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A STUDEBAKER ON ROUTE 66 IN NEW MEXICO

Painting by Jerry McClanahan

Jerry McClanahan has been traveling Route 66 for many years on family vacations and for mapping, photographing and collecting information about America's most famous highway. He was staff artist and a staff writer for *Route 66 Magazine* for many years and then went on to write for *Federation News* and *American Road*.

He has since collaborated on the best selling Route 66 Map Series and his photographs have appeared in many books and periodicals. His artistic endeavors, such as the painting above, feature old cars on Route 66 and many of his paintings are in collections across the country and the world.

Jerry currently lives in Chandler, Oklahoma just off Route 66 and operates his art gallery there.

Source: Amazon.com review of *Route 66: EZ66 GUIDE For Travelers*.

From the Editor's Pen.....

Although the 2020 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet is still more than a year away, the Chapter is gearing up for the event and starting to do some fund raising. On page 8 is an article about two raffles being conducted and on page 11 you will see information about meet logoed t-shirts and caps. There will be more news about these efforts at upcoming events and meetings and in the newsletter with many opportunities to purchase tickets, t-shirts and caps.

It is hoped some of you plan to attend the 2019 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet in Sacramento, September 26-29. The Karel Staple Chapter members have a lot of activities planned for attendees. Friday morning, you will have the opportunity to visit a wonderful private automobile collection filled with numerous concours winning cars and memorabilia. In the afternoon a speaker will talk about the Lincoln Highway and in the evening the Chapter will host a free Meet and Greet Dinner. Saturday will include, in addition to the car show and swap meet, valve cover racing, children's coloring contest and an awards banquet and program in the evening. There will be plenty to keep everyone entertained and you will also get a good dose of Studebakering. The registration form is available on page 13 along with information about the meet hotel.

Thank you to this month's contributors - Michell Eastburn, Scott Grainger, Dan Kuhl, Ken and Arlene West, Rick Melms and Peggy Eastburn.

DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER!

Chris

2020 CHAPTER ELECTIONS

The election for 2020 Chapter officers and board members is coming up in November and the call is going out for member volunteers to run for one of the positions. If you would like to know what a job entails please contact the member who currently holds the office and talk with him or her.

Ed Smith the Nominations Chairman and if you are interested in a position you can contact him at 602-290-1045 or edcollects@gmail.com



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STATE OF THE CHAPTER

By Michell Eastburn, President

“There is a car that has long held a reputation for being a beautiful and elegant tribute to automotive luxury, made with the finest engineering and owned by some of the most affluent men and women in the world. That car is the Studebaker. From the Studebaker line of cars to their reliable and sturdy line of trucks there are thousands of these still on the road being driven by enthusiasts who refuse to let these beautiful vehicles fade from the world’s roadways.” (Source: <https://www.daysoftheyear.com/days/drive-your-studebaker-day/>)



Our Chapter is about more than just show cars and trucks; our Chapter is about Studebaker enthusiasts coming together for the common love of Studebakers. September 14th is International Drive Your Studebaker Day and I encourage all members to take a second look at your Stude this day, heck, maybe take a selfie with it, clean it up, drive it, push it out into the driveway, tow it out to the chapter event, and show your Studebaker extra pride on this day! I hope you are all able to join us at the cruise-in at Mixteca’s where we will be joining other car enthusiasts.

Stick around for more adventures in the upcoming fall months as we take a private tour of the local Danzeisen Creamery in October and we search for Studebaker airplane motors at the Arizona Commemorative Air Force Museum in November.

WHO’S WHO

By Michell Eastburn

This months ‘who’s who’ is Russ and Sharon Ware of Gilbert. Neither of the two is from Arizona but they didn’t come from afar, as Russ was born and raised in Farmington/Kirtland, New Mexico and Sharon in Rankin, Texas.

Russ has a background in Aviation and Semiconductors where he worked in a range of field service engineering jobs. He stated that the most interesting job he had was early in his career where he was able to work with the restoration of military aircraft, both propeller and jet airplanes.



Photo courtesy of the Wares.

Sharon has spent many years working several different jobs in the records management trade but states that her most interesting and rewarding job has been being a mother to their daughter Jessica.

