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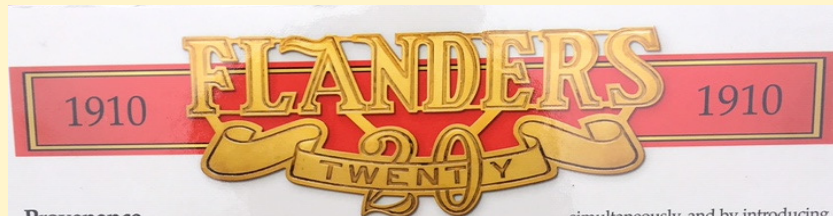
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## 1910 Flanders Owner: Bob Lester



### Provenance

My father purchased this car for me in original condition during the summer of 1956, when I was 14 years of age, from Ralph E. Lewis. Mr. Lewis owned a Studebaker dealership in Pontiac, Michigan. He bought the car for preservation sake and he was looking for a good home for it. Dad and I restored this car over a period of four years.

### Features of this car

The Flanders "20" was designed to price compete with Henry Ford's Model "T" while offering upgraded features such as a selective gear transmission and more attractive styling, which included a "French Front Radiator" and a detachable rear seat.

The Flanders "20" has a 100 inch wheelbase, and a water cooled 156 cubic inch, 4 cylinder engine cast-in-block. Priced at \$750, it offered a 2 speed forward and reverse gear selective transmission located at the rear axle, called a transaxle. My car has been upgraded with a 3 speed forward transaxle.

The entire body is made of steel stampings, which was unique in 1910. The manufacturer, E-M-F purchased a stamping company which manufactured bath tubs and had a 2500 ton capacity stamping press, to produce all the body panels in-house. Another feature was that the Flanders engine and radiator were mounted on a modular sub-frame so that major engine repairs could be made in minimal time by swapping engine modules. If the engine in the shop had approximately the same hours of service as the vehicle with the engine problem there was no need to switch engines back.

### About the Manufacturer

Three men possessing complimentary skillsets joined together, secured financing, and formed the E-M-F Company. E-M-F is an acronym for Everett, Metzger and Flanders. They were referred to as "The Big Three", and they were purported to have been even more widely known than Henry Ford was in their day. "Barney" Everett, a successful carriage and automotive body manufacturer, was the top executive of the Wayne Automobile Company when he was 36 years old. William Metzger is arguably America's first automobile dealer, and initiator of automobile shows in the U.S.A. Walter Flanders initiated Henry Ford's mass production process by rearranging machines, modifying production machines to perform multiple operations

simultaneously, and by introducing production scheduling. Walter Flanders actually practiced Just-in-Time production scheduling while working for Ford.

The E-M-F Company was born in 1908 at the site of the Wayne Automobile Company. The founders recognized that they needed to re-engineer the Wayne Automobile to allow them to become profitable in the intermediate price range they chose to compete for, and they decided to re-name their brand as E-M-F. The E-M-F Automobiles were rated at 30 Horsepower and sold for \$1,250. Their objective was to produce a lot of car for the money.

As the E-M-F Company grew, other companies were brought into the fold, such as the Northern Motor Company, De-Luxe Motor Car Company, Western Malleable Steel & Forge, and the Monroe Body Company. Within 1 year of start-up E-M-F produced more cars than any other American car manufacturer, other than for Ford, and Buick. Also, E-M-F rapidly became the largest employer in Detroit, Michigan.

The Flanders "20" was introduced in 1910. The two-speed transaxle created a strain that often snapped rear axles so the next model year Flanders switched to a three-speed transaxle. Other than that, a few very minor changes were introduced in the 1911 model year, but when the 1912 model year Flanders was rolled out, E-M-F claimed that they didn't know how to improve the Flanders "20", so that the 1912 version was identical to the 1911's.

The E-M-F Company was profitable and the product enjoyed wide support of consumers, however, issues with their distributor the Studebaker Company put the fiscal health of the fledgling E-M-F Automotive Company in jeopardy. Legal battles between Studebaker and E-M-F followed until Studebaker surprised E-M-F with an offer to buy out the latter for a stunningly large dollar amount. The owners of the E-M-F Automobile Company accepted the offer. The sale of E-M-F to the newly reorganized Studebaker Corporation was underwritten by Goldman, Sachs & Company. Messer's Everett and Metzger left the organization immediately, but Walter Flanders stayed with Studebaker until lured away by another automotive venture.

Owner: Bob Lester  
Solon, Ohio

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

Three of the business card advertisers on page 11 have renewed: Russ and Sharon Ware, Studebaker Parts.com; Jon Carter, Junkyard Jonny; Scott Benson, Studebaker, Packard and Avanti Service. Thank you to all for supporting the Chapter with an ad. If you have a need for a service provided by any of our advertisers, please consider them for your needs. There is space available if you have a service to advertise. The cost is \$25.00 for 11 issues.

There is still a need for a webmaster and if you are interested, please contact Chuck Collins (602-995-2146) who is filling in temporarily. He can help you with the basics, if you are not familiar with Joomla.

This month, the second part of the Keatings saga of selling one Studebaker and buying another is shared. Stories similar to this are welcome from our members.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this month's newsletter: Michell Eastburn, Richard Dormois, Rick Melms, Gary and Sandie Keating, Steve Fein, Linda Smith and for the Flanders cover photos, Dave Kirkel.

