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From a Studebaker brochure advertising the 1957 Models

From the Editor's Pen.....

Nominations for Pacific Southwest Director and Zone Coordinator have been extended to December 20th because the Call was omitted from the October *Turning Wheels*. If you have interest in running for either office please refer to page 25 of the November issue for information.

Watch for a report on October's Trunk and Treat event in the next *ECHO*. The Eastburn family went all out again with decorating and providing desserts for the finish of the meal at Macayo's. Special thanks to Michell for all she did to make it a memorable event.

During the October meeting, the members approved hosting the 2013 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet. Dennis Lynde, Ed Smith and Jon Carter have volunteered to serve on the Steering Committee. Contact any one of them to volunteer for one of the many committees needed to successfully run a meet.

Thanks to this month's contributors: Ed Smith, Linda Smith, Dan Kuhl, Richard Dormois, Fred Gooch and Bill Gilmore. Check out all the great ads this month, too. You might find your next Studebaker among them.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Chris

2012 Election Ballots and Holiday Reservations

The ballot and holiday party reservation form have been inserted inside the November newsletter and can be found on page 13 of the online edition.

Please return both to the person listed on each form either by mail or e-mail.

Chapter Dues

2012 Chapter dues are due January 1st and are \$18.00 for the newsletter mailed to you or \$15.00 for the electronic version sent to your e-mail address.

In addition to paying your dues with check or cash you can pay them with Pay Pal by going to <http://www.paypal.com> and signing in. Click the "send money" tab and for "to" enter ccollinsaz@cox.net, enter amount of \$18.00 or \$15.00 and click "goods", then click "submit". On the next page enter "2012 GCSC dues" and provide your name and SDC membership number (see your SDC membership card).

Please remember, to be a member of the Grand Canyon State Chapter you must be a member of the Studebaker Drivers Club. See the application on the back cover of each newsletter for SDC dues.

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From the President.....

As Thanksgiving approaches, I think it's important to take a gratitude inventory. A number of things in life can make us uncomfortable or even a little miffed. But sometimes they are gifts in disguise. With that in mind, here are some things to be thankful for.



Be thankful for growing older. Not everyone gets this opportunity. Aging with health and grace and a Studebaker is a rare and beautiful gift.

When you're stuck in traffic, be thankful you have a car to get where you need to go and even more thankful that it is a Studebaker, for others to admire.

When the kids are screaming at each other, be thankful that you have children or grandchildren to love and who love you, and remember that at least some of the time, they do get along.

When your Studebaker is acting grumpy or giving you a hard time, be thankful for having this love in your life and as something to grow old with.

Be thankful for your body and all the movements it swiftly, or not so swiftly, performs.

Be thankful for everyone and everything that makes that Thanksgiving dinner possible. When you sit down look your family and friends in the eye and express to them your gratitude for sharing this wonderful time together.

When your parents are telling you how to run your life, be thankful that you still have them around. If they are no longer with you, take a moment to be thankful for the time you had with them.

Be thankful for the air you breathe, clean water to drink, good food to enjoy, and traveling in your Studebaker.

Be thankful for a good day spent with family or friends, a fulfilling day enjoyed doing what you like and Silence when you need it.

Be thankful for the magic of every day, a starry night, pistachio ice cream and all kinds of chocolate!

Be thankful for the sound of the wind moving the leaves and the innocent smile of a child.

Be thankful for the good advice received exactly when needed.

Be thankful that there is a group of Studebaker drivers that have fantastic ideas and are willing to share those ideas as 2013 Pacific Southwest Zone Committee Chair Persons or as Committee Members or simply as the bearer of good ideas.

Thanksgiving is a very special holiday. Embrace those around you. Be thankful you have the ability to give thanks to those you love.

