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

Who doesn't love a parade? The folks in Wickenburg sure love one and they also love seeing our Studebakers at the Gold Rush Days parade, this year on February 10th. Experience the "love". Call Peggy and let her know you will be participating. You'll like it! And, if you can't make the parade join us for lunch in Surprise at Barro's Pizza. You'll like it, too. See page 6 for all the details.

Thanks to our advertisers who have renewed: Jon Carter, Russ and Sharon Ware and Buddy Wright. Please check them out if you need what they offer. Thanks to Judy Haverstick for her past advertising in the newsletter. She is hanging up her sewing machine, at least for a while.

Thanks to Richard Dormois, Michell Eastburn, Malcolm Stinson and Linda Smith for contributions.

I'll close with an observation submitted by Neil Bell: As members of the Studebaker DRIVERS Club, I'm sure we are all proponents of autonomous self driving cars (not). So what happens when 4 autonomous self driving cars all arrive at a 4-way stop at the same time? Do they wait forever for the car on the right to proceed? Lol

Chris

# About the Cover ~ The Farmer's Almanac

n Studebaker historian Richard Quinn's web site, www.thestudebakerwheel.com, he features several covers of the Studebaker Almanac with each issue containing about 14 pages of advertising. Richard writes about the almanac (edited from his web site):

Beginning in the 1800's, businesses began to recognize the advertising potential of the almanac. While newspapers and magazines were routinely read and discarded, the Almanac was kept handy for a full calendar year (and commonly longer). This meant the advertiser's product line would be in front of the potential consumer for at least 365 days.

Since Studebaker's principal customer was the American farmer, the almanac would be a particularly appropriate form of advertising. Accordingly, in the year 1900, they issued their first Farmer's Almanac. Some early Studebaker publications imply that there was an Almanac produced for the company prior to 1900, perhaps as early as the 1870's.

Studebaker Almanacs were sent free to all its dealers for distribution to loyal customers and live prospects.

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# STATE OF THE CHAPTER

By Michell Eastburn, President

must say that we as a Chapter kicked off 2018 with a bang! This year's Winter Gathering was amazing. With nearly 30 cars and 100 attendees the Martin Auto Museum was almost maxed-out with Great Studebaker people. Thank you to all those members who assisted, in particular Aleta Millette. Ruth



Bell and Richie Fein. In addition, thank you to all the trophy sponsors.

This month we once again will be participating in the Wickenburg Gold Rush Days Parade on February 10th with a membership meeting to follow, see Upcoming Eventa for more details. Additionally, the Southern Arizona Chapter is hosting March Madness this year on March 10th in Marana and I'm hoping to make a nice caravan towards Tucson that Saturday.

The Chapter is also continuing to plan and coordinate the 2020 Zone Meet. Chapter members have requested to work with Larry Vahe, the event chair, to help organize, but any and all help is needed. Any ideas for a theme, logo, location are greatly appreciated.

**February Fun Fact:** 166 years ago, this month, Clement Studebaker started a blacksmith and wagon shop in South Bend Indiana which lead to the founding of Studebaker Production.



#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

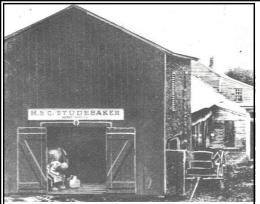
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Referred by Chuck Collins

# **New Member Challenge**

When a Chapter member recruits a new member to join SDC and/or the GCS Chapter, he/she will have Chapter dues paid for 2019. Just ask the new member to mention your name on the application where it asks "Referred by".

If you need recruiting materials, such as past issues of the newsletter, SDC brochures and business cards, please contact the editor.



Henry and Clement Studebaker opened the H & C Studebaker blacksmith shop at the corner of Michigan and Jefferson Streets in downtown South Bend.

# H & C Studebaker Blacksmith Shop

pon arriving in American, the Studebaker family quickly embarked on what was to become a family way of life - Blacksmithing and Wagon Making. The first Studebaker blacksmith shop was on the family farm in Ashland County, Ohio where John Studebaker father of Henry Studebaker, Clem Studebaker, John M. Studebaker, Peter E. Studebaker and Jacob F. Studebaker brought his family from Pennsylvania in 1835. The brothers Jacob and Peter were born on this farm.