Chris

PS Here's a link to a web site with more information about the Flanders and the E-M-F Automobile connection to Studebaker: [http://emfauto.org/EMF\\_history.php](http://emfauto.org/EMF_history.php)

## GCSC AND SDC DUES

Grand Canyon State Chapter dues for 2019 are past due. You can mail a check for your yearly dues or you can pay them through Pay Pal by visiting the Chapter web site (<http://www.grandcanyonsdc.com>) and clicking on the link on the front page. You have the choice of \$18.00 yearly dues for which you receive your newsletter through the mail and \$15.00 yearly dues for which you receive your newsletter electronically.

All members with an email address have been receiving the newsletter electronically plus a paper copy if proper dues were paid. If you would like to receive the newsletter electronically exclusively, please indicate that when you renew. Your dues are less when you receive the newsletter via email and you save the Chapter the cost of having a paper copy printed. Please consider this option when you renew.

Please check that your SDC dues are current as all members of the GCSC must be a member of the national organization for insurance purposes. If you do not wish to receive *Turning Wheels* you can remain current with the \$10.00 membership only option.

Thank you for your membership.

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# STATE OF THE CHAPTER

By Michell Eastburn, President

The month of February started out beautiful, and a slightly cloudy day made for an awesome showing at the Arizona American Italian Club where everyone enjoyed a car show and a bit of chit chat over lunch. The following weekend several chapter members also enjoyed another cool, cloudy day at the Wickenburg Parade that followed with some fellowship over pizza. Thank you to all those who brought their cars and smiles to the February events, it always nice to see various cars and different faces.



March Madness was nothing less than the best. The board and several chapter members planned an awesome day of car showing, swapping, raffling, and laughing; be sure to read more about it next month.

Looking forward into April we will be gathering at the home of Ken and Arlene West on Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup> for a Chapter Appreciation lunch and car show, see Upcoming Events for more details.

March Fun Fact: The last Studebaker automobile rolled off the Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, assembly line on March 17, 1966 when Studebaker shut its doors for the final time after 114 years in business.

## MARCH'S WHO'S WHO - JIM CLEVER

Jim was born and raised right here in the Valley of The Sun where he graduated from Cortez High School and earned his bachelor degree in Accountancy from Northern Arizona University (NAU). Jim currently works at Chips Unlimited, Inc. and in his free time he enjoys playing percussion in the Arizona Winds Concert Band. In fact, Jim became a local chapter member after meeting Larry Swanson, who also is a member of the Arizona Winds Concert Band. Jim is an active member of the band where he not only performs but also sits on the Board of Directors and acts as the treasurer for the organization.



When asked how Jim became involved in Studebakers this was his response:

*"When I was 16, I was looking for my first car. I wanted to get an older car. I was considering a Desoto, when my father suggested I get a 1950 Studebaker. I had never heard of Studebaker. My dad told me to find a picture of one. He kept talking about how it looked like an airplane, you couldn't tell if it was coming or going. His enthusiasm towards it left me no option but to check it out. I finally saw*



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*a photo in Auto Trader. I was sold. I purchased mine shortly after. It was a good deal, for \$900 I got a running 1950 Champion, 2 door sedan and a complete parts car to go with it. I joined the SDC National Club at this time. The car worked for a few years, then broke down with issues well beyond my mechanical capabilities to fix it. I have kept it all these years and have now finally decided to have it brought back to life."*

Jim is hoping to have his 1950 Studebaker make its re-maiden voyage sometime this year.

# ARIZONA AMERICAN ITALIAN CLUB GATHERING

Submitted by Richard Dormois, GCSC Secretary



An overcast sky on Saturday, February 2nd, 2019 did not hamper a planned Grand Canyon State Chapter car show, luncheon and membership meeting at the Arizona American Italian Club in Phoenix. Twenty Studebaker cars and trucks complemented by vintage Chevrolets, Oldsmobiles, Fords, Wave Runners and two interesting composite vehicles shown by Paul Miller were enjoyed by what appeared to be about a hundred members of the Chapter, the American Italian Club and the general public dropping in. Several offered items for sale including Buddy Wright with several mechanical engineering marvels of his construction and a magnificent vintage solid tired wagon which attracted much attention.

At noon we gathered in a private Club room to feast on a menu of sandwiches and salads prepared for our Studebaker family. Estimates varied but Frank van Doorn counted sixty two enjoying the repast together.

At 1:20 PM President Michell Eastburn thanked Phyllis Setaro for organizing and coordinating the event and the American Italian Club for having us. She welcomed our members and guests, in particular Charles Smith from Salmon Arms, British Columbia who came with Paul Miller. Michell offered Studebaker t shirts in many sizes as a fund raiser. She talked about the Wickenburg Gold Rush Days Parade, "March Madness" All Arizona Studebaker Gathering at South Mountain Park and all that it entails, Kiwanis Nuevo Catch-A-Wave Car Show at Kiwanis Park and a fun event at the West estate in Desert Hills on April 13 or 20 and encouraged us to check the *ECHO* for details. She held door prize drawings and Richie Fein sold 50/50 raffle tickets with Mike King winning \$85.00. President Eastburn concluded her meeting at 1:40 PM.

