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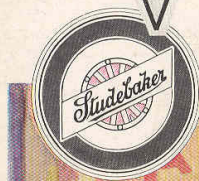
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Since Man First Made a Wheel President Sets Eleven New Speed Records

From the Editor's Pen.....

Thank you to two more of our advertisers for renewing their ads: Don Becker, Becker Automotive Restoration, and Chris and Rachel Eastburn, Premier Irrigation. If you need a service one of our advertisers provides, please give them your consideration.

Buddy Wright, one of our long time advertisers, is retiring and his ad for Fireplace Southwest will no longer run on the ad page. We wish Buddy best wishes as he joins Elaine in retirement. I'm sure they will both continue to be active in the club and even busier with their hobbies.

This month's tech tip is applicable for both your Studebaker and your daily driver. When we think of aging components on our cars, one doesn't normally consider the headlamps but according to the report on page 9, the bulbs are subject to decay, as well. Food for thought.

If you come across a March/April *Scottsdale* magazine be sure to look for the Barany's Golden Hawk in a fashion layout. Nice!

Hope to see a good turnout for the Barry Goldwater High School car show. Each year we expose more young people to our Studebakers and other collector cars at this show. Be there or be square.

Chris

ABOUT THE COVER

On the cover of the 1932 Auto Show edition of *The Wheel* we see a chic woman wearing furs showing a President convertible roadster to an older woman seated in a Studebaker electric.

Inside the magazine there are eight pages of color illustrations interspersed with 12 pages of copy and black and white photographs of the "Triumphant New Studebakers."

GOODY BAG/ DOOR PRIZE ITEMS WANTED

The Chapter board is asking members who have some of the items typically found in car show goody bags on hand that we will gladly take those items for creating goody bags or to give as door prizes at Chapter events. We are also looking ahead to the 2020 zone meet.

Bring items you wish to donate to any upcoming Chapter event. Peggy Eastburn will be happy to answer any questions about quantities or appropriateness. See her contact information below,

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STATE OF THE CHAPTER

By Michell Eastburn, President

Spring is nature's way of saying, 'Let's Party!' -Robin Williams



This Robin Williams quote is just how we spent the month of March. Marana Marketplace was where several members partied under a nice cloud cover with several beautiful Studebakers and plenty of amazing Studebaker people and outgoing onlookers. Thank you Southern Arizona Chapter for hosting this year's March Madness event!

I hope that those that came out and celebrated at our membership appreciation BBQ had a blast. Lots of yummy food and desserts were had and everyone was able to enjoy a mini car show while catching up with chapter friends. Thank you Ken and Arlene West for opening up your home and yard for all of us. As we all know it takes an army to make sure that our events run smoothly and the board always appreciates that members are always willing to step in and help out when needed. In particular, I would like to thank George and Judy Stout, Aleta Millette, Ed and Linda Smith and Lorilee and Makenna Kroulik for helping with set-up, food prep and clean-up.

April boasts a variety of events starting with the Barry Goldwater High School Car Show on the 6th. If you are looking for a unique way to spend your Friday night this show offers a lot of unique cars and the location of the football field is a nice change to parking lot car shows. Whether showing a Stude or just looking, it's a great occasion.

The Chapter will be joining ASC later in the month on a visit to Becker Automotive Restoration. Richard has been promoting this event for several months and it sounds like it will be an event that you wouldn't want to miss. Chapter members and guests are encouraged to join in and bring out any and all things made by, sold by, used by, Studebaker!

2020 ZONE MEET UPDATE

Submitted by Larry Vahe, Chairman

Your steering committee for the 2020 zone meet has been meeting with the short term goals of finding an optimal meeting hotel and to develop a logo for the meet. We have had a lot of great input for meeting places ranging from Elko, NV to Laughlin, NV, from Tombstone to Prescott and have looked into all of the places you have requested. For now we are focusing on the greater Phoenix area and have two places that are in serious contention. As soon as we have narrowed it down to one site we will get out the word but in the meantime if you think you have a site in mind please let us know as it is certainly not too late to look at more locations! The other goal mentioned is that of a logo for the meet so please let us know what you might think a stunning logo might look like for this meet. Maybe something along the lines of, say, '2020 Eye sight on Phoenix' or perhaps something along the lines of 'Phoenix Rising!' Who knows but we would like your ideas so we can get some merchandise together along with flyers for the upcoming 2018 zone meeting in Palm Springs this October.