Currently both Sharon and Russ are enjoying meeting people all across the world as they sell Studebaker parts.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Douglas & Bobbi Nall
 4960 W. Dream Weaver Lane
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 1949 Champion

Referred by Pete Mensing

With Sympathy

The Chapter sends its condolences to Michael Hodges and family on the passing of Evelyn on August 25th.

SCAM ALERT

Recently several members have received emails, seemingly from Michell Eastburn, similar to the following: Are you available? I need your assistance as I am out of the State, I would have called your phone number but presently I do not have access to my mobile and I need you to kindly handle this: Grand Canyon State Chapter needs some gift cards for donation to Veterans at Hospice Care and welfare with patients and units across the state.

Michell and the Chapter board want you to know you will never receive such an email or one similar from her or any board member. They are scams. Delete the email and do NOT respond to it.

Russ has deep Studebaker roots that go back to when his dad bought a new 1957 Silver Hawk, the only new car he ever owned. Russ only remembers stories his dad would tell of the 289, 3 speed overdrive as the Stude was not part of the family when Russ came along. “No radio, as dad said the 289 wound up made all the music he needed to hear.” Russ was later able to get a ’57 Silver Hawk of his very own when he was 15 and frankly Sharon joined the Studebaker hobby just 2 years after Russ got this Silver Hawk. They still own this Stude in addition to a ’53 2R5 and a ’60 Lark. When not selling Studebaker parts, Russ and Sharon enjoy off-roading in their SXS, camping and hunting. Sharon and Jessica also love to travel, especially to Disneyland!

Ahhh. A bear in his natural habitat.
 A Studebaker. ~ Fozzie Bear

PHOENIX FOURTH

By Scott Grainger

Toto and I went to Steele Indian School Park for the Phoenix Fabulous 4th of July Celebration and truck/car show. Yes, it was a bit warm that day. We arrived about 3:30pm in time to not get a spot under a nice big shade tree. There was a good number of folks coming by then but the real CROWD started about 6 or so.

As you can see from the photos there were a lot of curious kids. (Editor's note: In addition to the photo on the right, there are more photos on page 15.) When they discovered that with my approval they could sit in Toto's cab I was very busy. I managed to get pictures of most of them. Not sure which they enjoyed more, honking the horn or sitting behind the big steering wheel and bouncing on the springy seat or getting their picture taken.

The Fireworks started as soon as it was dark and lasted for about an hour. A very nice display. Then, after everybody had left the park around 10pm, I started Toto up and we headed home. There was one other Studebaker in the field, a beautiful red Avanti, a 1963 owned by Tim and Joen Painter.



ORGAN STOP PIZZA - JULY 13

By Michell Eastburn

Thank you to all the 40+ Chapter members, friends and families who congregated at Organ Stop Pizza in Mesa on July 13th. A special shout out to Gary and Sandie Keating for driving their 1934 Commander and Garry Klinger for driving Goose (1952 Commander) to this event. Christmas in July was fun as usual with the nice mix of seasonal music, Rudolf the Red Nose Reindeer, Ghostbusters, Greek music, Let It Go (Disney Frozen), Bohemian Rhapsody and Sweet Caroline.

Joining in the festivities were: Gary and Sandie Keating (1934 Commander), Dennis Lynde and Linda Saar, Jim Clever (with guests Marilyn Clever, Martha Kasapis, Paul and Mary Lou Del Vecchio), Russ, Sharon, and Jessica Ware, Anita and Kevin McFadden, John, Kim, Callan and Ainsley Rodhouse, Carl and Esther Reid (with daughter Carla and 2 grandkids), Claudia Robinette, Richard Dormois, Bill and Mary Cervini, Chris, Rachel, Aubrey, Chloe and Preston Eastburn (with guests Jeff, Marcie and Skylar Camblin), Michell Eastburn, Bill and Peggy Eastburn, Garry Klinger (1952 Commander), Ike and Viginia Quigley (with guests, 3 adults and 3 kids).



STUDEBAKER ELECTRIC FOUNTAIN

By Ken and Arlene West

The Studebaker Electric Fountain restoration has just been completed in Leeper Park and a dedication took place for donors on Sunday, August 25th. We went to the park on Friday and got pictures and although it wasn't running it is still pretty impressive. The size of the fountain is larger than I had imagined both in diameter of the pool and the height. Hard to believe it's 111 years old.