## Thank you, Phyllis and Paul Setaro, for hosting our February gathering.

Attending were Rick & Lisa Earheart, 1939 Commander; Richard Dormois, Claudia Robinette; Mike Barany, 1956 Golden Hawk; Frank & Elizabeth van Doorn, 1941 Champion; Garry Klinger, 1952 Commander SLC; Richie & Dolores Fein; Paul Dean; Jim Clever; Mike & Sue King; Steve & Paulette Fein, 1966 Cruiser; Ken & Arlene West, 1966 Daytona; Linda Smith, 1959 Lark SW; Ed & Linda Costell; Bill & Judith Barker, 1949 PU; Russ & Sharon Ware; Chuck & Chris Collins, 1963 GT Hawk; Brian & Aleta Millette; Denny Lockmon & Maryann Lemley, 1964 Avanti; Carl Reid, 1963 GT Hawk; Norman & Janice Marineau, 1975 Olds 98 HT; Kent Musgrave & Jerry Day, 1931 Chevy Independence; Ken Fox, Chelsea & Robbie



Hayes, 1979 AMX; Ken Michael & Bobi Beveridge, 1962 GT Hawk; Al Riedel, 1970 Maverick; Paul & Phyllis Setaro, 1962 GT Hawk; Ted & Jan Widhalm; Don Parkey, 1960 Lark; Denise Magick, guest; Rachell Giardina, 1972 Pontiac Lemans; Bill & Peggy Eastburn, 1964 Champ; Chris Eastburn, 1963 Champ 4X4; Will & Maryanne Eastburn; Eastburn children/grandchildren: Gwen, Domenica, Felicia, Patrick, Brielle, Shaylene and Preston; Michell Eastburn, Goat Wagon; Paul Miller and guest Charles Smith, Olds Toronado Bullet Nose & another interesting vehicle; Buddy & Elaine Wright, 1953 2R5.

## Thank you to everyone who attended our February 2nd gathering.

### Omissions:

Missing from the list of members in the February issue attending the Chapter's Winter Gathering at the Martin Auto Museum with a Studebaker was Chris Eastburn driving his Champ 4X4.

Members who attended the SAC banquet on January 20 at Tanque Verde Guest Ranch and were omitted from the attendance list were Michell Eastburn with her Goat Wagon and Paul Miller and Camille Miles and their Olds Toronado Bullet Nose.

## GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- MARCH 2** ALL ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING - MARCH MADNESS. SEE REPORT IN APRIL ISSUE.
- MARCH 10** GCSC BOARD AND OFFICERS MEET AT RODEHOUSE RESTAURANT, 24TH ST & UNIVERSITY, PHOENIX, 1:00 PM. MEMBERS WELCOME. INFO: PEGGY AT 623-936-6116 / peggyeastburn@hotmail.com
- MARCH 14-17** ASC SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER SPRING MEET, PALM SPRINGS. HOST HOTEL: THE TRAVELODGE, 1269 E. PALM CANYON DR. 760-323-2775 FOR RESERVATIONS. RSVP TO FRANK WENZEL AT 760-774-3377 BY MARCH 9 FOR MEET AND GREET ON 14TH. \$25 PER PERSON DUE UPON ARRIVAL.
- MARCH 16** KIWANIS NUEVO CATCH-A-WAVE CAR SHOW FEATURES FORGET-ME-NOTS (ORPHANS) AT ANNUAL EVENT AT KIWANIS PARK, MILL AVE. & BASELINE RD., TEMPE. \$20.00 REGISTRATION FEE. SHOW IS ON GRASS FROM 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM WITH ENTRY FROM 7:30-9:30. FOOD & DRINKS, MUSIC, RAFFLE PRIZES. PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT KIWANIS CHARITIES. REGISTER BY MARCH 8 FOR CHAPTER CARS TO PARK TOGETHER. INFO AND REGISTRATION FORM ON PAGES 13 & 14 OR DICK W/KIWANIS 480-345-1401 OR PEGGY AT 623-936-6116 / peggyeastburn@hotmail.com
- MARCH 24** 34TH ANNUAL CLASSIC STUDEBAKER CAR SHOW HOSTED BY LA CHAPTER FROM 9AM -3PM AT BOB'S BIG BOY, 8876 CORBIN AVE, NORTHRIDGE, CALIF. 818-398-6055.
- APRIL 5** 6TH ANNUAL BARRY GOLDWATER HIGH SCHOOL "THE GREATEST SHOW ON TURF" AT 2829 W. ROSE GARDEN LANE, PHOENIX AT 27TH AVE & ROSE GARDEN FROM 6-9PM. ARRIVE BY 5:00 TO ASSEMBLE THEN ROLL IN TO PARK TOGETHER. ENTRY FEE IS \$20 AND EACH ENTRANT WILL RECEIVE ONE DINNER AND A SHOW T SHIRT. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHOW YOUR CAR ON CAMPUS DURING THE DAY PRIOR TO THE CAR SHOW CONTACT ASST. PRINCIPAL CLINT BUSHBAUM FOR APPROVAL TO PARK ON CAMPUS PRIOR TO THE SHOW OR TO SCHEDULE WHICH DAY AND TIMES YOU ARE ABLE TO COME AND SHOW YOUR VEHICLE. CONTACT CLINT AT clint.bushbaum@dvusd.org SEE PAGE 6 FOR SHOW INFORMATION CONTACT.
- APRIL 14** MEMBER APPRECIATION PICNIC HOSTED BY THE CHAPTER OFFICERS AND BOARD AT KEN & ARLENE WEST HOME, 36620 N.18TH ST., PHOENIX. CHAPTER WILL PROVIDE MEAT & FIXINGS, MEMBERS BRING A SIDE OF YOUR CHOICE. START TIME AROUND NOON. KEN INVITES MEMBERS TO BRING STUDEBAKER ITEMS TO SELL IF YOU WISH. MORE INFO IN APRIL *ECHO* / PEGGY AT peggyeastburn@hotmail.com
- MAY 26** 45TH ANNUAL LA PALMA STUDEBAKER MEET AT LA PALMA PARK, ANAHEIM, CALIF., HARBOR BLVD & LA PALMA SOUTH OF 91 HWY. 8AM-3PM. \$30 FOR JUDGED CAR, \$25 FOR DISPLAY CAR, \$25 FOR SWAP SPACE. ENTRY INCLUDES COMMEMORATIVE MUG. SHOW INFO CALL BILL 323-422-5187.
- SEPTEMBER 11-14** 55TH SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET IN MANSFIELD, OHIO AT THE RICHLAND COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS. SEE LIST OF NEARBY HOTELS IN THE JANUARY *TURNING WHEELS*. QUESTIONS: DAVE HAMBLIN AT 419-947-1360 / daveh2949@centurylink.net
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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## MARCH 10 GCSC BOARD MEETING

