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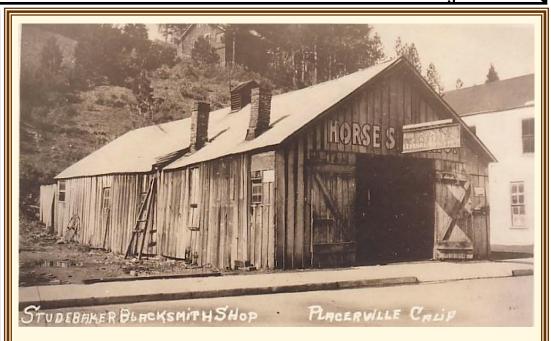
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The blacksmith shop where John Mohler Studebaker, "Wheelbarrow Johnny", built wheelbarrows and wagons for the gold-mad prospectors.

ach year the city of Placerville, also known as Hangtown, pays tribute to its most illustrious pioneer citizen. The object of this tribute is not one of the men who struck it rich digging gold during the Gold Rush era, but John Mohler Studebaker who made his fortune as a blacksmith and by building wagons and wheelbarrows for the miners.

In 1853, John left South Bend in a prairie schooner built by his own hands. At the end of a five month journey, he arrived in Hangtown with 50 cents in his pocket.

Although eager to start digging for gold, the more experienced Hangtown settlers, knowing of Studebaker's reputation as a wagon maker, persuaded John to build wheelbarrows which he sold for \$10.00 apiece. Soon his wheelbarrows were famous and, unlike the miners who spent their weekly "fortunes" overnight, John saved his money. In 1858, John returned to South Bend to invest in his brothers wagon and carriage business, launching the fledgling company into a future big business.

See page 8 for an invitation to the 2015 celebration in Hangtown.

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

This month's cover was inspired by an invitation from the president of the Karel Staple Chapter to attend the yearly tribute to Wheelbarrow Johnny on Sunday, June 21st in Placerville, Calif. Although it's quite a drive to Placerville, if you are looking for a summer adventure this might be just the event to attend. Please read more about the celebration on page 8.

Information for the cover story was sourced from an article in the June, 1931 issue of *The Wheel*, a monthly magazine for the motorist produced by the Studebaker Corporation.

This month there are two articles about zone meets being held in the fall - one SDC and the other, ASC. Please keep this issue handy to refer to for details of these meets. It is a fairly easy drive in a Studebaker to either meet so it hoped you plan to attend one or both.

Another good meet coming up is the La Palma Car Show and Parts Exchange in Anaheim on May 24. Call a friend and caravan over on Saturday, stay close by to arrive early on Sunday for the best parts and a great show.

Thanks to our contributors this month: Don Kuhl, Linda, Smith, Ed Smith, Neil Bell, Malcolm Stinson, Pat Dilling and the Tumbleweeds Chapter. *Chris* 

## THE WINNER IS...

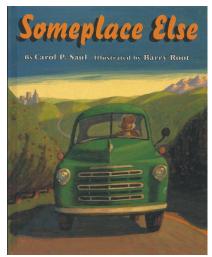
Ongratulations to Ron Crowe for being the first to correctly identify the member whose niece is shown on the Studebaker National Foundation web site. The member is our treasurer, John Rodhouse, and his niece is Abby Rodhouse who lives in Massachusetts. She picked the winning ticket in a drawing which took place during the York Swap Meet held each

year in March and hosted by the Keystone Region Chapter, SDC.

Ron's prize was a copy of the book pictured here. It's a charming story of a woman searching for "someplace else" and, as you can see, features a Studebaker pickup.

If you would like a copy of the book search the title and/or author on this web site:

http://www.abebooks.com



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## From the President ...

ay is here and things are starting to heat up. The weather is at 100 and the cars are running for cover. It is interesting how we let little things instantly guide our thinking. Living in Phoenix for over twenty years and all of a sudden it is



like something new happening with the temperature in the desert. We live in the desert because we choose to.

Like owning a Studebaker, it causes a lot to complain about but it also satisfies the owner. It is it what you want, the way you want. I know we treat it as one of the family but are we really just projecting our feeling toward something that we know can take a lot of abuse and still keep on ticking. We hate to see the old Studebaker just sitting there as if it were rotting away in the garage and use the excuse it is too hot or too cold for it.

