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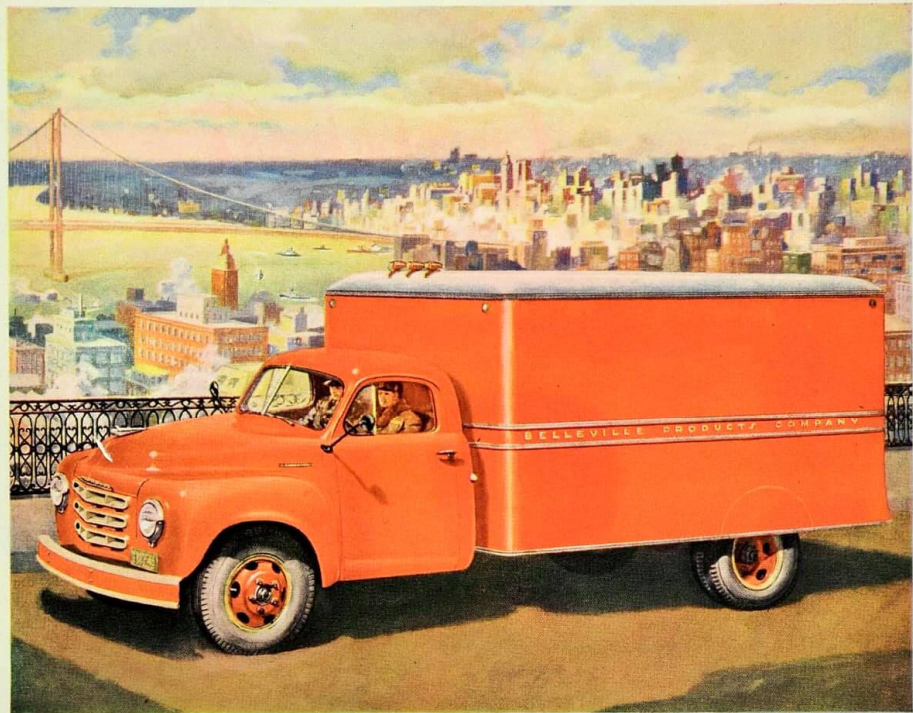
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Stay Cool!



1½-ton shown with 12-foot closed body—2-ton model also available

## Studebaker trucks are winning thousands of new friends throughout the nation

Value-wise buyers rate Studebaker trucks out ahead in economy and comfort



Hefty loads or small—Studebaker trucks haul them all! Studebaker trucks have extra strong frames, springs, axles. Studebaker's Econ-o-miser engine powers the ½, ¾ and 1 ton models. The 1½ and 2 ton trucks—called series 16A and 17A—have a high torque "Power Plus" engine.

AMERICA'S truck operators have emphatically put themselves on record in favor of the revolutionary design and performance of Studebaker trucks.

All through last year, and continuing into this year, the stand-up stamina, the stand-out pulling power and the amazing operating economy of Studebaker trucks have been scoring a new high in popularity.

### New comfort for truck drivers

The husky, handsome Studebaker trucks give drivers an easier working day, thanks to roomy, full-comfort, big-vision cabs.

The Studebaker cab floor is conveniently low—requires no strenuous climbing. The cab steps are weather-protected—enclosed inside the doors. The doors have tight-grip-

ping rotary latches and they swing wide on automatic "hold-open" stops.

Studebaker's variable-ratio steering builds up welcome extra leverage for turn-arounds and parking.

Servicing a Studebaker truck—on the road or in the garage—is simplicity itself, thanks to a new kind of "lift-the-hood" accessibility to engine, ignition and instrument panel wiring.

Step into a Studebaker showroom first chance you have. See for yourself the solid value that's selling Studebaker trucks sensationally.

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

Please see page 10 for a new advertiser. Richie Fein placed an ad that doesn't sell a product or service but is an invitation to join the American Legion if you are a veteran or a family member of a veteran. Thank you for advertising in the newsletter, Richie, and good luck.

In the *This N That* column on page 7 I mention nicknames members give their Studebakers. It would be fun to see what you call your car/truck and why. Please send me a short email note with your Studebaker's nickname and a sentence or two about why you call it that. Neither Chuck or I have ever named our Studebakers so, sorry, we can't contribute. Also, your contribution telling about non-Chapter shows and events you attend would be appreciated.