The Chapter board and officers will meet Sunday, March 10 at 1:00 pm at Rodehouse Restaurant, 24th St. and University Dr., Phoenix. All members are welcome to attend.

For more information contact Peggy at 623-936-6116 or [peggyeastburn@hotmail.com](mailto:peggyeastburn@hotmail.com)

## MARCH 16 CATCH-A-WAVE CAR SHOW

For the past several years, the Kiwanis Nuevo Club of Tempe has hosted a car show at Kiwanis Park in Tempe. Although several Chapter members have attended over the years, 2019 is the first year there will be an official Chapter presence. Kiwanis Park is at Mill Ave. and Baseline Rd. with the show being held on the north end on a grass field. Show hours are 10:00 am - 2:00 pm; please arrive between 7:30 - 9:30 am.

This year's show will feature Forget-Me-Nots which is another way to say orphans and Studebakers will be showcased along with Packards and other orphans.

The registration fee for Forget-Me-Nots is \$20.00 and includes entry photo, dash plaque and raffle ticket. See pages 13-14 for the entry form and return with payment via mail by March 8th. Once your application is received you will receive confirmation via email.

There will be music, food and drinks and raffle prizes. Proceeds benefit Kiwanis charities. Visit their website for more information: <http://www.kiwanisnuevo.org/>

Be sure to register by March 8th for the \$20.00 entrance fee; an additional amount will be charged at the gate the day of show.

For information contact Dick Caley with the Kiwanis at 480-45-1401 / [catchawave2@cox.net](mailto:catchawave2@cox.net) or Peggy at 623-936-6111 / [peggyeastburn@hotmail.com](mailto:peggyeastburn@hotmail.com)

## APRIL 5 BG HIGH SCHOOL CAR SHOW

The Barry Goldwater High School Community Car Show, "The Greatest Show on Turf", is scheduled for Friday, April 5th, from 6-9 PM.






Please use the following link to register on-line for the car show: <https://tinyurl.com/y6n2whju>

There is an online payment option at the bottom of the Google form or you may pay the registration fee when you arrive on the evening of the event (cash only). The first 150 guests who register will have a space reserved for them on the turf. Please arrive 20-30 minutes prior to the show, off of Rose Garden Lane, to enable our staff to facilitate efficient parking on the turf, and we will do our best to accommodate all guests who register the night of the show with parking. All guests who register and pay to show their vehicle in the show will receive an on site meal provided by Texas Roadhouse, a 6th annual BGHS car Show T- Shirt and opportunity to win a usable Trophy.

For show info contact [Josh.Kreeger@dvusd.org](mailto:Josh.Kreeger@dvusd.org) at the high school or for info about Chapter participation contact Peggy at 623-936-6116 or [peggyeastburn@hotmail.com](mailto:peggyeastburn@hotmail.com)



# March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-2146					1	2 March Madness
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Board Meeting DST Begins	11	12	13	14 Pi Day, Eat Pie 14-17 Spring Meet in Palm Springs	15	16 Catch-A- Wave Car
	18	19	20 Spring Equinox	21	22	23
24 31	25	26	27	28	29	30

### GOLD RUSH DAYS PARADE

Submitted by Michell Eastburn

Marching bands, horses, and Studebakers...oh my! Several Chapter members gathered on February 9<sup>th</sup> to partake in the 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Gold Rush Days Parade in Wickenburg, Arizona. Though the clouds may have scared a few away, joining the parade were Chris, Rachel, Aubrey, Chloe, and Preston Eastburn, 1963 Lark; Garry Klinger with shotgun rider Michell Eastburn, 1952 Commander SLC; Gary Keating, 1934 Commander street rod; Ed & Linda Smith with guest Lori Meath, 1959 Lark Wagon; John Rodhouse, 1950 2R5; Larry Malmstrom, 1951 Champion convertible. Unfortunately, not making it through the parade due to mechanical difficulties were Paul Setaro and Mack in their 1962 GT Hawk.

Several parade goers then met at Barros in Surprise for pizza and friendship with George & Judy Stout (1960 Hawk) Steve & Paulette Fein (1966 Cruiser), Bill and Peggy Eastburn (Champ pickup), Richard Dormois, Claudia Robinette and Patrick, Brischell, Shayleen, Brielle, and Patrick Eastburn.

See photo below of some of the parade cars and visit the Chapter Facebook or in the Photo Galleries on the web site for more photos.

Thank you to everyone who participated.