Change is nothing new but then again that is exactly what it is, something new. How are we to know if we like change or not if we don't give it a try. People thought that the automobile would never be affordable except for the very rich. Would you like to go back to riding a horse or buggy everywhere?

We are in a much faster paced world now even if we think that is because of or for the younger generation. Think about what you do in a day compared to what you accomplished in a day just 15 years ago. Look at how long it takes to fill out that paperwork at the Dr. office when you think I just did this for the other Dr. last week. Why can't they get it together and use the internet. Everyone else uses it to find ways to scam us or take away our lives and it is the same thing you are filling out again and again and then getting it stolen from the internet from every place that you filled it out.

Think about changes that have taken place and just how they affect us now days.

How would you feel if there was no cooler to keep your beer cold or your food from spoiling as you took your Studebaker on that family camping trip or Studebaker event? The Coleman Company made it so we still aren't eating beef jerky and dried beans. These beans later came in a can which we had to open with a knife or hammer and chisel instead of a can opener. We can still eat burnt toast but now it is our own choosing as we can select the crispness on our toaster.

Some things take a while to realize the improvement value. The tape measure was created in 1868 but it took 72 years before it became more popular than the wooden ruler. Who doesn't have a crescent wrench handy in the home or the Studebaker.

Did you join the revolution made possible by the CB radio to organize convoys and warn us of the speed traps while they tried to keep our Studebakers going only 55 mph. The hydraulic car jack came about in 1851. Because of its speed and ease of operation it has replaced the bumper, screw and scissor jack in most cars and trucks.

The Polaroid SZ 70 camera made its debut in

1972 and nearly broke the company but just a mere two years later there were over a billion pictures being instantly produced. Look how much faster and easier things got after the zipper became the universal fastener.

The War of the Worlds revealed the power of instant communication with the radio, the television and now the cell phone is proving that we want it now. How do you feel now days when you can't find the remote?

Ten years ago, Facebook didn't exist. Ten years before that, we didn't have the Web. What would we do without it?

So, why all this about changes? There are proposals out there that involve changes to the largest single marque (orphan) car club in the world, your Studebaker Drivers Club. How would you feel about going to a zone meet if you didn't have to plan on going to an international meet the same year? Look at them with an open mind and think how it might reeducate the rest of the world about Studebakers. They say we are different by design so let's carry that to a reorganization of our club.

You had and still have a few big dreams but the drive is slowing down. You think I can save just one more car and then it appears to sit there with a lower priority as you find another and another. Help us to think of ways to attract a younger generation of Studebaker enthusiast.

We love our Studes and would like others to love them also, so get it out and drive it.

Studebakers are Great! Studebaker People are the Greatest!

## Ed Smith

## CELEBRATE!



## May Birthdays

- Peggy Akin 3 Robert Gurley Carl Reid
- Esther Reid **Buddy Wright**
- 5 Sam Hurt 11 Bruce Sandburg Jack Foster 12
- 13 Judy Haverstick
- 14 Aleta Millette
- 16 Sheri Engstrom

- Lew Dandurand
- Nancy Foster 18
- Leon McBride 18
- **Bob Williams** 18
- 19 Sue Plummer-Loveridge 20 Virginia Quigley
  - 20 John Verrill
  - 22 Don Becker
  - 23 Sue Kina
  - Lewis Kraus

## May Anniversaries

- Mark & Judi Beavin
- 3 Don & Sheri Engstrom 4
- Paul & Lola Horvath 4 Bill & Cheryl Simmons
- 11 Leon & Doris McBride
- 14 Robert & Rachel Mazzullo
- 21 John & Lorilee Kroulik



## **GREATEST SHOW ON TURF ..... APRIL 11, 2015**

By Chris Collins

A free car show and on a grass field! What more could one ask for? How about a complimentary t-shirt and free lunch, too! Saturday, April 11th, several chapter members with their Studebakers attended a car show and family event at the Barry Goldwater High School on Rose Garden Lane at 27th Ave. in Phoenix. The school's graphic arts students designed the t-shirt and students in the school's award-winning culinary arts department prepared the excellent lunch. Students were responsible for Car Exhibitor Hospitality with teams of 2-3 students welcoming the car owners, passing out water, t-shirts, lunch tickets and giving directions to the restrooms and raffle tent. The kids were all terrific and the event, with the help of high school teachers and the vice principal, was well run.

