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DE NIEUWE DIRECTOR EIGHT van Studebaker



EEN
KWALITEITS-
8-CYLINDER-WAGEN
tot een lagen prijs

From the Editor's Pen.....

This month's cover features one of Studebaker's stunning and elegant ads from the '20s that appeared in magazines in Europe. Translated the ad reads, "Studebaker's New Director Eight - Carry a Quality 8 cylinder at a low price". The advertising is meant to appeal to the privileged class who could enjoy the ownership of beautiful cars as part of a luxurious life style.

Those of you who receive the ECHO in the mail will notice the stamp commemorates the eclipse happening on August 21st. The post office explains "the **Total Eclipse of the Sun** stamp is the first U.S. stamp to use thermochromic ink, which reacts to the heat of your touch. Placing your finger over the black disc on the stamp causes the ink to change from black to clear to reveal an underlying image of the moon. The image reverts back to the black disc once it cools." We here in Arizona will not see the total eclipse but we can imagine the excitement of those who do experience it.

Thanks to our contributors - Richard Dormois, Keith Graham, the Keatings, Ed Smith, Linda Smith, Mimi Halgren, Dolores Fein, Duane Miller and Rick Melms.

Please keep cool.

Chris

PRESIDENTIAL THOUGHTS

The GCSC President was not able to submit his comments for this issue. However, President Guthrie sent a note saying he "is looking forward to sharing his thoughts in the September issue with a fresh perspective on the great adventure this position has become with added discussion about the club and our continued success."

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

The Studebaker National Foundation has \$1,500.00 scholarships available for qualified students. Please visit <http://www.studebakernationalfoundation.org> to download an application.

You can also contact Brian Milette at 602-300-5313 or abmilette@cox.net if you have questions about the SNF scholarship program.

*What's the difference between a cat and a comma?
A cat has claws at the end of its paws and
a comma is a pause at the end of a clause.*

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“If Your Windshield Don’t Leak, Thank Me”

By Keith Graham

We all have memories of our favorite Studebaker Meet, and the 1988 24th SDC International “Back Home In ‘88” is mine. My then homeplace, Columbus, Ohio was a mere five hour drive from South Bend, and even better, my 1963 Daytona Convertible “Rosie” was in prime condition for the trip. My wife Judy had coined that name when I told her Studebaker called the new-for-1963 color “Rose Mist”. So, “Rosie” it was!

My brother Steve and I left early Monday, August 1st, heading northwest on Route 33 out of Columbus. Cruising at 60 or so due to the then federally-mandated 55 MPH speed limit, Rosie’s 259 V8 and dual exhausts purred like the proverbial contented kitten. One landmark along the way is Marysville, where we passed the recently built 3.6 million square foot Honda Assembly Plant, funded in part by Ohio taxpayers. I couldn’t help but wonder what John Studebaker would have thought, a foreign auto manufacturer thriving in our heartland while his beloved factories lay in ruins. Oh well.....

Arriving uneventfully in South Bend, we located the meet “HQ” to check out scheduled events and swap-meet locations. Lost in a time-warp, it was once more “Studebaker, Indiana”! The streets flush with Studebakers, we honked and waved our way to tour Newman & Altman, and the newly vacated Avanti Motors Plant.

A personal highlight was a seminar held by former Studebaker Employees. One of them, an engineer, shared how in a 1956 product meeting with then Studebaker-Packard President James Nance, he had proposed a bigger body shell for station wagons. He pointed out that many contractors and carpenters used station wagons instead of trucks, and the new rule-of-thumb was that a 4’ X 8’ sheet of plywood should fit in the cargo area. Studebaker wagons, built on the 116.5 inch “small” sedan chassis simply were not big enough. Nance’s reply was “A-we have no money for new bodies, and B-the Champion “6” engine would not pull it anyway!” Case closed. Nance then told how American Motors had reneged on an agreement to sell Studebaker their excellent 195.6 C.I.D. six cylinder motor which had recently been converted to overhead valves, producing 120 HP versus the flathead Champion’s 101 HP. This lends credence to the rumors of an AMC and S-P alliance which of course never happened. Supposedly Mitt Romney’s father, George, as president of AMC, “Nipped it in the bud” as Barney Fife would say.