### New in the Garage

Having recently sold their GT Hawk, George and Judy Stout now have a new addition to their garage, a 1960 Hawk, which had resided in Malcolm Stinson's garage.

Tantalized by the description in the ECHO ad of Don and Nancy Juday's 1964 Daytona HT, Dan and Corlean Kuhl have moved the car to their garage, replacing a 1963 R2 Avanti which is now in California.

Another Daytona has a new home. Denny Lockmon traded his Daytona convertible for a 1958 Golden Hawk. The trade was between Denny and his long time friend, George Krem.

To fill the hole left by the Cervinis donation of their original 1964 R2 Avanti to the Studebaker National Foundation, Bill and Mary now have a lovely two-tone green 1955 Commander coupe in the space.

*If you have sold your Studebaker and/or bought another recently please contact the editor with your news.*

### CELEBRATE!

#### March Birthdays



- |    |                    |    |                     |
|----|--------------------|----|---------------------|
| 3  | Laurie Sumner      | 20 | Lisa Lynch          |
| 6  | Virginia Steinmetz | 22 | Donald Grobengieser |
| 9  | Joan Hahn          | 23 | Kellie Lepore       |
| 9  | Lynn Sullivan      | 23 | Dana Tietz          |
| 11 | Joan Painter       | 24 | Norman Marineau     |
| 11 | Robert Mitchell    | 28 | Mike Lynch          |
| 16 | Brian Dersh        | 31 | Linda Zimmerman     |
| 20 | Michael Holub      |    |                     |

#### March Anniversaries

- |    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| 2  | Walter B. & Nicki Ready       |
| 11 | Larry & Pat Swanson           |
| 15 | Bill & Dina Dishman           |
| 16 | Larry & Ruth Cushing          |
| 17 | Paulus Musters & Janet Miller |

#### Children's Birthdays

- |    |                 |
|----|-----------------|
| 29 | Aaron Rasmussen |
|----|-----------------|



\*\*\*\*\*  
 \* Congratulations to Rosalie Torske and Jim Nereau on their marriage, January 28th in Las Vegas. \*  
 \* Best Wishes for many years of happiness. \*  
 \*\*\*\*\*

#### Well Wishes to .....

- Judith Barker
- Lew Dandurand
- Jerry Kaiser
- Mary Powell-McConnell
- Louise Stanford



Lining up for the Gold Rush Days parade are the Smiths, 1959 Lark; Gary Keating, 1934 Commander; Larry Malmstrom, 1951 Champion convertible; Chris Eastburn family, 1963 Lark.

## OLD U.S. HIGHWAYS THAT ARE STILL HERE!

Submitted by Rick Melms

Are you planning an out-of-state vacation trip? You're not in a hurry and want to see real America? Stay off the interstate highways and check the old U.S. highways. Forget Route 66, it's virtually gone, but others still exist.



We took a trip from Phoenix to Milwaukee in my truck and camper, on U.S. 60 only, to the Mississippi River. Lots of interesting things to see and spots to camp. Very little of it is interstate highways until you get to Virginia. Didn't go that far. Best vacation trip of my life!

Here are some old U.S. highways but there are a lot more shorter ones. Check them out and drive!

### U.S. Highway Route

60	Quartzite, Ariz. to Virginia Beach, Virg.
50	Sacramento, Calif. to Ocean City, Maryland
20	Chicago, Ill. to Newport, Ore.
12	Detroit, Mich. to Tacoma, Wash.
2	Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. to Everett, Wash.
95	Yuma, Ariz. to Beavermouth, Alb. Canada
93	Wickenburg, Ariz. to Jasper, Alb. Canada
83	Brownsville, Tex. to Birtle, Man. Canada
71	Baton Rouge, La. to International Falls, Minn.
41	Copper Harbor, Mich. to Miami, Fla.

*Born in the back seat of a Rambler rolling down Hwy 41.  
~ Bob Seager*

## Technical Information .....

### Removing/Replacing Body Shims

By George Martens

This tip is for owners or people working a '53 thru '66 Studebaker. If you are removing the front fenders or the complete front end sheet metal assembly (called the front clip) and then when putting it back together if you don't get the shims back in the exact same location as they were when it came from the factory you may have a problem. The results can be frustrating because the doors may not align with the fenders or actually may crunch the sheet metal or scratch that new paint job.

Here is what you should do when taking body parts apart. Pay close attention to how many and the exact location you find each shim(s). Make a drawing with complete notes of which shims came from which location. It helps to put a number on each shim and note the number on the drawing so they all get placed where they were and then things should line up as they were. If using new shims make sure to use the same size and number of shims you found when taking it apart.

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## MOTORING THRU TIME

There is a group of Chapter members who really enjoy the Motoring Thru Time event in downtown Phoenix on the first Saturday of February each year.

Attending in 2019 on February 2nd were Scott and Bonnie Grainger displaying piggyback style the 1928 Erskine atop Toto a 1946 M16 grain truck; Dan Kuhl showed his 1959 Scotsman; Dennis Roeper with Mater, a 1948 M16 tow truck; and Gary Keating driving his recently acquired 1934 Commander street rod.

Two other Studes were shown by non-members - Tim Takahasi, 1965 Cruiser and John B. Ball, 1957 Packard Clipper.

A Flanders manufactured by E-M-F, a company that was later bought by Studebaker, was also shown and was highly appreciated by the Studebaker contingent. It is the car shown on the front cover. The owner created the sign with car's history and you can read the car's and owner's interesting story.

## ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL?

It was still dark on a Friday morning in November when a California Highway Patrol officer started following a Tesla Model S on Route 101 between the San Francisco International Airport and Palo Alto. The gray sedan was going 70 miles per hour with a turn signal blinking, cruising past multiple exits. The officer pulled up alongside and saw the driver in a head-slumped posture. Lights and sirens failed to rouse him. The car, the officer guessed, was driving itself under the control of what Tesla calls Autopilot.

Every Tesla is equipped with hardware that the automaker says will enable its vehicles to be capable of driving themselves on entire trips, from parking space to parking space, with no input from the driver. At the moment, the company limits its cars to a system that can guide them from on-ramp to off-ramp on highways. The system is smart enough, it seems, to keep the Tesla driving safely even with a seemingly incapacitated driver, but not yet smart enough to obey police sirens and pull over.

This case appears to be the first time law enforcement has stopped a vehicle on an open road under the control of an automated system. There was no way for police to commandeer the driving software, so they improvised a way to manipulate Tesla's safety programming. A highway patrol car blocked traffic from behind while the officer following the Tesla pulled in front and began to slow down until both cars came to a stop.

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**Studebaker**



# BUYING A GREAT ANTIQUE STUDEBAKER

Submitted by Gary & Sandie Keating

It seems like we all go through a Studebaker progression when we become enamored by this brand and its many years and models of human transportation. Well, it happened to me as well. When I was a senior in high school a group of us guys became obsessed with the beautiful lines and overall appearance of the 1953 Studebaker Commander coupes and hard-tops. So we formed a car club on the west side of Phoenix. Like most young males who liked cars, we wanted a name that would tell the world about who we are. Since we liked Studebaker and all wanted to own that model together the obvious testosterone driven name would be THE STUDS!! So became the name of our group. I asked my dad for a loan of \$350 to purchase a hardtop from a car lot on east Van Buren. Dad said no, so I just had to ride with the other studs. I never lost my desire for that model. This happened in 1958.

In 2003, I began to seriously look for that hard-to-find model. While searching on eBay I found a 1962 GT Hawk for sale that was located in Show Low, Arizona. You can probably guess who was selling it. I was the high bidder and bought the car from Malcolm Stinson. Malcolm and I became good friends. We negotiated a working agreement for restoring the car. It worked fine and I ended up with a pretty red car that would win awards when judged. This car hooked both Sandie and me into the Studebaker fold. We surprisingly sold this car in October 19, 2018.

After becoming a full-fledged Studebaker fan I was led into the Antique Studebaker Club by Malcolm Stinson when he formed the Arizona chapter. That led to my purchase of a real nice 1941 Commander. I mentioned earlier that



most of us go through a progression with Studebakers. I now owned two and had also purchased and sold a 1964 Daytona Convertible. I still own a 1952 Deuce and a Half Studebaker Army truck that is almost free and available. So as our flock was growing as we have been aging, we made the decision that we wanted to reduce our inventory to just one good Studebaker-road-worthy-driver.

I mentioned that the Hawk was sold, so we now had the funds for the car that very well could be our last toy. In August 2018 I began looking for a great 1934 Studebaker rod built to travel and

be enjoyed. During the search I remembered our friends Chester and Nancy Bradfield. I thought that they may know someone who had what I was looking for. Chester made a couple of suggestions that did not work out. Later we talked again. He mentioned that Nancy had this real nice rod that she might sell, but she was on a cruise and he would have to ask her if it was available. I received a call that was indeed available. They invited Sandie and me to come to the Shenandoah Valley to their place in Bridgewater, Virginia and be their guests. On December 4 we flew to Charlotte, North Carolina and drove to their beautiful home. We saw their fantastic collection of cars. Being exceptional hosts, they toured us about their county showing us the lifestyle and history of the area.


By the end of the second day we bought the car. The car was delivered to our doorstep by December 19, exactly two months after the sale of the GT Hawk. By the way, the main reason I was looking for a 1934 was very strange. Before I met Sandie in 1963, I was at the Greyhound Park flea market in 1962 and found an almost perfect set of 1934 all-copper Arizona license plates. I purchased them for \$5.00 total. We have carried those plates to Illinois, Texas, and now back to Arizona. They have been officially Arizona titled and registered to our 'new' car. Life changes all of us. After some thinking I have realized that most of my best friends today are all Studebaker people. Yes, Ed Smith, I believe that Studebaker people make the best friends.

Oh yes, for those who like details, the car is a 1934 4-door Commander, 350-Chevy and 3-speed automatic transmission, Vintage air conditioning, tilt steering wheel, electric seats, Mustang II front suspension and Chevy Tahoe hardtop roof.

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*Keep America Beautiful,  
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*Don't forget to have a fire extinguisher  
 in your Studebaker to place near the  
 left front tire at activities where you  
 show your Studebaker.*

**TAX HELP FROM MVD**  
 With tax season in full swing, the Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division is doing its part to take some of the hassle out of filling out those forms for Uncle Sam.  
 MVD has unveiled the "Vehicle License Tax Paid in 2018" feature, which is now available for free at [ServiceArizona.com](http://ServiceArizona.com). This service provides vehicle owners a consolidated report on how much was paid in taxes and fees for every registered vehicle, in 2018.  
 "This is the simplest way for customers to get this information for filing their taxes," said MVD Stakeholder Relations Manager Jennifer Bowser-Richards. "Getting this report just takes a few minutes and it's much easier than going into your garage, collecting all your registration forms and copying them for your tax files. It's one more convenience that MVD provides to stay ahead of the curve serving our customers."  
 Thanks to Steve Fein for this tip.