Ed Smith

CELEBRATE! November Birthdays



2	Scott Grainger	18	Mike Barany
2	Sam Powell	20	Dave Kirkel
2	Dennis Roeper	21	Jim Ten Eyck
7	Nicki Ready	23	Denny Lockmon
8	Mary Barany	24	Pam Duel
8	Vicky Crowe	25	Guy Hammer
9	Phyllis Olson	26	Bob Halgren
13	Betty Von Behren	27	Mike Maddux
14	Madelyn Holub	28	Cindy Marion
16	Gregg Avery	30	John Pflingstag

November Anniversaries

3	Gregg & Eliza Avery
5	Brian & Aleta Millette
9	Edward & Kathy Santilli
11	Frank & Carol Green
11	Michael Davis & Judy March
15	Colin & Suzanne Fort
26	Scott & Marlene Benson
27	Ed & Wenda Wenger
29	Jim & Pat Boehnlein

*Congratulations to Carol Parks and Don Aden
on their marriage, October 8th.
Best Wishes for many happy years!*

Welcome New Members

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1962 Lark

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Phoenix, AZ 85008
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1962 GT Hawk (driver)
1965 Cruiser (parked in drive)

ORPHAN CAR SHOW

Fourteen Studebakers were displayed by Chapter members at the annual Orphan Car Show at Los Olivos Park at 28th Street and Devonshire in Phoenix on Sunday, October 16th. That number was sufficient to earn the Chapter the Club Participation Award from the hosts, the Valley Roadrunner Chapter, VMCCA. The total attendance at the show was eighty six orphans and other vehicles.

Several members won door prizes and a few were awarded fun prizes. Ed and Linda Smith, who displayed their 1951 stake bed pickup, won the "If it only grew on trees" award. Receiving the "It's a Hit" award were Jerry Volk and Debbie Breese displaying their 1955 Commander. "Under Restoration" was the award won by John Rodhouse with his 1950 2R5 minus the bed. Steve Mills received the "Love It" cup for his black 1961 Hawk. Not a Studebaker nor a relative, but nonetheless a beautiful vehicle, the People's Choice winner was a 1936 Terraplane.

Other chapter members displaying Studebaker were Rob Ray, 1960 Hawk; Dennis Lynde, 1953 Pickup; Dan & Corlean Kuhl, 1963 Avanti; John Amoroso, 1947 M5; Jack & Lori Dennis, 1956 Power Hawk; Steve Fein, 1966 Cruiser; Chuck & Chris Collins, 1963 Avanti; Steve & Pam Chadwell, 1962 Lark; Willard & Ruth Pike, 1956 President; Denny Lockmon, 1940 President.

Also attending were, Al Riedel, Richard Phegley, Pierce Hawke & Marily Horstmann, John & Lorilee Kroulik and new members Edward & Kathy Santilli (pictured above) who drove their GT Hawk. The Dennis' and Steve Mills had family members visit during the day making this show a great family event.



MARTIN AUTO MUSEUM

By Bill Gilmore

The formerly private Martin Auto Museum has just announced that it will now open its doors to the public every Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 12 noon to 6pm beginning on Friday October 28th 2011. Organized back in 2005, the Martin Auto Museum Inc. was created by Arizona entrepreneur Mel Martin to showcase his private collection of vintage vehicles and is now registered with the IRS as a 501(c)3 non-profit "dedicated to the preservation of collectible and rare automobiles for educational purposes."

As his collection continued to grow and the building expanded, Mel saw a need to share this collection of vehicles that represented significant periods in automotive history. At the Martin Auto Museum, visitors can view automotive history through the decades in this vast collection. There are also enough race cars and one-of-a-kind vehicles to excite any automotive, art or history enthusiast.

The Martin Auto Museum is located at 17641 North Black Canyon Highway, Phoenix. The Museum's phone number is (602) 971-4753 and their fax number is (602) 971-4836. You can also e-mail Mel at: melcarup@aol.com and the MMA Museum's web site is at: www.MartinAutoMuseum.org

Editor's note: The Chapter will hold its January meeting at the Martin Auto Museum.

FREE VETERAN'S DAY CONCERT

A free concert put on by the Sun City Pops Band will be held Wednesday evening, November 9 at the 7:00 pm in the Sundial Recreation Center located at 103rd Ave and Boswell in Sun City. The concert will remember the 70th anniversary of Pearl Harbor.