A raffle was held, with proceeds benefiting the Bulldog Pride Scholarship fund which helps graduating seniors with expenses for college, universities and trade school programs. Local business provided the raffle prizes and also the awards given to the top three vote-getters in the people's choice balloting. At noon, there was a fly over of vintage planes from the Deer Valley Airport to honor members of the armed forces.

The chapter members who attended and their Studebakers were: Dave Kirkel, 1963 GT Hawk; Denny Lockmon and Maryann Lemely, 1964 Daytona convertible; Dale Sexton, 1988 Avanti; Malcolm Stinson, 1960 Hawk; Brian Millette, 1956 President; Ken and Arlene West, 1963 Cruiser and 1966 Daytona; Ed and Linda Smith, 1951 Stake bed; Chuck and Chris Collins, 1963 GT Hawk; Neil and Ruth Bell, 1960 Hawk. Coming out to visit and view the show were Paul and Phyllis Setaro, John Kroulik and Mike Lynch.



No Studebakers won people's choice awards but they were well received by the students and the community. Thank you to all the members who attended. A special thanks to Malcolm who drove down from Show Low to help expose Studebakers to another generation.

## **BEELINE CRUISE-IN ..... APRIL 24-25, PAYSON**

By Linda Smith

On April 24th, we drove to Payson in the rain with Rain-X on our windshield so we could see going up the mountain. It was cold and rainy but we had a great turnout of Studebakers. Friday at 4:30pm we lined up on Main Street for the seven mile cruise to the Elk's Lodge for a 'Burger Burn'. We ate dinner and enjoyed talking to our friends. Saturday morning we were up bright and early to go to the show; it was still cold, rainy and it even hailed at one point. Everyone was scrambling to find shelter. When the sun peaked through it was very nice.

Along with the Studebakers were 250 more beautiful cars and trucks present. We all had a great time, great friends getting together to do what they love....show off and talk

about Studebaker. See you next year in Payson.



Painter from Yuma, AZ in their 1953 Commander Starlight (custom), this car is so cute; Neil & Ruth Bell in their 1960 Hawk - modified; Bob Halgren in his newly restored 1953 Starlight Coupe and a 1950 Starlight Coupe; Ken Michael in his 1962 Champ pickup; Al & Delores Duble in their 1959 Silver Hawk; and Ed & Linda Smith in their 1951 Stakebed truck.



## GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER UDCOMING EVENTS

MAY 5 AAHC MEETING AT MARTIN AUTO MUSEUM, 17641 N. BLACK CANYON RD, NORTH OF

BELL ROAD ON THE ACCESS ROAD. DOORS OPEN AT 6PM FOR SELF TOURS. MEET-ING BEGINS AT 7PM AND INCLUDES TOLL ROAD UPDATES AND GENERAL ELECTIONS.

FOOD WILL BE SERVED - RSVP TO 623-204-9172.

MAY 9 CHAPTER MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN THE YARNELL DAZE PARADE

STARTING AT 10 AM. SEE http://wwwy-pvchamber.com FOR ENTRY FORM. CONTACT

LINDA AT lindagsmith@cox.net IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE AND FORM A GROUP.

MAY 16 GCSC BOARD & OFFICERS WILL MEET AT 6:00 PM AT THE HOME OF ED & LINDA

SMITH. SEE PAGE 6 FOR INFO OR CONTACT ED AT 602-290-1045 / edcollects@cox.net

MAY 24 41ST ANNUAL LA PALMA CAR SHOW & PARTS EXCHANGE AT LA PALMA PARK, ANA-

HEIM, CALIF., HARBOR BLVD & LA PALMA, SOUTH OF 91 FWY. HOSTED BY BCOIE CHAPTER, SDC FROM 8 AM - 3 PM. \$30 JUDGED, \$25 DISPLAY, \$25 VENDOR SPACE.

INFO: JIM GILLEN, 949-280-4952. REGISTRATION FORM ON PAGE 13 ONLINE.

