice white elephant or home made items are all welcome.
- ◆ Please bring non-perishable food items to donate to a food bank and/or a new/gently used childrens' book for needy children
- ◆ A work party will meet at the Krouliks Friday evening from 5:00-8:00 to set up tables. Table hosts can set their tables at this time or come early on Saturday. Pizza at 6:30.
- ◆ The 2007 Member(s) of the Year will be honored and 2008 officers and board will be announced.

Please make reservations so the party committee will know how many tables to set. You can mail your reservations to 2410 W. Freeway Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85021 or make your reservation to Chris Collins at 602-995-5311 or chuckstude@juno.com by November 30th.



CELEBRATE!



November Birthdays

1	John Parker	13	Kathy Becklund
2	Scott Grainger	13	Betty Von Vehren
2	Sam Powell	14	Madelyn Holub
5	Keith Davis	16	Greg Avery
7	Nicki Ready	18	Mike Barany
8	Mary Barany	21	Jim Ten Eyck
8	Vicky Crowe	23	Denny Lockmon
11	Dana Kocher	26	Bob Halgren
11	Kay Schmidt		

November Anniversaries

3	Greg & Eliza Avery
5	Brian & Aleta Millette
7	Lester Jackson & Julie Sackett
7	Jim & Betsy Provenzano
15	Colin & Suzanne Fort
20	Dan & Laurie McDonald
24	Gary & Judy Horner

ARIZONA WINTER STUDEBAKER CELEBRATION

If it's not already, please mark it on your priority calendar that Saturday, January 19, 2008 is our Arizona Winter Studebaker Celebration at the Arizona Golf Resort at Power and Broadway in Mesa. People's Choice Judging and Swap Meet starts at 10:00 AM. Awards banquet and program is at noon in The Pavilion and the Ladies Faire and "Boost Your 259 Engine" seminar by John Kemper is at 1:30 PM and the Studebaker National Foundation Board Meeting is at 2:00 PM in the Board Room. Attractive Dash Plaques to the first hundred Studebakers, Pierce Arrows, Packards and Avantis. We need trophy sponsors; please send your check for twenty five dollars to The Right Impression, 319 South Chestnut, Kimball, Nebraska 69145...Thank You. Call Richard at 480-827-8178 for information.

First time SDC and gift memberships are just \$19.95. Gift a friend, family member or new owner with SDC membership. Membership for those 22 years and younger are \$19.95/yr as are subscriptions to *Turning Wheels* for libraries, schools, etc.

A new SDC dues option of \$10.00 per year is available for anyone who wishes to be a member of the local chapter for social reasons or for families with multiple memberships. This membership does not include a subscription to *Turning Wheels* but the member does have voting privileges.

All Chapter members must be members of SDC for insurance purposes. If you have let your SDC membership lapse, please renew now.

A PENNSYLVANIA HOMECOMING THE 44TH ANNUAL SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET

During the meeting of the Board of Directors, Studebaker Drivers Club at the 42nd annual Studebaker International meet in Omaha NE, the Keystone Region Chapter of the SDC presented a proposal to host the 44th International Meet in Lancaster, PA. By a majority vote, the Board accepted and approved this proposal, awarding the meet to the Keystone Chapter.

This meet is the second time the Keystone Region has hosted an International Meet. The first hosted meet was the 16th annual International Meet held in Gettysburg in July of 1980. That meet was the largest held up to that time with 683 Studebaker vehicles on the Concours field and over 900 present. This meet is expected to draw at least that many Studebakers and Avantis and in all probability a few more.

A highlight of the 16th annual meet was the dedication of the Studebaker monument placed on the site of the original Studebaker Homestead and Blacksmith Shop just outside of East Berlin, Adams County, PA. During the 44th annual meet this monument will be rededicated.

One may ask, "Why call this meet a Pennsylvania Homecoming." In simple terms, it can be stated that the first one hundred years of the family's life in the new world were spent in Pennsylvania.

Early Staudenbecker family history indicates that life in 18th century Germany was full of many perils and hardships. The family decided that based on things they had heard about the new world, that it was the place for them. This decision, once made, was not simple to execute as the family was a member of the cutlers guild. They were skilled blade makers in the city of Solingen, Germany. The guild was fearful of the move and required the family to move from the city and completely change their trade prior to granting permission for them to leave.

In order to accomplish their goal, the Staudenbecker families, three brothers, two of which were married, moved to Hagen, Germany and for the required five years practiced and learned the trade of blacksmithing and farming. In 1736 they finally were free to move to the new world and started their journey down the Rhine River.