The Wests attended the dedication on the 25th and sent several photos of the fountain beautifully lit for the ceremony. Visit <https://www.wnit.org/programs/specials/studebaker-fountain.html> for photos and a one hour documentary about the fountain and its history and restoration.

The fountain was originally featured on the cover of the December, 2017 issue of the *ECHO*.



GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- SEPTEMBER 10 ARIZONA AUTOMOBILE HOBBYIST COUNCIL MEETING AT MARTIN AUTO MUSEUM, 17641 N. BLACK CANYON HWY. (NORTH FROM BELL RD. ON EAST FRONTAGE RD.). MUSEUM WILL OPEN AT 5:30PM, MEETING IS AT 6:30. RSVP TO AL AT 623-204-9172. UPDATES ON \$32 SAFETY FEE AND THE GAS TAX HIKE BILL.
- SEPTEMBER 11-14 55TH SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET IN MANSFIELD, OHIO AT THE RICHLAND COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS. REVIEW INFORMATION AT <http://www.sdcmeet.com/> OR IN *TURNING WHEELS*. QUESTIONS: DAVE HAMBLIN AT 419-947-1360 / daveh2949@centurylink.net
- SEPTEMBER 14 **INTERNATIONAL DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY AT MIXTECA MEXICAN FOOD, 67TH AVE. & BELL RD., GLENDALE FOR A CRUISE-IN AND DINING. MEET AT MIXTECA'S AT 4:00PM TO PARK FOR STUDEBAKER DISPLAY. MEETING ABOUT 6:00 AT CHAPTER CANOPY. STUDEBAKER DRIVER PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED. INFO: SEE PAGE 6 OR peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116**
- SEPTEMBER 22 **GCSC BOARD AND OFFICERS MEET AT DEER VALLEY AIRPORT RESTAURANT, 7TH AVE. & DEER VALLEY RD., PHOENIX, 1:00 PM. MEMBERS WELCOME. INFO: PEGGY AT 623-936-6116 OR peggyeastburn@hotmail.com**
- SEPTEMBER 26-29 PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET IN SACRAMENTO AT THE LIONS GATE HOTEL, 3410 WESTOVER ST., MCCLELLAN, CALIF. CALL 916-426-9593 #3 TO CHECK IF ANY \$89 PER NIGHT ROOMS W/BREAKFAST ARE STILL AVAILABLE. PET FRIENDLY, \$50 FOR STAY. THURSDAY: VISIT AEROSPACE MUSEUM, CALIFORNIA AUTO MUSEUM OR SACRAMENTO ZOO WITH DISCOUNTED TICKETS. FRIDAY: LECTURE ABOUT THE LINCOLN HWY, MEET AND GREET IN EVENING. SATURDAY: CAR SHOW, SWAP MEET, MEMORABILIA DISPLAY, VALVE COVER RACES AND BANQUET WITH AWARDS. CALL CHAIRPERSON LINDA BARNARD AT 916-213-8989 FOR INFO. SEE PAGE 13 FOR REG. FORM. NEW: FREE TOUR TO A FABULOUS PRIVATE AUTOMOBILE COLLECTION FRIDAY AM.
- OCTOBER 12 **COOKIES WITH THE COWS. TOUR OF DANZEISEN CREAMERY, 6024 W. SOUTHERN AVE., LAVEEN WITH CAR SHOW IN PARKING LOT STARTING AT 9AM WITH 10:30 AM TOUR FOLLOWED BY MEETING AT THE CREAMERY. WAFFLE LOVE FOOD TRUCK WILL ARRIVE AT 9:00 FOR BREAKFAST ON SITE WITH MILK FOR SALE IN CREAMERY AND COOKIES FOR DESSERT. BRING A COOLER IF YOU WISH TO BUY PRODUCTS FROM THE STORE. VISIT: <https://www.danzeisendairy.com/> MORE INFO: CONTACT PEGGY AT peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116**
- OCTOBER 20 **29TH ANNUAL ORPHAN CAR SHOW, LOS OLIVOS PARK, 28TH ST. & DEVONSHIRE, PHOENIX FROM 9AM - 2PM. \$15 OR \$20 DAY OF SHOW. HOSTED BY GRAND CANYON CHAPTER, HET CLUB. INFO: SHARON AT 928-266-5680. REG. FORM ON PAGE 14.**
- NOVEMBER 2 **CHAPTER TO VISIT ARIZONA COMMEMORATIVE AIR FORCE MUSEUM AT FALCON FIELD, 2017 N. GREENFIELD RD., MESA. MEET IN PARKING LOT AT 9:30AM, MUSEUM OPENS AT 10:00. SENTIMENTAL JOURNEY WITH STUDEBAKER ENGINES WILL BE ON SITE. LUNCH AND MEETING TO FOLLOW AT TOM'S BBQ, 5005 E. MCKELLIPS RD., MESA. MORE INFO: PEGGY AT peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116**
- DECEMBER 7 **CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY AT LAKEVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 103RD AVE & THUNDERBIRD RD., SUN CITY. DINNER AT NOON WITH MEAT AND FIXINGS PROVIDED BY CHAPTER; SIDE DISHES AND DESSERTS BY MEMBERS. ANNUAL AUCTION TO FOLLOW. CONTACT PEGGY TO VOLUNTEER TO BE A TABLE HOST AT 623-936-6116 / peggyeastburn@hotmail.com**
- JANUARY 18, 2020 **GCSC WINTER GATHERING AT MARTIN AUTO MUSEUM. INFO: PEGGY AT 623-936-6116 OR peggyeastburn@hotmail.com**