JUNE 6 CELEBRATION OF CHAPTER MOTHERS & FATHERS WITH A POT LUCH BRUNCH AT

MARTIN AUTO MUSEUM. SEE PAGE 6 FOR DETAILS OR LINDAGSMITH@COX.NET

AUGUST 16-22 SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET HOSTED BY THE MISSOURI/ILLINOIS GATEWAY CHAPTER

AND AOAI AT THE SHERATON WESTPORT CHALET. 314-878-1500 MENTION STUDE-BAKER FOR SPECIAL MEET RATE OF \$115.00/NIGHT. MEET REGISTRATION AT

http://bit/ly/gatewaystude2015

SEPTEMBER 12 INTERNATIONAL DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY. A VISIT TO THE HALL OF FLAME

FIRE MUSEUM IS PLANNED FOLLOWED BY LUNCH AT KNOCK KNEED LOBSTER. FOR

INFO CONTACT LINDA AT 602-618-7691 OR lindagsmith@cox.net

SEPTEMBER 24-26 RUN TO PINES IN PINETOP. SEE INFORMATION FROM MALCOLM STINSON ON PAGE 8

OF JANUARY NEWSLETTER. THERE'S STILL SPACE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR STUDE.

CONTACT MALCOLM AT 928-368-7442 / SWSTUDEBAKER@LIVE.COM

OCTOBER 9-11 PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET HOSTED BY TUMBLEWEEDS CHAPTER AT FIESTA

HENDERSON CASINO HOTEL, HENDERSON NV. \$79 BY 9-8 AT 702-741-1800. VISIT

http://www.lasvegasstudebakers.com/ SEE REGISTRATION FORM ON PAGE 15 ONLINE.

OCTOBER 22-25 ASC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET IN WILLIAMS. SEE PAGE 8 FOR THE WEEKEND'S AC-

TION CONTACT MALCOLM AT 928-368-7442 / SWSTUDEBAKER@LIVE.COM

TIVITES AND PAGE 15 FOR THE REGISTRATION FORM. IF YOU NEED MORE INFORMA-

Neil Bell has written about photographer James VanderWeide of VanderWeide Photography in an article on page 7. James took this photo of the Bells 1960 Hawk at South Mountain Park and he explains the process for producing a quality photo for his customers.

Those of you receiving the newsletter in the mail will not get the full effect of James' work but you can visit the chapter web site to view this issue in color. His work is very nice but then he did have a beautiful subject and landscape to work with.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### MAY 16 GCSC BOARD MEETING

The Chapter board and officers will meet 6:00 pm Saturday, May 16th at the home of Ed and Linda Smith, 3501 N. 145th Ave., Goodyear. All members are welcome. For directions or information, contact Ed at 602-290-1045 / edcollects@cox.net

### JUNE 6 MOTHER'S/FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Come for a Pot Luck Brunch to celebrate Chapter mothers and fathers from 10am-3pm with brunch 10:30-11am at the Martin Auto Museum, 17641 N. Black Canyon Hwy., north of Bell Rd. on the I-17 access road. Please bring a dish to share: eggs, potatoes, biscuits, breakfast breads, fruits, salads, etc. The chapter will supply coffee, tea, water and table service, along with door prizes.

We will have a guest speaker, Annette Jacobs, City of Phoenix Police Department Resource Officer, to speak on Theft Prevention. You don't want to miss her talk at 12 noon on a very timely subject.

We are also asking you to bring an example of a hobby you have to share with the chapter members.

Something special is planned - a surprise!! - so you don't want to miss this event.

Need more info? Contact Linda at 602-618-7691 or lindagsmith@cox.net

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Submitted by John Rodhouse

As of 4/30/15 the checking account has \$4897.87 and the money market account has \$5316.56.

Since 1/1/15 we have had \$3810.00 coming into the club, comprised of Local and National Dues, *ECHO* ads, donations, trophy sponsorship and food for the January event.

Outgo since 1/1/15 is \$2771.15 is comprised of SDC dues, food and supplies for the January event, *ECHO* printing and postage, name badges, roster printing, March Madness Food and dash plaques, Arizona Automobile Hobbyist Council dues and Zone Meet and International Meet trophy sponsorship.

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION .....

With the arrival of the hot weather we know that we need to check the components of our Studebakers and daily drivers to insure we won't break down on the next 100° day. Here's a tip about batteries from AAA.

