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ALL ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING
Hosted by the Southern Arizona Chapter, SDC

Saturday, March 1st

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

LOCATION: Old Tucson

The Old Western Town with old time saloon, restaurants, family fun. <http://oldtucson.com/>
201 South Kinney Road, Tucson 85735
520-883-0100



DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

From Interstate 10: take Exit 257 Speedway Blvd, drive west and follow the signs to Old Tucson

From Interstate 19: take Exit 99 Ajo Way (AZ 86) exit and drive west follow the signs to Old Tucson

ADMISSION: Must have your Chapter name badge or SDC membership card and can(s) of food for the local food bank to gain free admission.

ENTER: through Employee/Service Entrance.

COMPLIMENTARY: Dash Plaques, Goodie Bags

AWARDS: People's Choice Award, Fun Trophies (best steering wheel, cleanest trunk, best paint, etc.)

AND: 50/50 drawing, Raffles, Swap Meet - sell Studebaker parts from tailgate or trunk.

Please, No outside food or drink.

Information: Jerry Kaiser at 520-979-0065 or gkaiser493@gmail.com



GCSC Caravan to Old Tucson: Meet at Cracker Barrel, I-10 & Chandler Blvd at 7:30 am, leaving at 8:00 am for Tucson. Stay over in Tucson Saturday night and visit the Arizona Sonora Desert Museum or another attraction Sunday. More information on page 6.

From the Editor's Pen.....

February is the month for romance and canoodling in a rumble seat sure sounds romantic. Dan Kuhl writes about rumble seats in an article on page 9 and cites a reference for more information about a unique feature of some old cars, including Studebakers.

On page 8, Nancy Burgess writes about a book she authored, *An Arizona Auto Adventure: Clarence Boynton's 1913 Travelogue*, an amazing story of a 1000 mile trip taken around central Arizona in a 1913 Studebaker by Clarence Boynton, his wife and another family. In the adjacent article, Miss Burgess tells about other books she has written about Arizona. She mentions ordering her book, which retails for \$35.00, through her web site. I have a few copies I will sell for my cost of \$25.00; please contact me if you are interested.

On page 9 is an article about a photographic art show in Chandler featuring the work of Brenda Priddy. Brenda spent time taking pictures at our last March Madness at South Mountain Park. Might there be photos of Studebakers? Hope someone checks it out.

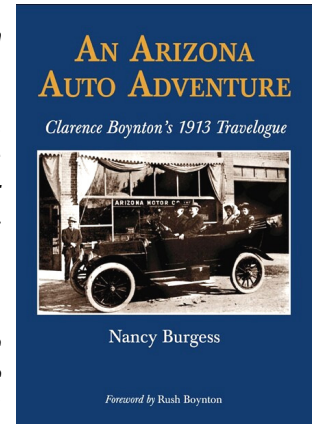
Thanks to all who contributed this month: Nancy Burgess, Dan Kuhl, Linda Smith, Steve Fein, Bill Gilmore, Ken West and Ed Smith. Chris

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From the President



The month of February focuses our attention on love. Cards and candy are bought and given. Kisses abound. This month also brings our focus to the heart. The emotions of the heart become more complicated. I'm in love with you is shouted through the streets with more infatuation and projection attached. I love you is whispered from the heart with more devotion of day-to-day companionship throughout this month. What is it about love? We simply cannot get enough of it. Love does indeed make the world go round.

We have a love of a lot of different things. There is family, homes, diamonds, Studebakers, Just being able to wake up to the sun shining in the morning, the 50s and 60s, ice cream (now it's frozen yogurt) and swings. We love music, books, being alive and happy, learning from other people, Studebakers, observing nature and smelling flowers. Unexpected things like playing golf with the old Studebaker, movies, spending time with the kids and grandkids and quiet times are always brought up as things we love.

This second month of the year also brings an emphasis to our real heart, this vital organ which beats an average of 100,000 times each day. This heart thing becomes more of a concern as does other parts of our anatomy as we age. It seems that at this older period in our lives we become more like the older Studebakers we drive, our exhaust goes bang when we least expect it.