This is a combined July and August issue and the next newsletter will come out in September. Please send your submissions by August 20th for that issue.

Thanks to Michell Eastburn, Steve Fein, Dan Kuhl, Sharon Ware, Brent Hagen and the classified and business card advertisers. And, thanks to Richie and Dolores Fein for their help with mailing the newsletter.

Drive your Studebaker. Hope you had a good 4th.  
Chris

### CHAPTER NAME BADGE

Order your Chapter name badge with a pin back by contacting Chris Collins at [ccollinsaz@cox.net](mailto: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.

### NEW MEMBER CHALLENGE

When a Chapter member recruits a new member to join SDC and/or the Grand Canyon State Chapter he/she will have Chapter dues paid for 2022.

Just ask the new member to mention your name on the application where it asks "Referred By".

**Reminder:** To be a member of the GCSC you must be a member of the Studebaker Drivers Club. If your dues are not current, please visit <https://sdc.cornerstonereg.com/> to renew.

The ECHO is the official newsletter of the Grand Canyon State Chapter, SDC and is published 11 times per year. Contributions are welcome and encouraged. Please submit articles, tech tips, etc. by the 20th of the month preceding publication. Other newsletter editors are welcome to use any material with proper credit given.

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# STATE OF THE CHAPTER

“Summer: Hair gets lighter. Skin gets darker. Water gets warmer. Drinks get colder. Music gets louder. Nights get longer. Life gets better.” and for us here in the Valley of The Sun, the AC runs longer. We are fully engulfed in the Arizona summer with a sticky hint of monsoon in the air, but that doesn’t mean our Chapter slows down. We will still be gathering this month at Organ Stop in Mesa on Sunday July 18<sup>th</sup> to have pizza and enjoy the music from the Mighty Wurlitzer. The board is trying to set up a evening ice cream social in August, keep an eye on your emails for more details as they come.



Even with the heat this past month, we did one last cruise-in at LaMar’s Donuts and Coffee. It was great to see some faces and cars/trucks that haven’t been seen in several months - thanks to all who participated. Coming up in September is International Drive Your Studebaker Day on September 11<sup>th</sup> (Patriots Day) and the board is working on a neat venue and activity for all to enjoy. Also, in September is the PSW Zone Meet at La Palma Park on September 25<sup>th</sup>. It’ll be a one day event packed full of fun, people and lots of Studebakers; don’t miss it!

**Be sure to be safe out there on your Summer travels wherever they may be. Below are a few tips from ADOT to keep in mind:**

PHOENIX – With more people hitting the road during the peak summer travel season, the Arizona Department of Transportation is urging motorists to be prepared for the unexpected and have an extra awareness for safety and security. Summer is a significant time for auto theft, and with nearly half of those thefts due to driver error, the Arizona Department of Transportation asks drivers to include security as part of their summer travel plans. More than 700,000 vehicles are stolen in the United States a year. Fortunately, some of the best ways to secure your vehicle are the simplest:

- Close and lock doors and windows.
- Take your key with you.
- Keep valuables out of your car, or at least out of view.
- Park in a well-lit place when possible.

ADOT also reminds drivers to check their vehicles before traveling in scorching summer weather. Make sure you’re up to date on basic mechanical work, such as changing the oil, having the battery checked and rotating tires. Remember to check fluid levels, tire pressure, and pay extra attention to make sure windshield wipers are ready for monsoon rains following months of dry weather. The heat brings other travel challenges. Pack a cooler with ice and extra water for all passengers, including pets. Take a wide-brimmed hat and sunscreen. And make sure to bring medications, snacks and anything else you might need in case



**Welcome New Members!**

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 1952 Champion

**CORRECTION:**

Last month the email address for new member Carol Westfall was printed incorrectly. The correct address is donttellmeno508@gmail.com

**WELL WISHES TO .....**

Peggy Eastburn

***A note of Thanks from the Beach Cities Orange Inland Empire Chapter, SDC was received in appreciation for the GCSC donation to their Chapter for the 2021 Pacific Southwest Zone Meet, September 25th.***

of delays or closures due to heavy traffic, crashes or wild-fires.