Many thanks for all you support and please keep those ideas coming!



CHAPTER NAME BADGE

Order your Chapter name badge with a pin back by contacting Chris Collins at ccollinsaz@cox.net or 602-995-2146. The price is \$5.00 each.

If you wish to have a magnet back on your badge, the price is \$6.00 each.

The name badges are available in the traditional brass and black with the SDC logo or a blue plastic with the Chapter logo.

ANTIQUÉ STUDEBAKER CLUB SPRING EVENT SCHEDULE

1585 EAST FIFTH STREET, TEMPE, ARIZONA 85281, SATURDAY APRIL 28th

- 9 AM** CHECK IN WITH KOLTON KROULIK AT THE FIFTH STREET ENTRANCE
STUDEBAKER RELATED CARS AND TRUCKS TO THE WEST, BRAND X TO THE EAST
- 9 AM-12:00 NOON** PEOPLE'S CHOICE VOTING ON THE BALLOTS PROVIDED
- 11:00 AM** "WALK AND TALK" TOUR OF BECKER RESTORATIONS LED BY DON BECKER
- 12:00 NOON** CATERED BUFFET LUNCHEON, BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT BOX
- 1:00 PM** WELCOME COMMENTS BY JOE BAILEY, ASC ASC PRESIDENT
- 1:15 PM** GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP MEETING BY MICHELL EASTBURN
- 1:30 PM** SPONSOR RECOGNITION AND AWARDS PRESENTATION BY RICHARD DORMOIS
- 2:00 PM** THANK YOU AND DRIVE SAFELY

MEMBER APPRECIATION PICNIC

THANK YOU, KEN AND ARLENE WEST

By Richard Dormois, GCSC Secretary

On a beautiful Saturday, March 24, 2018, Ken and Arlene West opened their amazing Desert Oasis to the assembled multitudes of the Grand Canyon State Chapter. By any standards, this was a spectacular gathering. The weather was perfect, venue was out of this world, the food was wonderful, the Studebakers great and best of all....our Studebaker family was beautiful.

At about one, President Michell Eastburn thanked those who prepared and brought the makings of a fantastic buffet and those who brought their Studebakers for the fine display on the grounds of the West manse. Michell encouraged the membership to enjoy the Barry Goldwater High School benefit car show, the ASC Spring Studebaker Event and a membership meeting at the Deer Valley Airport Restaurant in May

Secretary Richard Dormois outlined the Antique Studebaker Spring Event in Tempe, April 28 and reminded us ALL STUDEBAKER RELATED PRODUCTS 1852 TO 2008 are welcome to be judged in the People's Choice format, regardless of condition, starting at 9:00 AM. This is not a gathering of just show girls. The event is FREE to our members and friends including a catered lunch, Becker Restorations Tour and GCSC membership meeting chaired by Michell. Richard thanked those who donated trophies and other stuff to make this a wonderful event.

Editor/Membership Chair Chris Collins brought us up to date on the 2020 Zone Meet Planning Committee site selection efforts which may be narrowed to two venues. The members were invited to make venue suggestions and submit ideas for the logo. She spoke of the 2018 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet in Palm Springs and made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the international meet host chapter and \$75.00 to the zone meet host chapters for awards. The motion was seconded and passed. She introduced Malcolm Stinson and Ed Smith, candidates for the SDC Board, representing the Pacific Southwest Zone and reminded members to vote. Chris expressed her appreciation for *ECHO* support and solicited more articles.

Ed Smith, 2020 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet treasurer, thanked Ken West for the donation of a vintage American Flag he made out of native wood which was auctioned by Richard for seed money for the zone meet fund. Jim Clever bought it for seventy dollars.