As the festivities wound down, it was the night of the awards banquet held at Century Center overlooking the historic St. Joseph River. Rosie’s top was of course down as we waited in line to pay for parking. Ahead of us was a mixture of Studebakers and brand-Xs. Every time a Stude rolled up to the booth, the man collecting would smile and say to the driver, “If your windshield don’t leak, thank me!” Intrigued, we pulled up and received the same greeting. I asked him for an explanation and he told me “For over 20 years, I worked the line at Studebaker installing windshields. So, if your windshield don’t leak, THANK ME!” I admit I choked up as I thanked him. Suddenly, Rosie had a face, a human face. I thought of real people, many nationalities and races, not mindless robots, all working in harmony to make Studebaker the innovative and quality vehicle it was. What a loss America has suffered at its passing, and little could we know that AMC and many of the so called “Big 3” brands would go to their graves as well.

One final thought, last I heard, Honda was still doing really well in Marysville, Ohio. I wonder if in 25 years or so, somebody will drive their restored Civic up to the plant, and a computerized voice coming out of an automated parking lot toll booth will say, ‘If your windshield don’t leak, thank me....click...thank me....click.. thank me.....’.



Stude trucks on display at the former Southwest Motors, a Studebaker dealership owned by Sid Rosen’s father, Fred. That’s Sid on the far left in the photo.

STUDEBAKER TRUCKS DOMINATE ASC TOMBSTONE BISBEE TOUR

By Richard Dormois ASC, ASC Vice-President

The Arizona State Chapter of the Antique Studebaker Club organized and presented one of the finer collector car events this summer to two of the most significant historic mining towns in North America, July 22 and 23. The tour departed near on time from the Cracker Barrel at Chandler Boulevard and I-10 in Phoenix with a cadre of Studebaker aficionados and departed the Tucson Cracker Barrel at 9:00 AM to arrive at Houghton Road and I-10 on time to be joined by a contingent from Tucson and Show Low. After a brief respite at Love's Travel Center in Benson, the tribe departed for the Landmark Lookout Lodge in Tombstone and arrived on time at 11:00 AM.

In the Lodge Dining Room, Tombstone native and Hereford Cattle Breeder Joe Escapule and world renowned mining geologist and Brangus Cattle breeder, Burt Devere, gave an informative orientation briefing and history lesson of



Burt Devere speaks at lunch on Saturday.

the Tombstone and Bisbee areas and provided a guide booklet. We got to register for our rooms early and continued with the tour. The next stop was the famous Boot Hill Cemetery and on to Downtown Tombstone with its many historic venues and tourist attractions. Our guests fanned out and visited the OK Corral and its historic gunfight reenactment between Sheriff Wyatt Earp and Doc Holiday, scores of gift shops, antique emporiums, tattoo parlors, wine bars, historic saloons and a host of theaters and, of course, many places to dine. Several selected the OK Café on Allen Street for its famous Buffalo Burgers, owned and operated by Carmen Mercer for a quarter a century.

It is just down the street from Cowboy One Dog's Sasparilla Brewery.

At 4:30 PM our Antique Studebaker group which had grown to twenty four, gathered under the world's largest Rose Tree from Scotland in the 1800s. We enjoyed a wonderful reception and museum tour hosted by Dorothy and Burt Devere whose family has cared for the Rose Tree for over a century. Tombstone entrepreneur Steve Goldstein along with Dorothy and Burt, each shared their personal family history and that of the silver, gold, copper and Lavender mining claims that were a part of their childhood. Richard Dormois concluded the reception remarks thanking our hosts and telling a bit about our Studebaker collector car culture and thanked Sid Rosen for arranging such a nice embellishment to our Studebaker Tombstone Bisbee Driving Tour.