In 1852, Henry and Clem Studebaker opened a blacksmith and wagon shop in South Bend, Indiana under the firm name H. & C. Studebaker. John M. Studebaker joined his brothers but at the age 19 got gold fever and traveled out west. In the mean time the little firm of H. & C. Studebaker was having a hard time financing its business, was confronted with judgments, and about to go under. Money was scarce and seldom obtained for sales. So, in 1858 John M. Studebaker returned to South Bend with

\$8,000 and bought out Henry Studebaker. Henry wanted to become a farmer.

The new money rehabilitated the firm of H. & C. Studebaker and assured its future prosperity. At that time, in 1858, the total assets of the firm were valued at \$10,000. By 1860 they were building wagons for the U.S. Army and the same year the two Studebaker Brothers built their first Buggy. In 1864 Peter Studebaker joined his brothers and became an important factor in its management. In 1867, the factory buildings covered four acres of ground, 140 mechanics were employed and the pay roll amounted to over \$1,500 per week.

Excerpted from http://www.american-automobiles.com/Studebaker-Brothers.html

# **GCSC WINTER GATHERING**

Submitted by Richard Dormois

A hundred and eleven members and guest and 30 plus Studebakers registered for the annual Grand Canyon State Chapter Winter Studebaker Gathering at the Martin Auto Museum on Black Canyon Highway in Phoenix on Saturday, January 20th under overcast skies but no rain.

Jason's Deli catered a tasty luncheon enjoyed by the membership and president Michell Eastburn opened the business meeting about 1:30pm. She introduced her board of directors, Peggy Eastburn, John Rodhouse, Richard Dormois, Brian Millette, Neil Bell, Steve Fein and Chris

Collins, and thanked those retiring, Larry Vahe, Richie Fein and Dennis Lynde. She thanked Martin Auto Museum and Stuart Tritt of Right Impression for making the dash plaques for our show. Guests, Chapter members and out-of-towners made self introductions.

Jon Carter, Richard Dormois, Carl and Esther Reid, Neil and Ruth Bell, Russ and Sharon Ware, Pam Contes and Premier Irrigation donated attractive people's choice awards. They were presented to Kent Vandenberg and Frank Wenzel for an Italian Bulletnose pedal car; Linda Smith for her 1959 Lark station wagon; Don McCoin, 1953 Champion coupe; Walter and Nicki Ready, Studemino; Denny Lockmon, 1940 President; Bill Cervini, 1964 Avanti; and Tim Marcin, 1931 Commander.

Chris Collins thanked members for their support of the Studebaker National Foundation and reminded them about the availability of scholarships. ◆Denny Lockmon brought the membership up to date on Pacific Southwest Zone Meet planning and said ideas are needed for a theme and logo and a suitable venue to have it. ◆Frank Wenzel invited



members to the 2018 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet in Palm Springs, October 18-20 hosted by three SDC chapters. The concours will be on grass in a park and there will be a tour of the Air Museum. He also spoke about the Antique Studebaker Club spring event in Palm Springs, March 15-18. ◆Richard Dormois encouraged folks to come to the Antique Studebaker Club spring event at Becker Auto Restorations, April 28 at 9:00am, where all Studebaker related products will be judged and a catered lunch will be served. All Free. No registration - just come. Bring your family and friends. Richard also encouraged members to vote for Ed Smith or Malcolm Stinson for SDC Director. Malcolm shared his qualifications and asked for support. ◆Malcolm told of two Studebaker events he would like to plan for 2018 and invited the members to participate. ◆John L. Lewis encouraged folks to attend March Madness, the All Arizona Studebaker Gathering, March 10th at Freddy's Frozen Custard in the Marana Marketplace hosted by the Southern Arizona Chapter.

Michell told of Motoring Thru Time, February 3rd at Heritage Square in Phoenix, Gold Rush Days Parade in Wickenburg, February 10th and membership meeting following at Barro's Pizza in Surprise.