Door prizes were awarded and Michell concluded business about two.

SPECIAL THANKS TO PEGGY EASTBURN AND HER STAFF FOR ARRANGING THE BUFFET.

Attending were John & Lorilee Kroulik, Makenna Kroulik, Kolton Kroulik; Scott & Bonnie Grainger and Bonnie's son, Glen, Toto (M6 flat bed); Pete Bell, Ray Myers; Larry Swanson; Neil & Ruth Bell; Carl & Esther Reid, 1963 GT Hawk; Ken & Arlene West, 1955 President, 1966 Daytona; Don Parkey, 1960 Lark; John Rodhouse & Callan; Ed & Linda Smith, 1951 Stakebed, 1959 Lark wagon; Paul & Phyllis Setaro; Michell Eastburn; Ken Michael; Russ & Sharon Ware; Bill & Peggy Eastburn; Paulette & Steve Fein, 1966 Cruiser; Claudia Robinette; Richard Dormois; Bill & Judy Barker, 1949 2R; George & Judy Stout, 1963 GT Hawk; Buddy & Elaine Wright, 1953 2R; Mike & Mary Barany, 1956 Golden Hawk; Denny Lockmon, Maryann Lemely, 1964 Avanti; Garry Klinger; Brian & Aleta Millette, 1957 President; Malcolm J. Stinson, Jr., 1940 President; Jim Clever; Ted & Jan Widhalm; Ron & Vicky Crowe, 1964 GT Hawk; Ed & Linda Costell; Charley & Judy Haverstick, 1958 Golden Hawk; Gary & Sandie Keating, 1962 GT Hawk; Al Riedel, 1978 Avanti; Frank &



We like Studes with grills.



Elizabeth van Doorn, 1952 Commander; Walter & Nicki Ready (want to buy a Stude); Norm & Janice Marineau (rode with Al Riedel); Chuck & Chris Collins, 1963 GT Hawk. Photos courtesy of Steve Fein.

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER UPCOMING EVENTS

- 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. REGISTER 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. ROSE GARDEN LANE, PHOENIX.**
- APRIL 8** **GCSC BOARD AND OFFICERS WILL MEET AT DEER VALLEY AIRPORT RESTAURANT 7th AVE. & DEER VALLEY RD., PHOENIX AT 1:00PM. MEMBERS ARE WELCOME. INFO: peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116**
- APRIL 21** **7TH ANNUAL CRUISE-IN FOR THE VETERANS AT YAVAPAI COLLEGE, 100 E. SHELDON ST., PRESCOTT FROM 9AM-3PM. \$30 DONATION BEFORE APRIL14TH. SEE PAGE 13 FOR INFORMATION AND APPLICATION OR CALL STEVE AT 928-713-0978.**
- 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 19** **CHAPTER MEETING AT DEER VALLEY AIRPORT RESTAURANT. ARRIVE AT 11:30AM FOR A MINI CAR SHOW IN THE PARKING LOT WITH LUNCH AT NOON FOLLOWED BY MOM APPRECIATION, CHAPTER MEETING AND HOBBY SHOW AND TELL. MORE INFO: CONTACT PEGGY AT peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116**
- 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. SEE PAGE 15 FOR REG. FORM.**
- JUNE 16** **THE OLD MAN AND THE OLD CAR FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST, 9AM, AT STREETSIDE CLASSICS, MESA. ARRIVE EARLY FOR CAR SHOW IN PARKING LOT. INFO TO COME.**
- JULY 14** **CHAPTER WILL MEET AT ORGAN STOP PIZZA IN MESA FOR PIZZA AND GREAT MUSIC INFO: PEGGY AT peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116**
- AUGUST 29 -
SEPTEMBER 1** **54TH ANNUAL SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET IN SEATTLE/TACOMA. REGISTER AT http://www.sdcmeet.com/Content/Docs/2018_SDC_Registration_Form.pdf REGISTER BY 4/30 FOR \$10 SAVINGS. MEET SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION IN MARCH *TURNING WHEELS*.**
- SEPTEMBER 8** **DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY. EVENT INFO TO COME.**
- OCTOBER 6** **STUDEBAKER NIGHT AT ROCK N ROLL MCDONALD'S IN THE PAVILIONS, SCOTTSDALE. 20 SPACES WILL BE RESERVED FOR OUR CARS AND TRUCKS. MORE INFO NEXT MONTH OR CONTACT PEGGY AT peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116**
- OCTOBER 18-20** **PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET IN PALM SPRINGS, HOSTED BY BCOIE, L.A. AND SAN DIEGO CHAPTERS. PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE STUDEBAKER NATIONAL FOUNDATION. SEE PAGE 16 FOR INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION FORM OR CONTACT FRANK AT 760-774-3377.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 6 BG HIGH SCHOOL CAR SHOW

