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The Desert Ark was a gift made by Mary Powell-McConnell and her late husband, Jim, to the Arizona Sonora Desert Museum. It has a place of honor in front of the museum when it is not being used and is the source of many positive comments.

Dear Grand Canyon State Chapter Members,

On behalf of the Desert Museum Board of Trustees, thank you. Thank you for your generous gift in support of the maintenance and upkeep of the Desert Ark. For many, the 1960 Studebaker (and its contents) is the Desert Museum.

The Desert Museum is alive and healthy because of friends like you. Our docents, volunteers and employees are the BEST. It is a great honor for me to serve as chairman.

Thank you, again!
Arch Brown



From the Editor's Pen.....

2012 is a special year for the Studebaker Drivers Club and the Grand Canyon State Club. Both will observe significant milestone anniversaries - 50 years for the SDC and 40 years for the GCSC. Let's be thinking of ways to celebrate these anniversaries, perhaps along with celebrating Arizona's centennial. There will be many activities throughout the state during the year and there might be a way to show off our Studebakers during one or more of them. If you read about an activity such as a parade or car show in conjunction with the centennial let a board member know.

Thank you to the advertisers who have renewed their ads for another year - Don Becker, Buddy Wright and the Collinses. Be sure to check the paid ads from time to time for a service or product you could use.

Just a reminder, the 2013 zone meet committee is seeking theme and logo ideas. There'll be a prize for the winning idea.

Thanks to this month's contributors: Dan Kuhl, Denny Lockmon, Ed Smith, Linda Smith and Chuck Collins.

Happy New Year!

Chris

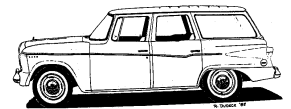
2012 Post Card and E-mail Contest

The post card contest is back and, this year, the contest has been expanded to include e-mail entries. Please send your entry to the editor at her mail or e-mail address by January 20th, the day before the January event. Write your name on the post card and for an e-mail entry, write Contest in the subject line and include your name in the body. Please, only one entry per family.

The winning entry will have his/her 2012 Chapter dues paid (or refunded, if previously paid). The drawing will take place at the January meeting but you do not have to be present to win.

Send your postcard entry to
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Send your e-mail entry to ccollinsaz@cox.net



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From the President.....

The past year was full of events and activities that brought together old friends, new friends and old cars. A new year is upon us so we would like to continue with friends and cars coming together. There are moments to be made as together we share our enthusiasm for Studebaker. We start the year off with a visit to Mel Martin's Auto Museum and then a Parade in Wickenburg in February.



A club, no matter what kind, is only as good as its members and we have a very good club. There are times that not everyone can participate by being physically at an event or gathering but as long as they are there in spirit others will feel the presence.

One way we can work as a club is to help one another. There are many meetings, gatherings, events and opportunities to lend a hand, an idea or moral support. A clue on how to fix something or at least where to go to get help can be a welcome relief to a troubled member. Contact me or Linda or any board member with your suggestions and together we will build a strong club.

To start this year off I need some help. I have acquired some interesting items that I would like to identify and explain what they were used for.



If you have an idea as to what these are used for please submit your answers to a board member and answers will be posted in the next ECHO.

Ed Smith

CELEBRATE!

January Birthdays



- | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Delores Shurtz | 13 Ron Crowe |
| 2 Anna Riedel | 18 Aileen Ten Eyck |
| 3 Willie Shearhart | 28 Ron Ludolph |
| 4 Don Robertson | 28 Bill Simmons |
| 4 Sherry Pfingstag | 29 Carl Thompson |
| 5 Nora Gooch | 30 Jerry Steinmetz |
| 6 Lenka Hospodka | 30 Evelyn Verrill |
| 7 Frank van Doorn | 31 Sherry Watson |
| 12 Hugh McDowell | |