Let us reach out to everyone this month. They say that flirting is good for you as studies show that people who flirt have higher white blood cells which boost their immunity and keeps them healthy and flirting fits into the theme of this month. Drive your Studebaker down the street and see how many flirting looks you receive. Sixty two percent of drivers have flirted with someone in a different vehicle while on the go. Return the flirt with the owner of that classic brand X. Particularly extend a hand to those with broken or grieving hearts because they don't own a Studebaker. Find a love for that owner of a brand x and invite them to one of our events. Once they see the variety, quality and quantity of the Studebaker as a cool car company they might just want to become one of the greatest Studebaker people.

Because this is the month of love I thought as a club we could spread some love around. During the month of February I ask those able and willing to donate your pennies. As a club we can collect a penny bounty and spring it upon a worthwhile charity next month. Bring your pennies and a suggestion as to where to donate and we will pass on our love to our fellow man.

Express your love to your Studebaker and bring it out to an event. The parade is fun as you feel the love of others that love your car. Spend an overnight with us after the Tucson March Madness and cruise another sight before returning home on Sunday. Just remember that the beauty of it is no matter how bad things get, there is always a beautiful Studebaker to return our love and keep us going somewhere.

Ed Smith

*A Studebaker People Are the Greatest
Thank You to the members who
brought cookies, bars and cupcakes for
dessert at our Winter Meeting.*

Jim & Sharon Carlin
Chris Collins
Peggy Eastburn
Michell Eastburn
Sue King
Pete & Karen Mensing
Linda Smith
Liz van Doorn
Sherry Watson

Thanks also to Don & Carol Aden
who were going to bring cookies
but were unable to attend.



Happy Valentine's Day!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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Mack Rasor
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480-295-6020

"Hope you feel better soon" wishes go out to

Jon Carter
Guy Hammer
Ike Quigley
(Ike is healing from heart surgery in Dec.)

WINTER MEETING - JANUARY 25

By Linda Smith

Our first event for 2014 was held at Martin Auto Museum in north Phoenix with a great turnout of 110 Studebaker owners and fans and 32 cars and trucks. The museum is packed with great cars (including a 1931 Commander), trucks, tractors and a merry-go-round. Some members were selling Studebaker parts and related things (thanks John Kroulik, Willie & Mike Shearhart, Brian Millette, John Verrill and Dave Kirkel).

Our events started at 10am and at 12:15 we were standing in our buffet line for some great BBQ from Porkopolis Restaurant in Chandler. Everyone enjoyed it and the homemade cookies and brownies brought by some of our Studebaker members. Thank you very much.

We had People's Choice Awards and the winners were Ervin & Robyn Souder in their 1955 Black/White Speedster; Malcolm Stinson in his 1940 President; Alan Tudor in his 1950 Green Pickup; Frank Wenzel & Kent Vandenberg in their 1950 Commander Convertible; Frank & Elizabeth van Doorn in their 1941 Champion Street Rod. Our trophy sponsors were: Chuck & Chris Collins, Michell Eastburn, John & Kim Rodhouse, Ken & Arlene West, Ed & Linda Smith. We want to thank each one of our sponsors for their donation and for making this event special for our winners.

The 50/50 drawing was held and \$230 went to Dave Kirkel, he walked away with it all because he drove his 1963 GT Hawk. Congrats, Dave. We also gave away lots of door prizes. We had screwdrivers sets, donated by Dusty Watson, son of Sherry Watson, T-shirts from our Zone Meet, Hot Wheel pickups, 3 tickets for the coin collection the Studebaker National Foundation is raffling, candy and a book. We had a presentation and gift for Kim Rodhouse in appreciation for serving as chapter Secretary the past year, thanks again, Kim.

Our President, Ed Smith, mentioned upcoming events: Feb 1st - Car show at Heritage Square, limited amount of vehicles so call and find out if there is room. Feb 15th - Gold Rush Days Parade in Wickenburg, AZ. Meet John Rodhouse at McDonald's on Grand Avenue, across from Del Webb Hospital at 7:30am and caravan over to the Burger King in Wickenburg where we will gather and then drive to the staging area. After the parade we will drive back to Sun City to the Golden Corral Restaurant. We have reserved their back room for 1:30pm. Please, if you can't make the parade join us at the restaurant.

Please enjoy the pictures on the Chapter website or Facebook page - thanks to Steve Fein for taking all the pictures and sending to me. See the link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Studebakers-Grand-Canyon-State-Chapter/189897701040009>

Thanks to everyone for making this first event another great one.