Chapter members will be participating in the Barry Goldwater High School car show to be held on Friday, April 6th from 6pm to 9pm on the football field. The entry fee is \$10 payable at the show and proceeds go to the Bulldog Scholarship Fund. Each entrant will receive a t-shirt and one free dinner prepared by the school's culinary department and a second meal can be purchased. You can register at bgscarshow.com

The school is located at 2829 W. Rose Garden Lane which is at 27th Ave. & Rose Garden, 1/2 mile south of Deer Valley Rd. Please try to arrive around 5:00 to assemble for entry so all Studebakers can park together. Brian Millette in a 1957 President and Steve Fein in his 1966 Cruiser are in charge of gathering the Studes for the roll in so watch for them and their cars. Awards will be given for the top 10 cars and best in show which are selected by People's Choice balloting and there will be raffle prizes given out throughout the evening.

If you cannot drive your Studebaker you are welcome to register another show car or come to the school to visit with your Chapter friends. Be sure to bring chairs.

Questions? Contact Peggy at 623-936-6116 or peggyeastburn@hotmail.com

*Keep America Beautiful,
Drive a Studebaker!*

APRIL 8 GCSC BOARD MEETING

The Chapter board and officers will meet at 1:00 pm at Deer Valley Airport Restaurant, 7th Ave. & Deer Valley Rd., Phoenix. All members are invited. For information contact peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116

APRIL 28 ASC SPRING EVENT

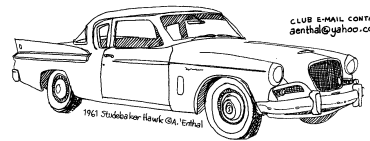
The GCSC will join the Arizona Antique Studebaker Club chapter in a Studebaker gathering to be held at Becker Automotive Restoration at 1985 East 5th Street, Tempe (5th Ave. and Smith Rd between Rio Salado Parkway and University Avenue). You can drive or bring any Studebaker related vehicle or item of all years 1852-2008 in any condition. There will be people's choice judging and awards.

No pre registration is required, just be there by 9:00 am. There is no registration fee and the luncheon at noon is also free.

A tour of the facility will happen at 11:00. A complete schedule of events is printed on page 3.

Please feel free to bring family and/or friends to enjoy the Studebakers and the friendship of the members of the ASC and GCSC.

For information contact Richard Dormois at 702-461-3679 or 1938studeman@earthlink.net



April 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	2	3	4	5	6 BGHS Car Show	7
8 GCSC Board Meeting	9 1963- Super Larks and Super Hawks introduced.	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Tax Day	17 	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 1962-Avanti sets new world production car record-171.10 mph	26 1962-Avanti intro- duced to the public.	27	28 ASC Spring Event
29	30	31				Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-2146

This N That

The first weekend of March, Midnight at the Oasis is held in Yuma with hundreds of collector vehicles filling the Desert Sun Stadium. Tim and Joen Painter attend this event each year and 2018 was an especially lucky year for them. Tim tells about it here: "Friday we won \$100 in a random drawing for having one of our cars parked in the correct spot, Saturday the Commander was selected as one of 13 cars out of 900+ to receive an award (Easy Living), and yesterday....my raffle ticket was drawn from 4000 tickets as winner of '66 Chevy show truck. Still in shock."