The best way to avoid battery failure is to be vigilant and have it tested on a routine basis. Warning signs include

- Your battery cranks slowly when trying to start.
- You hear a grinding, clicking or buzzing when you turn on the ignition.
- Your battery is more than three years old. The average life of a battery in Arizona is 30 months, but driving conditions and climate can shorten its life span.

## May 2015

| Sun   | Mon                | Tue                                    | Wed   | Thu             | Fri | Sat                          |
|---|--------------------|--|-------|-----------------|-----|------------------------------|
| Questions?<br>Call Chris at<br>602-995-5311 | *<br>*<br>*        | ********  **************************** | Route | 2<br>66 Fun Run |     |                              |
| 3   | 4                  | 5<br>Cinco De Mayo<br>AAHC Meeting     | 6     | 7               | 8   | 9                            |
| IO<br>Mother's Day                          | П                  | 12                                     | 13    | 14              | 15  | I 6<br>GCSC<br>Board Meeting |
| 17  | 18                 | 19                                     | 20    | 21              | 22  | 23                           |
| 24 LaPalma Meet                             | 25<br>Memorial Day | 26                                     | 27    | 28              | 29  | 30                           |



### **JANUARY WINTER MEET:**

Sue King, Michell Eastburn, John Rodhouse, Sherry Watson, Tim Watson, Chris Collins and Gary Keating. These members were instrumental in volunteering, organizing and making our January 2015 Winter Meet a success. Thank you all very much.

### **MARCH MADNESS:**

Claudia Robinette, Richard Dormois, Michell Eastburn, Dennis Lynde, Steve Fein, Neil Bell, Chris Collins, Don Parkey, Gary Keating, Ken & Arlene West, Malcolm Stinson, Gregg Avery & Luz Lozano & Gregg's Mother and Paul Vigne for helping with registration, erecting the valve cover race track, putting up and tearing down canopies, raffle ticket items, making the fun awards in February and all volunteering as Great Studebaker People in making March Madness another huge success. Thank you very much.

### Linda and Ed Smith

A tip of the hat to **Cindy Marion** for stepping up to take over as editor of our sister chapter's newsletter, *The Copper Starlight*. **June Kaiser** is to be commended for her many years of excellent editorship of the newsletter and her shoes were big ones to fill but Cindy has gotten off to a very good start. Good work, Cindy and thanks to June for her long commitment to the job.

Chris Collins

## New in the Garage

d and Linda Smith have a new addition to their garage - a 1985 Avanti. It is in need of paint and upholstery but runs well. They purchased it from Gene Nagle, who just happens to be one of the Chapter's founding members. Gene now lives in California, where the Smiths picked up the car. Sorry, no photos just yet. It should be a great car for cruising and touring.

Do you have something Studebaker related new to your garage? Send a note to the editor telling of your acquisition.



## **HAWK PHOTO SHOOT**

By Neil Bell

In early March, I got together with James VanderWeide of VanderWeide Photography for a photo shoot of our 1960 Studebaker Hawk. We scouted locations in South Mountain Park and James set up his equipment. Here is James' description of the process and equipment.

"I used a Canon 6D, 16-35mm 2.8L II lens, pocket wizards and a remote trigger and I rigged it to a Manfrotto tripod. My main light was a Canon 600EX-RT flash and it was mounted to a monopod that I carried. Once I programmed the remote trigger and started it, I walked around the car and let the camera fire on its own and trigger the flash. I then kept moving so I could expose the car's main features and details until I had everything I needed. Next, I imported the images into Lightroom and Photoshop where I took all the images I liked and essentially blended them together to create a high end commercial finish. Finally, I clean up any dust, dirt, and reflections on the car or ground for a real polished look. All of this work takes time and a great deal of patience, but it's well worth it when you love doing it."

James is available to shoot your Studebaker. His rates are \$100 for every 3 images. (ex. 4-6 images would be \$200, 7-9 at \$300, etc.). You can reach James at jamesvanderweide@gmail.com. His web site is www.jamesvanderweide.com See a photo on page 5.

## **Eager to Share His Eagle**

By Dan Kuhl

M ay 2nd, some of the Studebaker family joined friends and family of John and Lorilee Kroulik to honor their son Kolton earning his Eagle Scout Rank. Only three in 100 scouts achieve this rank.