Summer travel plans should include other preparation for traveling on busy highways:

- Obey the speed limit. Beyond watching for standard road signs, get ready for changing conditions. Slow down for heavy traffic, work zones, wet roads, blowing dust.
- Stay alert. You need a full night’s sleep before traveling. During travels, set aside time to stretch your legs, eat a meal, and catch up on calls or texts.
- When stopping for essentials like gas or food, remember that vehicles heat up quickly. Take your children and pets out of the vehicle no matter how quick you expect your stop to be.

Visit [az511.gov](http://az511.gov) before you hit the road or download the [AZ511 app](#) to check your route for closures.

(Source: <https://azdot.gov/adot-news>)



# LAMAR'S DONUTS CRUISE-IN

By Michell Eastburn

Even with the heat wave we had all week, on June 19<sup>th</sup> thirty Grand Canyon State SDC Chapter members came out to LaMar's Donuts and Coffee for a cruise-in car show and socializing. With eight Studebakers, one Ford and one Dodge we got many compliments and were thanked by the Manager at LaMar's for bringing in a significant amount of business to their establishment.

Members gathered outside with hoods open and chit-chat a'happening. Some moseyed over to the air conditioned donut shop and sat and enjoyed coffee and a fresh donut. Before everyone departed for their daily activities, all



Dolores and Richie Fein enjoy the cool inside LaMar's. Photo courtesy of Steve Fein.

joined in a quick membership meeting where upcoming events and the status of the Chapter were discussed. Additionally, driver awards of a "beat-the-heat snack pack" were won by

Al Riedel, Adam DeRosa, and Carol Westfall.

Participants included Larry Polhill and guest Bob Gasson, 1956 President and 1962 GT Hawk; Paul and Phyllis Setaro, 1962 GT Hawk; John, Callan and Ainsley Rodhouse; Russ and Sharon Ware; Kolton Kroulik; John Kroulik; Al Riedel, 1978 Avanti II; Denny Lockmon; Steve and Paulette Fein, 1966 Cruiser; Richie and Dolores Fein; Dan Kuhl; Carol Westfall, 1950 Ford sedan; Michell Eastburn; Bill and Peggy Eastburn; Carl and Esther Reid, 1974 Dodge Hang 10 Dart; Jim Clever; Don Parkey, 1960 Lark; Mike Lynch, Sherman, a 1962 7E; Ike Quigley; Tim Phillips; and Adam DeRosa, 1972 Avanti II. Thanks to all for attending!



Photo courtesy of Sharon Ware.

More photos on the Chapter Facebook page, Studebakers Grand Canyon State Chapter



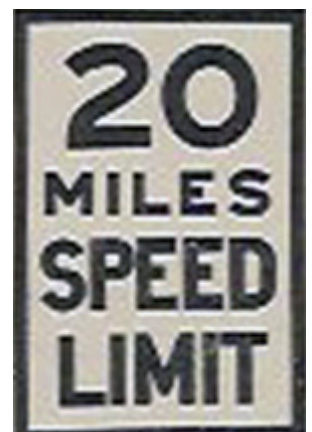
Photo courtesy of Steve Fein.



## First Speed Limit

We tend to think of speed limits as a modern convention relating to freeways and residential neighborhoods, but they actually date back much further — centuries, in fact. In 1652, the Dutch colony of New Netherland (that's New York state for those of us not born in the 17th century) wrote into law that "no wagons, carts or sleighs shall be run, rode or driven at a gallop" and that anyone who did so would receive a fine of at least "two pounds Flemish," or roughly \$150.

The decree related specifically to the city of New Amsterdam, the future Big Apple, whose drivers and conductors were further banned from sitting or standing on their vehicles — they were only allowed to walk alongside them, lest their horses get ahead of themselves. While those who feel the need for speed may resent them, there's no denying that speed limits have made driving — first by horse and carriage, now by automobiles — safer for everyone, especially pedestrians. (Editor's note: I thought this was interesting but don't recall where I found it.)



## GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- JULY 9** THE SEMA ACTION NETWORK HAS ESTABLISHED JULY 9TH AS **COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY** TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE VITAL ROLE AUTOMOTIVE RESTORATION AND COLLECTION PLAYS IN AMERICAN SOCIETY. CONGRESS HAS PASSED RESOLUTIONS RECOGNIZING THE AUTOMOBILE'S UNIQUE HISTORICAL PLACE IN OUR HISTORY. TAKE YOUR COLLECTOR CAR OUT TO A FRIDAY OR SATURDAY CRUISE-IN TO CELEBRATE!
- JULY 18 SUNDAY** **CHAPTER EVENT AT ORGAN STOP PIZZA, 1149 E. SOUTHERN AVE., MESA. (SOUTHWEST CORNER OF STAPLEY DR. & SOUTHERN AVE.). MEET AT 4:00 PM FOR PIZZA AND THE MUSIC OF THE MIGHTY WURLITZER PIPE ORGAN. FEEL FREE TO BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY AND/OR INVITE YOUR FRIENDS TO JOIN US. PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS WITH PEGGY AT 623-936-6116 or peggyeastburn@hotmail.com TO INSURE WE SAVE ENOUGH SEATS. VISIT THE CHAPTER FACEBOOK PAGE AT STUDEBAKERS GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER TO ADD THIS EVENT TO YOUR CALENDAR.**
- JULY 21** NATIONAL HOT DOG DAY. AMERICANS CONSUME 20 BILLION HOT DOGS ANNUALLY.
- AUGUST 8** GCSC BOARD AND OFFICERS WILL MEET AT 1:00 PM VIA ZOOM CALL OR VIDEO. MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND. TO JOIN IN THE MEETING CONTACT PEGGY AT 623-936-6116 or peggyeastburn@hotmail.com TO BE INCLUDED IN NOTIFICATION LIST FOR MEETING DETAILS.
- SEPTEMBER 8-11** 57TH INTERNATIONAL SDC MEET HOSTED BY INDY CHAPTER IN INDIANAPOLIS, IND. AT MARION COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS. SEE HOTEL LISTING, MEET SCHEDULE AND TOUR LIST IN *TURNING WHEELS* OR AT <http://sdcmeet.com/>
- SEPTEMBER 11** INTERNATIONAL DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY. (ALSO PATRIOT DAY.) WATCH THIS SPACE FOR INFO ON CHAPTER CELEBRATION OR CONTACT PEGGY AT 623-936-6116 or peggyeastburn@hotmail.com
- SEPTEMBER 24-25** PACIFIC SOUTHWEST ZONE MEET HOSTED BY BCOIE CHAPTER AT LA PALMA PARK, ANAHEIM. CAR SHOW, JUDGING, SWAP MEET, VALVE COVER RACES, FRIDAY ICE CREAM SOCIAL. ALL CARS MUST HAVE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER. SEE PAGE 6 FOR INFO, PAGE 13 FOR REGISTRATION FORM OR VISIT <http://studebakersocal.com>
- OCTOBER 17 SUNDAY** COOL CLASSIC CAR SHOW HOSTED BY THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHAPTER AT SPANISH LANDING WEST (OFF HARBOR DR., SAN DIEGO) FROM 8AM TO 2:30PM. AWARDS, 50/50, RAFFLE, FOOD. VISIT [www.studebakersandiego.com](http://www.studebakersandiego.com) OR CONTACT BOB AT bobhalgren@hotmail.com / 619-251-5638. SEE PAGES 14-15 FOR FORMS.

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*If any event plans change we will let you know with an e-mail or phone call and through the Chapter website or Facebook page.*

*Visit <https://sites.google.com/view/cruisinaz> for more car events in your area.*





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# ZONE MEET

## Studebaker Car Show & Swap Meet

### & Ice Cream Social

Ice Cream, Sept. 24, 2021, 7pm - 8pm  
 Zone Meet, Sept. 25, 2021, 8am - 3pm

Ice Cream is Free!

Register TODAY  
 Forms Available Now:  
[www.StudebakerSoCal.com](http://www.StudebakerSoCal.com)  
 For Info Call: Don Cox 951-529-0873  
 Dan Scott 818-558-1791  
 RSVP Re: Ice Cream Social




Visit <http://studebakeroscal.com/> for registration form, hotel list, zone meet agenda and map to La Palma Park. Registration form is also available on page 13 of this newsletter.



## A HIDDEN GEM

Here is a '52 Commander that has been sitting in the same place for 30 years according to the owner. It sits just off of Hwy 60 west of Hwy 74 at the Fenway Peach Orchard. We have been going there for years and did not know it was sitting in that old tree. Notice how deep the wheels are buried. Hope you like the "Sleeping Beauty".