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 14 IDYS

To celebrate International Drive Your Studebaker Day, the GCS Chapter will host festivities at Mixteca Mexican Food, 6731 W. Bell, on the southwest corner of 67th Ave. & Bell Rd in Glendale. Mixteca is the venue for the weekly Saturday afternoon cruise-in put on by Nancy Perry Productions.

Drive your Studebaker to the restaurant to arrive around 4:00 pm to assemble and park. Then do some tire kicking, visiting and enjoy dinner at Mixteca.

A canopy will be set up for shade and for the chapter meeting at 6:00 pm. Studebaker drivers prizes for cars and trucks will be awarded. Bring your chairs and water.

For more information contact Peggy at 623-936-6116 or peggyeastburn@hotmail.com



DYSD WINDSHIELD CARD

Click on the following link to print out a Drive Your Studebaker Day windshield card and then display it on your Stude whenever you drive it on DYSD.

<https://tinyurl.com/yydqfulr>

SEPTEMBER 22 GCSC BOARD MEETING

The Chapter board and officers will meet Sunday, September 22nd at 1:00 pm at Deer Valley Airport Restaurant, 7th Ave. and Deer Valley Rd., Phoenix. All members are welcome to attend. For more information contact Peggy at 623-936-6116 or peggyeastburn@hotmail.com





END OF SUMMER READING

The October, 2019 issue of *Collectible Automobile* has two Studebaker articles, one by Richard Quinn about Studebaker's racing cars of the 1930s and another by Patrick Foster with a Personality Profile of Stu Chapman, former Studebaker of Canada executive.

Dirty Work: The Untold Story of my Secret Mission to Steal Back TWA Flight 847 from Hezbollah by Richard Vaux. Lew Schucart, editor of Avanti Magazine writes, "Dick finished his book, "Dirty Work" shortly before his death and got to hold the book in his hands. The book is the story about how Dick and a co-pilot and flight engineer went into Beirut, Lebanon to retrieve the hijacked TWA 727 jetliner for the airline. It is a great and a fast read. Get it on amazon.com. You won't be able to put it down once you begin reading the book." Mr. Vaux worked for Studebaker for a short time and was the owner of three Avantis.

Images of War M29 Weasel is full of photos from the development, wartime use and restored examples today of Studebaker's track vehicle. Available as a paperback or for the Kindle at Amazon.

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Labor Day	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Patriot Day	12 11-14 International SDC Meet	13	14 DYSD
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Board Meeting	23 Autumnal Equinox	24	25	26	27	28
		26-29 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet				
29	30 Rosh Hashanah					Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-2146

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

October 11-12 Beeline Cruise-In Car Show

For those members who live north of the Valley and may not be able to attend the Chapter event on the 12th at the Danzeisen Creamery, there's an opportunity to meet up with other Studebaker drivers in Payson. An annual event, the Beeline Cruise-In Car show is being chaired by Chapter member Ken Michael this year.

For general information about the show and for car show forms visit the host club's website at <http://clubs.hemmings.com/RCCAC/> You can also contact Ken Michael about other Stude participation at 928-970-1562.