The band director is Chapter member Larry Swanson and he invites everyone to enjoy an evening of music honoring veterans.

Interesting Web Sites

<http://tinyurl.com/3kvr99s> Great photo album of October's Pacific Southwest Zone Meet in San Diego.

<http://tinyurl.com/42n7u9k> Hemmings auction report on sale of the 1884 steam car.

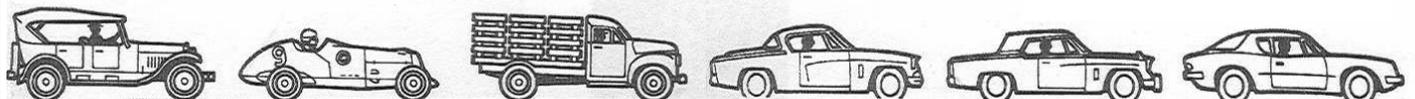
<http://kansastravel.org/grandpasoldfordgarage.htm> Includes Studebaker content.

<http://www.vex.net/~bastien/bugsport/> Catch up on all the Stude doings in Bugsport.

<http://extras.denverpost.com/archive/captured.asp> Great photos of America circa 1939-1943.

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER UPCOMING EVENTS

- NOVEMBER 1** ARIZONA AUTOMOBILE HOBBYIST COUNCIL (AAHC) MEETING 7:00 PM AT DON SANDERSON FORD TRUCK CENTER, 5300 NW GRAND AVE, GLENDALE. INFO: 623-204-9172
- NOVEMBER 5** **COLLECTOR & ANTIQUE TRUCK SHOW AT THE HALL OF FLAME MUSEUM OF FIRE-FIGHTING, 6101 E. VAN BUREN ST., PHOENIX FROM 1-5 PM. TRUCKS 1972 AND OLDER ARE WELCOME. \$10 DONATION DAY OF SHOW. FOOD AND DOOR PRIZES. INFO: SEE PAGE 6 OR CONTACT JOHN AT 480-994-1064 OR DAN AT 602-757-2625**
- NOVEMBER 6** **BOARD AND OFFICERS MEET. MEMBERS WELCOME. FOR LOCATION CONTACT ED AT 602-290-1045 / EDCOLLECTS@COX.NET**
- NOVEMBER 18-20** GOODGUYS SOUTHWEST NATIONALS AT WESTWORLD, 16601 N. PIMA RD., SCOTTSDALE. INFO@GOODGUYS.COM OR VISIT [HTTP://WWW.SOUTHWESTNATS.COM](http://WWW.SOUTHWESTNATS.COM)
- DECEMBER 3** **CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY AT LAKEVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 103RD AVE & THUNDERBIRD BLVD. DINNER AND AUCTION. SEE PAGE 6 FOR DETAILS. WOULD YOU LIKE TO PREPARE A HAM OR TURKEY BREAST OR HOST A TABLE? CONTACT LINDA AT LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET OR 602-618-7691**
- DECEMBER 4** TOYZ FOR TOTZ CRUISE TO WICKENBURG. MEET AT NW CORNER OF 35TH AVE AND NORTHERN AT 9:00 AM FOR COFFEE AND DONUTS. CRUISE LEAVES AT 10:00. ENTRY FEE IS ONE UNWRAPPED TOY. CRUISE TO WICKENBURG FOR RAFFLE PRIZES, VENDORS, CRAFT SALES, FOOD AND MORE. INFO: SHERRY AT 602-326-0924
- DECEMBER 6** AAHC MEETING AT SCOTTSDALE INTERNATIONAL AUTO MUSEUM AT THE PAVILIONS SCOTTSDALE. 7:00 PM. INFO: 623-204-9172
- JANUARY 21, 2011** **CHAPTER GATHERING AT MEL MARTIN'S AUTO MUSEUM. ARRIVE AT 10:00 AM FOR STUDEBAKER DISPLAY WITH PEOPLE'S CHOICE JUDGING AND MUSEUM TOUR. CATERED LUNCH AT NOON. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED. CONTACT LINDA AT 602-618-7691 OR LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET FIVE PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN AND MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO SPONSOR AN AWARD. CONTACT ED AT 602-290-1045**
- JANUARY 22** SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER HOSTS ANNUAL BANQUET AT TANQUE VERDE GUEST RANCH, 14301 E. SPEEDWAY. MEET IN PARKING LOT AT 10:30 AM, BANQUET AT 11:30. \$22.00 PER PERSON. CONTACT CHUCK STANFORD AT 520-888-1563 TO RSVP. BRING A NICE STUDEBAKER OR MEET T-SHIRT FOR AN SAC QUILT PROJECT.
- MARCH 24** **SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER HOSTS ANNUAL ALL ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING AT FOOTHILLS MALL. INFO: JERRY AT 520-616-0434 OR GKAISSER493@EARTHLINK.NET**
- JULY 29-AUG. 4** 48TH INTERNATIONAL SDC MEET HOSTED BY MICHIANA CHAPTER & STUDEBAKER NATIONAL MUSEUM IN SOUTH BEND. INFO: [HTTP://WWW.SDCMEET.COM](http://WWW.SDCMEET.COM)
- MAY 10-13** ASC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET IN SHOW LOW. TOURS, BANQUET, AWARDS. FOR INFO CONTACT MALCOLM STINSON AT 928-537-2571 OR swstudebaker@frontiernet.net
- SEPTEMBER 21-23** PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET HOSTED BY WASATCH MOUNTAIN CHAPTER IN SALT LAKE CITY. INFO HERE: <http://www.studebakerdrivers.net/meet.htm>