Submitted by Dan Kuhl

### Videos/Websites of Interest

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpcfuvuY8x0Eiabr7g6IJOUA/videos>  
 Different by Design. A Studebaker site created by a young enthusiast.

<https://tinyurl.com/ymxmhbki>  
 Could the Avanti come back as an electric car?

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpcfuvuY8x0Eiabr7g6IJOUA/videos>  
 Very cool fantasy video features an Avanti II.

<https://www.facebook.com/StudebakerDriversClubInc/>  
 Visit SDC on Facebook.



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# This N That

Do you have a nickname for your Studebaker? In last month's newsletter, Michell mentioned **Pumpkin**, the nickname **Bill Eastburn** gave his 4X4 Champ pickup. **Pete and Karen Mensing** nicknamed their 2T truck **Big Bertha** and **Scott Grainger** named his M16 Grain Truck **Toto**. **Garry Klinger** calls his 1952 Commander **The Blue Goose** and **Kolton Kroulik's** 1951 SLC is **Miss Piggy**. If you have a nickname for your Studie please send a note to the editor at ccollinsaz@cox for a column in a future newsletter. Include a short sentence or two telling why you chose the nickname you did, if you wish. And, the same for those named above - why did you give your Stude that nickname?

Chapter members and frequent Member Appreciation Party hosts **Ken and Arlene West** have moved to their home town, South Bend, Ind. They were assisted with their move in June by **Ed and Linda Smith**. The Wests will be missed and it is hoped we will still see them from time to time.

**Tim Painter** reported on the SDC Forum about a show he and **Joan** attended in June: "Our '53 custom (Commander Starlight) was awarded Best Modified (50 to Present) out of 100+ cars in our class at 6/5/21 Cruzin the Rim car show in Show Low, Ariz. Great tribute to my wife's father and uncle who modified it in 1954-5."



## CHAPTER FUNDRAISING PROJECTS

Zone Meet T-shirts in men's sizes M-XXXL. Caps in gray with black mesh, all NOW \$10.00 ea. T-shirts featuring the Studebaker script, saguaros and a buzzard, \$15.00 ea. **Caps and t-shirts will be available at upcoming Chapter meetings and events.**



## CELEBRATE!



### July Birthdays

- |    |                       |    |                   |
|----|-----------------------|----|-------------------|
| 7  | Linda Hertline        | 15 | Paul Vigne        |
| 8  | Ken Michael           | 17 | Sharon Ware       |
| 9  | Kent Musgrave         | 17 | Frank Wenzel      |
| 13 | Mary McConnell-Powell | 26 | Larry Polhill     |
| 14 | Mike King             | 27 | Jan Widhalm       |
| 14 | Phyllis Setero        | 28 | Claudia Robinette |
| 14 | Richard Rampt         | 15 | Brian Borgstede   |

### July Anniversaries

- |    |                             |
|----|-----------------------------|
| 4  | Will & Maryanne Eastburn    |
| 11 | Walt & Kitty Jazwinski      |
| 14 | Paul & Phyllis Setaro       |
| 15 | Tony & Kellie Lepore        |
| 16 | Ike & Virginia Quigley      |
| 17 | Frank & Elizabeth van Doorn |
| 30 | Carol & Bob Westfall        |

### August Birthdays

- |    |                     |    |                  |
|----|---------------------|----|------------------|
| 2  | Rachel Eastburn     | 20 | Steve Piper      |
| 6  | Joyce Wright        | 21 | Michael Hodges   |
| 7  | Thomas Ennis        | 22 | Butch Summers    |
| 7  | Elizabeth van Doorn | 22 | Lee Wolff        |
| 9  | Chris Collins       | 23 | Patrick Eastburn |
| 12 | Walt Jazwinski      | 27 | Curt Curtis      |
| 13 | Fred Gooch          | 29 | Jon Follendorf   |
| 14 | Roger White         | 30 | Camille Miles    |
| 15 | Vicki Piper         | 30 | Ed Smith         |
| 19 | Kitty Jazwinski     | 30 | Bob Westfall     |
| 19 | Malcolm Stinson Jr. | 31 | Michell Eastburn |

