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The Day Before Christmas

Adapted by Doug Hughes from a poem by Ken Bittner

It was the day before Christmas
And down by the park
Santa was timing
His classic old Lark.

It has a 289 with a 4-speed for power
To help launch Santa at the magical hour.
The Lark is finished, nothing is lackin'
But Santa has added a pristine new Paxton.

The cylinders are named in the order they fire.
On Dasher and Dancer and Prancer and Vixen
On Comet and Cupid and Donner and Blitzen.
The way she's a runnin', she won't need no fixin'.

To pull the big sleigh he installed a big hitch.
So he won't worry about hitting a ditch.

The glass-packs make noise
when he delivers toys.
'Cause he wants his Lark seen
By all the girls and the boys.

As he drives down the street
In the middle of the night
The kids all bring cookies,
much to his delight.

He hands out toys to every child he
sees
And reminds them to say "thank you
and please."

When he's finished, he puts the
Lark in gear
Then pops the clutch without any
fear.

Santa's a good driver and it's very
well known
To control all those "reindeer" he's
all on his own.

But for me it's when Santa
Runs up through the gears.
And roars down the street
With the flame throwers a-blazing.

To me, that's a sight
That is always amazing.

The best part of Christmas
is hearing Santa's last call.
*Wishing you a Merry Christmas
And Merry Christmas to all.*



From the Editor's Pen.....

- There are two items for SDC members to be aware of:
1. Voting for the 2014 election has begun for National Directors. In the Pacific Southwest Zone there are two candidates for the position, the incumbent Colin Fort and Malcolm Stinson. Both are members of the Grand Canyon State Chapter and both have statements on the web site. Look for the election banner on the left of the home page to access the ballot and candidate statements. Instructions for submitting ballots are printed on the website, too. Ballots will also be in *Turning Wheels* in early 2014. Please learn about the candidates and vote.
 2. SDC is conducting a survey of the membership and it is available online to complete or you can complete and mail in the form that comes with your magazine. You will be entered in a drawing for an iPad Mini for completing and mailing the survey.

Thank you to this month's contributors: Richard Phegley, Keith Graham, Ed Smith, Linda Smith, Mark Carson, Duane Miller, Neil Bell, Doug Hughes and Scott Grainger. Thanks, also, to Karen Mensing for her help with the labels and roster.

Chris

ON THE COVER

In December, 1998, Chris Eastburn joined his brother Will and other Studebaker and brand X auto enthusiasts in attending the Toyz for Totz charity run to Wickenburg. Then, on that very chilly Sunday, everyone who made the run met for a car show in a Wickenburg park.

On the way home from the park, Valley participants ran into an unexpected snowfall. The photo on the cover shows Chris and his Lark stopped along the road, perhaps experiencing the white stuff the only time in either's life. By the way, Chris won Best of Show for 1960's vehicles that day.

The poem was sent by Doug Hughes, former editor of *Wheels and Deals*, newsletter of the former Orange Empire Chapter. (The Orange Empire Chapter will join with the Beach Cities Inland Empire Chapter to become the Beach Cities, Orange & Inland Empire Chapter. The combined chapter will continue the Orange Empire's tradition of hosting the La Palma Meet in May. Good Luck to everyone in the "new" chapter.)

Happy Holidays to all!

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From the President



I went to the movies the other day and as I was eating my popcorn, I wondered at a movie theater which arm rest is mine? I decided not to worry and that going to a Studebaker event instead I don't have to ponder because I get both arm rests. So, no more movies and more Studebakers.

I also went to the Doctor's office and as I waiting for the 44 minutes it took her to see me I began to ponder a few thoughts. It is a bit unnerving that doctors call what they do "practice?" On the other hand I have five different fingers, aside from that isn't it better they practice on someone else so that when they get to me they get it right? I was going to ask the doctor if it would help to eat a lot of natural foods as they are supposed to be better for you but then I read in her magazine that most people die of natural causes. Is natural the best thing to eat? Who actually cares, come to the chapter holiday party where there is lot of good stuff to eat.

Did you know that Wrap Rage is an actual condition when you feel extreme levels of anger and frustration because you are unable to open product packaging? This comes on faster as you get older; however, no matter how old you are an empty Christmas wrapping paper tube is still a fun thing to bonk someone over the head with. You may not get to bonk someone over the head but you can get caught up in the action of the auction at the Holiday party, without wrap rage.