October 26 ALL ABOARD!

Submitted by Bob Miles

The Southern Arizona Chapter has planned a trip to Clarkdale, Ariz. on Saturday, October 26, 2019 to board the Verde Canyon Railroad for a 4-hour round trip and 100 years back in time. The train departs the station at 1:00 p.m. with arrival back at 5:00 p.m. At the depot, since it is October, there will be German sausages, sauerkraut, potato salad and other items.

Coach and first class seats are available. Coach has traditional Pullman style seats, with a snack bar that offers an assortment of refreshments. Adult coach is \$64.95 with child 2-12 years at \$44.95.

First Class accommodates fewer passengers than coach, has spacious living room style seating near panoramic windows. Includes a champagne toast on boarding, service at your seat for hors d'oeuvres and other cash services. First Class is \$89.95 all ages.

To make your reservation call 800-293-7245. A portion of all train revenue is donated to Liberty Wildlife Raptor Rescue Program.

Most members that have responded have indicated they would like to leave on Friday, stay Saturday and check out Sunday. I have found two hotels with similar rates (\$100-\$108).

Super 8, 800 S Main Street, Cottonwood, Ariz.
928-639-1888

Best Western, 993 S Main Street, Cottonwood, Ariz.
928-634-5575.

This will be an exciting, fun trip. Let Bob know at 520-465-9873 / rnc61coupe@msn.com if you are interested in going or contact John L. Lewis at 520-954-0904 / lewishoot@cox.net /

October 27 Show & Shine Car Show

Red Mountain Community Church will be having its Annual Show and Shine with a Trunk or Treat from 4:30 to 7:30pm on Saturday, October 27th. Classic, custom cars, vintage trailers and classic motorcycles are all welcome. This is a great event to bring the whole family.

Registration is free and available on the Church's

CELEBRATE! September Birthdays



3	Jean Kirkel	16	David Ker
6	Steve Fein	17	Ike Quigley
7	Jan Malmstrom	19	Paul Horvath
8	Marlene McCain	19	John Wiley
9	Chuck Collins	21	Scott Benson
9	Kimberly McDonald	22	Chuck Stanford
10	Kolton Kroulik	26	Carmen Curtis
11	Gary Keating	28	Mike Shearhart
13	Meridith Tietz	30	Mary Cervini
16	Bryce Denen		

September Anniversaries

5	Don & Kathy Parkey
5	John & Evelyn Verrill
6	Jerry & Virginia Steinmetz
9	Chuck & Louise Stanford

Children's Birthdays

16	Karsten Rasmussen (son of Ron & Stephanie)
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website: RMCCChurch.org/showandshine The church is located at 6101 E. Virginia St., Mesa (east of Recker Rd.). Information or questions contact Chapter member Jim McDonald at 480-467-9136.

October 27 Rhodium Car Show

Studebaker owners and drivers are invited to attend a car show at Rhodium 45, 45 W. Southern Ave. in Mesa on Sunday, October 27th. The Temptations will be featured entertainment.

More information will be available in the October newsletter.

November 23 - 24 MCACN

John Kroulik will present The Whistler, his 1963 Lark drag car, at the Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals (MCACN) at the Donald E. Stevens Convention Center in Rosemount, Ill on November 23 and 24. The Lark will be displayed with other Studebakers of note including Frank van Doorn's 1941 Champion with an R2 engine and George Krem's Plain Brown Wrapper. During the exhibit a noted sign painter will letter The Whistler live.

If you are interested in attending the show, Rosemont is next to O'Hare Airport and all hotels near the convention center have shuttles to and from the airport, hence no need to rent a car. For more information visit <https://www.mcacn.com/> There will be more about The Whistler in an upcoming issue.

1931 STUDEBAKER INDY CAR

In the last issue of the newsletter, there was an announcement about the potential purchase by the Studebaker National Museum of a 1931 Studebaker Indy race car. The car was being offered at the Gooding Auction on August 17th and the museum Board of Trustees committed a significant amount of funds toward the possibility of acquiring the car, which would be an important addition to the Museum. SDC members and other fans of Studebaker were asked to help by making a pledge toward the endeavor. Your GCSC Board voted to help and approved a \$150.00 pledge at its August 4th meeting. The pledged amount would have been due only if the Museum was successful at the auction.