Richie Fein sold 50/50 tickets and Preston Eastburn won the 50/50 prize of \$148.00 on his seventh birthday! The other half was given to the Martin Auto Museum in appreciation for the use of the facility.

Michell adjourned the meeting at 2:01pm. Thank you to everyone who attended and assisted with the event. Photos are courtesy of Linda Smith. Visit the Chapter Facebook page or web site to view more event photos.



Some members brought items to sell which resulted in a lot of wheeling and dealing in the Martin Auto Museum parking lot.



Denny Lockmon, John Lewis and Stuart Tritt check out Denny's 1940 President street rod. Adjacent to the '40 is the van Doorns' beautiful 1952 HT.

# GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER UDCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 3 MOTORING THRU TIME & HERITAGE FESTIVAL AT HERITAGE SQUARE, DOWNTOWN

PHOENIX FROM 10AM-4PM. TO SHOW YOUR STUDEBAKER YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER.

CONTACT MICHELLE REID AT director@heritagesquarephx.org or 602-261-8063

FEBRUARY 4 GCSC BOARD AND OFFICERS WILL MEET AT DEER VALLEY AIRPORT RESTAURANT,

7TH AVE. & DEER VALLEY RD., PHOENIX AT NOON. MEMBERS ARE WELCOME. INFO:

602-803-1359 OR michell.eastburn@asu.edu

FEBRUARY 10 WICKENBURG'S ANNUAL GOLD RUSH DAYS PARADE. THE CHAPTER WILL PARTICI-

PATE AGAIN. CONTACT PEGGY IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER IN THE PARADE. LUNCH AT BARROS, 15403 W. GREENWAY RD. FOLLOWING PARADE.

SEE PAGE 6 OR CONTACT PEGGY AT 623-936-6116 OR peggyeastburn@hotmail.com

MARCH 3 CHESTER'S GARAGE CAR SHOW. VISIT www.m7streetfair.com FOR REGISTRATION IN-

FORMATION OR SEE FLYER ON PAGE 13.

MARCH 10 ALL ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING, AKA MARCH MADNESS, HOSTED BY

SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER, WILL BE HELD AT FREDDY'S FROZEN CUSTARD AND STEAK BURGERS, MARANA MARKETPLACE, 3725 W. ORANGE GROVE RD. (EXIT 250 OFF 1-10) FROM 10AM-3PM WITH VALVE COVER RACES (SEE RULES ON PAGE 8),

RAFFLES AND MORE. CONTACT JOHN LEWIS AT lewishoot@cox.net

MARCH 15-18 ASC SOCAL CHAPTER MEET IN PALM SPRINGS, HOST HOTEL: QUALITY INN, 1269 E

PALM CANYON DR. CALL 760-323-2775 FOR RESERVATIONS BY FEB. 17. PET

FRIENDLY, MEET & GREETS, TOURS, MORE, FOR INFO OR TO RSVP CONTACT FRANK

WENZEL BY MARCH 11 AT 760-774-3377. \$25 PP PAYABLE ON ARRIVAL.

MARCH 25 LA CHAPTER HOSTS CLASSIC STUDEBAKER CAR SHOW AT BOB'S BIG BOY, 8876 COR-

BIN AVE, NORTHRIDGE, CALIF. 9AM-3PM. REG. FORM AT www.studebakersla.com

APRIL 6 GOLDWATER HIGH SCHOOL CAR SHOW ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD., 6-9PM. ENTRY

FEE IS \$10.00 AND ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND. REIGSTER AT CAR SHOW WEBSITE bghscarshow.com. YOU RECEIVE A T SHIRT AND A FREE DINNER MADE BY THE SCHOOL CULINARY DEPARTMENT. REGISTER NOW AS FIELD WILL

FILL FAST. SCHOOL ADDRESS IS 2829 W. GARDEN LANE, PHOENIX.

APRIL 28 CHAPTER WILL JOIN ASC FOR SPRING EVENT AT BECKER AUTO RESTORATIONS,

1965 E. FIFTH ST, TEMPE FROM 9AM-2PM FOR CAR SHOW WITH PEOPLE'S CHOICE JUDGING, WALK & TALK TOUR OF PROJECTS IN PROGRESS, BUFFET LUNCHEON AT

NOON, AWARD SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE, CONTACT RICHARD AT 702-461-3679.