We all then repaired to Big Nose Kate's Saloon at six, for a great supper with Country Rock fifties and sixties live entertainment and a tour of one of several underground mine entrances under the restaurant led by our host Steve Goldstein. Most wrapped the evening about nine and settled in at the Landmark Lookout Lodge as rain began to fall for the first time on our tour.

At eight Sunday we enjoyed a sumptuous breakfast as part of the room rate at the Lodge and prepared for day two of our adventure heading for Bisbee, Arizona. Joe Escapule led the caravan of four Studebaker trucks and a handful of other brands off Highway 80 on to a challenging trail through the Mule Mountains. We went through Bisbee "the back way" and through the ghost town of Lowell, Arizona where Erie Street is lined for several blocks with closed boarded up businesses, vehicles from past decades and gasoline pumps from another era. Then to the Lavender open pit mine vista where Joe Escapule and Sid Rosen regaled us with loose history accounts and tales of their childhood in the forties and fifties. Our Studebaker trucks and the history lessons drew many from without our tour. Both families had been deeply involved in the automobile business with Ford, Dodge and Studebaker.

Then Joe led us to Warren and Southwest Motors, one of the highest grossing Studebaker Dealerships in Arizona, outdoing Plymouth and Ford in sales, operated by Fred Rosen. The excitement of his son Sidney, lining up Studebaker trucks for a photo shoot with the building, was something to behold. The structure has been converted into a Firestone Tire dealership. (See photo on page 3.)

From to Southwest Motors, our Studebaker tourists scattered to the four winds, taking in the historic Queen Mine Tour, the haunted Copper Queen Hotel, the myriad antique shops, museums, street vendors and the many eateries Bisbee, Arizona has to offer. This mining town turned art colony has been recently publicized in several recognized national publications as the "Prettiest Historic Town In Arizona". Sedona residents would argue. *Continued on page 7.*

Photos courtesy of Linda Smith. Visit the Chapter Facebook page for more.



Nora Gooch and the largest rose tree in the world.