### August Anniversaries

- |    |                         |
|----|-------------------------|
| 5  | Adam & Michelle De Rosa |
| 5  | Larry & Jan Malmstrom   |
| 17 | Steve & Vicki Piper     |
| 24 | John & Peg Akin         |
| 26 | Bill & Mary Cervini     |
| 31 | Gary & Sandie Keating   |
| 31 | Dale & Norma Sexton     |
| 31 | Ken & Arlene West       |



### Children's Birthdays

- |      |  |
|------|--|
| 7-30 | Felicia Eastburn<br>(daughter of Will & Maryanne)  |
| 8-14 | Jack Serbin<br>(son of Brian & Julie)              |
| 8-24 | Chloe Eastburn<br>(daughter of Chris & Rachel)     |
| 8-29 | Domenica Eastburn<br>(daughter of Will & Maryanne) |



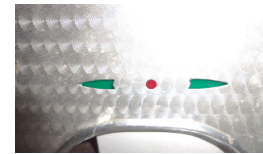


## TECHNICAL INFORMATION .....

### New - Tell-Tale Light Tubes And Lenses

By Brent Hagen

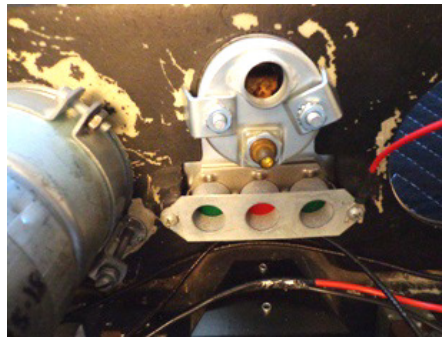
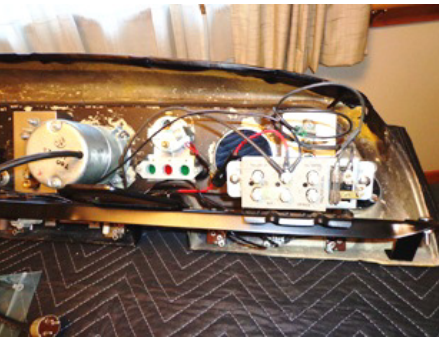
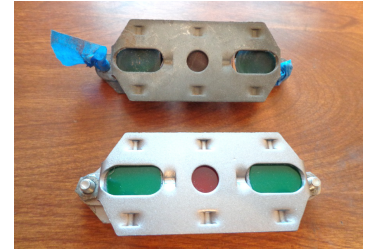
New 1956 thru 1961 Hawk dash light tubes are now available.



Originally these three tubes, p/n 537874, were made of cardboard. The lenses, p/n 536858 & 536859, two green and one red (Hi-beam) were thin plastic. Over the years moisture has destroyed most of the cardboard tubes. Heat has caused most of the plastic lenses to shrink and buckle. In addition, the original tubes and lenses were difficult to assemble without them falling out of the bracket, they were so fragile. I have received numerous requests for these parts over the years.

After discussing this with my son, we came up with a replacement that is far superior to the original pieces. The three light tubes are made of special three-D printed plastic and are connected together to make for easy installation. New, thicker lenses are recessed snugly into the light tube assembly, so no worry of them rattling loose and falling out.

You can use your old mounting brackets if you like- just install the lamp tube assembly, available for \$25. Also available are a few light tube assemblies with the mounting brackets for \$45. See pictures.



For more information or to purchase these items, contact Brent at 971-219-9687 or [ghawk352@effectnet.com](mailto:ghawk352@effectnet.com). Brent specializes in parts for the 1956 Golden Hawk.

Reprinted from *56J Only* newsletter, Frank Ambriglio, editor. To learn more about the 1956 Golden Hawk registry visit: [www.1956goldenhawk.com/](http://www.1956goldenhawk.com/)

#### FREE! FREE! FREE! FREE!

**FREE TO A GCSC MEMBER:** landscaping rock, 1 inch red, approximately 5 ton. You take it away. Contact Carl Reid at 602-615-2315 (no text, please).