Studebakers and their drivers: Mike Barany, 1979 Avanti II; Scott & Marlene Benson, 1963 Wagonaire; Chuck & Chris Collins, 1963 Avanti; Ron & Vicky Crowe, 1964 GT Hawk; Bill & Peggy Eastburn, 1964 Champ; Chris, Rachel, Aubrey & Chloe Eastburn, 1963 Lark R1; Don & Sheri Engstrom, 1947 Champion Starlight Coupe; Steve & Paulette Fein, 1966 Cruiser; George Gezelius, 1951 Champion 2dr sedan; Bob & Mimi Halgren, 1950 Starlight Coupe; Mike, Sue & Shayna King, 1957 Silver Hawk; Dave Kirkel, 1963 GT Hawk; Denny Lockmon, 1953 Champion coupe; Dennis Lynde & Linda Saar, 1963 GT Hawk; Larry Malmstrom, 1953 Commander; Brian Millette, 1957 President; Don Parkey, 1960 Lark; Willard Pike, 1948 Packard; Al & Anna Riedel, 1978 Avanti II; John & Kim Rodhouse, 1950 2R5; Mike & Willie Shearhart, 1951 Pickup; Bill & Cheryl Simmons, 1953 Commander; Ed & Linda Smith, 1951 Stakebed; Ervin & Robyn Souder, 1955 Speedster; Malcolm Stinson, 1940 President; Alan Tudor, 1950 Pickup; Frank & Liz van Doorn, 1941 Champion; John Verrill, 1963 Avanti; Jerry Volk, 1955 Commander; Frank Wenzel & Kent Vandenberg, 1950 Commander convertible; Ken & Arlene West; 1966 Daytona; Bob & Bet Williams, 1966 Daytona.

Thank you from Bill and Cheryl

A note to thank all the Studebaker friends who stopped to see if we needed help when our Stude decided to lockup on our way home (from the museum). We were truly grateful for your concern. We were very surprised, too, at the number of kind people who did not know us that stopped to see if they could help.

By the way, a military escort man who stopped first gave us the number of Phoenix Towing Service (602-843-8400) to get us off the highway and home. Bryce came within 20 minutes and was very efficient and told us they are a family owned organization. Their charges were very reasonable, too.

Thanks, Cheryl Simmons

Bill adds: Just checked out the car and it appears that I broke a gear in the trans and it wedged itself in there and locked up everything. Will get to repairing the damage and back on the road soon.

Bill and Cheryl's
1953
Commander



Photo courtesy of Steve Fein.