MAY 13-18 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 14 FOR REGISTRATION FORM.

MAY 27 LA PALMA ALL STUDEBAKER CAR SHOW AND PARTS EXCHANGE, 8AM-3PM AT LA

PALMA PARK, ANAHEIM (HARBOR BLVD & LA PALMA, SOUTH OF 91 FWY). \$30 FEE FOR JUDGED CARS, \$25 FOR DISPLAY, \$25 SWAP SPACE. ADD \$5 AFTER MAY 8. INFO: BUD

AT 562-458-9991, HOSTED BY BCOIE CHAPTER, SDC.

AUGUST 29 - 54TH ANNUAL SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET IN SEATTLE/TACOMA. VISIT

SEPTEMBER 1 https://www.facebook.com/SDC-Tacoma-2018-International-Meet-1869879343330706/

OCTOBER 18-20 PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET IN PALM SPRINGS, HOSTED BY CALIF. CHAPTERS.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **FEBRUARY 4**

#### GCSC BOARD MEETING

The board and officers will meet on Sunday, February 4th at Deer Valley Airport Restaurant, 7th Ave. and Deer Valley Rd., at 12:00 noon. Members are welcome.

Info: 602-803-1359 or michell.eastburn@asu.edu

#### **FEBRUARY 10 GOLD DUST DAYS PARADE**



The city of Wickenburg celebrates its annual Gold Rush days with a themed parade on Saturday, the 10th. As in the past, the Chapter will participate and members who would like to drive their Studebakers in the parade can contact Peggy Eastburn at 623-936-6116 or peggyeastburn@hotmail.com

Members on the east side of the valley can meet in the parking lot of Bass Pro Shop, 1133 N. Dobson Rd.,Mesa (south of Loop 202 at Riverview Plaza) by 7:00 am to caravan with John Rodhouse to the Burger King in Wickenburg. Look for John's gray 1950 2R5 pickup. You can call or text John 480-244-3763 if you have questions.

Other parade goers can meet by 8:45 am at the Burger King in Wickenburg (on the right side of the highway as you enter Wickenburg) to leave by 9:00 for the

Chapter's staging area. The parade begins at 10:00 am.

Everybody loves a parade and the people watching this parade love our Studebakers. If you have never participated, this would be a good year to do so.

#### FEBRUARY 10 CHAPTER MEETING

The Chapter will hold its monthly gathering and meeting after the Wickenburg parade at Barro's Pizza, 15403 W. Greenway Rd. (Greenway and Reems Rd.), Surprise. Meet at 12:30 pm to eat. Barro's have lunch specials of pizza, salads and drinks and also offer sandwiches and wings. After lunch there will be a Chapter meeting. Need more information? Contact Peggy Eastburn at 623-936-6116 or peggyeastburn@hotmail.com



#### **TOURING THE WHITE MOUNTAINS EVENT**

By Malcolm Stinson

or the members who are going to join us on the STUDEBAKER TOURING THE WHITE MOUNTAINS, please register ASAP as there are several things I need to pay for such as the event manual, window name tags, members name tags and so on.

The earlier you register, the more time I have to get everything ready for you.

# February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				I	2	3
4 GCSC Board Meeting	5	6	7	8	9	IO Wickenburg Parade
11	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13	4 Valentine's Day Hug your Sweetie!	15	16 1852–H&C Stude- baker Blacksmith Shop opens.	17
18 1952-First vehicle of Studebaker's 2nd century built.	19 President's Day	20	21	<b>22</b> Washington's Birthday	23	24
25	26	27	28		3	Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-2146

# SAC ANNUAL BANQUET

By Richard Dormois

On January 14th, the Southern Arizona Chapter, SDC presented its annual banquet at the Tanque Verde Guest Ranch in Tucson. Fifty nine adults and three children attended the affair in perfect weather. The Tanque Verde culinary staff provided the tasty, bountiful repast and we repaired to the "Roost" where SAC president Randy Goble presented the Member of the Year award to Ann Pearson for her selfless dedication to editing the *Copper Starlight* newsletter. Bruce Sandburg earned the People's Choice award for his 1959 Silver Hawk in the Studebaker display of a dozen cars and trucks.