Congratulations to Tim and Joen for their extraordinary luck...it doesn't get any better.

To see photos of the Painters and their new truck visit <http://midnightattheosis.net>

Several GCSC members attended the March Madness hosted by the Southern Arizona Chapter in Tucson. Driving or showing Studebakers were Malcolm Stinson, 1940 President; Patrick Eastburn and family, 1951 Champion; Michell Eastburn, Goat Wagon; Ed Smith, 1951 Stakebed Pickup; Linda Smith, 1959 Lark station wagon; Ken & Arlene West, 1966 Daytona; John Verrill, 1963 Avanti and Dale & Norma Sexton, AVX displayed with the Arizona Avanti Association and from the ASC, Joe & Glenda Bailey, 1941 Champion coupe.

Members attending without their Studebakers were Brian Millette, Ed & Linda Costell, Steve & Paulette Fein, Chuck & Chris Collins, Garry Klinger, Don Parkey, Carl Thompson, Bill & Peggy Eastburn, Chris Eastburn, Richard & Joan Hahn, Frank Williams, Tim Watson, Sherry Watson, Jon Carter, John Kroulik, Kolton Kroulik, Mike Lynch, Jim Naugle, Eric Willis, Richard Dormois, Claudia Robinette and Russ & Sharon Ware, who were vending Studebaker parts.

Other GCSC members attending who are also SAC members were John L. Lewis, Chuck & Louise Stanford, Fred & Nora Gooch, Lew Dandurand, Keith Muske, Delores Shurtz, Bruce Sandburg, Jerry & June Kaiser, Mike Borens and Lou Fencil who all drove Studebakers to the event.

From Frank and Elizabeth van Doorn: We attended the GoodGuys show in Scottsdale, Friday, March 16th. We had no more got ourselves parked with our 1952 Commander hardtop and a guy with a camera and clip board walked up and said he liked our car. He then said he wanted to give us an award and if we could be present for the award ceremony on Sunday. We said yes we could be there. He then awarded us the "Best wide Whites" award and proceeded to take some info and pictures, so hey, we're happy and Studebaker was the center of attention in the winners circle on Sunday for several hours. It will also make it into their monthly magazine in a few months.

We have been going to GoodGuys events for more than 20 years and never won anything up until now, so this is great. *Congratulations to the van Doorns!*

CELEBRATE!



April Birthdays

- | | |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| 2 Ruth Cushing | 19 Jerry Kaiser |
| 5 Lorilee Kroulik | 20 Carol Aden |
| 5 Karen Mensing | 23 Althea Halchuck |
| 5 Louise Stanford | 24 Dolores Fein |
| 7 Frank Levin | 25 Chris Eastburn |
| 10 Lynda Caviar | 26 Linda Costell |
| 11 Dale Sexton | 27 Chester Bradfield |
| 13 Donald Aden | 29 Judy Stout |
| 16 Tim Painter | |

April Anniversaries



- | |
|----------------------------|
| 8 Steve & Paulette Fein |
| 10 Carl & Esther Reid |
| 12 Bill & Peggy Eastburn |
| 16 Pete & Betty Bell |
| 19 Kevin & Anita MacFadden |
| 25 Pete & Karen Mensing |
| 26 Sam & Francene Hurt |
| 30 David & Terry Ker |

Studebakers Are Great.
Studebaker People Are The Greatest!
THE CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT IS ON:

Thanks to **Jim Clever** for his winning bid of \$70.00 for the rustic handmade flag created by Ken West which was auctioned at the membership picnic on March 24th. The money was designated for the 2020 PSW Zone Meet. Hat's off to **Ken and Arlene West** for their donation of the wooden flag.

Thank you to **Pete and Betty Bell** for a \$50.00 donation to the Chapter for the zone meet fund.

The generous donations are appreciated by the Chapter.



On a recent visit to the Petrified Forest, **Carl and Esther Reid** saw this Studebaker relic in the park along Route 66.

On the plaque near the car, it is identified as a 1932 sedan. Carl believes the bumper and the grill in the photo are from a 1957 Cadillac.