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER UPCOMING EVENTS

- AUGUST 5-6** 43RD ANNUAL WATSON LAKE SHOW. CAR SHOW, PARTS EXCHANGE & SWAP MEET. CAR SHOW 8AM-3PM, SWAP MEET 7AM-4PM BOTH DAYS. VISIT WWW.PAACAZ.COM
- AUGUST 20** **GCSC BOARD AND OFFICERS WILL MEET AT RODEHOUSE RESTAURANT, 2425 S. 24th ST., PHOENIX AT 2PM. MEMBERS ARE WELCOME. INFO: CALL JOSEPH GUTHRIE AT 480-320-8348 OR j.guthriephd@yahoo.com**
- SEPTEMBER 9** **INTERNATIONAL DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY EVENT. WE'LL MEET AT 9 AM FOR BAGELS, DONUTS AND COFFEE AT BROWN'S CLASSIC AUTO, 7995 E. PARADISE LN, SCOTTSDALE. A MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL FOLLOW, THEN WE'LL CARAVAN TO LUNCH. SEE PAGE 6 OR MICHELL AT michell.eastburn@asu.edu or 602-803-1359/**
- SEPTEMBER 16** COOL CLASSIC CAR SHOW HOSTED BY SAN DIEGO CHAPTER AT SPANISH LANDING WEST, OFF HARBOR DRIVE, SAN DIEGO FROM 8 AM TO 2:30 PM. NET PROCEEDS GO TO WORKSHOP FOR WARRIORS. \$25 FOR REGISTRATION AND SWAP MEET. SEE PAGE 13 FOR REGISTRATION FORM OR CONTACT KEN AT 760-481-5341
- SEPTEMBER 22-24** RUN TO THE PINES CAR SHOW IN PINETOP. <http://www.runtothepinesaz.com/event-info>
- OCTOBER 15** **27TH ANNUAL ORPHAN CAR SHOW HOSTED BY THE GRAND CANYON CHAPTER OF THE HET CLUB AT LOS OLIVOS PARK, 28TH & DEVONSHIRE, PHOENIX FROM 9AM - 2PM. \$15 ENTRY FEE. \$20 AT GATE. DASH PLAQUES, DOOR PRIZES, FUN AWARDS. INFORMATION: DON LOTTES, 623-326-2739**
- OCTOBER 20-22** **PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET HOSTED BY THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER IN CLOVIS, CALIF. ENJOY WESTERN HOSPITALITY IN CHARMING OLD TOWN CLOVIS. POKER RUN, CAR SHOW, JUDGING, SWAP MEET, VALVE COVER RACING, TOUR. REGISTRATION FORM ON PAGE 14. INFO: www.sdcsanjoaquinvalleychapter.com**
- NOVEMBER 4** KUSTOM KARZ FOR K-9Z AND KATZ HOSTED BY RALPH GUARIGLIO WITH PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT LOST OUR HOME PET FOUNDATION. 9AM-1PM, \$25 ENTRY FEE. TO REGISTER CONTACT RALPH AT 480-241-7622 / kokonuto@cox.net
- NOVEMBER 11** THE ISLANDS HOA IS HOSTING THE ISLANDS COOL CAR FESTIVAL AT THE ISLAND COMMUNITY PARTK, 825 S ISLANDS DR WEST, GILBERT (WARNER & MCQUEEN) FROM 10AM TO 3PM. ENTRY FEE IS \$20.00. FOR MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION VISIT www.islandscommunity.org SPACE IS LIMITED, FIRST COME FIRST SERVED. FREE CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST TO CAR SHOW PARTICIPANTS AND GUESTS.
- MAY 13-18, 2018** STUDEBAKERS TOURING THE WHITE MOUNTAINS. TOUR THE SHOW LOW AREA FOR 5 DAYS. HOSTED BY MALCOLM STINSON: 928-368-7442 or e-mail at swstudebaker@live.com SEE PAGE 15 FOR REGISTRATION FORM. A REMINDER FROM MALCOLM: You may want to start making your reservations at the Host Hotel, the Days Inn, number 928-537-4356. They only have so many rooms and you don't want to be left out. Be sure and tell them you are with the Studebaker group to get our special rate of only \$75.00 per night and this includes a free breakfast off the Café menu. Also if you will, please register as soon as you can so we can make the necessary plans well ahead.
- AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2018** **54TH ANNUAL SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET IN SEATTLE/TACOMA WITH TOURS TO LE-MAY AUTO MUSEUM AND MORE. MEET INFORMATION WILL BE OUT SOON OR CONTACT LOU COTE AT dynoloucote@gmail.com**

**ROUND UP THOSE
STUDEBAKERS**



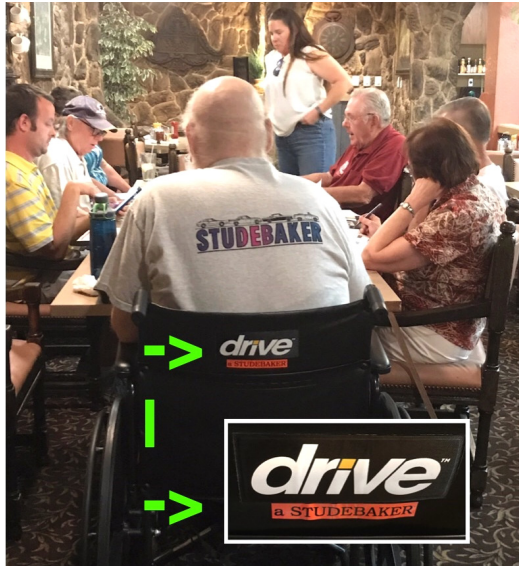
**PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET
CLOVIS, CALIFORNIA
OCTOBER 20-22, 2017**

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 20 CHAPTER OFFICERS, BOARD MEET

Join the board on the 20th at the Rodehouse Restaurant, 2425 S. 24th Street at University Dr., Phoenix. Members are invited. Contact Joe Guthrie for more information at 480-320-8348 or j.guthriephd@yahoo.com

Dolores Fein took this photo of your board hard at work during their meeting in June.