I was told there are 7 Facts in this world.

1. You cannot put soap in your eyes
2. You cannot count your hair
3. You cannot breathe through your nose with your tongue out.

4. You did number 3.

5. When you did number 3 you realize it is possible only you look like a dog.

6. Your smiling right now because I fooled you.

7. Showing up for a chapter event is not a foolish but is a very gratifying thing to do.

They say running a marathon burns 2900 calories or 674 M&M's. Why do people think that swaying their arm or their body back and forth would change the direction of a bowling ball? Or why do people think that by bouncing in a car out of gas it will get you to the service station? Maybe these people are just trying to burn some extra calories. You don't have to burn that many calories to enjoy yourself at a Studebaker event. That way you can enjoy the M & M's more.

Why do people constantly return to the refrigerator with hopes that something new to eat will have materialized? At a chapter event you can plainly see what is left.

It is easy to believe someone when they say there are four billion stars but they will always check when that same person says the paint is wet?

If there is the speed of sound and the speed of light and there is the speed of the Lark or the speed of the Avanti but is there a speed of darkness or speed of smell?

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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1947 M5

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1960 Hawk, 1948 M5

WELCOME BACK

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1988 Avanti

Congratulations to Dale on being elected president of the Avanti Owners Association Inc. for 2014.

Chapter Dues

2014 Chapter dues are due January 1st and are \$18.00 for the newsletter mailed to your home or \$15.00 for the electronic version sent to your e-mail address.

If your SDC dues are due or delinquent you can pay them with your chapter dues and the treasurer will remit them to SDC for you.

Please complete and send an application when you renew to be sure we have your most current information, including your Studebakers.

Can you outrun the smell of a skunk? You don't have to worry about that at a Studebaker event.

Did you ever wonder why is it that we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are flat? It is no wonder that driving a Studebaker is rewarding because it will always respond in some way.

Have you ever wondered if unicorns are just skinny Rhinos?

Now that the Doctor finally arrived, I know the best thing to do is just go to a Studebaker event and enjoy myself.

Ed Smith

NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS

HOME DEPOT SHOW

By Bob Schouten

The November 2nd All Studebaker Car Show at the Happy Valley Home Depot was another success. We had fifteen members and cars show up. One new member, Alan Tudor, showed his 1950 2R5 pickup. We also registered a new member, Jack Foster with his 1947 M5 pickup. The Manager's Choice Award went to Frank van Doorn and his '41 Champion. It was another perfect day and all enjoyed Studebaking and pizza. Hope to see more of you at the spring show.

Those attending were Bob Schouten showing his 1952 Champion and 1956 Packard; Larry Malmstrom, 1956 Power Hawk; Chuck and Chris Collins, 1963 Avanti; John and Kim Rodhouse, 1950 2R5; Mike and Mary Barany, 1956 Golden Hawk; Al and Anna Riedel, 1978 Avanti II; Malcolm Stinson, 1928 President Roadster; Jack Foster, 1947 M5; Frank van Doorn, 1941 Champion; Ken West, 1966 Daytona; Denny Lockmon, 1964 Avanti; Ed Smith, 1951 Stakebed; Alan Tudor, 1950 2R5 and Dan Kuhl, 1963 Avanti. John Zimmerman and Norman and Janice Marineau came to visit.

WOW – OUR APPRECIATION EVENT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS...THANK YOU.



If you didn't make it to our Member Appreciation/Zone Meet Appreciation event at Ken & Arlene West's home in north Phoenix you missed a great turnout and some awesome food prepared by your Board members and your chapter provided all the fixin's. We had 48 members show up, some drove their Studebakers and others a Brand X, but it didn't matter the dirt supported both!!

The chapter handed out several door prizes that consisted of a screwdriver set with a flashlight built in, insulated lunchboxes with sodas and koozies, several \$10 dollar bills, car wax and even a mystery gift box. We also had our 50/50 drawing. Congrats to all our winners. Take a look at the pictures courtesy of Steve Fein on our chapter Facebook page.

We had some new faces (members) join us: Tom & Judith Barker in their newly purchased yellow Studebaker pickup; Jim & Sharon Carlin; Paul & Phyllis Setaro. Hope to see all of our members at the next event, the annual Chapter Christmas Party. Again, thanks to our hosts, the Wests, and

our chapter members for coming out to our scheduled events and thanks to all that volunteer to help. It is a pleasure knowing and seeing all of you.

