

# The ECHO

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## ALL-ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING "March Madness"

**Saturday, March 19, 2011**

**10:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**at South Mountain Park  
10919 S. Central Ave., Phoenix**



**Fun Judging! Dash Plaques!  
Raffle! Swap Meet!  
Food Venders! Valve Cover Races!**

**See page 6 for directions and more information.**

**All Studebakers and related  
makes welcome!**

## From the Editor's Pen.....

It was so much fun reading the articles in the February *Turnings Wheels* by and about Chapter members. Matthew Burdette wrote an interesting story about Sue Loveridge and her Studebaker history. Chris Eastburn did a great job telling about his two great customized Studes. And, in the Winter/Spring 2011 issue of the *Avanti Magazine* Bill Cervini's very entertaining article "My Life with Studebaker" is reprinted. Kudos to all for sharing your Studebaker experiences.

On the 19th, the chapter hosts the All Arizona Studebaker Gathering at South Mountain Park. Hope everyone has his or her Stude ready to go. Be sure to bring a fun judging award to give another Studebaker driver or a raffle prize or both. If you can come early, help is needed to set up the race track. Our last March Madness outing at the park was the largest ever and it is hoped we can top that. Tell everyone you know to join us.

Thanks to our contributors this month - Ed Smith, Linda Smith, Chuck Collins, Dan Dobbins, Ernie Loga, the Ten Eycks and Nancy Pfahler. I hope to hear from more of you. If you have a story to tell or a tip to share please mail or e-mail it to me for inclusion during the upcoming months. This is *your* newsletter.

See you soon, *Chris*

## 2011 CHAPTER DUES ARE DUE!

Dues for 2011 are due for all Chapter members. Please complete the membership application on the back page of the newsletter and send a check to the address provided for either \$18.00 to receive the chapter newsletter by mail or \$15.00 if you wish to receive the newsletter electronically.

For insurance purposes, all Chapter members must be members of SDC. If your SDC dues have lapsed please include \$31.00 for SDC membership. The Chapter treasurer will submit them to the SDC membership secretary for you.



## CHAPTER NAME BADGE

Order your Chapter name badge with a pin back by contacting Chris Collins at [ccollinsaz@cox.net](mailto:ccollinsaz@cox.net) or 602-995-5311. The price is \$5.00 each. If you wish to have a magnet back on your badge, the price is \$6.00 each.

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**From the President...**

**B**oots, Buckles and Barrels of fun. That is exactly what we encountered at the Gold Rush Days parade in Wickenburg. I guess you could add gold to the list as the feeling one encounters while driving in a parade is golden. I know this is true because we had 10 wonderful Studebakers in the parade and one *Want a be...* Studebaker. The *Want a be* performed with all the greatness and grander of a restored modern Studebaker cruising along with the *Want a be* signs proudly displayed on its sides. Then, after returning the next day it felt so let down with the signs removed and without the crowds around that it flat out refused to start. Eating at the Fire-Side Grill after the parade was worth the stop. The food was great. Thanks to all who participated.



As part of this new team of Linda and me, we discovered the other day that washers are very versatile items. If there is a nut and bolt where the bolt is too small for the hole then a washer is required. Washers with holes smaller than the bolt should be saved as you might need them at a later time. Don't worry if you can't find it later as you can just buy another because you can never have too many washers. If a washer has a split it has a special purpose so it does not need to be replaced. There is no washer required if there is no nut and bolt so you shouldn't look for one. Old washers, like those around the oil drain plug, can be reused over and over again, that is of course unless it is on one of them new cars and then it must be replaced every time. One other thing, did you know that the inside diameter of a washer must not be greater than the outside diameter or the hole will be on the outside and it will not function properly. With that little bit of fact I hope you can come up with good questions for our "Ace Wrenches" during our meets, as you can never learn too much.

March Madness is upon the state of Arizona and the Grand Canyon State Chapter, Studebaker Drivers Club did not want to be left out. There are a ton of activities planned to suit most everyone from baseball to basketball to hockey and then the best is the Studebaker Show at South Mountain. All of the events during March Madness are team events where their success depends on all members of the team working together. Our Studebaker team has a chance to work together and sell raffle tickets for the 1925 Studebaker shown here. The more we sell the more we make as a club and the more appreciation parties we can have. Come join our team. Let's Party on!