SEPTEMBER 9 DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY

Celebrate Drive Your Studebaker Day by joining your Chapter friends Saturday, September 9th at Brown's Classic Auto, 7995 E. Paradise Lane, Scottsdale. Meet at 9:00 am for bagels and donuts provided by Brown's Classic Auto. The Chapter will provide coffee and juice.

Then, at 10:00 a membership meeting will be held in the garage at Brown's (the venue has AC).



At 11:00, we'll caravan about 1 mile to the southwest along North Greenway Hayden Loop to "The Shops at Zocallo" for a mini car show on this corner and lunch with whoever you want at any of the many locations - Chipotle, Fired Pie, Five Guys, Nektar Juice bar, Jimmy John's.

There are a few little shops for the not-so-car people to check out, as well.

Visit Brown's Classic Auto on the web at <http://brownsclassicautos.com/>



August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-5311		1 1962-Disc brakes on all Studebaker models	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 1965-Avanti II introduced	9	10	11	12
13	14 1962-Avaniti sets 29 speed records at Bonneville	15	16	17	18	19
20 GCSC Board Meeting	21	22 1996-Jim Lange, 211.292 mph at Bon- neville in Avanti	23	24	25 1958-Mercedes-Benz to sell M-B through Stude dealers	26
27	28	29	30	31 1853-John M. Stude- baker arrives in Hangtown		

Tombstone Bisbee Tour continued.

Thank you to each of you who joined this Antique Studebaker Club driving tour. Particular THANK YOU to the residents of Tombstone, Arizona for the warm welcome and education. Special thanks to Sid Rosen for arranging our new friendships we shall never forget.

Those enjoying our driving tour were Ken Michael, Payson, 1962 Antoinette Blue Champ pick up; John Verrill, Prescott, 1955 Clover Green one ton pick up; Alan and Jere Tudor, 1950 Chevrolet Medium Green 2R pick up; Cliff Lao, Sierra Vista, 1957 Transtar Plumbing Service Truck; Eileen and Bob Loshbough, Vail, 1961 Mustang Grabber Blue Champ pick up; Lou Fencl, Pima, 1956 Studebaker Tomato Transtar pick up. Fran Knowles, Sierra Vista, Fred Thompson, Sierra Vista, John, Kim and Callan Rodhouse, Chandler, Fred and Nora Gooch, Tucson, Richard Dormois, Claudia Robinette, Mesa, John and Marilyn Cornfoot, Deming, N.M., Malcolm Stinson, Show Low, Steve Goldstein, Tombstone, Burt and Dorothy Devere, Tombstone, Ed and Linda Smith, Goodyear, Sid Rosen, Phoenix, Joe Escapule, Tombstone.



~~ MORE ADS ~~

FOR SALE: 1957 Transtar. 259 CI, 4 bbl, 4 speed. Engine runs, body rough, no bed, alternator, mostly rewired, all gauges, turn signals, 2 new outside mirrors, new tail lights and front running lights, newly rebuild and recovered seat, cleaned fuel tank (not installed) with new sending unit, decent fiberglass grill, front disc brakes. Extras include master cylinder and vacuum unit from a Chevy, original rear end, power steering box from late model Jeep, power steering pump, 4 alloy wheels, etc. Most need to be finished. At 80 years and failing health, it has become too much to finish. \$1500.00. Peoria Dave Thompson 623-512-2463

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**Recently I have placed 19 ads on Craigslist** for about 150 items related to Studebaker. Included are books such as MORE THAN A PROMISE, STUDEBAKER-THE COMPLETE STORY & THE STUDEBAKER CENTURY. Also dealer showroom inside facts 1942 & up; showroom sales brochures 1924-66; owners manuals cars & trucks 1920s-1966; magazines such as HOT ROD, COLLECTIBLE AUTOMOBILE, SIA, AUTOMOBILE QUARTERLY, etc with articles ranging from R3s, Larks, GTs, to 1939 Champions. Complete list and prices on Craigslist under Studebaker Books. I would be willing to accept a offer on all items. Fred Gooch at nora.gooch@yahoo.com or 520-883-7418