Submitted by Linda Smith

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

President Ed announced several upcoming activities including the holiday party, Toyz for Totz, Fiesta Bowl parade, Run to the River car show in Laughlin and the winter meeting at the Martin Auto Museum in January, Motoring Thru Time and Gold Rush Days parade in February, March Madness at Old Tucson, meeting at Keatings in April and Route 66 Fun Run in May. Ken West said he could help with making contacts for motel rooms in Seligman or Kingman for the Fun Run; contact Ken at 623-937-7955. Rooms go fast for this event and must be reserved ASAP.

Two motions were made and passed to support upcoming events with award sponsorship. The first was to send \$75.00 for awards for the 2014 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet to the Karel Staple Chapter and the second was to send \$105.00 to the 50th International SDC Meet for concours judging awards.

Attending were Bill and Peggy Eastburn and granddaughters Domenica and Gwen (1963 Wagonaire), Michell Eastburn, Chris, Rachel, Aubrey and Chloe Eastburn, Don and Carol Aden (1955 Champion), Dennis Lynde and Linda Saar, Gary and Sandie Keating, Claudia Robinette, Jim and Sharon Carlin, Charley and Judy Haverstick (1958 Golden Hawk), Ed and Linda Smith (1951 Stakebed), Steve and Paulette Fein (1966 Cruiser), Chris and Chuck Collins, Al and Anna Riedel, Norman and Janice Marineau, Paul and Phyllis Setaro (1962 GT Hawk), Sherry Watson, Tim Watson, Bill and Judy Barker (1949 2R5), Jerry Volk (1955 Commander), Neil and Ruth Bell (1960 Hawk), Bill and Cheryl Simmons, John and Kim Rodhouse and Ken and Arlene West (1966 Daytona and a couple of project 1950 Champions).

A big THANK YOU to Ken and Arlene for their hospitality.