Not only were they celebrating his scouting achievement they added to the celebration with Kolton's high school graduation. Next year he is off to college where he is expected to continue his stellar achievements. Kolton displays his many merit awards next to my 1959 Scotsman pickup.

Attending from the Grand Canyon State Chapter were the Mensings, Feins, Baranys, Collinses, Lynches, Eastburns, Keith Graham and the Kuhls.

Contratulations, Kolton!



## ASC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET OCTOBER 22-25, 2015 WILLIAMS, ARIZONA

Edited from information submitted by Malcolm J. Stinson

The host hotel for the ASC Southwest Zone Meet is the Mountain Side Inn, located on the east side of Williams at 642 E. Route 66. Rooms are \$65.00 per night including tax. Call 1-800-462-938 to make reservations and mention the antique Studebaker group. It is dog friendly but there may be a \$10.00 fee per night. The hotel has a Continental breakfast and the Pine Country Restaurant at 107 Grand Canyon Blvd is just a short drive west of the hotel. Rod's Steak House is across the street at 301 E. Route 66 and for ice cream, The Twister is within walking distance on the north side of the street.

The weekend's events are listed below.

October 22nd, Thursday: Arrive Thursday if you plan to take the train to the Grand Canyon on Friday. If you wish, join the group for dinner at 6:00 pm at Rod's Steak House. October 23rd, Friday: Meet at the train station in Williams no later than 9:15am to board the train. It leaves at 9:30 sharp and arrives at the Grand Canyon at 11:45. You can take a bus to the many canyon overlooks for \$35.12 each. Lunch is on your own and bring a bottle of water as none is sold on site.

October 24th, Saturday: A great day is planned with the

first stop close by at Bearizona for a drive in your Studebaker among black bears, bighorn sheep, white bison, Arctic and Alaskan tundra wolves, American bison and burros and Rocky Mtn. goats. Then, spend time in the walking area checking out the small and baby animals. Soft top cars must remain outside.



The next stop is about 7 miles east on I-40 to exit 171 to the Deer Farm where you'll see many varieties of animals.

After the Deer Farm, the group will go back on I-40 to exit 163 for lunch at your choice of several spots. Then, everyone will meet up at the freeway entrance at 1:00 to caravan to Exit 165 for a 30 mile trip to the Valle Airport to visit the Planes of Fame Air Museum. In addition to antique planes, there are several antique cars including a Studebaker. Plan to spend 2-3 hours here.

**October 25th, Sunday:** After breakfast, you are on your own to visit the area and to drive safely home.

For more information you can contact Malcolm at 928-368-7442 or swstudebaker@live.com



## AN INVITATION

## To the John M Studebaker Wheelbarrow Races in Placerville, Calif.

would like to personally invite your chapter members to this event. I am working with the Placerville Kiwanis team that puts the event on. They really want to see Studebakers of any type at this event and welcome us with open arms. This may be quite a journey for some of you, but you can take advantage of other great local attractions and make a little vacation of it. You will be close to Lake Tahoe, Yosemite, Sacramento, the historic California and Northern Nevada Gold Rush locales and California's wonderful foothill wine and vineyard areas.

The 71st running of this event will take place at the El Dorado County fair in Placerville California on Sunday, June 21. That is Father's Day. Studebaker owners are invited to bring their cars and display them at the fair

on the race day. Placerville really celebrates "Wheelbarrow Johnny" and considers him one of their favorite sons and a pioneer of the California Gold Rush. Last year six SDC members from Karel Staple, San Joaquin and Sage Brush chapters attended and really enjoyed the day. The local museum is right on site and has several Studebaker artifacts including an original wheel-



barrow and a couple wagons. What's not to like about a county fair, having fun chatting about Studebakers and then watching a very unique and challenging race?

If you would like to join in the fun please contact me. Participation is free as is entry to the fair for all in your car. This is a great opportunity to support and promote the SDC. Bring the family and celebrate Father's Day Studebaker style. If you are coming from out of town and would like lodging info please contact me.

Please share this with your membership. I need to get numbers finalized by June 1st, so consider that the deadline. Just to be clear, you do not need to run the race to participate, but you certainly can if you are up to the challenge!

Thank you very much.