**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

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 Scottsdale, AZ 85255  
 480-225-8286  
 franklinlevin5747@gmail.com  
 1950 Champion 4dr sedan

**CELEBRATE!**



**August Birthdays**

- |                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 2 Delores Duble       | 13 Fred Gooch       |
| 2 Rachel Eastburn     | 15 Vicki Piper      |
| 5 Betty Bell          | 19 Kitty Jazwinski  |
| 6 Joyce Wright        | 19 Malcolm Stinson  |
| 7 Thomas Ennis        | 20 Steve Piper      |
| 7 Elizabeth van Doorn | 27 Curt Curtis      |
| 9 Chris Collins       | 30 Ed Smith         |
| 12 Walter Jazwinski   | 31 Michell Eastburn |

**August Anniversaries**

- |                              |
|------------------------------|
| 1 Willard & Ruth Pike        |
| 5 Larry & Jan Malmstrom      |
| 5 Gary & Phyllis Olson       |
| 5 Mike & Willie Shearhart    |
| 7 Ron & Vicky Crowe          |
| 14 Don & Nancy Juday         |
| 17 Lennart & Helen Andersson |
| 17 Steve & Vicki Piper       |
| 24 John & Peg Akin           |
| 26 Bill & Mary Cervini       |
| 31 Gary & Sandie Keating     |
| 31 Dale & Norma Sexton       |
| 31 Ken & Arlene West         |

**Children's Birthdays**

- |                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 24 Chloe Eastburn<br>(daughter of Chris & Rachel)     |
| 29 Domenica Eastburn<br>(daughter of Will & Maryanne) |



## IT STARTED OUT COLD AND WET THEN GOT ...

By Ed Smith, SDC Chief Judge

This year's International in South Bend saw another return home for Studebaker. There was a good variety to see and it is amazing just how many owners can keep up with their 50 plus year old vehicles. It is nice to see our hobby when it is a family affair. Dad and two sons all involved with different cars that accent their difference in age group personalities. Husbands and wives that both get excited as their name is called for a trophy. Families that tell us the Studebaker name will live on as the kids want to tell about the family car they brought to the event and the one they left at home for the next outing.

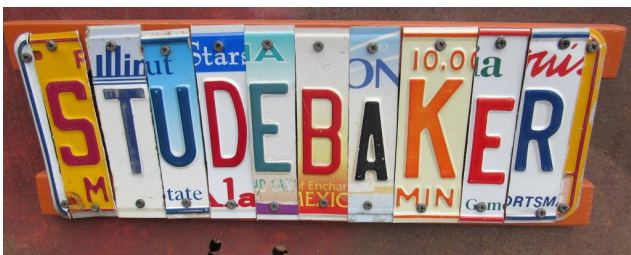
With the rain pouring down on Thursday there was still a steady stream of cars wanting to see the inside of the Pig Barn. Side by side and end to end three rows of cars slowly made their way in and to their surprise, once inside they found it empty of pigs and mostly dry but still very cold. They did find several friendly judges waiting to point out the major and minor points of the 162 vehicles presented to them for scrutiny.

There were convertibles that the driver had not yet frozen at the wheel and plenty of Bullet Noses that pierced through the streaming sheets of rain. All the cars glistened as the rain drops bubbled on their paint giving a warm glow that was much needed with all the liquid sunshine that was outside.

We saw some nice restorations and modifications throughout the judging process. From the 1917 Studebaker ED to the 1966 Wagonaire and on up to 1989 Avanti Sport Convertible, the representation was great. Unique creations were presented like the 1927 House Car to the 1950 C-Cab that was a combination of '48 Champion, '50 Commander, '53 Commander, '55 President, '58 Hawk and other parts. I wonder if Johnny Cash had anything to do with this one? Fathers, sons, friends and families gathered together to show their personalities in their Studebaker creations from all original to heavily modified they were a marvelous sight to look at.