January Anniversaries

- | | |
|----|-----------------------------|
| 2 | Mike & Charlotte Maddux |
| 4 | Tom & Nancy Pfahler |
| 5 | Charley & Judy Haverstick |
| 5 | Tim & Joen Painter |
| 9 | Gary & Bea Graham |
| 9 | Bob & Lisa Trenter |
| 12 | James & Pam Duel |
| 14 | John Amoroso & Barb Boscher |
| 19 | Ed & Linda Smith |
| 25 | Fred & Nora Gooch |
| 31 | Chris & Rachel Eastburn |

CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAY CORNER

Happy Birthday to



13 Gwen Eastburn
(daughter of Will & Maryanne)

2012 CHAPTER DUES ARE DUE!

Dues for 2012 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. Please note, an SDC membership without *Turning Wheels* is \$10.00.

HOLIDAY PARTY HIGHLIGHTS

The Grand Canyon State Chapter celebrated the holidays with a gathering at Lakeview United Methodist Church in Sun City on Saturday, December 3. Thirteen tables were festively set by members who served as table hosts and each host received a thank you gift from the chapter for their generosity. The table hosts were Steve and Paulette Fein, Debbie Breese, Claudia Robinette, Dennis Lynde and Linda Saar, Bill and Peggy Eastburn, Larry and Pat Swanson, Bill and Cheryl Simmons, Chuck and Chris Collins and Ed and Linda Smith.

Several members cooked the turkeys and hams this year in the absence of the church cooks who had the job previous years. Thanks to our talented cooks: Annie Kemper (ham), Linda Smith (turkeys and pork tenderloins) and Peggy Eastburn (smoked turkeys plus big kettles of dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy). The well prepared meats were complemented by a bountiful array of yummy salads, scalloped potatoes and other side dishes, relish trays and a plethora of desserts brought by the others attending.

Throughout dinner and the afternoon, a Powerpoint presentation prepared by Ed Smith was shown highlighting the year's activities and events. After feasting, a short business meeting was conducted by the president with a report by Linda Smith about upcoming events and an invitation from Malcolm Stinson to attend the 2012 ASC zone meet to be held in May in Show Low. Ed asked for a vote to determine the preferred site for the 2013 zone meet and another vote was held to make donations from the proceeds of the 2010 SDC International Meet to the Arizona Sonora Desert Museum for the upkeep and maintenance of the Desert Ark, a 1960 Lark station wagon, to the Studebaker National Foundation and to the Studebaker National Museum.

Larry Vahe, nominations chairman, presented the 2012 Chapter officers and board. Ed announced the member of the year, Denny Lockmon, and presented him with a nice personalized clock.

Then, Ed handed out after dinner "smokes", a gift from Mac Alpines Soda Fountain. Each pack of candy cigarettes came with a coupon for a complimentary scoop of ice cream at Mac Alpines. Thanks, Ed and Mac Alpine's,

The rest of the afternoon was spent enjoying the auction conducted by Richard Dormois in his usual humorous manner. Over \$900.00 was earned from the generous donations and bids of the members. Thank you, Richard.

The Studebaker drivers prize of \$20.00 was won by Bill and Peggy and the door prize of \$10.00 was won by Frank and Liz.

Attending were Ken & Arlene West, Gary & Phyllis Olson, Scott & Marlene Benson, Darrel & Shirley Seher,

Mike Barany, Bruce Sandburg, Delores Shurtz, Steve & Paulette Fein and grandchildren, Richard & Dolores Fein, Anna & Al Riedel, Vern & Norma Wamsley (1955 Commander), George Gezelius, Debbie Breese, Bill & Cheryl Simmons, Dennis Lynde & Linda Saar, Harold & Deanna Manley, Frank & Elizabeth van Doorn (1952 Commander), Denny & Jan Lockmon (1964 Avanti), Ron & Dorothy Ludolph, Sara, Anita & Kevin MacFadden (Izzer Wagon), Dale & Delores Smith, Ted & Jan Widhalm, Jim Clever, Willie & Ruthie Pike, Claudia Robinette, Richard