Once the families reached the sea, they booked passage on the HMS Harle, a British ship, and set sail for the port of Philadelphia. Arriving in Philadelphia, the immigration clerks, unfamiliar with German pronunciations, recorded their names as Studebaker, Studibaker, Studabaker and a few other variations. Eventually the family settled on Studebaker as a surname as it sounded more American.

The families moved west from Philadelphia and began to farm in what was then frontier lands. In 1756 Indians raided one of the family farms and one brother, Heinrich, was killed with his wife and children kidnapped. Several years later the children escaped from the Indians and returned to the family homestead. Alas, their mother was eventually killed by the raiders, as was her unborn child.

By the end of the 18th century, descendants of the original Studebaker family members who came to the new world had entered the blacksmith and wagon making business just east of Gettysburg in what was then York County. One of these was John Studebaker who courted and married Rebecca Mohler, a member of the Ephrata Cloister, in 1820. They began to raise a very large family, which included five boys. John was very proficient in his trade and he and his other family members designed and built what we know today as the famous Conestoga wagon.

John realized that his blacksmith and wagon-making shop was too far off of the main east west route through Pennsylvania, today known as US Route 30. That realization and stories told by those who frequented his blacksmith shop led to his decision to move his family further west first to Ashland, Ohio and then even further west to South Bend, Indiana in order to provide a better life for them.

As you can see from this very brief Studebaker family history their first 100 years in the new world were spent in Pennsylvania thus this meet is a Homecoming for the Studebaker auto enthusiast and their families.

Come and join us in this celebration starting September 14 and concluding on September 20, 2008 in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. See you in the future as I write about our past.

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44th Studebaker Drivers Club International Meet
hosted by the Keystone Region Chapter
September 14 - 20, 2008

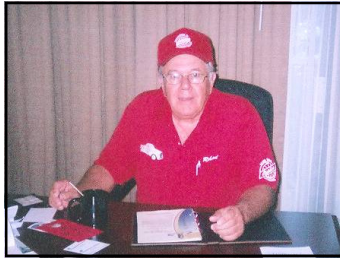
Chapter Elections

A ballot for the election of the Chapter's 2008 officers and board members is included with this issue. There is competition for one position in this election, the Chapter secretary. Both candidates have submitted a campaign message (accompanied by a \$5.00 donation to the Chapter). Please read what the candidates have to say, mark your ballot for your choices for all positions and mail to the election judge Sherry Watson at 19972 E. Antelope Rd., Mayer AZ 86333. Her address is also printed on the ballot. Your ballot may be turned in at the November meeting, as well.

Richard Dormois

Dear Friends,

I am Richard Dormois and I am asking for your vote for Secretary of the Grand Canyon State Chapter. I hope you find my record as Board Member, President and Secretary of this great chapter worthy of your support. I came into SDC in this Chapter in 1999 and have worked steadily since then to make it better.



Richard is hard at work at his desk in Mesa.

The job of Secretary is important as that is the person who communicates what happens at the Board Meetings and the Membership Meetings. My service to this Chapter is my number one priority and I intend to continue to be prompt and regular at Board and Membership meetings and carry out those duties assigned by the President and respect the wishes of the membership. Please vote for me and send your ballot to Sherry Watson.

Karen Mensing

A message from Karen Mensing ...

Please vote for me for Secretary of the Grand Canyon State Chapter. I have had many years of experience as secretary of several committees. I have also served as Secretary and President of the Chapter during my 32 years of membership.

I will serve this Chapter to best of my ability. Thank you for your consideration.



Karen shows her lighter side at a Chapter Halloween Party a few years ago.

TECH TIP - - USES FOR WD-40

The product began from a search for a rust preventative solvent and degreaser to protect missile parts. WD-40 was created in 1953 by three technicians at the San Diego Chemical Company. Its name comes from the project that was to find a water displacement compound and they were successful with the fortieth formulation, thus WD-40. There is nothing in WD-40 that will hurt you - the basic ingredient is fish oil.