Many thanks go out to those that brought their Studebakers out for all to see whether you had it judged or not. Remember, be it a Coupe, Lark, Dictator, Hawk, Commander, Truck or Avanti they will always bring joy to those who view them as they are part of the most unique collections of Orphans out there.

Much Appreciation goes out to Wonderful, Knowledgeable Judges that braved the cold, the rain and the short staffing all through the two days of examination of our stunning Studebakers.



Seen at the International SDC Meet in South Bend.  
Photo courtesy of Linda Smith.

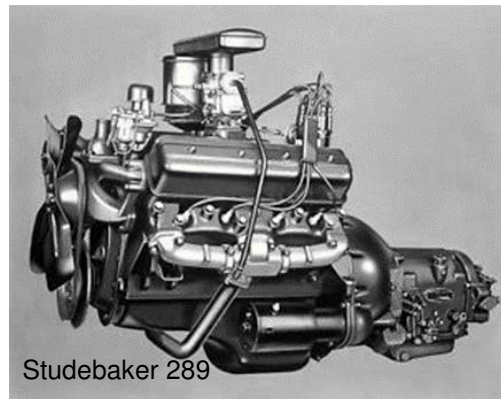
## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### IS THAT ENGINE A FORD OR A STUDEBAKER?

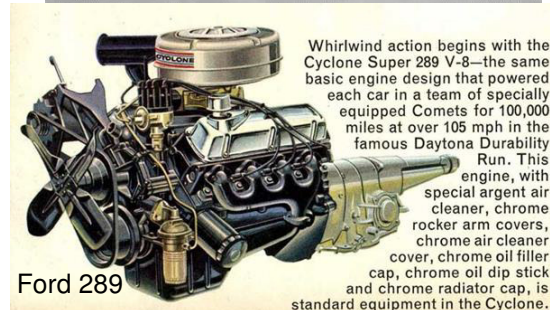
By Duane Miller, SDC Upper Mississippi Valley Zone Director

There is a vast misconception that Studebaker used a Ford 289 cubic inch engine in its cars. The Studebaker designed V-8 engine was introduced as an overhead valve V-8 with a 3 3/8" bore and a 3 1/4" stroke displacing 232.6 cubic inches for the 1951 model year. This basic casting was used until the end of engine production in South Bend, Indiana in December of 1963. By the time they increased it to 289 cubic inches, the bore was 3 9/16" and the stroke was 3 7/8".

These photos show the basic differences in these engines.



Studebaker 289



Ford 289

Whirlwind action begins with the Cyclone Super 289 V-8—the same basic engine design that powered each car in a team of specially equipped Comets for 100,000 miles at over 105 mph in the famous Daytona Durability Run. This engine, with special argent air cleaner, chrome rocker arm covers, chrome air cleaner cover, chrome oil filler cap, chrome oil dip stick and chrome radiator cap, is standard equipment in the Cyclone.

The 289-cubic inch Ford V-8 has the following specifications: Bore is 4.0" and the stroke is 2.87". The only similarity in these two engines is the resulting cubic inch displacement and that they are both 90° V-8s.

The 1956 Studebaker Golden Hawk left the factory with a Packard built V-8 displacing 352 cubic inches, and until production in South Bend was stopped no other manufacturer's gasoline engines were installed in a Studebaker, by Studebaker.

Did you know that both Studebaker and Ford used the same basic Borg Warner transmission? The Fligh-tomatic, Fordomatic, and Cruiseomatic were all the same basic BW transmissions. Both Ford and Studebaker used BW manual transmissions as well.

Reprinted from *Studebaker Packard Post*, newsletter of the B.C. Coastal Region Chapter, Mark Carson, editor.