Pat Dilling President, Karel Staple Chapter (530)218-0641 p.dilling@outlook.com

Watch the 2014 John M. Studebaker Wheelbarrow Races in Placerville on You Tube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=4oRx92wE6lk



## DACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET NEWS FROM THE TUMBI FWFFDS CHADTER

et out your calendars, and be sure to include the 2015 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet in Las Vegas in your plans. To keep all of the chapters up to date on the progress the Las Vegas Tumbleweeds Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club is making toward bringing you this event, this little bulletin is issued each month until the show. Next fall, from October 9th through 11th, a long holiday weekend coinciding with Columbus Day, we will host this meet in the most exciting city in the world. Excitement is the key word as we put all of the pieces in place to bring you a weekend to remember. Thanks to all who have sent along messages of encouragement.

To reiterate, the host hotel and site of most of the festivities is the Fiesta Hotel and Casino, in Henderson, Nevada. Our program will, of course, feature a Saturday Concours d' Studebakers for those who will be exhibiting their vehicles. In addition, we have scheduled a Friday tour of a nearby historic gold mine; we will have live entertainment and complimentary refreshments on Friday night; and the awards banquet at the hotel on Saturday evening will crown the occasion. We are going to have some other nice surprises in store for attendees as well. Please join us!

Our gratitude and appreciation goes to the chapters that have contributed to the Zone Meet: Karel Staple Chapter, Wasatch Mountain Chapter, Grand Canyon State Chapter and Southern Arizona. Those members who have made personal contributions toward the expenses of this meet are especially commended. Several of you have added a trophy donation to your entry and we are very grateful. Every little bit helps to make this Zone Meet memorable for all. Thanks also to those of you who have volunteered to help with the car show judging. If anyone else would like to be a judge, or assist in the judging at this meet, we invite you to contact Jim Carr at 702-435-2197.

Remember, our venue is a pet friendly hotel, so you can bring your furry family members along, too. There is also trailer and RV parking for those who need it. See you in October!

### **REGISTER NOW FOR 2015**

Our registration form is included on the last page of this bulletin (editor's note: on page 14 of our online edition). Why not fill it out now and send it in. A block of rooms has been set aside for zone meet participants and the rates are low, so it is not too early to get a reservation. Mark your calendars for October 9-11, 2015 and come be a part of this special event.

### **DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKERS**

What really makes a meet the most fun is a parking lot full of Studebaker gems, sparkling in the sunlight. We can guarantee the sunlight, but our guests can be a huge part of this zone meet by driving a Studebaker, Avanti, Erskine, Rockne, or Packard vehicle to the show. Our warm, dry

Las Vegas environment is a great place to drive your prized ride, and the Tumble-weeds Chapter members are hard at work have plenty of things to do when you come. Whether you prefer to just look at the cars, or like to venture out to visit the many local attractions in the area, there will be many opportunities to enjoy our time together.

## **VALVE COVER RACES**

The Tumbleweeds Chapter is proud to announce that we will offer valve cover racing as one of the many activity options at the Pacific Southwest Zone Meet. Build a racer and participate, or get your wallet out and bet on your favorite participant. This is Las Vegas, after all, and some healthy wagering is what keeps the economy alive. This event will be held in the parking lot at the host venue, the Fiesta Henderson Casino



Hotel. Our thanks go out to the members of the Grand Canyon State Chapter who volunteered to bring the race track they built for your enjoyment.

### LADIES ACTIVITY ADDED

We are pleased to announce that there will be a special event just for the ladies held on Saturday afternoon. This has been a favorite feature at some of our past Tumbleweeds Chapter annual meets, and we are extending an invitation to all of the women who would rather attend a more feminine activity while the car show judging is being conducted. More details will follow in the months ahead. Of course, there will not be any additional fees for this special ladies activity and women of all ages are welcome.



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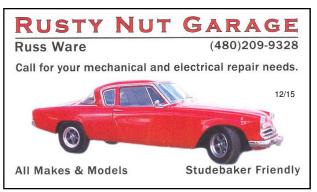
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## FOR SALE - STUDEBAKER CARS, TRUCKS AND PARTS - WANTED

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### **MAY REMINDERS**

16 Chapter Board Meeting24 La Palma Meet in Anaheim, Calif.See page 5 & 6 for details.



Kolton looks great with his many scouting medals and Eagle Scout neckerchief.