Here are some of its uses:

- ◆ Protects silver from tarnishing.
- ◆ Removes road tar and grime from cars.
- ◆ Cleans and lubricates guitar strings.
- ◆ Gives a floor that "just waxed" sheen without making it slippery.
- ◆ Keeps flies off cows.
- ◆ Restores and cleans chalkboards.
- ◆ Keeps scissors working smoothly.
- ◆ Keeps shower doors free of water spots.
- ◆ Restores and cleans roof racks on vehicles.
- ◆ Loosens stubborn zippers.
- ◆ Removes dirt and grime from barbecue grills.
- ◆ Untangles jewelry chains.
- ◆ Removes all traces of duct tape.
- ◆ Removes black scuff marks from the kitchen floor.
- ◆ Removes dead bugs from grills and bumpers.
- ◆ Lubricates fan belts on washers & driers.
- ◆ Keeps rust from forming on saws and other tools.
- ◆ Keeps bathroom mirror from fogging.
- ◆ Lubricates and stops squeaks in electric fans.
- ◆ Removes spattered grease on stove.
- ◆ Rids rocking chairs and swings of squeaks.
- ◆ Removes stains from stainless steel sinks.
- ◆ Removes crayon marks from walls.
- ◆ Spray an umbrella stem to make it easier to open and close.
- ◆ Lubricate tracks in home windows to make them easier to open.
- ◆ It is good for any type of burn. Heals with no scarring.
- ◆ Some folks even spray it on their arms, hands and knees to relieve arthritis pain.

Edited from an article in *The Copper Starlight*, Gail Ault, editor.

TONTO NATURAL BRIDGE STATE PARK SITE MAP

Caution: For personal safety and to protect the natural resource, please do not climb under the waterfall, on the mossy rocks, high cliffs, or in caves, and no swimming or wading under the natural bridge.

Thank you for packing out what you pack in.

All four viewpoints are at parking lot level

Please: Do Not Throw Rocks Anywhere In The Park

Map Labels: Pine Creek, Waterfall Trail (no pets), Pine Creek Trail (no pets), Canyon, Pine Creek and Waterfall Trail Parking, Contact Station, Historic Lodge & Gift Shop, Park Office, Hwy 87, Main Parking, Bridge Parking, Cypress Group Ramada, Viewpoint #1, Viewpoint #2, Viewpoint #3, Viewpoint #4, Observation Deck, Gowan Trail (no pets), Top of Natural Bridge, Anna Mae Trail (no pets), Gowan Trail (no pets).

Please carry drinking water while hiking trails.

All Park Trails are steep and strenuous.

Pine Creek Trail is about 1 1/2 mile long (400 feet developed - undeveloped in the creek bottom), leads to the Pine Creek natural area. Hiking shoes are recommended. (No pets or glass containers.) Follow the arrows, Allow One Hour.

Waterfall Trail is about 300 feet long, ends at waterfall cave. (No pets or glass containers.) Uneven steps. Allow 20-30 Minutes.

Gowan Trail is about 1 1/4 mile long, leads to an observation deck in the creek bottom. The trail is steep and rough. No trash cans. Hiking shoes are recommended. (No pets or glass containers.) Allow One Hour.

Anna Mae Trail is about 500 feet long and leads to Pine Creek Trail and The Natural Bridge (no pets or glass containers.)

Legend

- Rest Room
- Accessible
- Picnic Ramada

This Portion of Trail Closed Due to Rock Slides

Map not to scale

Grand Canyon State Chapter Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Chuck Collins

Checking Account	
Ending Balance as of 6/30/07	\$2929.09
Receipts	
National Dues	\$ 19.95
Local Dues	\$ 50.55
Name Badges	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
	<u>\$ 80.50</u>
	\$3009.59
Disbursements	
National Dues	\$ 19.95
Newsletter Printing & Postage	\$ 543.62
Name Badges	\$ 16.00
Memorial Donation - SNM	\$ 50.00
2010 Int'l Meet Account	<u>\$1000.00</u>
	<u>\$1380.02</u>
Ending Balance 9/30/07	\$1629.57



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STUDEBAKERS FOR SALE

1952 Champion Starlight Coupe.
2 dr. Needs work to run. \$4000 OBO
Jim 480-720-0060 (3)

1950 Commander 4 dr. Custom paint. 59th Ave & Cactus \$6000.
Carrie 602-741-3864 (2)

1966 Cruiser. 4 dr. V-8 w/ auto 700R-4 Trans. 44K original miles. Factory AC, radio & power steering. Turner front disc brakes. New tires. Gold metallic paint. Original gold brocade interior. No rust! \$12,500.