Michell Eastburn invited all to the Grand Canyon State Chapter Winter Gathering at the Martin Auto Museum in Phoenix, January 20 and introduced her board of directors. Bob Miles urged those in the Pacific Southwest Zone to cast vote for Ed Smith or Malcolm Stinson for zone director on the SDC board.

Peggy Eastburn thanked Bob Miles, Fred Gooch and Bruce Sandberg for their dedication to her family when Patrick Eastburn was the victim of a horrific accident January 9, 1994.

Richard Dormois reviewed progress of the 2020 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet planning and invited the members to the ASC Spring Event, April 28 where all Studebaker related vehicles will be judged at Becker Auto Restorations in Tempe and a catered luncheon will be served complimentary to all guests.

Richard conducted the benefit auction which garnered more revenue than in recent times. Michell Eastburn and Deb Crooks cashiered and clerked the auction.

Michell won the total 50/50 raffle of \$191.00 for pulling her 1920 Studebaker Goat Wagon from Phoenix to Tucson.

Attending from the GCSC were Jim Clever, Lew Dandurand, Richard Dormois, Bill and Peggy Eastburn, Patrick and Brischell Eastburn and their 3 children, Michell Eastburn, Lou Fencl, George Gezelius, Fred and Nora Gooch, Jerry and June Kaiser, John Lewis, Mary Powell-MConnell, Keith Muske, Claudia Robinette, Bruce Sandburg, Delores Shurtz, Linda Smith, Chuck and Louise Stanford, Larry Swanson and Sherry Watson.

All of us would agree this SAC annual banquet was as good as ever.

#### **VALVE COVER RACES AT MARCH MADNESS**

You have time to make a valve cover racer for the All Studebaker Gathering in Tucson on March 10th Using a Studebaker valve cover, here are a few rules to follow.

- 1. Must be a Studebaker valve cover.
- 2. Total weight cannot exceed 10 pounds. There will be an official scale.
- 3. Total length must not exceed 10% over stock length of original valve cover.
- 4. Dimensions may be no longer than 12" high or 12" wide.
- 5. No sharp edges or sharp protrusions on the racer.

# CELEBRATE!



# February Birthdays

Anita MacFadden Don Juday William Eastburn Pete Mensing 20 7 Linda Smith 20 Brian Millette Sandie Keating 8 Nancy Bradfield 22 8 Richard Hertline 22 Kevin MacFadden 10 James Clever 22 Eric Richardson 11 Tim Wright 24 Janet Miller 13 Pat Boehnlein 26 Jim McDonald 15 Jim Boehnlein 26 James Pruitt 14 Shayna King 28 Carol Elliot 15 Jaclyn Parise Virginia Miller 28 15 Jim Parise 28 Gary Olson 28 16 Bill Dishman Kim Rodhouse 16 Rob Heen Amanda Willis

# February Anniversaries

- 1 Don & Marlene McCoin
- 3 Ed & Linda Caviar
- 10 Eric & Deanna Richardson
- 16 Bill & Judy Barker
- 22 Curt & Carmen Curtis

# Children's Birthdays

- 5 Aubrey Eastburn
  - (daughter of Chris & Rachel)
  - Sara MacFadden
    - (daughter of Kevin & Anita)
- 14 Callan Rodhouse
- (son of John & Kim)
- 18 Stanley Tietz
  - (daughter of Dana & Meridith)

# **Clarification:**

The minutes of the December meeting reported Malcolm Stinson asked "members to stop sending him emails." Malcolm wants the members to know that was only in reference to the *Turning Wheels* changes and he adds.