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

- FEBRUARY 4** ARIZONA AUTOMOBILE HOBBYIST COUNCIL MEETING, 7:00 PM AT GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, 6000 W. OLIVE AVE, GLENDALE. ENTER FROM 63RD AVE. TOUR OF AUTOMOTIVE SHOP AREAS. DOORS OPEN AT 6:30. INFO: 623-204-9172.
- FEBRUARY 15** 66TH ANNUAL GOLD RUSH DAYS PARADE. MEET AT MCDONALD'S, REEMS RD. & GRAND AVE. AT 7:30AM TO CARAVAN TO WICKENBURG OR MEET AT BURGER KING IN WICKENBURG AT 8:30. LUNCH AT 1:30 AT GOLDEN CORRAL AFTER PARADE. SEE PAGE 6 FOR DETAILS OR CONTACT LINDA AT 602-618-7691 / LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET
- MARCH 1** MARCH MADNESS HOSTED BY SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER AT OLD TUCSON, THE OLD WESTERN TOWN, 201 S KINNEY ROAD, TUCSON. ADMISSION IS FREE WITH YOUR CHAPTER NAME BADGE OR SDC MEMBERSHIP CARD PLUS CAN(S) OF FOOD FOR LOCAL FOOD BANK. DASH PLAQUES, GOODIE BAGS, PEOPLE'S CHOICE AND FUN AWARDS, RAFFLES AND 50/50. CAN SWAP FROM TAILGATE OR TRUNK. NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK. INFO: JERRY KAISER AT 520-979-0065 OR GKaiser493@GMAIL.COM
- MARCH 13-16** THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER, ASC HOSTS ANNUAL PALM SPRINGS MEET. HOST HOTEL: THE CURVE PALM SPRINGS HOTEL, 333 3. PALM CANYON DR. \$79/NIGHT 2 PEOPLE. RESERVE BY FEB. 14 AT 760-327-1211. MENTION STUDEBAKER. DRIVE TOURS, MEET & MEETS, GROUP MEALS, MORE. \$25/PER PERSON DUE ON ARRIVAL. RSVP TO FRANK AT 760-322-8762 BY MARCH 6.
- MARCH 16** 29TH ANNUAL WINTER MEET HOSTED BY THE LOS ANGELES CHAPTER AT THE PETERSEN AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM, 6060 WILSHIRE BLVD, LOS ANGELES. 8AM - 2PM. REGISTRATION PRIOR TO MARCH 1 IS \$20 PER CAR AND INCLUDES ONE MUSEUM PASS. INFO: RIC DIORIO AT STUDEBAKERSLA@GMAIL.COM OR 818-398-6055 SEE REGISTRATION FORM ON PAGE 13.
- APRIL 12** CHAPTER GATHERING. MEET AT THE GILBERT HISTORICAL MUSEUM, CORNER OF ELLIOT AND GILBERT RDS, GILBERT AT 9 AM WITH A 1.5 - 2 HOUR TOUR. ADMISSION IS \$3 WHEN YOU MENTION STUDEBAKER. STUDEBAKER DRIVERS ARRIVE EARLY TO SECURE STREET FACING PARKING SPACE. AT 11:30 WE WILL GO TO JOE'S BBQ FOR LUNCH AND MEETING. OUR TOURMASTER IS GARY KEATING. FOR MORE INFO SEE MARCH AND APRIL NEWSLETTERS OR CONTACT GARY AT 480-209-8279.
- APRIL 25-26** BEELINE CRUISE-IN CAR SHOW & SWAP MEET AT GREEN VALLEY PARK, PAYSON HOSTED BY RIM COUNTRY CLASSIC AUTO CLUB. \$35 EARLY ENTRY FEE INCLUDES FRIDAY CRUISE, SATURDAY SHOW, T-SHIRT AND GIFT. \$45 DAY OF SHOW. 400 PRE-1989 ENTRIES ONLY. INFO AT [HTTP://CLUBS.HEMMINGS.COM/RCCAZ/](http://CLUBS.HEMMINGS.COM/RCCAZ/) FOR VENDORS AND REGISTRATION OR CALL 928-474-3560.
- 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
- MAY 25** 40TH ANNUAL LA PALMA CAR SHOW & PARTS EXCHANGE, ANAHEIM, CALIF. STAN-323-296-6680
- 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.



UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 15 GOLD RUSH DAYS PARADE

The 66th annual Gold Rush Days celebration in Wickenburg takes place February 14-16 with the Chapter participating in the parade on Saturday the 15th. Members driving their Studebaker in the parade can meet John Rodhouse in his 1950 2R at the McDonald's on Reems Rd and Grand Ave. at 7:30 am to caravan to Wickenburg. Or, meet Ed & Linda Smith in their 1951 Stakebed pickup at the Burger King located just as you enter Wickenburg at 8:30 am.



All will meet there to travel to the staging area. You can also meet the group at the staging area.

After the parade, meet for lunch at the Golden Corral, 17674 N. Litchfield Rd. at Grand Ave., Surprise. If you aren't able to attend the parade, please come for lunch and chapter meeting at 1:30 pm in the banquet room. Meals are on your own with a 15% gratuity added to each check. The restaurant is well known for its home made rolls and triple chocolate fountains.



GCSC members, are invited to caravan down to Old Tucson for March Madness. Meet at the Cracker Barrel restaurant, Interstate 10 and Chandler Blvd exit at 7:30 am and plan on leaving at 8:00 for Tucson. Please allow time if you plan on eating breakfast.

Some of the members are planning on staying over in Tucson Saturday night. I have checked on Hotels.com, booking.com and the best rate is at the Super 8 Motel on Grant Street, about 7 miles outside of Old Tucson. If you want to stay overnight, please make your own reservations. (Grant Rd. & I-10 exit. 855-799-6862). It doesn't have to be at that motel but it is hard to reserve rooms when I don't have a definite number. Plans are to visit the Bio-sphere or the Desert Museum on Sunday and do some antique shopping if you want, too. LGS

THANK YOU!

I had a super wonderful time last Saturday at the luncheon. I enjoyed meeting you and many of the rest of your chapter along with seeing old friends like Mimi Hलगren, the ASC President and Chester Bradfield who lives 2 hours down the road in Virginia from where I work currently. Also enjoyed seeing the Martin Auto Museum, neat place and great location for that January gathering.