Good friends sharing good food and conversation.
Photo courtesy of Chuck Collins

Dormois, Donald Grobengieser, Buddy & Elaine Wright, Ron & Vicky Crowe, Bud & Neva Asher, John & Kim Rodhouse, Gene Gangwer, Larry Vahe, Susan Edwards, Jon Carter, Ken Michael, Bobi Beveridge, Malcolm Stinson, Jr., Scott & Barbara Grainger and friend Rose (1951 Land Cruiser & Toto), Brian & Aleta Millette, Linda & Ed Smith (1951 stake bed), Chris, Rachel, Aubrey & Chloe Eastburn, Bill & Peggy Eastburn (1964 Wagonaire), Michell Eastburn, Walter & Nicki Ready (1965 Wagonaire), Walt Jazwinski, Chuck & Chris Collins, Sherry Watson & guest, Larry & Pat Swanson.

Thank you, Denny and Jan, for arranging for the use of the church hall.

Thanks to everyone for the generous donations to the food bank.

A SILVER CASSEROLE CADDY was left at the church hall after the holiday party. If this belongs to you, please contact Chris at 602-995-5311 to arrange for its return.

Welcome New Chapter Board and Officers

Chapter members reelected most of the board and officers for 2012. The new officer is John Rodhouse who will serve as treasurer. The previous treasurer, Chuck Collins, retired from the position he had held for several years.

The Chapter heartily thanks Chuck for his service and welcomes John to the board.

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER UPCOMING EVENTS

- JANUARY 3** ARIZONA AUTOMOBILE HOBBYIST COUNCIL (AAHC) MEETING 7:00 PM AT SANDERSON FORD TRUCK CENTER, 5300 NW GRAND AVE, GLENDALE. INFO: 623-204-9172
- JANUARY 21** **CHAPTER GATHERING AT MEL MARTIN'S AUTO MUSEUM, 17541 N. BLACK CANYON HWY. ARRIVE AT 10:00 AM FOR STUDEBAKER DISPLAY WITH PEOPLE'S CHOICE JUDGING, SWAP MEET AND MUSEUM TOUR. CATERED LUNCH FROM MACAYO'S AT NOON. \$16.00 PER PERSON INCLUDES TAX & TIP. RESERVATIONS REQUIRED. CONTACT LINDA AT 602-618-7691 OR LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET TO RSVP. FIVE PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN. MORE DETAILS ON PAGE 6.**
- 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. AUCTION ITEMS WELCOME. A DONATION OF A NICE STUDEBAKER OR MEET T-SHIRT FOR THE QUILT SAC IS MAKING TO DONATE TO THE SDC AUCTION IS ALSO WELCOME.
- FEBRUARY 4** AAHC UNITED WE DRIVE CAR SHOW AT SANDERSON FORD, 51ST AVE & MARYLAND, GLENDALE FROM 10 AM - 2 PM. INFO: 623-204-9172
- FEBRUARY 18** **CHAPTER WILL PARTICIPATE IN ANNUAL GOLD RUSH DAYS PARADE IN WICKENBURG. MEET TO CARAVAN AT MCDONALD'S ON GRAND AVE AT 7:30 AM OR IN WICKENBURG AT THE BURGER KING AT 8:30. SEE DETAILS AND CONTACT INFO ON PAGE 7 IN LINDA'S REPORT.**
- MARCH 24** **SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER HOSTS ANNUAL ALL ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING (MARCH MADNESS) AT FOOTHILLS MALL, 7401 N. LA CHOLLA BLVD., TUCSON. DASH PLAQUES, RAFFLES, FUN JUDGING WITH AWARDS AND VALVE COVER RACING. INFO: JERRY AT KAISER493@EARTHLINK.NET OR 520-616-0434**
- 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 8** **INTERNATIONAL DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY. SUGGESTIONS FOR AN EVENT OR ACTIVITY ARE WELCOME.**
- SEPTEMBER 21-23** PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET HOSTED BY WASATCH MOUNTAIN CHAPTER IN SALT LAKE CITY. INFO HERE: <http://www.studebakerdrivers.net/meet.htm>

Would you like to host a meeting in 2012?