1938 Commander. 2 dr club sedan. Has Cathedral headlights. Big 6 w/3spd. Has a 1938 working radio & heater. New 16" wide white tires. No rust! \$8,500. Chuck Collins (2)
602-995-5311 or cstude1@cox.net

1948 Land Cruiser. Top of line. 3 spd w/od. 65,000 miles. Never any rust. Has original heater, radio & signal lights. New seat covers, exhaust, radial tires (1000 miles) & electric fuel pump. Repainted original color. Drives excellent, very dependable. \$8900. Ralph Robbin (1)
623-362-1474 or ralphrobbin@cox.net

1962 GT Hawk. 259, 4 spd & Posi-traction. Only 25,000 miles. Black ext & black int. Offers. Call John in Chino Valley at 928-636-9019 (1)

1962 Lark V8, automatic, 4 door. Pat Boan, Tolleson 623-936-3630 (1)

1925 ER Roadster, restorable. Many extra parts \$5000. **1940 President** parts car. No motor. \$1000. Ed Hope Flagstaff 928-527-9171 (1)

Lloyd Watts collection for sale - 1930 Commander FD 8 4 dr Brougham, 1930 President

Brougham, rare 1924 Big Six Coupe. Contact Millie at 520-378-0726 or imwatts@theriver.com (2)

STUDEBAKER PARTS FOR SALE

Free, Come and get it. Front axle Bearing to bearing and springs. Complete for 2R11-22. Mike Shearhart 480-984-7741 (3)

1936 Dictator 6 engine complete (starter, generator, air cleaner, etc). Disassembled. \$100. Might deliver. Fred Gooch 520-883-7418 (2)

Parts from a 1953 C-cab pickup and a bullet nose Stude of unknown year. Pickup at my house in Green Valley only. There are three boxes of misc. parts carb, distributor, starter, generator, brackets, brake and clutch pedals, linkage, bellhousing etc. A crankshaft, cyl. head and a camshaft. All in various condition. Engine parts are all 6cyl. Anybody wants them come get them. Phillip Smith 520-419-0346 (2)

1963 289 full flow engine w/.060 pistons, competition cam, hard valves & seats. \$3400. John Kemper 623-546-8434 (0)

MISC. FOR SALE

Book-"Studebaker, the Post War Years", by Richard M. Langworth, very good condition, 195 pages, \$14. **Book--"Automobile Quarterly", Studebaker's 115 Years,** 335 pages, 281 pages devoted to Studebaker, most other pages are about Bugatti, new book, excellent condition, \$14. **Book-"American Cars"** by Leon Mandel, 448 pages, new condition, a book for lovers of all old American cars, Studebaker, also, size 10" X 12", a heavy book, about 5

lbs., \$15. **Studebaker dealers' show room pictures,** one of aerial view of Proving Ground. Another is of factories in South Bend and other assembly plants in USA and Canada. These are originals from a former Studebaker dealer in Bemidji, Minn. They measure 29 1/2" X 39". Good condition. \$75.00 Each. Buyer is to pay shipping costs. Contact: Glen Torske 520-495-4166 or rtorske@cox.net, or 6031 S. Galiuro Dr., Tucson, AZ 85706-4778. (0)

Car Shade Frames Four - 20' long, 10' wide, 10' tall, steel pipe shade frames. I purchased these from Costco over the last 5 years. The original plastic coverings lasted about 1 1/2 years. The Harbor Freight blue tarp replacements would last about 9 months. The frames are pinned together and will disassemble easily. I pinned some to the ground and bolted others to the driveway. \$50 each or all four for \$150. **Garage Door** One 16' x 7' overhead sectional garage door, white, no windows, insulated with electric opener & tracks. Door is in good shape. I installed it about 5 years ago. Being replaced due to change in door opening size. Scott Grainger, 602-793-8587 (1)

Studebaker Toy Treasures, Jim Geary's Studebaker toys and models book. \$39.95 of which \$5.00 goes to the Chapter. To get a copy contact Chris Collins at 602-995-5311

STUDEBAKER CARS/PARTS WANTED

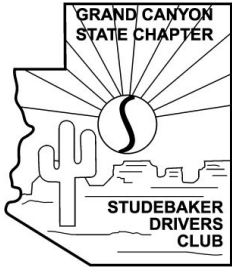
Wanted: 9 1/8" V8 clutch disk cores & 8 1/2" pressure plates. Will pay \$10 each for rebuildable cores. Chuck Collins 602-995-5311 or cstude1@cox.net (3)

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Reminders

November 17	Tour to Payson
November 30	Deadline for party reservations.
December 1	Holiday Party

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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(May be found on address label of *Turning Wheels*.)

Birthday (Month & Day) Self _____ Spouse _____ Anniversary _____

Studebakers You Own: _____

35th Anniversary Party October 20, 2007

Deer Valley Airport Restaurant



President Larry Vahe greets the party goers.

Peggy Eastburn listens
as her husband, Bill, a
founding member
of the Chapter, visits
with other members.



Shown is Ike Quigley another of the
founding members who is still active in
the Chapter 35 years later.

All photos courtesy of Denny Lockmon.



35th Anniversary Party