#### FREE! FREE! FREE! FREE!

Many back issues of *Turning Wheels* magazine. Contact Chuck Collins at 602-995-2146 or [cstude1@cox.net](mailto:cstude1@cox.net)

#### SALES LITERATURE FOR SALE

- ◆ 1939 "The New Champion A Manual for the Studebaker Salesman" App. 80 pages, \$60
- ◆ 1950 "Inside Facts 1950 Engineering Manual for Studebaker Salesmen" 96 pages, \$100
- ◆ 1902 "Studebaker Catalogue No. 209 Electric Vehicles" 12 pages, (REPRINT) \$10
- ◆ 1935 Champion fold out - 17" x 22" 2 sheets, fair condition, \$10
- ◆ 1942 Champion color dealer brochure, 24 pages, \$15;
- ◆ 1947 "New 1947 Studebakers" color single page tri-fold, \$5
- ◆ 1948 "New 1948 Studebaker" color 17" x 26" fold out brochure, \$12 1
- ◆ 1956 "The Big New Studebaker" color brochure, 16 pages \$12
- ◆ 1957 "Studebaker" 22" x 28" color fold-out brochure, \$12

- ◆ 1957 "Studebaker Sedans" color brochure, 16 pages, \$12
- ◆ 1959 "The Lark by Studebaker" color brochure, 12 pages, \$10
- ◆ 1960 "Lark" 18" x 25" color fold-out brochure, \$8
- ◆ 1961 "the Lark with Performability" 18" x 25" color foldout brochure, \$6
- ◆ 1962 "Lark" color brochure, 16 pages, (2 available) \$8, \$6
- ◆ 1963 "Avanti, Lark, Cruiser, Hawk" 18" x 25" color foldout brochure, (2 available), \$7
- ◆ 1965 "Studebaker The Common Sense Car" color brochure, 12 pages, (2 available), \$7
- ◆ 1966 "The Smart New Look" 4" x 9" color brochure, 16 pages, (3 available), \$6

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# STUDEBAKER WAS RIGHT

By Dan Kuhl

J.M. Studebaker did not like gasoline powered cars. He said, "Gasoline powered cars are clumsy, dangerous, noisy brutes that stink to high heaven and break down at the worst possible moment." At the end of the 19th Century Studebaker was the largest manufacturer of wagons and buggies in the world. While Studebaker was busy selling their horse drawn carriages, others were looking at better ways to meet their transportation needs. One of the up and coming means of travel was the electric car. In 1900 the electric car appeared to have strong support with 28% of the 4200 cars manufactured in that year.

It is believed the first electric horseless carriage was made by John Davidson of Scotland in the late 1830s, but interestingly, it was never used as a means of transportation on public roads. By the 1890s the development of the horseless carriage was in the eye of many inventors. At the 1893 World Columbian Exposition in Chicago one of the six cars on display was an electric. In 1896 the Woods Company of Chicago produced the first electric cars available to the public. In 1898, Frederick S. Fish, son-in-law of J.M. Studebaker and Chairman of the company's executive committee, convinced the Studebaker board to invest \$4,000 into the development of an electric car. Little came of this initial interest, however by 1902 Studebaker was ready to sell electric cars.

Studebaker's first electric cars were made by installing an electric motor and batteries into one of their carriages. To promote sales every car was sold with a 12 foot cord for recharging the batteries. However, this cord did not help the fact that it was difficult to find a place to charge your car's batteries with AC and DC current competing in the electricity marketplace.

Even though Studebaker went into a partnership with Garford to begin production of a gas powered car in 1904, electric cars were produced from 1902 until 1912. By 1908 Studebaker was third in automobile production behind Ford and Buick. The company produced about 1800 electric vehicles during this 10 year period. Currently, the AACA is restoring a 1909 Studebaker, Model 13a Stanhope; it is the only one of this model known to exist from this period, as noted in the Club's reference listed below.

Thomas Edison was so thrilled with Studebaker's electric car that he purchased the second car manufactured and drove it well into the 1920s. The first electric car is in the Studebaker National Museum. Studebaker produced electric vehicles of all types, including trucks, like the one-of-a-kind recently restored by James Bell of Bellingham, Wash (see photo at left). It is the only Studebaker electric truck known to exist. Historically, Gimbels Department Store in New York City (1887-1987) bought a fleet of the electric trucks, reveling in the disappearance of animal husbandry and nasty horse exhaust.