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER UPCOMING EVENTS

- DECEMBER 3** ARIZONA AUTOMOBILE HOBBYIST COUNCIL MEETING, 7:00 PM AT EVIL TWIN FABRICATION SHOP, 1320 S. PRIEST AVE, TEMPE. UPDATES ON TOLL ROAD ISSUE AND A TOUR OF SHOP. INFO: 623-204-9172.
- DECEMBER 7** CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY HOSTED BY SCOTT & BARBARA GRAINGER AT THE LIVING BIBLE CHURCH, 3250 E. BROWN RD., MESA, 11 AM - 3 PM. MORE INFO ON PAGE 6. CONTACT LINDA AT 602-618-7691 / LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET TO VOLUNTEER TO HOST A TABLE FOR THE PARTY AND TO MAKE RESERVATIONS.
- DECEMBER 8** REMEMBER WHEN CRUISE ASSOC. TOYZ 4 TOTZ CAR SHOW HOSTED BY COPS WHO CARE, 10 AM - 3 PM AT COMMUNITY CENTER, 160 N. VALENTINE ST., WICKENBURG. ENTRY FEE IS ONE (1) NEW UNWRAPPED TOY. MANY ACTIVITIES FOR WHOLE FAMILY. INFO: SHERRY AT 602-326-0924 OR RWCA2011@GMAIL.COM
- DECEMBER 28** CHAPTER WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE FIESTA BOWL PRE-PARADE. MEET UP IN FRONT OF SPORTS AUTHORITY, 16TH ST & CAMELBACK AT 7:15 - 7:30AM. CONVOY AT 7:45 TO 7TH ST. & HIGHLAND BY 8AM FOR PARADE STAGING. INFO: SEE PAGE 6 OR CONTACT NEIL AT ndbell@cox.net / 480-941-4913 or 602-751-0148
- JANUARY 25, 2014** WINTER MEETING AT THE MARTIN AUTO MUSEUM, 17541 N. BLACK CANYON HWY, EAST SIDE I-17 FRONTAGE ROAD, NORTH OF BELL RD. 10 AM - 3 PM. CAR SHOW AND PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS. LUNCH AT NOON AT \$15.00 EACH. RSVP BY JAN 20TH. SPONSOR AN AWARD FOR \$25.00. CONTACT LINDA AT LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET
- JANUARY 26** SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER ANNUAL BANQUET AT TANQUE VERDE GUEST RANCH, 14301 E. SPEEDWAY, TUCSON, 85748. 10:30 AM. PARK STUDEBAKERS IN FRONT PARKING LOT FOR MEET AND GREET. BANQUET AT 11:30. MUST RESERVE W/ CHUCK STANFORD AT 520-888-1563. \$27/ADULT, \$13.50/CHILDREN 3-11 1/2, FREE/CHILDREN AGES 2 AND UNDER. ITEMS WELCOME FOR AUCTION. MEET AT CRACKER BARREL, I-10 AND RAY RD AT 7:30 FOR CARAVAN LEAVING AT 8AM.
- FEBRUARY 1** AAHC PRESENTS UNITED WE DRIVE CAR SHOW AT SANDERSON FORD, 10AM - 2PM AT SANDERSON FORD, 51ST AVE & MARYLAND, GLENDALE. 10 PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS, BEST OF SHOW, GOODY BAGS, DASH PLAQUES & T-SHIRTS FOR FIRST 100 REGISTRATIONS. FOOD, RAFFLE PRIZES, LIVE DJ. INFO: AL TRACY AT 623-204-9172
- FEBRUARY 1** MOTORING THRU TIME, 10AM-4PM AT HERITGAE SQUARE, DOWNTOWN PHOENIX. TO PARTICIPATE REGISTER ASAP. SEE FORM ON PAGE 13 ONLINE.
- FEBRUARY 15** 66TH ANNUAL GOLD RUSH DAYS PARADE. INFO ABOUT CARAVAN TO WICKENBURG NEXT MONTH OR MEET AT BURGER KING IN WICKENBURG. LUNCH IN SUN CITY AFTER PARADE. CONTACT LINDA AT 602-618-7691 / LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET
- MARCH 1** MARCH MADNESS HOSTED BY SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER AT OLD TUCSON. WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS.
- MAY 2-4** ROUTE 66 FUN RUN FROM SELIGMAN TO TOPOCK. \$50 ENTRY FEE BEFORE APRIL 19. FOR HOTEL INFO CONTACT CHAPTER MEMBER KEN WEST ASAP AT 623-937-7955 OR thunderations@yahoo.com EVENT INFO AT <http://www.azrt66.com/index.html> & PAGE 14
- MAY 16-18, 2014** PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET HOSTED BY KAREL STAPLE CHAPTER AT LIONS GATE HOTEL, MCCLELLAN AIRFIELD, SACRAMENTO. JOHNA: 916-442-5984
- JUNE 28-JULY 5** 50th INTERNATIONAL SDC MEET HOSTED BY THE DELMARVA CHAPTER IN DOVER, DELAWARE AT DOVER DOWNS. CALL 800-711-5882 TO RESEVE AT \$119/NIGHT. INFO: MARK AT DELMARVASDC@COMCAST.NET

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 7 HOLIDAY PARTY

The holiday party, hosted by Scott and Barbara Grainger, will be held Saturday, December 7th from 11 am - 3 pm at The Living Word Bible Church, 3250 E. Brown Rd., Mesa (at the corner of Val Vista and Brown. Watch for two large domes.) Enter through the front doors on the south side or the door on the west side by the play area. Toto and LC will be parked in the front and you are welcome to park next to them. When you enter the church, watch for signs directing you to the party.

A couple more volunteers are needed to serve as table hosts; please contact Linda if you would like to set and decorate a round table for eight. A table covering is provided. The chapter will furnish ham, turkey, rolls and drinks. Members please bring a dish for pot luck: A-O a dessert of your choice. P-Z a side dish (salad or vegetable) of your choice.

Arrive around 11:00 am; dinner will be served at 11:30 and the meeting will begin at 12:30 where the Member of the Year and 2014 officers and Board will be announced and there will be special recognition of the Chapter's Great Studebaker People. The auction will follow at 1:00.

Please bring items for the auction (white elephant, Studebaker, crafts, etc) and a food bank donation.

Contact Linda to RSVP at 602-618-7691 or lindagsmith@cox.net

DECEMBER 28 FIESTA BOWL PRE-PARADE

Once again Studebakers are requested to participate in the Fiesta Bowl Pre-Parade Saturday, December 28, 2013. We had 14 Studes last year. This year there is no limit on how many can participate. We are hoping for 30+.