UPCOMING EVENTS

COLLECTOR-ANTIQUe TRUCK SHOW

Saturday, November 5, 2011

1:00 - 5:00 pm

at the Hall of Flame Museum

6101 E. Van Buren Street, Phoenix

(located next to Phoenix Memorial Stadium and across from the Phoenix Zoo)

1972 and older trucks are welcome!

Register at the show. Entry fee of \$10.00 charitable donation will admit your group entrance to the museum and a chance to win door prizes.

Hamburgers, hot dogs and chips will be available. Door prizes will awarded at the end of the show.

Members who do not have an antique or collector truck to display are welcome to visit the show and the museum. Regular entry fees apply.

For information about the show contact John at 480-994-1064 or Dan at 602-757-2625

For information about the museum visit <http://www.hallofflame.org>

CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday, December 3, 2011

12:00 - 4:00 PM

SMOOT HALL AT

LAKEVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
103rd AVE & THUNDERBIRD BLVD

- 📦 Pot luck dinner with meat provided by Chapter. A-P bring your favorite holiday side dish or salad. Q-Z, bring a favorite holiday dessert. Dinner at 1:00 pm.
- 📦 Volunteers to host a holiday with table service and a centerpiece can contact Linda Smith to sign up. Table hosts can set tables beginning at noon. Tables are round, seat 8 and include a covering.
- 📦 An auction will be held. Please bring a Studebaker, holiday or nice white elephant item for the auction.
- 📦 Non-perishable food items will be accepted to donate to a food bank.
- 📦 The 2011 Member of the Year will be honored and 2012 Chapter officers and board will be introduced.
- 📦 Reservations are required by November 30 to plan for the amount of meat to prepare. Mail the reservation form included with your newsletter or contact Linda Smith at lindagsmith@cox.net or 602-618-7691
- 📦 Directions to the church are : *From loop 101 - West on Thunderbird Rd. 2 miles to 103rd Ave. From Bell Rd. - South on 99th Ave. 2 miles to Thunderbird Rd., then 8 miles west to 103rd Ave. From Grand Ave. - North to 103rd Ave, then to Thunderbird Rd.*

November 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-5311		1 AAHC Meeting	2	3	4	5 Truck Show at Hall of Flame
6 Board Meeting	7	8 Election Day	9	10	11 Veteran's Day	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Goodguys Show, Nov. 18-20
20	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving	25	26
27	28	29	30 RSVP for party by today.			