I look forward to seeing some of your folks in Dover, Delaware in July. Thanks again for the hospitality and, oh yes, the bag of cookies you gave me are great. I'm having them for lunch each day this week.

Jim Thompson - President, Heart of Ohio Chapter, SDC

ROUTE 66 FUN RUN MAY 2 - 4, 2014

Submitted by Ken West

There are still a limited number of rooms available for May 2, 2014 in Seligman and for May 3, 2014 in Kingman for the Route 66 Fun Run.

Rooms in Seligman are at the Stagecoach 66 Motel, (928) 422-3470 or cell # (707) 292-7220. Ask for Sherry and let her know you are with the Studebaker Drivers Club.

Rooms in Kingman are at the Best Western Kings Inn, (928) 753-6101 between 7AM-2PM, Monday through Friday, ask for Karen and let her know you are with the Studebaker Drivers Club.

The Kings Inn has a complimentary Breakfast Buffet served from 6AM to 10AM.

Rooms at both motels need to be reserved by March 1, 2014.

The Route 66 Fun Run registration form can be downloaded from the Route 66 Association of Arizona web site: <http://www.azrt66.com/>

This is a great event to see extraordinary cars in a driving situation. I believe it is the largest rolling car show in the world with 700 to 1000 cars traveling along the most famous highway in the world. This event draws participants from all corners of the world and most every make and model of vehicle is represented. Studebakers are greatly admired and everyone seeing them has a story to tell or a question to ask.

We will plan a convoy for Friday morning, May 2nd, following the back roads and including a lunch stop. If you can't make the convoy, driving up on Friday evening or Saturday morning is an option. The official parade leaves Seligman at 10AM Saturday morning giving you plenty of time to drive to Seligman from the valley that morning. There are activities planned by the association on Friday evening, all day Saturday, (huge car show in Kingman) and most of Sunday including an awards ceremony in Topock.

Any questions, please contact us at 623-937-7955 or thunderations@yahoo.com

BARRETT-JACKSON AUCTION RESULTS

Steve Fein submitted the following sales results for Studebakers at the recent Barrett-Jackson Auction in Scottsdale. Sold price includes 10% commission.

1953 Commander coupe	\$66,000.00
1956 Custom Pickup	\$28,600.00
1957 Golden Hawk	\$66,000.00
1963 Avanti	\$15,400.00
1948 Commander 2dr coupe	\$23,100.00
1946 M5 Pickup	\$17,600.00
1953 Champion 2dr sedan	\$20,900.00

**Grand Canyon State Chapter
Treasurer's Annual Report**
Submitted By John Rodhouse

Checking Account	
Ending Balance as of 12/30/12	\$2,475.89
Receipts	
2013 Dues Local	\$1,541.00
2013 Dues National	\$506.00
Russo and Steele Donation	\$350.00
2013 Calendar	\$101.00
50/50	\$153.50
Magnets	\$180.00
Echo Ads	\$250.00
March Madness Refund	\$300.00
Trophy Sponsors	\$120.00
Events (Mel Martin's, Macayo's)	\$1,930.00
Holiday Auction	\$516.00
Name Badges	\$148.80
Zone Meet	\$8,709.00
2014 Dues (local, national)	<u>\$333.00</u>
	\$15,138.30
	\$17,614.19
Disbursements	
National Dues	\$530.00
Name Badges	\$148.40
Trophies (excluding ZM)	\$168.30
Door Prizes	\$630.00
Magnets	\$120.85
Memorials	\$200.00
Events (food and supplies)	\$2,752.14
Calendars	\$517.53
Echo	\$1,699.99
2013 International Trophy	\$105.00
Dash Plaques	\$71.95
P.O. Box Rental	\$54.00
Roster	\$30.51
Truck bed for trailer	\$300.00
AZ Automobile Hobbyist Council Dues	\$42.00
Zone Meet	\$6,052.12
Website (2years)	<u>\$20.34</u>
	\$13,443.13
Cash on Hand	\$151.37
Ending Balance as of 12/31/13	\$4,019.69
Money Market	
Ending Balance as of 12/31/13	\$5,312.43
(YTD interest @ .15% = \$7.23)	

SAC Banquet

Several GCSC members drove to Tucson Sunday, January, 26th for the Southern Arizona Chapter's annual banquet held at Tanque Verde Guest Ranch. As always, the offerings for the buffet luncheon were delectable and ample. After the meal, everyone adjourned to a meeting room where SAC president, Jerry Kaiser, presented awards and door prizes, then turned the remainder of the afternoon over to Richard Dormois who entertainingly auctioned a number of treasures to eager bidders.