*Ed*

**CELEBRATE!**



**March Birthdays**

3	Richard Phegley	15	Jim Duel
6	Virginia Steinmetz	15	Bob Brown
8	Kirk Ault	16	Brian Dersh
8	Joan Hahn	16	Frank Green
11	Marisa Carter	17	Linda Cook
11	Robert Mitchell	19	Chet Gandy
11	Joan Painter	20	Michael Holub
11	Linda Peck	21	Ruth Pike
11	Cheryl Ray	23	Betty Williams
12	Tom Pfahler	24	George Van Zee

**March Anniversaries**

3	Larry & Pat Swanson
4	Harold & Deanna Manley
16	Larry & Ruth Cushing
18	Rob & Cheryl Ray
23	Walter & Nicki Ready
28	Joe & Betty Von Behren

**Welcome New Members**

Frank Wenzel & Kent Vandenberg  
 1475 Lobo Way  
 Palm Springs, CA 92264  
 760-322-8762

carbuffps@yahoo.com  
 1926 Duplex Phaeton (Arizona Sheriff)  
 1925 EQ4 Sedan, 1923 Touring  
 1938 President coupe & sedan  
 1938 Parade Car  
 1942 Land Cruiser Commander  
 1950 Commander Convertible  
 1952 Commander Starlight Couple  
 1956 & 1957 Golden Hawk  
 1958 President Coupe  
 1958 Provincial Wagon  
 1958 4E 2T Car Hauler  
 1963 GT Hawk R2 w/4spd  
 1963 Avanti R2 w/4spd  
 1962 Cruiser

**Please remember our Studebaker friends in need of our thoughts and prayers.**

Fred Moore  
 Mary Powell-McConnell  
 Ron Watson

## FEBRUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Participating in the Gold Rush Days parade in Wickenburg on Saturday, February 12 were Don and Carol Aden (enjoying their first Chapter outing), 1955 Champion; Dennis Lynde and Linda Saar, 1963 GT Hawk; Claudia Robinette, Richard Dormois, Tom and Nancy Pfahler, 1960 Lark; Buddy & Elaine Wright, 1953 C Cab; Kim and John Rodhouse, 1950 2R5; Ed Smith, 1953 Stake Truck; Anita, Sara and Kevin MacFadden, 1923 Touring plus the 1925 Studebaker raffle car trailed by Linda Smith.

Following the parade, the parade participants met at the Fire Side Grille outside Wickenburg. They were joined by Chris and Chuck Collins. After lunch, Ed led a short meeting. Everyone attending was presented with a dash plaque. Ed announced that the chapter would not be renting a storage area as discussed at the January meeting. He mentioned we'll try to have short tech sessions at meetings occasionally.

Ed asked members for goody bag donations of about 100 items from businesses for March Madness.

GCSC is exploring hosting a zone meet jointly with the Southern Arizona Chapter in 2013 or 2014.

Ed said the 1925 that was in the parade was donated by Truly Nolen to the Hearts of Gold organization, a Tucson police charity, for a fundraising raffle. The car will get new paint and interior before the raffle ends in October. Tickets are 3 for \$25 or \$10.00 each. The Chapter can earn a commission from the charity if it sells 500 tickets.

Linda spoke about upcoming events. March Madness on March 19th is at South Mountain Park and there will be fund judging, dash plaques, vending, food vendors and many activities.

April 23, George Gezelius will host a meeting at his home and tell about his trip to Russia. The chapter will provide subs and members will bring sides dishes and desserts.

Also, in April the chapter will host a movie night at the Glendale drive in theater. More info to follow.

Linda mentioned that Run to Pines information will come out soon and everyone planning to attend should register immediately. If there are 10 Studes registered, the organizers will create a class and awards.

In May, there will be an activity at the Gold King Mine in Jerome and watch for a swim party this summer.

Linda was the lucky winner of the 50/50 and drivers prize drawings. Kevin MacFadden won the door prize.



Dennis Lynde decorated his Hawk for the parade in a Valentine's Day theme.