It's November Already?

Submitted by Linda Smith, Vice President

October blew by, but the Studebakers were out in force throughout the month. At the 21st Annual Orphan Car Picnic/Show we took the Club Participation Award with 14 Studebakers. Several members won individual awards, also. We all had a great time.

Next was the Pacific Southwest Zone Meet in beautiful San Diego. They had 89 Studebakers show. Ed and I took our 51 Stakebed truck and Malcolm Stinson was there with his Commander. Chuck and Chris Collins was also there doing what they do best, vending some great Studebaker parts, and John Kroulik was there admiring all the cars and trucks. It was great to see the Tucson Chapter members and we got to meet more Studebaker families. The hospitality was gracious and the banquet was superb. Thank You to the San Diego County Chapter for all your hard work. The show was great.

Then, on to the Cops & Rodders Car Show in Tucson. Ed and I took our Studebaker and the Austin Healy and we were joined by John Rodhouse with his Studebaker truck. Our Studes weren't alone – they made friends with some other great looking Studebakers. We had a great time. They raffled off the 1925 Studebaker and the lucky ticket was sold here in Phoenix by our President. Congratulations to Joyce Grundy.

And last was our Halloween Trunk or Treat Chapter event at Macayo's Mexican Restaurant in Goodyear. Thanks to the Eastburn family for organizing this event.

Just in: Every 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month at 4pm – at the 5 & Diner, 12802 N. Tatum Blvd, Phoenix. Drivers of classic cars get 25% off an entrée at the diner. Maybe we can get our Studes out of the garage and go for a drive and dinner!!!

November is shaping up to be a full month again.

Let's see what is going on:

Well, first is our election of officers and board members. Please vote. The winners (or victims) will be announced at our Christmas party in December. **Vote!**

November 5th – Collector & Antique Truck Show at the Hall of Flame Museum of Firefighting, 6101 E. Van Buren Street., Phoenix from 1-5pm.

Another November 5th show – Wild West Showdown presented by United Buckeye Firefighters Local 4311 at the Sundance Golf Club, 900 S. Sundance parkway, Buckeye, AZ. Roll-in from 8am – 10am. \$25 pre-registration or \$30 day of show. Email wwscarshow@gmail.com with questions.

Nov 6th - GCSC Officers & Board Members meet. Contact Ed for location. Members are welcome.

Nov. 12th - 8th Annual Car & Motorcycle Show at Ahwatukee Community Center, 4700 E. Warner Rd. 10 - 4. Contact Lisa for info at 480-893-3431

Nov 18-20 the Good Guys Southwest Nationals at Westworld in Scottsdale.

Our November chapter event has been cancelled due to other conflicts.

Let's get ready for our **Christmas event Dec 3rd** at the Lakeview United Methodist Church, 103rd Avenue & Thunderbird Blvd. 12pm – 4pm. Christmas Pot Luck Dinner. (A-P Side dish or salad and Q-Z dessert). Tables are decorated by our own volunteer members. We need those Table hosts to volunteer now. We will also have our annual auction. Come and enjoy the festivities and bring an auction item that you know someone else would love to bid on!! More to follow but you can contact me or Ed to volunteer at 602-618-7691 or lindagsmith@co.net.

January 21, 2012: I don't even want to think about, do you? The Chapter is planning our annual January luncheon, car show and a swap meet at Mel Martin's Museum with lunch catered by Macayo's.



Studebaker History Quiz

Ed Smith devised a Studebaker history quiz which was given to members who attended the Drive Your Studebaker Day event in September. Many returned their completed quizzes that day but if you didn't you can return it to Ed at the Holiday Party or mail it to him before the party at his address on page 2.