MARCH HAPPENINGS

Chester's Garage Car Show

By Linda Smith

Saturday, March 3rd, the Melrose Street Fair featured the Chester's Garage Car Show. Five Studebaker drivers and their vehicles were present: Joseph & Karen Guthrie in their 1956 Transtar pickup and winner of Best Pin Stripping award; Alan Tudor in his 1950 2R Pickup; Steve Fein in his 1966 Cruiser; Spencer Brown in his 1960 Lark and Ed & Linda Smith in their 1959 Lark 2Dr Station Wagon. George Gezelius drove his beautiful 1957 Mercury and Richard Dormois was among the few thousand spectators.

Hundreds of beautiful cars and trucks were on display and there were hundreds of different vendors and food trucks. 7th Avenue was completely blocked off at Indian School Road, Campbell Rd, was locked in from 9am - 5pm and there was lots of sunshine at this awesome venue.



MARCH MADNESS

The 2018 All Arizona Studebaker Gathering, also known as March Madness, was hosted by the Southern Arizona Chapter on March 10th at Freddy's Frozen Custard and Steak Burgers in the Marana Marketplace. For four GCSC families the day began with meeting at a gas station along I-10 to fill their gas tank for an Economy Run competition. They were Ken and Arlene West, tourmasters, in their 1966 Daytona, Linda Smith, driving a 1959 Lark station wagon, Ed Smith with his 1951 stakebed and Joe and Glenda Bailey in their 1941 Champion coupe.

Others drove down on their own, with or without a Studebaker, arriving by 10am for the start of activities. First up was registration and the receipt of a goody bag, a People's Choice ballot and tickets for free custard at Freddy's. Thank you, SAC and Freddy's for the tasty treat! Fundraising was in full swing, as well, with a can auction with many gift baskets and other enticing items tempting one to spend \$5 or \$10 to win a great gift. Then, it was off to meet up with friends and to check out all of the Studes, looking for the one that would receive the vote for People's Choice.

Soon, the valve cover race track was set up and the races began. Eight creative racer builders tried their hand at keeping the car running straight and on the track. In the end, Shaleen Eastburn came out on top followed by Mike Borens and Michell Eastburn. Congratulations to all.

Many of the participants headed over to Freddie's for a delicious lunch and to take claim of a free cup of their famous custard. Then, it was time for the awards presentation with the SAC president, Randy Goble, doing the emcee honors. First up was the announcement of the winner of the People's Choice voting, Ron and Gail Williams, the proud



owners of a stunning 1958 President Hardtop. Several auction items were given out and then Michell Eastburn, GCSC president, presented the result of the Economy Run from the Valley with Joe and Glenda Bailey posting the best mileage at 28.25 mpg and Ed Smith coming in last at 13.63 mpg earning him the dreaded Gas Hog award.

Then, Michell awarded a "Cream of

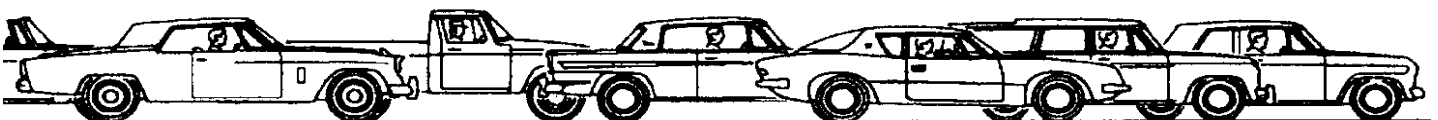


the Crop" award chosen by ballot of GCSC members to Joe and Glenda Bailey with their very nice 1941 coupe. One final award was made by Mike Borens for the Favorite Modified among the Avanti club members which went to Roger Biede who has a 1963.

The auction items were distributed to many luck winners and the event came to a close.

Thanks to the Southern Arizona Chapter for a well run and fun March Madness. We hope to see everyone next year in Phoenix when the GCSC hosts the annual gathering of Studebakers. See page 7 for a list of GCSC attendees.