On the afternoon of August 17th, it was learned the Museum was not successful in its quest to acquire the car due to the extraordinary amount of money the car brought. The following note was sent by the Museum to all those who made pledges.

Hello,

We just left the auction house and are sorry to report we were unsuccessful in bidding for the #37 Studebaker Special. The winning bid was \$1,000,000 which far surpassed the funds the Museum could dedicate to this pursuit.

We truly appreciate your generous support and extend our sincere thanks for being part of this campaign. Over 100 individual pledges were received for the #37 Studebaker Special, a shining example of "giving more than you promised."

You will not be invoiced for your pledge.

Once again, thank you so very much!

Maria TeKolste
Programs and Outreach Manager
Studebaker National Museum
(574) 235-9002

MEMBER RECOMMENDED SERVICE

Submitted by Rick Melms 602-376-3637

I have decided to sponsor a new advertiser with the club. His name is Brian and he runs RMACC Hose Co. (See his ad on page 10.) He does good work and is priced fair. Most times he will do the work while you wait. I have used him many times and have always been happy.

He does hoses and hard lines for your A/C, brakes, fuel, power steering or transmission. Check him out if you need something now - any make, model or year.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION ...

Loose or Stiff Steering?

Ever have loose or stiff steering on your 1951 or newer Studebaker? This can be caused by a worn or frozen bearing or bushing in the bell crank assembly. If it's worn, then blame high mileage, but if it's frozen, then a lack of lubrication is the cause. O.K., now what to do? Originally there was one bearing or bushing at the top and also one at the bottom. You may have two bearing or bushings on the top and one on the bottom. These should be replaced as needed. Keep them lubricated for a lot more miles of good steering.

New bushing and bearing kits, as well as new pins, are available from Studebaker vendors. An example of a bearing kit is shown on the right.



Edited from a tip originally submitted by George Martens to *The Hawkeye Headliner*, Bob Ray, editor.

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2020 PSW ZONE MEET FUNDRAISING

In October, 2020 the Grand Canyon State Chapter will host the Pacific Southwest Zone Meet. A zone meet is typically a 2 or three day event packed full of activities for the participants. The host chapter sponsors the activities and does fund raising in advance to pay for expenses involved with the event.

The Zone Meet committee has chosen two raffles as fund raisers. One is for a very nice hand crafted Studebaker themed quilt donated by Dan and Corlean Kuhl. The second item is a beautiful hand crafted wooden lamp donated by Ike and Virginia Quigley.

The quilt was created from Studebaker meet t-shirts and measures 5 feet by 6 feet. The lamp is made of maple, walnut and cherry and is 2 feet tall.

Both items will be displayed at upcoming events where tickets can be purchased for \$5.00 each or five for \$20.00.



Photos courtesy of Michell Eastburn.

STUDEBAKER IS ALIVE AND WELL ON ROUTE 66

By Dan Kuhl

As many of you may already know I am a member of other car clubs including the Buick and De Soto clubs. A friend from the Buick club recently traveled Route 66 in his 1949 Buick Super. His travels were featured in multiple issues of *The Buick Bugle*, the Buick Club's national magazine. Also, other folks who I do not personally know, described their Route 66 adventure in *DeSoto Adventures*, the DeSoto Club's national magazine. After reading their stories I knew it was time to make a move.

On June 19th, with the articles in hand and a copy of *EZ 66* (see ref. below), my wife Corlean, our two dogs, Pabst and Schlitz, and I embarked in our Nissan pickup on our quest to experience the historical treasures of Route 66. On the way to the eastern terminus in Chicago we stopped in Ottawa, a small town just outside of Chicago where the Radium Girls painted clock faces with radioactive radium. It contaminated their bodies when they placed the paint brush tip in their mouths to make a fine point. Many suffered horrible deaths and helped lay the foundation for our country's labor safety laws.

On Sunday we headed for Chicago, hoping to avoid some of the big city traffic. Should you decide to travel Route 66, look for the starting point (sign) on Adams (one-way westbound) and Michigan. Back-in-the-day it was Jackson Street which is now one-way east.

Because we had the dogs and a limited amount of time, we decided to visit many of the highlighted stops and only drive the actual Route 66 road when it was part of our chosen visits. Even with this limited scope we had plenty to do and see, and even had time to drive all of Route 66 in Kansas - all 13 miles of it.