The quiz is reprinted below for those who did not attend the DYSD event and, again, either bring the answers to the quiz to the party on December 3rd or return them to Ed before that date. Correct entries will be acknowledged and answers shared.

1. What year were Studebakers first produced? (by the Studebaker Co.)
2. What was the first name of the Studebaker Corporation?
3. When did the first gasoline powered car roll from the factory?
4. What years were the Champion six cylinder engine used?
5. When was the first President produced?
6. What engine did the first President have?
7. When did the four speed transmission come out?
8. When was the first Champion model introduced?
9. What was the "First by Far with a Postwar Car" car?
10. What two years were the famous Bullet Nose cars built

Tip: *Turning Wheels* is a great reference to help you with the questions. There are many sources on the internet, as well.

Good luck!



FALL ACTIVITY ABOUNDS

By Richard Dormois

It feels like I have been on the road forever. I think this is the longest continuous odyssey I've enjoyed since the Fairbanks, Alaska Studebaker journey several years ago. I'm ready to rest and catch up on Arizona for awhile.

The Carlisle, Pennsylvania swap meet at the end of September was good. Most flea market spaces were occupied and about ninety per cent of the car corral was full on the hill. Food vendors were all very busy even though it rained Wednesday and Thursday. Auctions America's three day event in the evening fared pretty well, I guess. Seats were all full, but not quite as many attending as last year. At least not Friday night. Looked like some pretty good buys. Many old and new friends taking in the action.

The National Mack Truck Show at the Gebhart Ranch in Littiz, Pennsylvania, was the highlight of the week for some on Saturday. Big rigs of every description from throughout North American with a large representation from Canada. Perfect weather. Many food vendors with Pennsylvania Dutch fare.

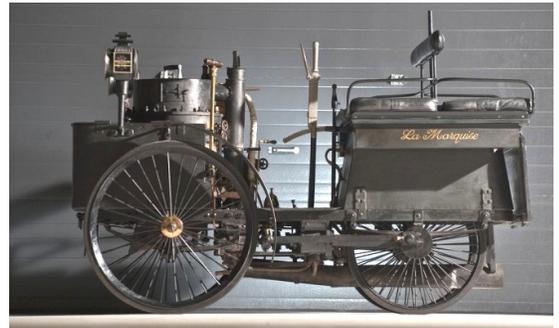
The Studebaker Fall Northeast Roundup was different. It began on Sunday evening with supper at the Wenger Ranch in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. Driving tour to historic sights, then walking, walking, walking in the woods through unchartered territory to visit venues untouched since world war one and the civil war. Very interesting stuff, but quite a challenge to get there...and back. All in the Shippensburg, Pennsylvania area. Two day event ended with a formal dinner in an eighteen hundred's mansion with fine china, olde linen and antique silver. Just a little strange with all of us in grubbies after walking through the woods and mud all day. Meal was excellent. Irene and James Shoul did a great job planning and hosting this meet.

The Eastern National AACA Meet at Hershey, Pennsylvania, was quite different than any year since 2000. The weather was absolutely perfect every day. 900 car corral spaces lacked about twenty of being full every day. For some the car corral is as enjoyable as the swap meet and the concours. It is situated on the road surrounding the Chocolate Field, the Orange Field and the Giant Center and should take about a half a day for the serious looker. I never have that luxury, but Friday evening I hiked about half of it. All the vending spaces were rented and most were occupied. With a scooter, as for the old folks, the swap meet can be covered in two days, but walking, one field a day is about the norm. Saturday's Eastern National AACA car show drew 1294 classics from motor scooters to gran touring cars of every description and vintage. Weather being such as it was, the crowd was literally shoulder to shoulder making it challenging to see and appreciate the vehicles. Many old friends there from all parts of North America.

Thursday and Friday of the Eastern National was the RM Auction at the Hershey Lodge with a packed house both evenings. There was no standing room. Highlights for me was seeing a Studebaker Four Seasons Roadster sell for sixty thousand dollars and an 1884 French Di Dion Dos a Dos steam car sell for four million two hundred thousand dollars. The British auctioneer cried the sale in French and English and it was exciting indeed. If you watched the sale on the internet and have seen pictures in the media, I am in row twelve on the right side in the sea of humanity. The Di Dion is touted as the oldest driving motor vehicle. Impressively came onto the stage and off with alacrity.