The Pre-Parade starts from 7th St. and Highland and follows the parade route in reverse order immediately before the parade starts. We are required to be inside the staging area by 8:00am. The police close the road at 8.

We will meet by 7:15-7:30am in the parking lot in front of the Sports Authority on the southeast corner of 16th St. and Camelback providing space to park trailers. There is also a Starbucks and McDonald's there. At 7:45am sharp we will convoy as a group west on Highland to the staging area keeping us all together for the parade.

To participate, please contact Neil Bell at 480-941-4913 or 602-751-0148 or ndbell@cox.net

Submitted by Neil Bell




JANUARY 25 WINTER GATHERING AT MAM

Winter Gathering at Martin Auto Museum, 10am - 3pm. Linda is taking reservations now for the catered lunch at noon. The cost is **\$15.00** each. The Chapter will supply drinks and water. Please RSVP by January 20th.

We will have our traditional car show and People's Choice Awards. If you would like to sponsor an award at \$25.00 please contact Linda at lindagsmith@cox.net or 602-618-7691.

Keep America Beautiful, Drive a Studebaker!

December 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 AAHC Meeting	4	5	6	7 Holiday Party
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 First day of Winter
22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas	26	27	28 Fiesta Bowl Pre-Parade
29	30	31 New Year's Eve				Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-5311



Smart. Fun. Energetic. Always thinking of others. These are just a few characteristics for describing someone that goes above and beyond. **Linda Smith** has been our VP for three years and has done such an amazing job through out the years. Linda has always made sure that the club members are taken care of and that they have everything they need. She always is organized and she always knows when we have upcoming events and what we need from the club or members to get the job done. I recognize Linda as my choice for Studebaker people are the greatest.

Anonymous

We have three women from our sister chapter in southern Arizona who support their better halves when it comes to attending a Grand Canyon Studebaker event. They are always looking for a bargain so there must be plenty of Thrift Stores in the area!! They are always willing and eager to help out whenever and wherever needed, they enjoy life to the fullest and live for the moment. If you haven't guessed by now...they are **Delores Shurtz**, **Louise Stanford** and **Maggie Wheeler**. I enjoy being around them and they have my sincere admiration.

Linda Smith

The choice for a great Studebaker person is not an easy one with a chapter so full of great people but I would like to tell you about someone who should be recognized. This individual attends functions with the intention of promoting Studebaker even when he is not driving one. He comes from a family of Studebakers and even gets his parents to travel clear across the country just to attend a local Studebaker function. **John Rodhouse** is Studebaker knowledgeable and a Great Studebaker Person.

Ed Smith

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CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAY CORNER
Happy Birthday to

December 1	Andrea Carter (daughter of Jon)
December 12	Makenna Kroulik (daughter of John & Lorilee)

CELEBRATE!



December Birthdays

1	Alan Tudor	16	Larry Malmstrom
2	Pat Swanson	17	Kathy Parkey
3	Bill Eastburn	17	Linda Saar
4	Rosalie Torske	21	Vicki Becker
4	Arlene West	21	John Zimmerman
5	Dennis Lynde	22	Sharon Mitchell
7	Jerry Elliott	25	Keith Muske
8	Helen Andersson	28	Russ Ware
8	Harvey Pierman	31	Kathleen Ponsetti
10	Don Parkey	31	Elaine Wright
12	Maryanne Eastburn		

December Anniversaries

2	Richard & Joan Hahn
5	Bruce & Linda Cook
14	Paul & Kathleen Ponsetti
19	Terry & Joanna Worster
23	Kelly & Cindy Marion
25	Jack & Nancy Foster
27	Russ & Sharon Ware
30	Jerry & Carol Elliott
30	Chet & Karen Gandy

THANK YOU, 2013 MEETING/EVENT HOSTS

January	Martin Auto Museum	Chapter
February	Gold Rush Days Parade	Chapter
February	Home Depot Car Show	Bob Schouten
March	March Madness	Chapter
April	Tour to Safford	SAC
May	Denny's Cruise Night	Scott Benson
June	Father's Day Celebration	Chapter
July	Organ Stop Pizza	Chapter
September	IDYSD	Chapter
October	PSW Zone Meet	Chapter
October	Trunk and Treat	Eastburn family
November	Home Depot Car Show	Bob Schouten
November	Member Appreciation	Ken & Arlene West
December	Holiday Party	Scott & Barbara Grainger

2014 MEETING HOSTS WANTED

Members who would like to host a meeting or event in 2014 are invited to contact a board member or officer. See page 2 for contact information.