Photos courtesy of Dennis Lynde. See more Wickenburg photos on the Chapter web site.



## SNF FUNDRAISER

By Nancy Pfahler, SNF Secretary

Did you receive a postcard from a studio called CarArt with that great picture of Studebakers in and around a car lot? If you did or didn't, copies of the print can be ordered for you at March Madness. The artist, David Snyder, has offered copies to your Studebaker National Foundation to sell as a fund raiser and the cost per print is \$95.00 + \$12.00 shipping and handling. The Foundation will receive \$47.00 from each sale.

The Foundation uses monies it receives for scholarships for car mechanics and vehicle restoration, for *Turning Wheels* subscriptions to museums that have one or more Studebakers in their collection and for donations to museums that need help maintaining their Studebaker collections. And now, through a donation or will you can donate a Studebaker or memorabilia to the Foundation which will be placed in a museum and maintained by the Foundation.

Look for these prints at March Madness. We don't think you will be disappointed with the quality and authenticity of the prints.

*Editor's note:* The print Nancy tells about is titled "Advanced Thinking" and is advertised on page 42 of the March *Turning Wheels*. A copy of the print will be on display at March Madness and orders will be taken by local Foundation board members Chris Collins, Richard Dormois, Jan Lockmon, Brian Millette or Gary Olson. If you are unable to attend the gathering on March 19th you can still support the Foundation by contacting one of the board members to place your order for a print. You will receive a receipt for your tax deductible donation.

Below is contact information for the local SNF board members.

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Kim Rodhouse was prepared for the morning chill the day of the parade.



## GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER UPCOMING EVENTS

- MARCH 1 AAHC (ARIZONA AUTOMOBILE HOBBYIST COUNCIL) MEETING AT DON SANDERSON FORD, 5300 NW GRAND AVE., GLENDALE AT 7:00 PM. INFO: 602-318-9090 OR <http://www.azautohobbyist.com/>
- MARCH 5 ACC MOTORSPORTS DAY. NO MORE ENTRIES ARE BEING TAKEN BUT STOP BY TO VISIT YOUR STUDE FRIENDS AT ARIZONA COMMUNITY CHURCH, 9325 S RURAL, TEMPE, 9 AM - 1 PM.
- MARCH 6 THE CORONADO HOME TOUR INCULDES A VINTAGE VEHICLE ON MITCHELL STREET FROM 10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM. INFO: JEN AT [Jennifer.L.Kitson@asu.edu](mailto:Jennifer.L.Kitson@asu.edu)
- MARCH 12 GCS CHAPTER OFFICERS AND BOARD MEET AT DEER VALLEY AIRPORT RESTAURANT, 7TH AVE. & DEER VALLEY RD. AT 11:30 AM. MEMBERS ARE WELCOME. INFO: ED AT [EDCOLLECTS@COX.NET](mailto:EDCOLLECTS@COX.NET) OR 602-290-1045.**
- MARCH 13 WINTER MEET HOSTED BY THE LOS ANGELES CHAPTER 8 AM-2 PM AT THE PETERSEN AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM, 6060 WILSHIRE BLVD, LOS ANGELES. NO PRE-REGISTRATION. \$15 PER CAR INCLUDES ONE FREE PASS INTO MUSEUM. VENDORS, \$15 PER SPACE. PLEASE RSVP FOR SPACE TO ANDREA AT [AENTHAL@YAHOO.COM](mailto:AENTHAL@YAHOO.COM)
- MARCH 19 ALL ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING - MARCH MADNESS - AT SOUTH MOUNTAIN PARK ACTIVITY COMPLEX. 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. CREATE AND AWARD A FUN JUDGING AWARD. VALVE COVER RACES WILL BE HELD, BRING YOUR RACER. SEE PAGE 6 FOR THE OFFICIAL RULES. VEND FROM YOUR TRUNK OR PICKUP BED. DASH PLAQUES, RAFFLE, FOOD VENDORS. MORE INFO: LINDA AT [LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET](mailto:LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET) OR 602-618-7691. MORE INFO ON PAGE 6.**
- APRIL 3 ARIZONA THEATRE COMPANY WILL HOST A 1940'S AND EARLIER DISPLAY OF VEHICLES IN FRONT OF HERBERGER THEATER WITH STUDEBAKERS AND PACKARDS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE. SEE PAGE 7 FOR MORE INFO.
- APRIL 5 AAHC (ARIZONA AUTOMOBILE HOBBYIST COUNCIL) MEETING AT NEW SCOTTSDALE INTERNATIONAL AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM, 9109 E INDIAN BEND RD. 7 PM
- APRIL 9 CHAPTER DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT. MORE INFO TO FOLLOW OR CONTACT LINDA AT [LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET](mailto:LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET) OR 602-618-7691**
- APRIL 23 CHAPTER MEETING AT GEORGE GEZELIUS HOME IN MESA. TIME TBA. CHAPTER WILL PROVIDE SUBS, DRINKS AND TABLE SERVICE. A-O, BRING A SALAD; P-Z, BRING A DESSERT. CONTACT LINDA AT [LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET](mailto:LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET) OR 602-618-7691**
- MAY 7 CHAPTER EVENT. ECONOMY RUN AND TRUCK SHOW AT GOLD KING MINE. INFO: LINDA AT 602-618-7691 OR [LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET](mailto:LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET)**
- MAY 29 37TH ANNUAL LA PALMA CAR SHOW AND PARTS EXCHANGE AT LA PALMA PARK, ANAHEIM, CA INFO: STAN HAVERILAND AT 323-296-6680. REGISTRATION FORM ON PAGE 13 OF ONLINE ISSUE OR PAGE 43 OF MARCH *TURNING WHEELS*.
- JUNE 19-25 47TH SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET, SPRINGFIELD, MO AT RAMADA OASIS CONVENTION CENTER. \$89++ CALL 888-532-4338. IF FULL CHECK <http://www.sdcmeeet.com/> FOR ALTERNATIVE HOTELS. REGISTER AT THE SITE, TOO. MEET INFO: NITA AT 417-840-5630 OR [NLKETCHUM@AOL.COM](mailto:NLKETCHUM@AOL.COM)
- SEPTEMBER 10 CHAPTER WILL CELEBRATE INTERNATIONAL DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY.**