Valley GCSC members attending were Chris, Rachel, Aubrey & Chloe Eastburn, Bill & Peggy Eastburn, Michell Eastburn, Richard Dormois, Claudia Robinette, Ed & Linda Smith, Chuck & Chris Collins, George Geze-lius, Jim Clever, Larry Swanson and Sherry Watson.

CELEBRATE!



February Birthdays

1	Anita MacFadden	20	Pete Mensing
3	Will Eastburn	20	Brian Millette
7	Linda Smith	22	Sandie Keating
8	Nancy Bradfield	22	Kevin MacFadden
10	James Clever	22	Eric Richardson
13	Pat Boehnlein	25	Harold Manley
14	Shayna King	26	James Pruitt
15	Jim Boehnlein	28	Carol Elliott
15	Jaclyn Parise	28	Virginia Miller
15	Jim Parise	28	Gary Olson
16	Bill Dishman	28	Kim Rodhouse
18	Sam Haberman		

February Anniversaries

3	Ed & Lynda Caviar
10	Eric & DeAnna Richardson
16	Bill & Judy Barker
22	Curt & Carmen Curtis

Children's Birthday



7	Sara MacFadden (daughter of Kevin & Anita)
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This N That.....

Frank van Doorn recently heard the issue of the Swedish car magazine, *BilSport Classic*, with his 1941 Champion featured is now on the news stands in Scandinavia. He is being sent several copies by the author.

Good luck to **Sherry Watson** as she takes over the editorship of the *Saguaro Sage*, newsletter of the Arizona State Chapter of the Antique Studebaker Club.

A free concert is being performed by the West Valley Pops Band, conducted by chapter member **Larry Swanson**, Wednesday, February 5th at the Westbrook Village club house, 19281 N. Westbrook Pkwy, Peoria, beginning at 7pm. Another concert, A Day at the Circus, will be performed on Sunday, February 9th at 3pm at the Pueblo El Mirage club house, 11201 N. El Mirage Rd., El Mirage. Please bring a can of food to donate to the West Valley Community Food Bank when attending West Valley Pops Band concerts.

Sid Rosen recently returned from a trip to Cuba and most likely could appreciate the photographic art of the cars of Cuba that are part of a display of **Brenda Priddy's** work at the Chandler Center for the Arts. See the article about the display on page 9.

AN ARIZONA AUTO ADVENTURE: CLARENCE BOYNTON'S 1913 TRAVELOGUE

by Nancy Burgess

In the fall of 1913, chemist Clarence N. Boynton and his friend and soon-to-be business partner, physician William Warner Watkins, along with their wives and the Watkins' nine-month old daughter, took a driving trip in Dr. Watkins' 1913 Studebaker SA25 "machine." The trip was planned to cover a circle of approximately 1,000 miles in central Arizona. Clarence Boynton kept an "account" of the trip, which he entitled "An Account of the Watkins-Boynton 1,000 Mile Tour Through Northern Arizona, August 28 to October 3, 1913." In a state which has relied on tourism and travel as a major component of its economy for more than 100 years, a travel journal from the earliest days of automobile pleasure travel is a treasure, and an eye-opener.

Just 18 months earlier, in February of 1912, Arizona had become a state. In 1912, there was no statewide road system, and many of the "roads" were nothing more than cattle trails, unimproved wagon or stagecoach roads or tracks across the forest or desert. Pavement was practically non-existent. Creek and river crossings were, for the most part, unbridged and treacherous, whether wet or dry. The days of the stagecoach, freight wagon and horse and buggy were certainly not over, and automobiles were a rarity in the more rural communities in the state. "Gas stations," such as they were, were few and far between. Maps were incomplete or incorrect, and in some areas roads were uncharted. It was no country for an auto.