You can host a meeting or event at any venue such as a museum or park or in your garage or a club house. If you host a pot luck meal the Chapter will provide the table settings and beverages.

Contact Linda Smith at lindagsmith@cox.net or 602-618-7691 to schedule a month for your event.

In 2011, the chapter hosted the January, February, March and September events and meetings and members hosted four meetings. Thanks to

George Gezelius

April

Jan & Denny Lockmon

December

Ed & Linda Smith

May

Bill & Peggy Eastburn

October

Chris & Rachel Eastburn

Michell Eastburn

UPCOMING EVENT

JANUARY CHAPTER GATHERING

The Chapter will meet Saturday, January 21st at Mel Martin's Auto Museum in Phoenix at 17541 N. Black Canyon Hwy (north of Bell Rd. on east side of I-17 frontage road) at 10:00 am for a car show and tour of the museum. There'll also be a swap meet so bring Studebaker parts or memorabilia to sell from your trunk or the back of your pick up truck. Everyone attending will have the opportunity to vote for his/her favorite Studebaker in the people's choice judging. Then, stroll through Mel's museum and check out the memorabilia and his 50+ car collection. As an added treat, Mel now has a carousel in the museum. And, it is possible there will be a Studebaker on display by the time of the meeting.

Lunch at noon will be Mexican food catered by Macayo's and the cost is \$16.00 for adults and \$12.00 for children 3-12. Please have the correct change, if possible, or a check made to GCSC for your meal will be accepted. After lunch, there will be a business meeting and people's choice awards will be given.

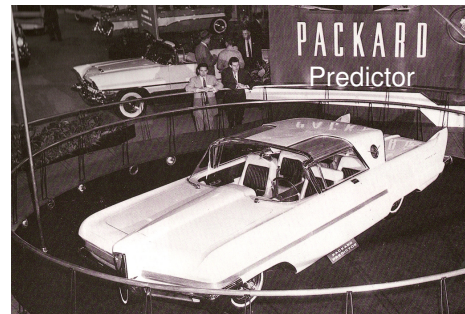
Reservations for lunch are required by Thursday, the 19th. RSVP to Linda at lindagsmith@cox.net or 602-618-7691. You can also contact her if you have any questions.



~~ STUDEBAKER HISTORY ~~

January

- 1 1962 Studebaker work force on strike for 38 days.
- 2 1964 First Canadian built Studebaker destined for US sales rolls off the assembly line in Hamilton.
- 4 1996 Brooks Stevens dies.
- 7 1927 Erskine automobile introduced.
- 7 1956 Packard "Predictor" show car debuts at Chicago auto show.
- 15 1904 Studebaker begins paying employees with checks.
- 17 1962 Sherwood Egbert arrested for picket line altercation.
- 23 1964 Studebaker acquires Guelph Stove Co.
- 24 1871 Albert R. Erskine born.
- 31 1942 Last Studebaker built before turning to war production.



January 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Year's Day	2	3 AAHC Meeting	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 MLK, Jr. Holiday	17	18	19	20 SNF Board Meets at Mel Martin's	21 Chapter Meeting
22 SAC Banquet	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-5311			

ANOTHER YEAR GONE AND ANOTHER ONE STARTS

Submitted by Linda Smith, GCSC Vice President

2011 brought the Studebaker Grand Canyon State Chapter a year of great events and new members to help bring in 2012 with a bang!!!

Let's start off by thanking each other for our families, friends and new Studebaker friends.

We will begin January 21st at Mel Martin's Auto Museum at 10am for a swap meet and car show. So bring your wares that you want to sell but not that stuff you just got for Christmas!! At 12 noon Macayo's will cater our lunch. Please RSVP for this event by calling or emailing me before Jan 19th (lindagsmith@cox.net or 602-618-7691). I need to give Macayo's an accurate count, so we will have enough food for everyone. The cost will be \$16 for adults and \$12 for children (3-12).