## MARCH EVENT

**MARCH 19**

**MARCH MADNESS**

The All Arizona Studebaker Gathering will be held at South Mountain Park, Phoenix on Saturday, March 19th from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. This year there will have a new event, valve cover racing. Follow the rules on this page for building your racer.

Fun judging will be held once again. Plan a fun award you can give to another Studebaker driver with a prize you create yourself. Examples of past fun judging awards include The Money Pit, Worst Tires, Best Glove Box, Cleanest Pedal...you get the idea.

A raffle will be held and you are invited to donate a raffle prize. All participants will receive a dash plaque. Food vendors will be on site for lunch.

You are welcome to bring Studebaker items to vend from your pick up bed or the trunk of your car.

Directions to South Mountain Park:

- ◆ From I-17 going south, exit 7th Ave./Central Ave. Stay on Frontage Road to Central, turn right to go south.
- ◆ From I-10 going east, exit 7th Ave. Go south to Baseline Road, east on Baseline to Central Ave., turn right to go south on Central Ave.
- ◆ From I-10 going west, exit Baseline Road, turn left, go to Central Ave. and turn left (south).
- ◆ Take a left after passing through the entrance. Parking is in the Holbert Trail picnic area. Watch for

signs.

For further information contact Linda Smith at 602-618-7691 or lindasmith@cox.net

### VALVE COVER RACING

Here are the official rules for a Studebaker Valve Cover Racer to race at March Madness, March 19th.

1. Total weight cannot exceed 10 pounds. We will have an official scale.
2. Must be a Studebaker valve cover.
3. Total length must not exceed 10% over stock length of original valve cover.
4. Dimensions may be no larger than 12" high or 12" wide.
5. No sharp edges or sharp protrusions on the racer.
6. Must be gravity powered. Absolutely no other power source allowed.

Good luck!

### 2010 MEET MERCHANDISE

2010 meet merchandise will be available for purchase at March Madness at the discounted pricing advertised previously. Please see Ron Crowe to purchase t-shirts, pins or caps.