Meetings or events can be held in a park, your garage or back yard or involve an outing to an interesting venue such as a museum or include a driving tour. A theme meeting is fun, too.

50 YEARS AGO

By Mark Carson

There is a very important 50th anniversary coming up this month! The South Bend plant ceased production on December 20, 1963, and the last Studebaker automobile rolled off the Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, assembly line on March 16, 1966. After poor initial sales of the 1964 models and the ousting of president Sherwood Egbert, the company announced the closure of the South Bend plant on December 9, 1963, and produced its last car in South Bend on December 20.

The engine foundry remained open to supply the Canadian plant until the end of the 1964 model year, after which it was also shuttered. The Avanti model name, tooling, and plant space were sold off to Leo Newman and Nate Altman, a longtime South Bend Studebaker-Packard dealership. They revived the car in 1965 under the brand name "Avanti II". They likewise purchased the rights and tooling for Studebaker's trucks, along with the company's vast stock of parts and accessories. Trucks ceased to be built after Studebaker fulfilled its remaining orders in early 1964. There were some '1965' model Champ trucks built in South America using CKD parts (completely knocked down). These models used a different grill than all previous Champ models.

Of course, as we know, after Nate Altman built his last Avanti in 1982 it was then purchased by Stephen Blake, to Michael Kelly, to John Cafaro and then back to the master crook Michael E. Kelly. The last Avanti to date rolled off the line in Cancun, Mexico in 2007. It used a V-6 Roush Racing Engine. The factory and showroom still stand, as do many extremely rare Studebaker and Avanti concepts and racing vehicles on the second floor of the building in Cancun- R.I.P.

Mark is the editor of the *Studebaker Packard Post*, newsletter of the BC Coastal Chapter, SDC.

Web Sites of Interest

<http://tinyurl.com/os3ylcr> Idaho potato ad features a gorgeous '55 truck owned by Diane Mortensen, editor of the Snake River Chapter, SDC newsletter in Boise, Idaho.

<http://tinyurl.com/ktwaob6> Read the results of the annual Mexican road race which includes several Studebakers in the winners circle.

<http://tinyurl.com/ojk55ay> Photos from SDC meet in Reedsville, PA in early November.

<http://tinyurl.com/ltjrsox> Looking for a gift for a Stude/Avanti fan? Check out the unique necktie.

<http://tinyurl.com/qxo2zrzj> A Studebaker wins an award at 2013 Goodguys.

This N That.....

It was incorrectly reported in the PSW Zone Meet awards banquet report that **Steve Fein** received a third place award in Division 3 - he and his 1966 Cruiser earned a second place. Also, **Ron Crowe** was left off the list of members who served as a concours judge. My apologies to both.

Did you attend the seminar conducted by **Scott Benson** at the zone meet? I know many did and we heard nothing but great remarks about the technical information he shared. Thanks again, Scott, for contributing to the success of the meet.

Enjoying the Wild Western Festival at Sahuaro Ranch Park Sunday, October 27th was **Jerry Volk** displaying his 1955 Commander.

Cruising with their Hawk, **Neal and Ruth Bell** once again participated in the Brighton Classic Car Rallye, an annual event hosted by Brighton Motorsports in Scottsdale. There were 89 entries this year with proceeds benefiting Sojourner Center.

Visit <http://tinyurl.com/pxm9yn4> to view the Bells' Hawk and other fantastic vehicles.

Scott Grainger sent the following report: Well, we did it again. Myself, Barbara, the two pups and Toto did the Fountain Hills Thanksgiving Day Parade early Thanksgiving day morning. We had to be in Fountain Hills about the same time the sun came up to give the kids and parents (mostly parents) time to "get ready" for the big event that started at 9 am. The trailer we towed looked somewhat like an igloo made from milk bottles. I was told the kids and a few parents had a good time making it!

The parade is a little over a mile long and is very well attended. There were about 100 entries of all types. My favorite was a '54 Ford pickup (other than Toto, of course) driven by Harold Bigelow who was out for the first time with his freshly painted truck. I didn't get a pic of him, though. He wants to join ATHS.

Hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving. We certainly did.

Visit the Chapter Facebook page for photos.