An Arizona Auto Adventure: Clarence Boynton's 1913 Travelogue is based on Clarence Boynton's journal which documented the driving trip he took with his wife, Mariquita ("Quita"), Dr. Watkins, his wife Bessie and their daughter Merial. The story of the trip is well written, interesting and really gives the reader an idea of what road travel was like in the fall of 1913 in Arizona. The journal is included in its entirety through *italicized*, directly quoted text from the typewritten transcription of the journal in the order in which it was presented. The date of each day is included at the beginning of the excerpt from the journal. In a few cases, brackets have been used to indicate missing text or a minor correction. Otherwise, the excerpts are as the transcription of the Clarence Boynton journal was presented to me by the Boynton family. This is a unique story told by a man who was very involved in the trip – as a driver, mechanic (mechanic) and chronicler of the trip. Mr. Boynton tells not only his own story, but that of Dr. Watkins and their wives and that of the "machine."

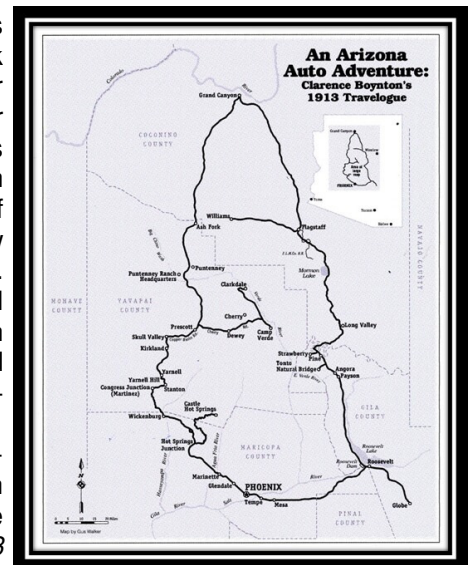
This book is not intended to be a comprehensive history of central Arizona in 1913. Nor is it intended to be a biography of the Watkins and Boynton families, although their personal stories are very interesting and are integral to the overall story of the trip. *An Arizona Auto Adventure: Clarence Boynton's 1913 Travelogue* includes a few family photographs provided by the Boynton family, but if photographs were taken on the trip, their location is unknown. The author has added approximately 200 photographs, advertisements and maps to the story, including a trip map which shows the extent of the trip. Most of the images are period images of the places the group traveled to and through on the trip.

An Arizona Auto Adventure: Clarence Boynton's 1913 Travelogue is the story of a road trip in the early days of automobile travel in a place and time when the "Wild West" of Arizona was still in evidence, but the advent of the automobile was beginning to come to the forefront, and those "Wild West" days were numbered.

Introductory chapters include a description of road travel in the early days of Arizona statehood, which included sharing the "road" with stagecoaches, freight wagons, riders on horse, burro and muleback and other non-motorized conveyances, and, indeed the Boyntons and the Watkins took advantage of some of these conveyances when the "machine" was "out of order." Introductory chapters also include biographical sketches on the Boynton and Watkins families and a chapter devoted to the "machine" – the 1913 Studebaker SA25, which was edited by staff at the Studebaker National Museum in South Bend and by Richard Quinn. A postscript includes an overview of Clarence Boynton's and Dr. Watkins' founding of, and partnership in, The Pathological Laboratory in Phoenix and their subsequent careers and families.

Clarence Boynton came to St. Luke's Home in Phoenix in 1912 from Connecticut. Shortly after their marriage, Clarence and Mariquita moved to Middlebury, Vermont, where Clarence was an assistant professor in the chemistry department of Middlebury College. Within a short time, Clarence Boynton became ill and was diagnosed with pulmonary tuberculosis. Clarence was told by his physician that if he didn't make a move, he would surely die, and if he did move, there was a 50-50 chance of survival. In that era, treatment consisted of moving to a dry climate along with rest, so he and Mariquita moved to Phoenix, Arizona.

Dr. William Warner Watkins came to Arizona shortly after his graduation from the Medical College of Virginia and was licensed in the Arizona Territory June 15, 1906. In 1911 he became the resident physician and Medical Director of St. Luke's Home, one of the many sanitariums in Arizona in the early 20th century. Clarence Boynton, who had a Master's Degree in Chemistry from Yale University, was Dr. Watkins' patient. Dr. Watkins was an "autoist," a person who was enamored of the new-fangled automobile for pleasure driving, rather than pure transportation.



A TUMBLE IN A RUMBLE SEAT

By Dan Kuhl

In September I was fortunate to attend the second annual Boston Cup Classic Car Show held in the Boston Commons, a 50 acre park that is the starting point for the historic Freedom Trail. The show was simply amazing, the setting as well as the cars. On display, to name a few, was a Boston firehouse hand-pumper built by Paul Revere of the Revolutionary War, and a 1903 Model J Grout steam driven automobile. The show focus was automobiles manufactured in Massachusetts. The Grout was manufactured in Orange, MA from 1900-1912.