Sunday, the Greater Virginia Studebaker Car and Truck Show at the Bradfield Estate in Bridgewater, Virginia, drew seventy great classics of every era and the pot luck meal attended by a couple hundred was without peer. I'm not sure how, but each year this wonderful gathering seems to get better and better. For a handful of us the big thrill comes at o'dark thirty Sunday morning when we commence to ferry Chester and Nancy's cars and trucks from their museum to the front lawn of the estate under Chester's well planned guidance. There are no greater hosts in the country. Special thank you to Cyndie, Nancy, Chester, Jeff and Kevin for their generosity each year.

The Atlantic to the Pacific oceans in the same week for some of us. The SDC Pacific Southwest Zone Meet in San Diego drew fifty seven Studebakers, Pierce Arrows and Packards in near perfect weather ably hosted by Bob and Mimi Halgren of La Mesa, California and Payson, Arizona. Driving tours to classic car venues in San Diego were enjoyed by the masses. High quality raffle prizes were in abundance. The hospitality suite, food functions, the car show and people's choice awards were the acme of the season. Chuck Collins, Chris Collins, John Kroulik, Richard Dormois, Colin Fort, Suzanne Fort, Fred Gooch, Nora Gooch, Bob Halgren, Mimi Halgren, Claudia Robinette, June Kaiser, Jerry Kaiser, Kent Vandenburg, Frank Wenzel, Chuck Stanford, Louise Stanford, Malcolm Stinson, Bruce Sandburg, Delores Shurtz, Ed Smith, Linda Smith, Joanna Worster, Terry Worster, Joe Bailey and Glenda Bailey enjoyed the zone meet.



"La Marquise" Di Dion Dos a Dos steam car.
Photo courtesy of RM Auctions.