I very much want to hear from anyone that has a problem or question. Over the last 4 years that I have been your Zone Director, I have helped several members and was very pleased that I could help. I am here to do whatever I can to assist any of you in the Pacific Southwest Zone and welcome a call or e-mail from anyone. Please feel free to contact me at any time at 928-368-7442 or swstudebaker@live.com

Malcolm J Stinson Jr.
Pacific Southwest Zone Director

# Technical Information ..... BRAKE HOSES

By Jerry Blount, Boring, Oregon

The brake system of any Studebaker has three flexible reinforced rubber brake hoses: one at the rear axle assembly and one each at the front wheels. These flexible hoses are in motion as the car is driven. The rear hose connects the rigid brake line on the car body to the junction (tee) of the rigid lines on the on the rear axle, which then connects to the rear wheel brake cylinders. The flex brake hose is in constant motion while the car is moving as the rear axle rides under the body/frame, bouncing on the rear suspension. The front flex hoses connect the rigid fittings on the frame to the front brake calipers (disc) or the wheel cylinders (drum) on the brake backing plates. They not only deal with the up and down motion between the body and wheels as in the rear, but also the angular movement as the front wheels move during steering.

In addition to the physical demands of constant flex movement, the hoses are obviously exposed to brake fluid on the inside and exposure to the elements under the car on the outside. Brake fluid can cause the rubber compound to deteriorate over time. The constant splash, heat, rocks, dirt, etc. encountered under a car in motion will also expose the brake hoses to continuous wear.

In the early life of a car, it is possible to ignore the brake hoses as they are relatively new. Being only a few years old, the mechanic needn't concern himself about the flex hose condition. Not so with our Studebakers. These cars are decades old. Brake flex hoses on older cars are likely to fail. They can look fine on the outside but may be very restricted due to internal deterioration, or cracked due to exposures.

Recently, a Chapter member, who had sometime previously installed four new caliper cylinder assemblies on his original disc brake equipped Studebaker, wanted to order two more calipers since he was having brake sticking issues and assumed the cylinders were the cause. After installing the replacement cylinders the sticking problem remained. It turned out to be a deteriorated original brake hose. Not only was it not applying also was acting like a check valve by not allowing the pressure at the calipers to release.

So, when doing a brake job, replace the hoses. They could be the original hoses that were installed at the factory or very old replacements...well past their useful life.

(Reprinted from *The Studebaker Times Post*, newsletter of the Whatcom County Chapter)

Contact Chris at ccollinsaz@cox.net for an updated roster or to order a Chapter name badge. Name badges are \$5.00 for pin back or \$6.00 for magnet back in the traditional black on brass or the newer blue plastic.

# Pacific Southwest Zone Director Election

Printed below is the ballot for the Pacific Southwest Zone director election for the 2018-2020 term. The ballot was originally printed on page 6 of the December *Turning Wheels* and the candidate's biographies are on page 7.

The ballot is printed here especially for those who have SDC membership without *Turning Wheels*.

# 2018 SDC Election Ballot for Pacific Southwest Zone

This Election is for the position of National Director for the two-year term beginning April 15th, 2018 through April 14th, 2020. Candidates are listed alphabetically. Current SDC members and their spouses, if applicable, each get one vote and must live in the Pacific Southwest Zone.

Mailed ballots must be postmarked no later than April 1st, 2018 and sent to:

Don Jones

SDC Vice President

P.O. Box 229

Concord VA 24538

Emailed ballots must be sent to keydetsdj@aol.com no later than 11:59 p.m. EDT, April 1st, 2018. If you wish to download a ballot from the SDC web site, go to www. studebakerdriversclub.com and click on the image of the ballot box, and then follow the instructions.

Results of the election will be posted on the SDC Forum and published in *Turning Wheels*.

Official Ballot – 2018 SDC Election National Director, Pacific Southwest Zon (for term April 15th, 2018 through April 14th, 202	
Ed Smith	
Malcolm Stinson	
Printed Name (self)	
Signature	
Printed Name (spouse)	
Signature	
Address	
SDC#	
(preferred but not required if address given)	
Members voting for these candidates must be current SDC members and live in the Pacific Southwest Zone which consists of Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada Utah, MX-BCN, BCS.	9



# I have some questions

By Daniel Strohl

For those pessimists about younger generations' enthusiasm for older cars, what are you doing to encourage young people to enter the hobby? Are you allowing them to touch your cars, to sit in them, to ride in or even to drive them? Are you contributing to funds, nonprofits or to colleges that give young people hands-on experiences with old cars? Are you open to allowing young enthusiasts to bring out the vehicles they're interested in (which might not necessarily be the vehicles you're interested in) to cruise-ins and shows? Are you at the very least engaging young people in conversation at cruise-ins and shows? Or, are you furiously firing off email/Facebook/Twitter missives about kids and their addictions to electronic devices?