The Grout grabbed my attention because the owner flipped down a seat in the front of the car. As she flipped it down she called it a rumble seat. Until my introduction to the Grout, I had thought all rumble seats were located behind the driver's seat. Not sure what I had heard from the Grout owner was correct, I looked on the web for a definition for "rumble seat". It is defined as a seat where passengers are seated out in the open with no compartment for protection from the elements. Checking a number of definitions I determined that most placed the rumble seat in the rear and not in the front as it is located in the Grout. Further investigation into the history of the Grout disclosed the front seat was actually a folding compartment seat. In any case, it would be extremely easy to fall from this seat and be run over by the car you had been riding in. One could say that it would be an easy tumble in a rumble seat, especially with no seat belts and the very rough roads at the turn of the century.

As the years passed the cars became more sophisticated and so have the uses of the rumble seat. Imagine using Rick Peterson's '27 Studebaker Roadster for some of the activities described in the titles of the songs published in the 1920's by Tin Pan Alley. For example: "Take a Little Ride with Me Baby", "In Our Little Love Mobile", and "15 Kisses on a Gallon of Gas". Running boards, long sloping fenders and seat cushions have many uses for those folks looking for a romantic interlude. The car definitely offered many young couples freedom away from the home parlor.

In 1933 J. Frederick Coats, of "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" fame, published a song "Tumble in a Rumble Seat" and it had nothing to do with falling out of a rumble seat. The sheet music for this song is on the web. On the cover is a couple necking in a rumble seat of a coupe parked in a wooded area under a moon lit sky. The more I look at that coupe, the more it looks like a Studebaker. (Steve Piper, this article is for you)



Reference: David Lewis, *Sex and the Automobile, From Rumble Seats to Rockin' Vans*
(Author's note: This reference is tastefully written.)

Automotive Artifacts: The Fine Art Photography of Brenda Priddy

By Bill Gilmore

Be sure to attend this unique and creative automotive photography exhibition at the Chandler Center for the Arts, 250 N. Arizona Ave., Chandler which will run from January 31st to March 8th, 2014.

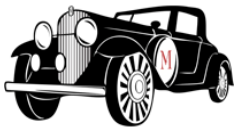
Part of her exhibit includes some great photos of vintage vehicles taken during her recent automotive press junket to Cuba where, until just recently, Cuban citizens were only allowed to own cars built before Fidel Castro's 1959 Communist Revolution. Therefore, Cuba has quite a cornucopia of cars from the '50s. Many of these well preserved and well maintained "daily drivers" are considered very "collectable" by the rest of the automotive world today.

Brenda Priddy is a very unique lady who makes her living as an automotive "spy", a paparazzi of pre-production prototypes if you please. Brenda's the anonymous photographer behind many of the first public photos we've all seen over the years in major car magazines and newspapers of test cars and pre-production prototypes as they are being moved into or out of vehicle manufacturers proving grounds or driven on lonely back roads by engineers testing the next generations of vehicles under real world conditions in Arizona and in other remote areas around the world.

While patiently waiting to give the world its first glimpse of upcoming cars, Brenda looks for other subjects to photograph and has found many in out of the way places such as junkyards and collector car shows where hood ornaments, nameplates and the flowing body-lines of vintage vehicles have all been photographed. These unique perspectives have become the main focus of her exhibition. "These images recall a day long past when the automobile stood as an iconic figurehead in the American life," she explains.

Gallery hours at the beautiful Chandler Center for the Arts are 10am to 5pm Monday to Friday and from noon to 5pm on Saturday and closed on Sunday. Admission to the CCA is free and is open to the general public.

I strongly suggest that you find some time to go and view these iconic images of automotive Americana while you have the chance. To see samples of her spy photos of upcoming cars, and the lengths that vehicle manufacturers will go to disguise them, go to her website at <http://www.BrendaPriddyAndCompany.com>



The Grand Canyon State Chapter thanks the Martin Auto Museum for the privilege of hosting our January event at the museum. Members and guests not only had the opportunity to see thirty two beautiful Studebakers in the parking lot but everyone was able to view the museum's fabulous collection.

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