Feb 18th, Wickenburg for the annual Gold Rush Days Parade. We will caravan over to Wickenburg; meet us and other Stude families at McDonald's, Grand Avenue and Reems Road (across from Del Webb Hospital) at 0730 or at the Burger King in Wickenburg at 0830. Staging is at 0900 for the parade. Decorate your Studebaker, enjoy the day with your friends or join us at the FireSide Grill outside of Wickenburg for some lunch, a game of pool or just sit and chat. Bring your brand X if you want and ride with another member in their Studebaker. We had a great time last year so let's try and have more cars and trucks for this great event.

March we will travel to Tucson for our sister Chapter's March Madness. More to follow.

Our new resolution for 2012 is trying to have more Studebaker functions, we are going to try and have 2 events a month – one on the East Side of town and one on the West Side. We need your feedback on this resolution or other thoughts about events. I know the car shows are mostly a man thing so ladies let's have an afternoon tea or shopping spree at the Outlet Malls in Anthem, something new and different for 2012.

Enough for now – hope to see everyone at the January 21st event.

CHAPTER NAME BADGE

Order your Chapter name badge with a pin back by contacting Chris Collins at 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.

2011 Member of the Year Denny Lockmon

Denny's long time memberships in the Studebaker Drivers Club, the Husker Chapter and GCSC have given him the opportunity to be involved in many ways that advance the Studebaker legacy. From SDC vice president to GCSC vice president, Denny promoted Studebaker and the clubs he represented. As GCSC VP for three years, he was responsible for planning many interesting activities for the chapter and assisted the board with his extensive leadership experience. He was also very involved in the International SDC Meet held in Glendale in 2010 by serving on the steering committee and chairing the vending committee.

After Denny retired from the board, he has continued to be active in the Chapter and attends many automobile functions throughout the state of Arizona. He can be seen at car shows and cruise nights in one of his three Studebakers- a 1953 Champion Starliner modified or a 1964 Avanti or a 1940 President street rod (pictured on the right). Denny is also the chapter's representative to the Arizona Automobile Hobbyist Council.



Congratulations to Denny and thank you for all you do to bring attention to the Studebaker marque and for representing our Chapter so ably in the Arizona collector car community.

Thank You

I want to thank the Grand Canyon State Chapter Board for choosing me as 2011 Member of the Year. It was a total surprise to me and I will cherish the clock with a picture of our 1940 President street rod attached to it. Again, I thank all of you and hope I can continue to promote SDC and our wonderful chapter.

Denny Lockmon

2013 PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET

Planning is beginning for the Pacific Southwest Zone Meet being hosted by the Chapter in 2013. There will be several committees for which members can volunteer. All will be familiar to members who helped with the International Meet in 2010. Below is a list to look over and then contact Dennis Lynde or Ed Smith (see contact information on page 2) to volunteer for a committee.

Registration, Judging, Concours, Swap Meet, Hospitality, Publicity, Security, Meet Program, Banquet, Tour, Photography, Goody Bags

President Ed and the Grand Canyon State Chapter,

Just saw the announcement from Brian Millette of the gift from the Grand Canyon State Chapter to the Foundation. Thank you for the wonderful gift. Rest assured we will work very hard to put the funds to good use.

I hope to thank you in person when I am in Arizona in January.

Ed Wenger
President
Studebaker National Foundation

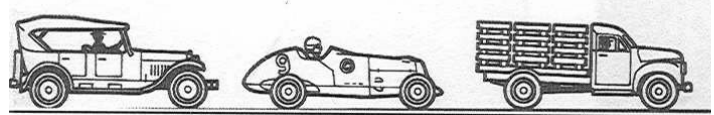


Pacific Southwest Zone Elections

The Studebaker Drivers Club is currently holding an election for Zone Coordinators and National Directors in certain zones including ours, the Pacific Southwest Zone.

Both the current coordinator, Jon Carter, and the director, Colin Fort, who are GCSC members, are running for reelection. Colin writes, "I plan to run for the position of National Director one more time. This may be my last time but I would like the support of your members if possible. I have been active on the Audit Committee and the important Investment Committee and I have sponsored a number of changes to the by-laws to update and clarify the management of the club. Thank you, I appreciate your support."