The Chapter sends its congratulations to Kolton for achieving the Eagle Scout rank and a tip of the mortarboard on his graduation from Sandra Day O'Connor High School. Kolton has received a full scholarship and plans to earn a degree in business from ASU.



Visit the chapter on Facebook at Studebakers Grand Canyon State Chapter

## GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

All memberships are for one year beginning on January 1. **Chapter dues are** (check one)

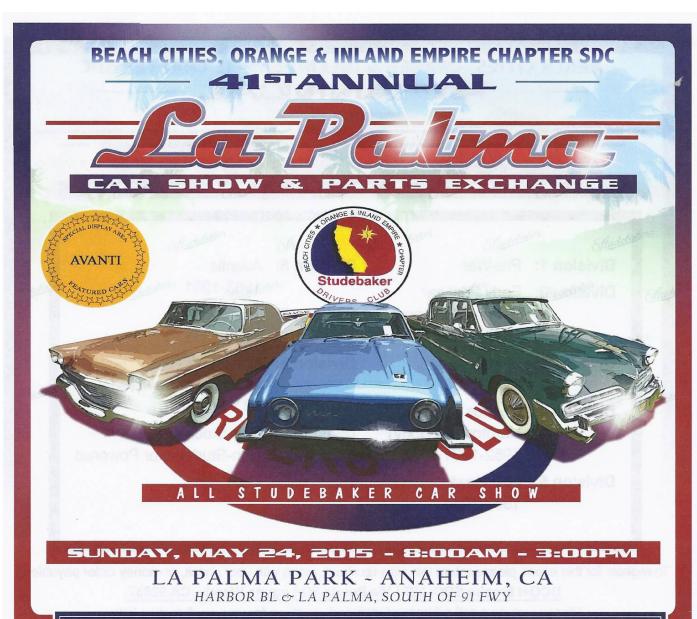
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Any questions can be directed to the address below or to Chris Collins at 602-995-5311 or ccollinsaz@cox.net Please make check payable to the Grand Canyon State Chapter, SDC and send with this form to: GCSC, P. O. Box 37464 Phoenix, AZ 85069-7464.

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- I. Pre War Division II. Barty Postwar Division III. Lark-type Division IV. C&K Body Division V. Gran Torismo Hawk Division
- VI. Avanti Division VII. Truck Division VIII. Custom Division-Studebaker Powered
  - IX. Modified Division-Non-Studebaker Powered

  - X. Special Interest- Class A: Wagons, Buggies, Carts; Class B: Weasels, Fire Trucks; Class C: Toys, Goat Wagons, Pedal Cars

Cars for judging must be registered by Sept. 10, 2015 Judges will adjust classes based on entries. Cars will be judged on the standard SDC point system.

### General Registration General Registration (per family) \$30.00 **Friday Night Welcome Party** Late (after Sept. 8th) additional \$5.00 (Two included in Registration) No. N/C Additional Tickets No. \_\_\_\_ X \$10.00/ea Swap Meet Space outdoor \$20.00 Saturday Awards Banquet Indoor vendor space: Call with needs. Chicken No. \_\_\_ X \$35 No. \_\_\_\_ X \$35 No. \_\_\_\_ X \$35 Beef Vehicle Display Only No.\_\_\_ X \$5.00/ea \_\_\_\_ Vegetarian CONCOURS ENTRY (per car judged) EVENT T-SHIRTS Adult S M L XL \_\_\_ X \$15.00= \_\_\_ Div. Year: Model: XXL XXXL 2. Div. Year: Model: X \$17.00= No. X \$15.00/ea Friday Driving Tour to Techatticup Gold Mine Adults No. \_\_\_\_ X \$12.50 Car corral No. \_\_\_ X \$10.00/ea Children No. \_\_\_ X \$ 7.50 (cars for sale) Awards Sponsorship No. \_\_\_\_ X \$20.00 Subtotal B: Subtotal A: Total A & B: Total amount enclosed: Number Adults Children Phone City State Zip SDC # Registrations received by September 8 will receive confirmation. No cancellation refunds after September 10, 2015 E-Mail address: Please make checks payable to: Tumbleweeds Chapter-SDC and return completed registration form with check to: Terry Prater, 4263 S. Pearl, Las Vegas, NV 89121. For additional information call Jim Carr at 702-435-2107.

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