Edited from an article in the December, 2017 Hemming Motors News. Daniel continued the discussion about young people and old cars in a blog he started on December 8th at Hemmings.com. Printed below are some of the many comments that were made in response to this important and vexing topic.

- Nothing substitutes growing up with enthusiasm in the family, but any encouragement helps. Exposure to the cars
  and especially rides/drives helps. Openness and willingness to answer questions are of great importance, too.
- My old vehicle is a 1966 Corvette convertible. Every one of my grand kids started riding in it as soon as they were able to sit in car seat. They all have played driver behind the wheel in the garage while I cleaned the car, and my grandson started helping me detail the car when he was 4. The grand kids are now in their 20's and still love to ride in the car.
- At shows and cruise ins I encourage young people who show interest to sit in the car, handle the steering wheel and ask questions. If one kid sees another in the car they will usually ask to participate. Photos are encouraged, and occasionally mom and dad join in as well. I don't mind wiping the finger prints on the door, fenders or dashboard, it's all part of the show. Having fun talking with young people and watching them happily sitting in my car is far more fun than sitting in a chair making sure nobody touches the car.
- I couldn't agree more. The "DO NOT TOUCH" signs seen at too many car shows need to be replaced with open invitations to car show attendees to touch, feel, sit in, and pretend to drive our vintage cars. I always cross out any "DO NOT TOUCH" messages on car show identification placards and hand write a message to get to know my vintage cars close at hand. But, I go beyond that by inviting folks to sit in my vintage cars and have photographs taken of them posing with broad smiles on their faces. It is amazing how a younger person can go from mild disinterest to rabid enthusiasm when you invite that person to sit in the car. I especially enjoy seeing whole families taking up my invitation to sit in my car, watching as each family member takes a turn mugging for photos.
- It's hard to let some kid you don't know and trust inside your baby. I remember the first cruise night my parents took me to, I was 8 years old. Out of the 25 cars there, an old man parked his 1962 Studebaker Lark away from the \$50,000 Tri-Fives and Mustangs, and he let the kids that were there sit in it and take pictures. The car wasn't restored like the others, it was a driver that had mechanical and cosmetic work done to it as needed. It made my day, I still think of that man sometimes.
- I try to do a few things to get younger folks interested in our hobby: 1) I have some stickers made up which look like my car and I give them to parents with young children for their kids to get something when coming to a car show (check out Zazzle.com) 2) I stand out in front of the car during car shows and talk to people, tell them about the car and answer questions. We are not helping to educate the next generation by sitting in a lawn chair behind the car and being unapproachable. 3) I advise interested younger fans to remember an old car is like an old house. You need to budget for some work every year and eventually you will finish the car. I tell them it took me ten years to finish my car.
- Our Corvette Club give 2 scholarships to high schoolers going off to college. This past year we awarded 2 scholarships to high schoolers going into automotive careers, one to learn diesel and one to automotive design. Also, some of us in the Club always ask the young folk if they would like to sit behind the wheel of our Corvettes and Classics for a photo-op. You never know what will spark a youngster's interest into becoming a car enthusiast.

There are many reasons young people are not interested in our old car hobby and there are no easy answers. See more comments at https://www.hemmings.com/blog/2017/12/08/open-diff-continuing-the-conversation-about-young-people-and-old-cars/comment-page-1/#comments

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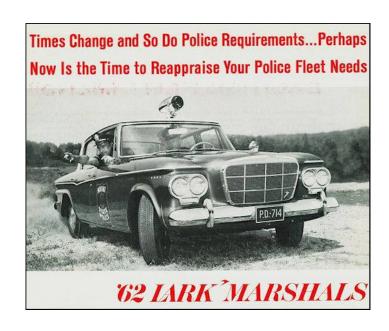
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