If you have any questions or concerns about SDC you can contact Colin at colinfort@cox.net or 760-634-3839 or P.O. Box 231550, Encinitas, Calif. 92023



Grand Canyon State Chapter Treasurer's Report Submitted by Chuck Collins

Checking Account	
Ending Balance as of 9/30/11	\$ 4528.92

Receipts	
National Dues	\$ 203.00
Local Dues	\$ 913.50
50/50 - Oct	\$ 43.00
2010 Merchandise	\$ 20.00
Holiday Party Auction	\$ 906.00
Insight DVD	\$ 15.00
ECHO Ads	\$ 75.00
Transfer from Money Market	\$10000.00
Add for past computational error	\$ 10.78
Misc. Donations	\$ 12.30
	<u>\$12198.58</u>
	\$16727.50

Disbursements	
National Dues	\$ 203.00
Newsletter Printing & Postage	\$ 488.25
Other Printing & Postage	\$ 20.92
Insights DVD	\$ 5.00
Pay Pal Fees	\$ 3.87
Driver & Door Prizes--Sept, Oct, Dec	\$ 90.00
PO Box Rent	\$ 42.00
Dash Plaques-Oct	\$ 44.90
Church Hall Rental - Holiday Party	\$ 400.00
Memorial Donation-Moore	\$ 50.00
Donations: ASDM, SNF, SNM	\$10000.00
Holiday Party Expenses: Meat, Gifts	\$ 220.30
MOY Gift	\$ 54.00
	<u>\$11621.84</u>
Ending Balance as of 12/31/11	\$ 5105.66

Money Market	
Ending Balance as of 12/31/11	\$ 5296.54
(YTD interest at .15% = \$21.70)	



Dear Members of the Grand Canyon State Chapter,

On behalf of the Studebaker National Museum Board of Trustees and staff, I want to express our deep appreciation to the Grand Canyon State Chapter for this most generous donation to the Studebaker National Museum.

Through the incredible generosity of individuals, clubs and chapters, the initial dream of a facility worthy of the Studebaker legacy has been realized. The challenge now is to sustain the momentum and take advantage of opportunities that will advance the mission of the museum far into the future.

I look forward to speaking with you in January about how you wish for us to direct these funds.

Thank you so much for your kind and gracious contribution to the programs, services, acquisitions and operations of the museum.

Yours truly,
Rebecca J. Bonham
Executive Director

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Removing side moldings

By Jim Maxey



When removing the side moldings from the fenders and doors, use a piece of heavy string. Slide it under the end of the molding and work it up to the clip. Then just pull out. This will get the moldings off and will not scratch the paint.

A tip of the hat to Tim Janowiak for this tip.

Reprinted from *Home of Champions*, newsletter of the Michiana Chapter, Karen Dyer, editor.

A New Cost Analysis

By Dan Kuhl

In 1926, Studebaker attempted to show the car buying public a new way to appreciate the value in purchasing a new Studebaker Big Six. Studebaker told the public that the cost of a new Studebaker was about \$ 0.68 per pound, about the same cost of an electric fan (there was no AC). That same year a Rolls Royce sold for \$2.91 per pound, the same cost as a new typewriter (the latest and greatest technology of the day). If you are curious, a Ford Model T sold for about \$0.22 per pound. I found this concept pretty interesting and decided to apply it to newer vehicles. In 1962, a Buick Invicta station wagon sold for \$0.89 pre pound, not too bad, considering back in its day the Big Six competed with Buick for the hearts of the same customers.

It was decided to take this analysis one step further and to look at a 2012 Ford Mustang. The range in cost for the cheapest model to the more expensive GT Model is \$6.00-8.00 per pound. And for the latest technology, a smart phone, will cost you about \$26 per pound (Apple 3G). So you see, our new automobiles are a better value than you thought.