So what about the Studebakers? The first Studebaker, a 1962 GT Hawk was on display in the National Route 66 Museum in Elk City, Okla. The second, a M Series truck was spotted resting in an refurbished service station/restaurant, "U-DROP-INN" in Shamrock, Tex. I am sure there were others that we missed along the way. A special treat was the *EZ 66* author who is a Studebaker guy. He was a previous member of SDC for 10 years who owned a Hawk and had a Hawk grille sitting on the floor in his Chandler, Okla. shop when we stopped for a visit. He was very friendly, signing autographs and posing for photographs. He is currently looking for a 1958 Packard hardtop or wagon.



Our plans to complete Route 66 include the Northern Arizona Fun Run with Ed and Ken in 2020 followed by a drive to the Santa Monica Pier soon after. There is much to do and see on the southern California Mother Road, including the site of the first McDonald's Restaurant.

Reference:

McClanahan, Jerry. (2015). *EZ 66, Guide for Travelers*. Lake Arrowhead, Calif. National Historic Route 66 Federation. The author also did all of the illustrations in the book as well as the print on the front of the *ECHO*.

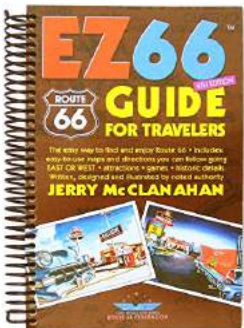


Photo on left shows the detail of the circled area in the photo above. The M truck is parked in the lube and car wash garage of this old Conoco station, now a museum, built along Route 66 in 1936.

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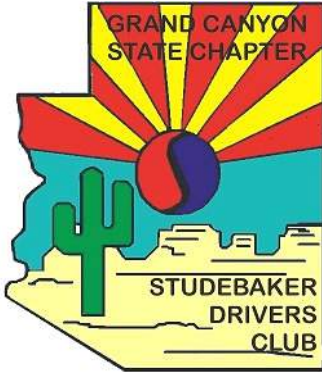
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Mural on building in downtown Chippewa Falls, Wisc.

REMINDERS FOR SEPTEMBER

- 14 Driver Your Studebaker Day - Mixteca
 - 22 GCSC Board Meeting
- See pages 5 and 6 for details.



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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
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Pacific Southwest Zone Meet September 26-29, 2019

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Host Hotel: Wyndham Lions Gate Hotel; 3410 Westover Street, Sacramento, CA 95652; (916) 426-9593 Ext #3. Room rates are \$89.00 plus tax/fees per night. Pets are welcome for \$50 for entire stay. Please state that you are with the "Studebaker Car Club" to receive this discounted price. Hotel guests will receive a complimentary breakfast and in-room internet access. (after Sept. 17th, rooms are available on an "as available" basis). Dry RV parking is \$25 night.

Judging: All registered cars will have secure parking in our parking area. Cars will not be judged on the standard point system. A team of judges will judge all registered vehicles. There will also be a People's Choice and Chapter Choice award. Trophies will be awarded at the Saturday night awards banquet.

Activities: Thursday: is open tour day. There are \$8 discounted tickets for the California Auto Museum, Air Museum and Sacramento Zoo. Tickets may be purchases at the venue with Zone Meet Badge. Also, park with the Planes at the Aerospace Museum from 9 - 2. Friday: Welcome Meet & Greet Friday Dinner at 5:00 at the Hotel. Saturday: Car show during the day and Awards Banquet and presentation. We will have a raffle both days and valve cover races on Saturday (trophies for the winners).

General Registration:

Name _____ Guest _____

Mailing address _____

Email for registration confirmation _____ Phone _____

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Registration per family: \$35.00 _____	Vendor Outside Table No: _____x\$20 _____
Postmark after Sept 17th \$40.00 _____	Valve Cover Races No: _____ N/C
Friday night Meet & Greet: No. _____ N/C	Memorabilia Space No: _____ N/C
(maximum 2 dinners per registration)	
add'1 Fri Night dinner No. _____ x \$16 _____	Men's T-Shirt:
Awards Banquet:	S__ M__ L__ XL__ No: _____ x\$15 _____
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Tim Painter poses with his '63 Avanti.



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