The Insights Seminar DVDs will also be available at the gathering for \$10.00 each.

## March 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-5311		1 AAHC Meeting	2	3	4	5 ACC Show
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Board Meeting
13 Daylight Savings Time Begins	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 March Madness
20 Vernal Equinox	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

## It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World

By Linda Smith, Vice President

**Don't feel left out** or feel like you don't belong. **Join us** at South Mountain on March 19<sup>th</sup> for **March Madness**.

**Grab your valve covers** and get those racing juices flowing - you can race to your heart's content. Or try your throwing arm for our lug nut toss. If you prefer, there will be those things called wheels for horses that you can throw around a steel stake (known as horseshoes). Or take advantage of a Question and Answer session for a technical discussion for those knuckle bustin' encounters that occur with those older horseless carriages we love.

We haven't forgotten the kids there will be activities just for them. Oh by the way, this will be the largest collection of Studebakers this year for everyone to enjoy.

Enjoy your fill of food from the vendor or if you choose you can bring your own. **Bring something** for our **Chinese Auction**. Take a chance on winning that item you've always wanted and let someone else win the item you just can't live with. There is sure to be a particular Studebaker part you need or want to get rid of in those truck beds or the boots of other Studebakers.

If there is something you like at this event – let a board member know so we can omit it at our next event. If here is something you don't like at this event be sure a board member knows so we can repeat it. If there is something else you would like to see or do just tell a board member - so we can forget it. Whatever you do come out and join in the fun at this all Arizona Studebaker Gathering, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget the date!!!! Pick up the schedule of events when you register that Studebaker and receive a goody bag.

Continuing, on **April 9<sup>th</sup>** drive your Studebaker and let's go to the drive-in - that's right, the Glendale drive-in. Sounds like a 'hoot' – if your Stude doesn't have a radio - bring your transistor radio or boom box so you can hear the movie. More to follow.....

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>** join us for a trip to Russia at George Gezelius home and enjoy Sub sandwiches, compliments of your Chapter. To make sure we have enough to eat – if your last name falls between A-O bring a salad dish to share and P-Z bring us some of those great desserts to share with your friends.

**May 7<sup>th</sup>** Let's go to Jerome!!! Don Robinson is hosting a truck show at Gold King Mine – so let's have an Economy Run. If you drive your Stude you get to tour the Ghost Town free compliments of Don. Still trying to firm up some lunch plans with Sherry and Ron Watson's place at Cordes Lakes. Need to arrive in Jerome between 10:30 – 11:00am. More to follow....

## A 1940s FAMILY FUN FAIR

On Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> the Arizona Theatre Company (ATC) will host a 1940s Family Fun Fair: Red, White and Yonkers in conjunction with its production of Neil Simon's play, *Lost in Yonkers*. The event will celebrate a bygone era in America's history with a family-oriented street fair that includes live USO-style entertainment, games for the kids, historical exhibits and fun food.

ATC has invited the Studebaker club to participate as a community organization and display vehicles from the pre-WWII era on the street in front of Herberger Theater from 12:00 to 4:00pm. The chapter will join the Packard Club and Truly Nolen in showcasing cars and trucks from that era.

If you have a Studebaker or other old car of the era and would like to participate or would like more information contact Chris Collins at [ccollinsaz@cox.net](mailto:ccollinsaz@cox.net) or 602-995-5311.

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## This \*N That



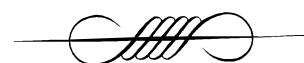
As part of the 2011 commemorative postage stamp program just unveiled by the USPS, a 12 stamp pane will honor industrial designers that were influential in the 20th century.

One stamp will honor Raymond Loewy and the design chosen is a pencil sharpener that was never produced. A prototype was shown at New York's Rockefeller Center during the 1934

Industrial Arts Exposition. You can learn more about the USPS's commemorative stamp program at [www.usps.com/news](http://www.usps.com/news)

If you are adventurous consider attending the 13th Annual Buff & Shine on March 20<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm at Shangri La Ranch, 44444 N. Shangri La Lane, New River. All makes and models are welcome and all proceeds benefit a local charity. Registration starts at 9 am. For information, contact Patty or Alfie at 623-465-5959 or [joinus@shangrilaranch.com](mailto:joinus@shangrilaranch.com)

Starting in April there will be an automotive swap meet the first Sunday of the month until the end of the year from 5 am - 2 pm at Glendale Community College in the back lot. 18 x 20 spaces are \$20.00. Free admission to the public. For event info contact Tom at 602-332-1939. Clean out the garage and make some \$\$\$.