So why did Studebaker stop production of electric vehicles? The two most obvious reasons are the self starter on gas powered cars and the fact that a gas powered car could be had for about half the cost of an electric.

After 120 years of dominating the manufacturing scene, it appears gas powered cars will go by the wayside in favor of electric power. Environmental factors have come into play that were not considered or apparent back in the day. If Studebaker was still in the business it would again be "Right" at the head of the class in developing a modern electric car to meet the needs of America.

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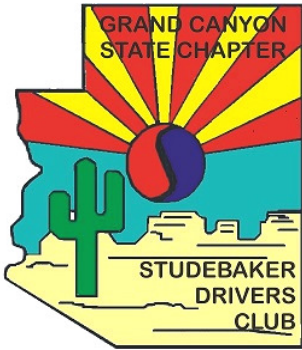
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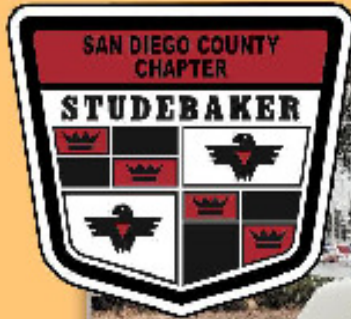


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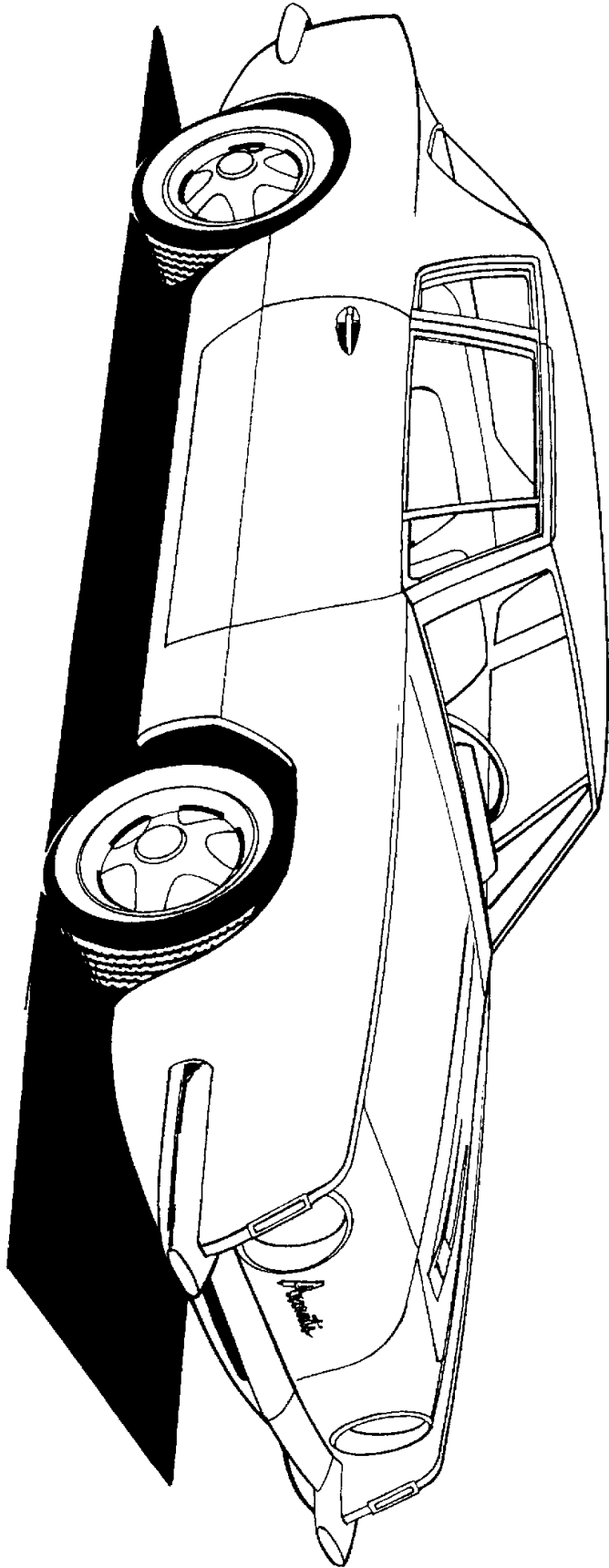
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