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**STUDEBAKERS FOR SALE**

**1951 4dr V8 Automatic**, partially apart; paint stripped. Rollable \$1500, 928-713-5520, leave message. (3)

**1963 R1 Avanti** 63R2788 in near perfection condition inside and out. Restored to stock by Allen Barth of the Studebaker Garage in Herrington, WA. Engine rebuild included lowering compression, AC, HD springs, PW, PS, PB, AT, Twin Traction. Upgrades include exhaust system, carburetor, AC compressor, alternator, 5-blade radiator fan, interior double insulation. Factory and previous owners documentation, calendar featuring car, car cover. Original AC compressor, carburetor, radiator fan and several years of Avanti Magazine included. \$39,500. Contact Tim Painter for pictures at paintim613@aol.com / 928-580-0226

**1941 Commander.** 4-Door, two-tone lime and green good paint, new interior, radial tires with less than 5,000 miles, strong Commander engine, no smoke, great brakes, hill holder, overdrive transmission, fog lights, extra chrome deco, radio, clock, seat belts, directional signals, floor mats, \$18,500 Gary Keating 480-209-8279 (2)

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**1941 Commander 6 engine, totally rebuilt** by Ken Michael and test stand break-in, ready for installation.

**1941 Commander 6 engine** ready for rebuild. Call for price.

**2 – 1941 4-Door Commander car bodies** with good front fenders and hoods, good frames, rear ends and drive shafts, Payson area location. They will roll but need tires. Bring your trailer with winch. They are FREE, no charge. Gary Keating

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**MISCELLANOUS**

Mary passed away and I am moving to a smaller home. **My toy car and truck collection is for sale.** There are over 360 pieces of all sizes, some very old. Includes 85 Studebaker models. Shelves and display cases included. Best Offer. Contact Bob Schouten at 602-316-7245. (0)

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**T**shirts featuring the Studebaker script, a bullet nose car, a trio of saguaros and a symbol of Arizona's notorious heat, the buzzard, are available for \$15.00 and can be ordered in various colors. If you wish to order one for yourself or for kids please see Peggy Eastburn at any meeting or event or contact her at peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116



**2019 NEW MEMBER CHALLENGE**

**Y**ou can have your Chapter dues comp'd in 2020 if you ask a member you recruited to mention your name on the application where it asks "Referred by".



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# The *ECHO*

Newsletter of the Grand Canyon State Chapter, SDC  
P.O. Box 37464  
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This is pathfinding with a vengeance. The Flanders "20" had taken the wrong forest trail and is winding about through the pines, trying to find the correct one

**2019 Chapter Dues are Due!**

## REMINDERS FOR MARCH

- 10 GCSC Board Meeting - Rodehouse Rest.
  - 16 Catch-A-Wave Car Show
- Looking Ahead: April 5 BG HS Car Show  
See pages 5, 6 for details.



Visit the Chapter web site at  
<http://www.grandcanyonsdc.com>

Scan the QR code with your smart phone to visit the chapter web site. Need a scanner? Search for "QR Scanner" in your app store.



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## GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

All memberships are for one year beginning on January 1.

### Chapter dues are (check one)

- \$18.00 yr to receive the newsletter by mail or
  - \$15.00 yr to receive the newsletter electronically
- If joining during the year, dues are prorated at \$1.50 per month.

Your dues include eleven issues of the award winning *ECHO*, a Chapter roster and the best club activities throughout the year.

Membership in the Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc. is compulsory to be a member of the Grand Canyon State Chapter of SDC, Inc. **If you are not a member of SDC, add SDC dues to your chapter dues** which the treasurer will remit for you. SDC dues are \$24.00 for new members, first year only. To renew your SDC membership, add \$31.00; both include *Turning Wheels* magazine. Or \$10.00 for membership without the magazine.

Any questions can be directed to the address below or to Chris Collins at 602-995-2146 or [ccollinsaz@cox.net](mailto: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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# of Children under 18 years of age \_\_\_\_\_  
(List name(s) and birthday(s) on back.)

Birthday (Month & Day) Self \_\_\_\_\_

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Studebakers You Own: \_\_\_\_\_

New Member? \_\_\_\_\_ Referred by \_\_\_\_\_



**Kiwaniis Nuevo Catch-A-Wave Car Show**  
benefitting Kiwanis Nuevo Youth Programs & Charities

**Saturday, March 16, 2019**

Kiwanis Park - North End, on grass field  
Mill Avenue & Baseline Roads, Tempe, Arizona

**Entry gate is open between 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM on day of show**

**2019 Entrance fees are \$20, \$25, or \$35, which ever category YOU choose –**

*To pre-register, print and send signed form with payment via "snail-mail" before March 8th*

**\$20: "Forget-Me-Nots"** – Orphans made in the USA (i.e. Studebaker, Packard, Olds, Pontiac, etc.)  
Judged, includes entry photo, dash plaque, and raffle ticket.