## From the Watch Pocket

By Ernie Loga

Some of the hardest South Bend watches to find are the ladies or woman's watches. These are the small watches usually under a size 12 watch. South Bend Watch Company only made two sizes of woman's watches being the size 6 and then the size 0.



All of these watches were cased by the selling jeweler so there is a variety of cases available. Most were sold to be used as a piece of jewelry that was worn as a pin or necklace so the case usually had some kind of

engraving and fancy dial. If the purchaser could afford it, the watch was housed in a fancy engraved solid gold or a sterling silver case.

As wristwatches became popular, both men and woman turned to the size 0 watch and had it installed in a wristwatch case. Today, if you see a South Bend wristwatch it will be a size 0 watch.

It is a mystery to this writer why the South Bend Watch company stopped production of woman's watches after 1913. The wristwatch was just becoming popular and more woman were starting to carry a watch. In some of their early mail-order catalogs The South Bend Watch Company offered both men's and woman's watches but all of these were Swiss imports.

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## Interesting Web Sites

<http://www.pinetoplakesidechamber.com/index.asp>  
Watch this site for information about the Run to the Pines car show in September.

<http://tinyurl.com/4sujmm> Great Shell commercial. Turn up the sound all the way. Wow!

<http://tinyurl.com/4sb5nju> *Car and Driver* article about Chapter member, Ken Michael.

<http://www.lov2xlr8.no/broch1.html> Check this out, includes excellent Studebaker content.

<http://www.arizonaautoscene.com/indexstory.php?id=124>  
Photos from Casa Grande car show. Look for the Avantis.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TcTQazmj8dA> Classy Chrysler ad

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2FvJvcZMn3U>  
Doing the Susie Q!

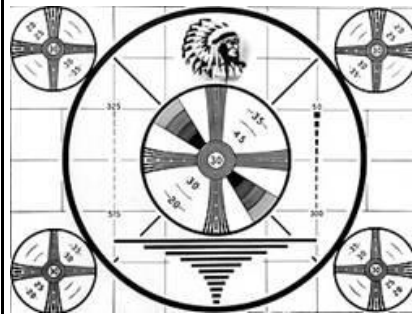
## BACK TO THE '50s



Do you remember.....

Test patterns  
Brownie Camera  
Green Stamps  
Aluminum Christmas Tree  
15¢ Hamburgers  
5¢ Stamp  
Topo Gigio  
Flash Bulbs  
And, of course, Studebakers!

Thanks to Jim and Aileen Ten Eyck for sharing.



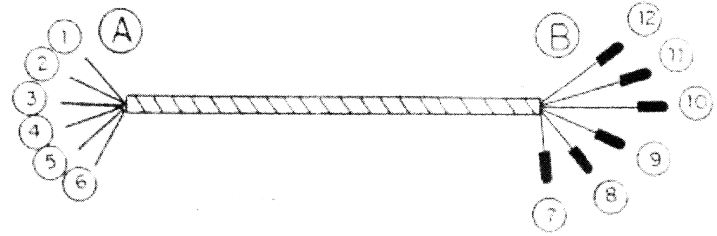


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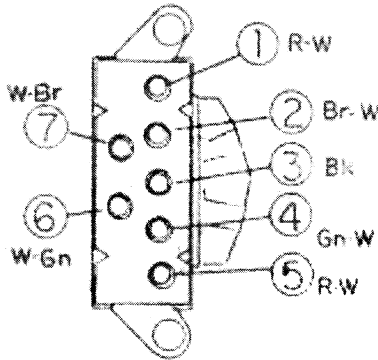
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## Turn Signal Wiring Diagram for 1955-'66 Cars

The turn signal switch harness from the switch to the car harness is 30".