## RED, WHITE AND BLUE

By Gary and Sandie Keating

Some of the best 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebrations in the United States are held in rural America. This is true in Arizona. This year we had an extended time to celebrate since July 1<sup>st</sup> was Saturday and July 4<sup>th</sup> on Tuesday. Many folks took advantage of the July 1-4 long weekend. In Payson, AZ there was a constant parade of vehicles and camping equipment on State Routes 87 and 260. Our SDC friends, Ken Michael and Bobi Beveridge, are well connected with the local events, even in the more rural communities in the Payson area. One of those villages is Whispering Pines located close to the Forest Service Control Road along the East Verde River Fork. You find this area by taking the Houston Mesa Road at the northern edge of Payson, across the street from the Home Depot. Following the road for about 10 miles and crossing the river three times you come to the community of Whispering Pines.

It is their custom every year to celebrate our country's founding. This year the celebration was set for July 1st. Some collector cars from Payson were invited to be in the parade. Sandie and I teamed up with Bob and Mimi Halgren and Ken Michael and Bobi Beveridge taking three Studebakers. We lined them up for the parade in patriotic order. We took our RED 1962 Gran Turismo Hawk (sometimes mistakenly called a Grand Torino). The Halgrens had their WHITE 1951 Champion Starlight Coupe. Finally, Ken and Bobi following in their BLUE 1962 Champion Pickup. Our three Studebakers led the parade of 15 other collector cars, and of course, we were lined up in RED, WHITE, and BLUE order. This was the slowest parade I have attended. The community lined the two mile path in lawn chairs. The interaction with the crowd was exceptional because of our slow speed. We mostly idled from start to finish while talking and enjoying the crowd. Next year we will bring candy to toss to the children. Red, white and blue clothing was the order of the day whether in the parade or just watching.

We plan to do this again next year. If you would like to do this with us, please contact us for the details next June. After the parade was over there was a big Bar-B-Q with ice cream for dessert free for everyone. It was held at the local Fire House. By the way, did I mention that the temperature was about 20 degrees cooler than in the Phoenix area.



Photo courtesy of Mimi Halgren

## CHAPTER OUTING TO ORGAN STOP PIZZA

Chapter members from all corners of the Valley descended on Organ Stop Pizza in Mesa July 15th for tasty pizza and rollicking music from the mighty Wurlitzer Theater Pipe Organ. Some facts about the organ which help explain its charm and popularity are: the organ is valued at \$4 million and sports 6,000 pipes of which the oldest set of pipes was built in 1918; the largest pipe weighs one ton, the smallest, 4oz.; the most played song in Organ Stop history is "Chattanooga Choo Choo" and its old fashioned steam locomotive sounds have been played more than 55,000 times.

Enjoying the evening at the Organ Stop were Claudia Robinette, Richie and Dolores Fein, Steve and Paulette Fein, Bill and Peggy Eastburn, Chris, Rachel, Aubrey, Chloe and Preston Eastburn, John, Kim and Callan Rodhouse, Al and Anna Riedel, Don and Nancy Juday, Denny Lockmon and Maryann Lemley, Kevin, Anita and Sarah MacFadden, Scott Grainger, Mike, Sue and Shayna King and 1 guest, Gary and Sandie Keating, Jim Clever and 3 guests, Paul and MaryLou DelVecchio, Michell Eastburn, Joseph Guthrie, DJ and Maddie Gaughan, Ron Rasmussen and his two children, Carl and Esther Reid and 2 guests.

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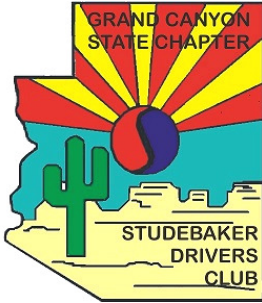
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## REMINDERS FOR AUGUST

20 GCSC Board & Officers meet.  
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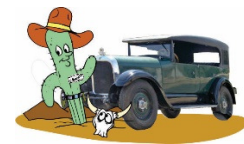
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