Big Bad Studebaker

By Dan Kuhl

Soon after the Packard Corporation joined forces with Studebaker, it was decided to find a replacement for the Champion flathead six cylinder engine. Studebaker looked toward American Motors, who said they could provide a modern OHV six engine. In 1955 there was a great deal of stress in the automobile industry. After a great deal of negotiating the deal fell through, and the use of the Champion engine continued into the early 60's.

At this time there was even talk about another merger, this time with American Motors. This sounds kind of intriguing when you notice that American Motors lasted about 20 years longer than Studebaker. If the merger had occurred, who knows what great things would have occurred at Studebaker. For example, they may have decided to put the AMC 390 GO-PACKAGE in the Hawk and Avanti. And better yet, they may have decided to paint them Big Bad Orange, Big Bad Green, and Big Bad Blue, and throw on some Red-Lined tires. Now that sounds like a Big Bad Studebaker!!

JANUARY AUCTION SCHEDULE

<http://www.oldcarsweekly.com/auctioncalendar>



GOODGUYS SOUTHWEST NATIONALS

By Denny Lockmon

Frank vanDoorn-1952 Commander Starliner, Al Riedel-1972 Avanti II, and Denny Lockmon-1953 Champion Starliner modified attended the recent Goodguys event at Westworld in Scottsdale.



On Thursday November 17 the day started off with tours of several hotrod shops and a kickoff barbeque at Drew's in Tempe. Friday the show started with many cars of all makes attending. Friday evening another feed was put on by Hot Rods By Dean in North Phoenix. Saturday the field was full with nearly 3000 vehicles. The three of us had to park in an aisle.

Many vendors of all types were in the main tent as well as on the parking lot. The outside swap meet was large and full of parts and cars for sale. Not much in the way of Studebaker parts.

Sunday the crowd is smaller but the winners were all parked together for all to see and then paraded past the awards tent. None of us won anything but a very nice '53 Starlight coupe, formerly from Oklahoma and now Sun City West, won a Host Club pick.

If you have never attended a Goodguys event give it a try. It is a hoot. Some of the most beautiful cars and trucks you will ever see will be there.

Editor's note: The next local Goodguys show is the Spring Nationals scheduled for March 9-11 at Westworld.

INTERESTING WEB SITES

<http://www.studebakernationalfoundation.org> New web site for the foundation. Learn what the SNF does.

<http://www.studebakermuseum.org> Find out what's new at the museum. Check out the Adopt-A-Car program.

<http://www.desertmuseum.org> Read about the mission of the Arizona Sonora Desert Museum.

The SDC website now has a link to a new history of Studebaker trucks and an associated list of Stude truck models on the main tech tips page:

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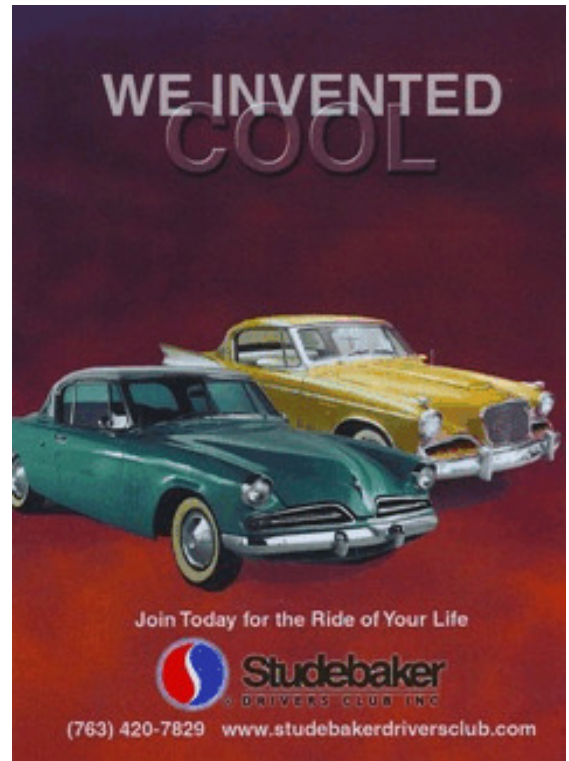
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