TURN SIGNAL SWITCH HARNESS



TURN SIGNAL SWITCH

| Branch # | Gage Size | Color | Connect To:                                              |
|----------|-----------|-------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| A 1      | 16        | R-W   | Turn Signal Switch (#1 & #5) **                          |
| A 2      | 16        | G-W   | Turn Signal Switch (#4)                                  |
| A 3      | 16        | B     | Turn Signal Switch (#3)                                  |
| A 4      | 16        | W-G   | Turn Signal Switch (#6)                                  |
| A 5      | 16        | W-Br  | Turn Signal Switch (#7)                                  |
| A 6      | 16        | Br-W  | Turn Signal Switch (#2)                                  |
| B 7      | 16        | Br-W  | Turn Signal Sw. Conn. Block (LR stop/turn signal)        |
| B 8      | 16        | W-Br  | Turn Signal Sw. Conn. Block (RF turn signal)             |
| B 9      | 16        | W-G   | Turn Signal Sw. Conn. Block (LF turn signal)             |
| B 10     | 16        | B     | Turn Signal Sw. Conn. Block (feed from flasher)          |
| B 11     | 16        | G-W   | Turn Signal Sw. Conn. Block (RR stop/turn signal)        |
| B 12     | 16        | R-W   | Turn Signal Sw. Conn. Block (feed from stoplight switch) |

\*\* Hook end of wire #1 to terminal #1. Then measure 11/2" back from end of wire #1 and bare wire about 1/4". Connect bare spot to terminal #5.

(This information is not found in the shop manual.)

## Studebaker Front Disk Brake System: A Short History

By Dan Dobbins

In late 1934, Studebaker replaced their mechanical brake system with a hydraulic brake system, using warm beer from Drewery's Brewery in South Bend. However, the warm beer had a tendency to foam and thus reduce effective stopping by creating air bubbles, which caused a spongy pedal. Warm beer was replaced with cheap moonshine whiskey, but following the repeal of Prohibition, moonshine became expensive and very hard to find. Finally, a chemical hydraulic brake fluid became the fluid of choice for brakes in early 1935. The innovation became the standard in the automobile industry until the early 1960s.

In the spring of 1962, Oscar Koskorvonick, a 16 year old prodigy, a graduate of M.I.T., an avowed Republican and a recently hired Studebaker engineer, had a near collision with a new Jaguar Model #SJ 6R 7500 XGA-HS. Koskorvonick was driving a souped up 1959 Silver Hawk with a 4 barrel carburetor. Although he was fully licensed in the State of Indiana, he was relatively inexperienced and, applying the brakes too hard, almost skidded into the Jaguar.

Koskorvonick was deeply impressed with the ability of the Jaguar to brake quickly and avoid colliding with his Hawk. As the smoke cleared from the near collision, he jumped out of his Hawk and with a set of four open end wrenches, a screw driver, a 4 lb hand sledge hammer and a small portable 2 ton hydraulic jack completely disassembled the front brake system of the Jaguar so he could personally investigate the Jaguar's superior braking capability. It took Koskorvonick some 7 1/2 minutes to completely disassemble the Jaguar's front brakes and to discover that it had a unique "disk brake" system. He left the disassembled Jaguar right on the corner, by the stop sign, with a very irate rich person complaining, and returned immediately to the Studebaker Engineering Department. He proceeded to write up a proposal to incorporate the Jaguar's dual front brake system in all future Studebakers. His proposal was reviewed and approved by the management - in a record 72 hours. This innovative braking system was offered as an option on all Studebaker models, except trucks and Gravelly tractors, beginning with the 1963 model year.

Thus, the Studebaker became the first Canadian made and/or American made car to incorporate a front disk brake system in its automobiles, except for some stupid semi-innovations used on Crosley's in the late 1940s. Since a fully loaded Crosley weighed about three stones (18 pounds), this disk brake concept was not well received. Most cars weigh more than 34 stones (204 pounds).

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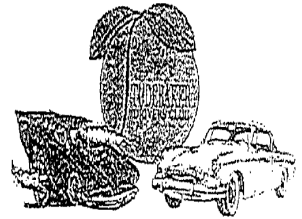
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