"Hope you feel better soon" wishes go out to

Jon Carter
Richard Dormois

Condolences to the family of Harry Dersh who passed away November 4th. Although Harry was not active in Chapter activities he was a member for many years and enjoyed Studebakers since he was young.

Phegley's Purple Bomb

In 1954, Richard Phegley was a junior at Colton Union High School in Colton, California and he was driving a 1951 Starlight Coupe that he purchased just a year earlier when it was only 2 years old. The school paper, *The Pepper Bough*, featured Richard and his car in the May 21, 1954 edition with this headline announcing the story, "Phegley's Purple Bomb Rated Top". Here is the text of the story as written by one of the paper's reporters.

Setting the style in custom cars at Colton High is Dick Phegley's sparking (sic) '51 Studebaker Starlight Coupe. This low beauty is set off with a very flashy metallic purple (paint) job, '52 Studebaker tail light rims and planed off nose and deck.

The Studebaker original front spinner was removed and a sheet metal plate now replaces it. The latest addition to the car is an immaculate upholstery job of white naugahide with black beading, done at the A & M Upholstery shop in Colton.

Other modifications are (it is) lowered, low mellow pipes, whitewall tires and moons. The body work was done by Warren and Day Studebaker of San Bernardino. Future changes are Frenched head and tail lights and a new screaming V-8 engine to be added, maybe soon.

For you who are thinking of customizing your car, it costs a lot more than you think. To give you an idea on what customizing costs, Dick went to Bowman's Body Shop in Riverside to see how much it is going to cost him to have things done. French tail lights, \$50; French rear gravel shield, \$20; lead fender seams, \$85; fill gas tank flap, \$15; install solenoids in door, \$10; and parts, \$12; air scoops in rear fenders, \$20; round hood corners, \$6; lower hood, \$18; fill seams in fender to grill, \$20; French headlights with '52 Ford rims, \$40; and parts, \$8; and primer paint complete, \$15; all this adds up to about \$319. We hope you did not change your mind about customizing your cars because we would like to see more customs around the campus.

Richard says his Starlight coupe was only one of two Studebakers at his school. The other was a 1950 4 door sedan, lowered, with pipes and fender skirts.

Thank you, Richard, for sharing a piece of your Studebaker history. It was interesting reading the prices for the customizing in 1954. What would the cost be today?

GOODGUYS SHOW

By Keith Graham

I displayed my 1964 Wagonaire at the Goodguys show in Scottsdale on Friday & Saturday. My good friend Al at Custom Classics and I spent 3 days buffing and detailing. He started to repair a scrape on the left doors and ended up re-painting the whole side, finishing up on Friday morning! Friday I was in the western infield. I had the display card from the zone meet on the windshield and I heard comments like "I never heard of a Studebaker Club!". Everybody who looked was fascinated with the sliding roof, which, of course, was open!

On Saturday, the infield was full, so they put me on the upper level right across from the auto cross track and I was facing the row of Cobra and Camaro full-race cars. That was a bonus as many who came mainly for the auto cross saw the wagon and so many wanted to know about the sliding roof, and if it was a "rare option". Also they couldn't get over the fact that Stude had the name Daytona! To exit the show I had to drive the "gauntlet", as I call it, and hundreds of people saw the car in motion, and I heard more than once, "hey, there's a Studebaker with a sliding roof!" ALL positive comments, People were fascinated with it and thanks to another good friend, Alan Poletti, when they looked in at the dash, first thing they noticed was the ticking clock with the sweeping second hand. I had a great time!

TECHNICAL INFORMATION.....

CHECK YOUR FAN

By Duane Miller

Have you checked the fan on your collector car lately? Sometimes you need to sandblast them to really check them out but sometimes it is obvious. Every time the engine revs, your fan blade flexes. How many times has that 1950's era engine revved up in your machine?

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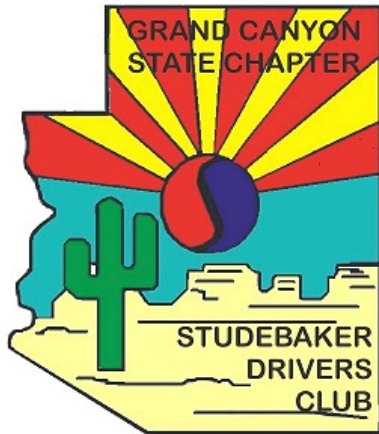
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