Congratulations to the members who received people's choice awards at the Zone Meet: Frank and Kent with a 1933 President Skyway; Malcolm, 1940 Commander; Joe and Glenda, 1940 Champion Coupe and Colin and Suzanne with a 1958 Packard Station Wagon.

~~~ MORE ADS ~~~  
STUDEBAKERS FOR SALE

**1953 Commander Regal Deluxe Starliner Coupe**  
98,000+ actual miles, 259 V-8, Auto Trans (all manuals), NO Rust (CA & AZ car), original paint (Tahoe Green), interior redone in 70's, NEW wiring nose to tail (2010), Tri-Star with all emblems, asking \$9,000, will entertain offers. Jim Ten Eyck at aj10eyck@q.net or 480-991-9161

**1938 State Commander.** 4dr green w/od. Rebuilt 6 cyl. engine, carburetor, fuel pump and gas tank (Gastank Renu). New reproduction hub caps & white wall tires. Paint, body and interior are good. Runs great. Garaged in Cordes Lakes, AZ. \$9200 OBO Sherry 480-710-4493 or sw60hawk@yahoo.com (3)

**1964 Studebaker Avanti R2** Serial #5010 featured in AOAI Newsletter Issue 86, AOAI Issue 153 and Grand Canyon Chapter *Echo* Newsletter Volume 38, Issue 6. Original owner. 56,900 original miles. Always garage kept. Avanti Turquoise Paint, full black interior, engine original AM-FM Radio, power steering and all systems (with the exception of a newly installed GM700R transmission) remain original. Original spare tire in trunk. Never in an accident.

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**1956 Sky Hawk** 289 AT, PS, Duals, w/crossover, 1963 Engine/AT, Prop shaft. All white w/Red Leather Interior. Recent replacement: ww radials, wiring harness, K & N air filter, Optima Battery (moved to trunk), Elec Tach, full interior carpet & rubber front floor mats, Head liner, Dash clock & new chrome trim pieces. Have original tube radio, and all original trim pieces. Car is driven regularly. Needs and is a good candidate for full restoration, which I can't do. Have a disassembled 259 engine that could be part of any deal.

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**TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

**HOW MUCH IS TOO MUCH?**



By Dan Kuhl

I was reading an old *Special Interest Auto* magazine and came across these calculations that may save your Studebaker engine from an unnecessary rebuild. The first calculation deals with piston speed. Back in the fifties the number 2,500 feet per minute was used as a maximum. So, I used the author's suggested calculations to determine how fast is a safe highway speed for my 1959 Commander six with no overdrive. Here are the two equations that you will need to determine the piston speed of your engine at a chosen sustainable highway speed.

(stroke in inches) x (rpm\*) divided by six = piston speed

Rpm = (mph) x (gear ratio) x (final drive ratio) x 88 divided by (tire circumference in feet)

\*The second equation is not necessary if your vehicle has a tachometer.

Also, the mechanics referenced in the article stated that serious valve damage does not occur until 70% of the maximum horsepower rated rpm is reached. With all of this stated, I looked at my driving situation. Using 50 mph and the two equations listed above results in a piston speed less than the safe level of 2500 feet per minute. The second test that uses 70% of the maximum horsepower rated RPM fitted into the second equation and solving for the speed (mph) resulted in a safe top speed of 48 mph. I have never driven my old truck over 50 mph anyway. Definitely not too much!!



I would like every one to be aware of the rising price of the Studebaker Avantis for sale on eBay. In June, an original 1963 survivor sold for \$47,5000 and a restored '63 with an R3 engine was bid up to \$71,500 last week and did not reach the seller's reserve. According to the listing he had it insured with Grundy for \$200,000. These prices are again definitely not too much!! All Avanti owners should agree.

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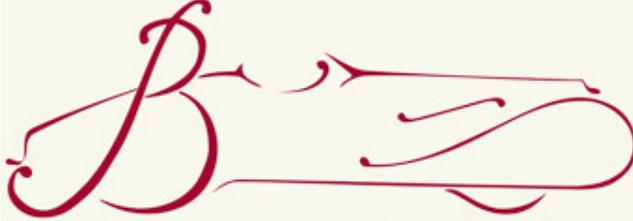


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**Avanti R1** Black plate CA car from the LA area. Bought the car from a family that purchased it as a dismantled project. They rebuilt the engine & trans (fresh) and sounds great; new carb & battery, water pump, electric fuel pump, exhaust, brakes, electronic ignition; radiator recored. Installed nos replacement dash; 289/240hp; auto; ps; pdb Dana 3:31 rear; A/C. The a/c units needs to be reinstalled under the dash along with the drivers window and both power units & door panels. There are boxes of parts in the trunk. Needs paint (original white color); both bumpers could use re-chroming \$200 ea; replacement rugs; door panels and front seats covers which are available from Avanti vendors. Drive and enjoy while finishing. \$9000 OBO Walt at 602-885-2216 (1)

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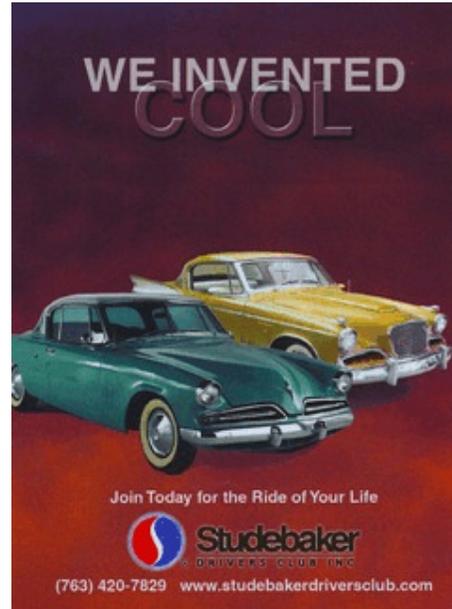
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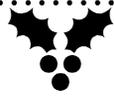
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