**\$20: NON-JUDGED**, entry photo and perimeter parking, *not* judged.

**\$25: Pre-1987 ONLY, JUDGED**, entry photo, preferred spacious parking, dash plaque, raffle ticket  
Winners receive 1<sup>st</sup> place and 2<sup>nd</sup> place plaques – MUST pre-register by 3/\_\_\_/2019

**\$35:** Fee for above **JUDGED** category after March 8<sup>th</sup> *and* at the gate – no exceptions.  
(Credit cards or cash accepted for entry fee *at* the gate)

**Once your payment is received – a confirmation will be sent to you by email.**

*The following information is required for*

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Reg. Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

*(We do not share our email list; it is used for confirmations and show date reminders only.)*

Best Phone(s) [\_\_\_\_\_] \_\_\_\_\_ [\_\_\_\_\_] \_\_\_\_\_

**Please select the class you wish to have your vehicle compete in from the list on Page 2: \_\_\_\_\_**

*(You must complete a separate form for *each* additional car, even if it's not being judged.)*

**I have read Application Agreement on Page 2: \_\_\_\_\_**

Catch-A-Wave Car Show Participant **(Signature required)**

**To guarantee your pre-registration**, please print, sign and send *before 3/8/19* with your check or money order payable to:

**KIWANIS NUEVO CLUB OF TEMPE**  
PO Box 23703 / Tempe, AZ 85285-3703

For general information, or if you have questions regarding the Catch-A-Wave Car Show, call Kiwanis Nuevo Club Secretary Dick Caley at 480-345-1401

*Email questions: [KiwaniisNuevoCarShow@yahoo.com](mailto:KiwaniisNuevoCarShow@yahoo.com)*

**Please select the class you wish to participate in:**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Non-Judged</u>	
<b>Cars:</b>		SP	Forget-Me-Nots	NJ	All years 1987+ (except Corvettes)
CA	1900-1942 Inclusive	<b>Trucks:</b>		TD	1900-1942 Modified
CB	1943-1953 Original	TA	1900-1942 Original	TE	1943-1958 Modified
CC	1943-1953 Modified	TB	1943-1958 Original	TF	1959 to 1986 Modified
CD	1954 & 1958 Original	TC	1959-1986 Original		
CE	1954 & 1958 Modified			SR	All street rods
CF	1959-1973 Original	LR	Low-Riders		
CG	1959-1973 Modified	MC	Motorcycles		
CH	1974-1986 Original			SI	All Special Interests (i.e. fire engines, CJ police, ambulance, military, etc.)
CI	1974-1986 Modified			CX	All
One seat production Sport (i.e. Thunderbirds & Foreign Corvettes)					

*Entrants shall have one hour after parking or until 9:45 AM to request a change in class.  
The final decision shall be left entirely to car show committee.*

### **APPLICATION AGREEMENT**

*By my registering for the 2019 Catch-A-Wave Car Show sponsored by the Kiwanis Nuevo Club of Tempe, I agree:*

1. That the information on this form will be used only for this car show and to notify me of future car shows sponsored by this Kiwanis Club.
2. That I hereby release and hold harmless the Kiwanis Nuevo Club of Tempe, its officers and members from any responsibility for any and all damages and/or personal injuries sustained by me or my property from any cause whatsoever, while driving to and from and while participating in this car show event excepting gross negligence.
3. That I will take my assigned space(s) in this car show and remain in that space(s) through the 2:00 PM hour.
4. That this car show is just that and 'for sale' signs are prohibited from being visibly displayed on the exterior of the vehicle.
5. That the event management reserves the right to restrict entrants and/or guests to behavior deemed acceptable or unacceptable for a family event during any and all activities of this show including the right of eviction from the premises if necessary.
6. That no exhibition of speed or excessive revving of engines will be allowed.
7. That no weapons, boom boxes, profanity/vulgar language or alcoholic beverages will be allowed in the car show area.
8. That the City of Tempe Kiwanis Park has graciously allowed us to hold this event on their site with the understanding that we will leave the premises clean and free of litter. Please use the designated trash receptacles and ample supply of restroom facilities.
9. That the promotion by me and my guests of the popular form of judging will aid other children's charity work of this
10. In the event that the car show needs to be cancelled due to weather your pre-registration fee will be considered a donation to the Kiwanis Nuevo Youth Charities Programs.

### **PLEASE ENJOY THIS FUN EVENT AND LET US KNOW YOUR OBSERVATIONS**

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#### **KIWANIS NUEVO CLUB OF TEMPE**

We are a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. A typical Kiwanis club is a snapshot of its community and we are unified in our belief that children and their neighborhoods benefit from the efforts of a proficient group of caring and involved volunteers.

Our Nuevo club is involved in a variety of projects, including sponsoring two Key Clubs at area high schools, where we also provide scholarships to graduates, we recognize 8<sup>th</sup> graders at area middle schools by awarding community service awards, we provide support for student and family programs at Thew Elementary in Tempe, ring bells for the Salvation Army, and provide the water and ice during the Arizona Special Olympics competitions.

*Our bi-weekly club meetings are open to anyone – Check our website at [www.KiwanisNuevo.org](http://www.KiwanisNuevo.org) for details.*

## PHOTOS FROM MEMBERS



Sunday, February 24th was the 5th annual Westbrook Village car show.

Entrants included: Classics, European, Exotics, Muscle cars & Street rods - the show was limited to 75 cars.

GCSC, SDC Members attending:  
Denny Lockmon 1964 Avanti  
Frank van Doorn 1941 Champion  
Don McCoin 1953 Champion



Mike Barany  
1956 Golden Hawk  
1979 Avanti II

Denny's Avanti took 1st place in the Participants Choice Award.

Photos and text courtesy of Mike Barany.



The picture is of an Experimental Studebaker VISTACRUISER, maybe! Your guess!

Photo and text courtesy of Pete Mensing.