Photos courtesy of Linda Smith. See more photos at the Chapter Facebook page or website.



CAR CARE TIP: Headlight Age Affects Older Drivers

It's a well-known fact that headlight bulbs wear out with age and use just like tires, shocks, and brakes. As the bulbs get older, they start to dim, putting less light on the road. This can create serious safety issues at night for all drivers. In spite of the fact that there is five times more traffic during the daytime, statistics show that approximately 65 percent of accidents occur at night or in poor lighting conditions.

The primary reason is usually attributed to poor driver vision caused by decreased visual acuity. Visual acuity is the amount of light provided by the environment, and at night, it can be reduced by up to 70 percent. Because the human eye is not adapted for nocturnal vision, colors tend to disappear, contrast fades away, and drivers are often blinded by the oncoming light from other vehicles. In essence, nighttime drivers can experience the feeling of short sightedness and also lose some depth perception.

Why replace light bulbs when they get old?

According to Ann-Marie Hines, senior marketing manager at Lumileds, a global lighting solutions company, the answer is simple. "The filament in a headlight bulb ages with use, time, and exposure to the elements," Hines notes. "As a result, it becomes fragile and starts to deteriorate, and this causes the light output to diminish. At the end of a typical service life, perhaps two to three years, headlight bulbs will likely be projecting a much shorter and less powerful beam light than when they were new. From a driver's point of view this is a critical safety concern."

Older drivers need more light

This problem becomes even more critical with older drivers. The amount of light that the human eye needs to see properly increases exponentially with age. That means as drivers get older they need more light on the road. This is because the lens of the human eye tends to become more opaque with age and reduces the amount of light the eye can receive.

At age 40, the average driver may already need twice as much light as a 20-year-old. At age 65, that need is dramatically higher. So, as the population of licensed drivers 65 years and older increases, the safety issue increases with it. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), there were 36.8 million licensed drivers aged 65 and older on the road in 2013. By 2030, the NHTSA estimates that there will be more than 57 million drivers on the road in this age group.

Put more light on the road

The easy solution to this dilemma is to just put more light on the road. The best way to do this is to replace old headlight bulbs with new bulbs and make sure headlight lenses are clear of any clouding and hazing. Lumileds engineers recommend replacing headlight bulbs after two to three years as a good maintenance practice. They also suggest replacing both headlight bulbs at the same time to ensure a properly lit road ahead and the full benefit of the vehicle's headlights as originally intended by the carmaker.

Old bulbs can be replaced with new standard OE quality replacements to restore a vehicle's lighting performance to original condition, or lighting can be upgraded with advanced technology for even better light output.

Better lighting will improve driver vision and visibility at night, and in turn increase safety. According to a recent study from the automotive club AAA, the halogen headlights found in more than 80 percent of vehicles on the road today failed to safely illuminate unlit roadways, even when vehicles are moving at speeds as low as 40 miles per hour. A new set of upgrade halogen bulbs might just make a difference in seeing better and being seen.

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Mark Giuliani of Peoria is the new owner of Bruce Sandburg's 3/4 ton 4X4, shown on the left. The truck is one of twenty manufactured similar to his. Mark is a truck guy, owning a '58 Chevy 4X4 and a '59 Ford 4X4, as well as an old 4X4 war truck powered by a Dodge flathead. He is extremely happy with his find and is willing to show it off.

Mark is pictured with his new Stude which is parked next to Dan Kuhl's 1959 Scotsman. Dan

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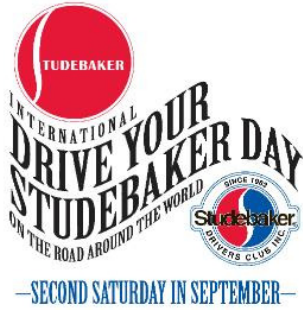
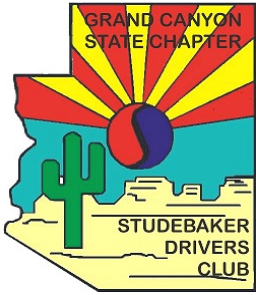
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