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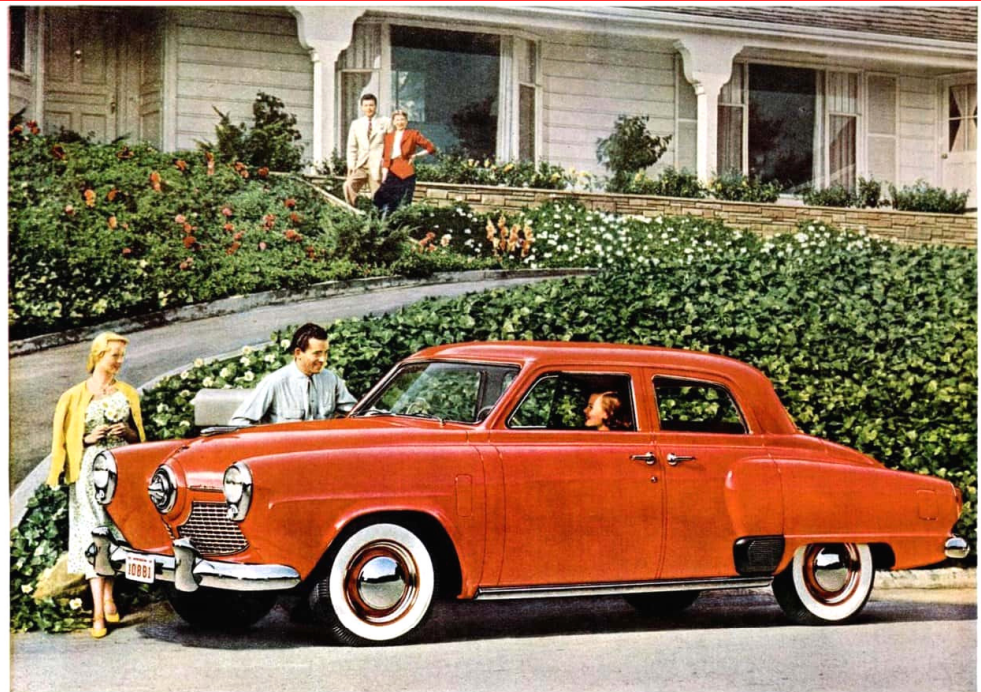
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From the Editor's Pen

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the news letter this past year. It is gratifying to have your help in providing both necessary and interesting content for the eleven issues created during the year.

Please take note of the stolen car information on page 9. Chapter members Frank and Elizabeth van Doorn's beautiful 1952 Commander was stolen when the trailer in which it was stored was taken from a storage facility in Omaha. Be on the watch for the car.

Please call or email me if you stop receiving the newsletter any time during the year. In the past I have had computer problems and had to reconstruct mailing lists resulting in inadvertently leaving out addresses. My apologies. If you miss a newsletter or have deleted one you can always view the current (and past) newsletters on the Chapter web site. Click on the Newsletters link at <http://www.grandcanyonsdc.com/>

Thanks to this month's contributors: Michell Eastburn, Dan Kuhl, Steve Piper, Pete Yuen, Jerry Blout and Herman Thoms.

Best wishes to all for Happy Holidays! *Chris*



Reminder: To be a member of the GCSC you must be a member of the Studebaker Drivers Club.

If your SDC dues are not current, please visit <https://sdc.cornerstonereg.com/> to renew. Dues are \$36.00 for one year, \$99.00 for three years or \$161.00 for five years. If you no longer wish to receive *Turning Wheels*, there is a membership option without the magazine at \$12.00 per year.

THANKS TO 2022 HOSTS

Thank you to **Paul Miller and Camille Mills** for hosting the Chapter's April event at their home in north Phoenix and to **Larry Polhill** for hosting the Anniversary and Holiday Celebration in December at the location of his Studebaker collection.

MEETING HOSTS WANTED

If you would like to host a Chapter meeting or event in 2023, please contact a board member and tell him/her what you have in mind. See contact info below.

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STATE OF THE CHAPTER

By Michell Eastburn, President

Season's Greetings as I write this for the 12th and final month of 2022. Seems as though this year has flown by, but then again don't they all. Reflecting on this past year I hope that good times were had by all at our numerous chapter meetings, cruise-ins and car shows throughout the valley and beyond. I would like to thank the Chapter members, families and friends for participating, volunteering, supplying and hosting the Grand Canyon State Chapter Studebaker Drivers Club this year, it has been a pleasure serving as your President, once again.



Our 2022 season will be coming to a close Saturday, December 10th, at our 50th Anniversary Holiday Party Membership Appreciation Extravaganza hosted by Larry Polhill. What an amazing accomplishment to celebrate 50 years as a chapter! I can't imagine that when my dad was helping to create this Chapter in 1972, that he thought 50 years later his sons and daughter would be helping to lead that same Chapter. Can't wait to catch up with you all and celebrate our Chapter Founding Fathers, Bill Eastburn, Ike Quigley, Tom Pfeifer, Bob Thompson, Gene Nagle and Chuck Naugle.

Looking to the near future our Winter Gathering will be held on January 21st at the Martin Auto Museum. This event will surely start off 2023 with a bang, don't miss it. Hoping for a beautiful morning to allow for a beautiful showing of cars where people's choice awards will be presented. Don't forget there will be swapping at the event as well. Along with a membership meeting, a silent auction will be held, and lunch will be available.

The board continues to plan new and exciting activities for 2023 and we are excited to get the new year started. Well wishes and Merry Christmas for the final month of 2022 and warm wishes for the new 2023 year. Once again thank you members of the Grand Canyon State Chapter Studebaker Drivers Club for supporting, encouraging, volunteering and participating in all things Studebaker, for without you this club would not be a club.



Welcome New Members!

Chuck & Diane Plevich
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 Casa Grande, AZ 85122
 480-600-2585
 1958 Pickup

Referred by John Kroulik

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

Members who will have their 2023 dues comp'd are John Kroulik, Denny Lockmon, Larry Polhill and Dale Sexton. Congrats and Thanks!

If you would like membership materials to carry with you, please contact Chris at ccollinsaz@cox.net and she can provide you past newsletters and brochures.

2023 CHAPTER DUES

Grand Canyon State Chapter dues are due in December and for 2023 dues for all members will be \$20.00 yearly. Among the many benefits of Chapter membership is the newsletter and you will still have the choice of receiving it through the mail or electronically via an email but **please consider having your newsletter sent by email only. This will help contain the increasing costs of printing and stamps (which will increase from 60¢ to 63¢ in 2023) as well as cut down on the labor involved in mailing. Your consent to receive an email copy only would be appreciated.**

Dues can be paid by cash, check or via Pay Pal (see web site for link.) Please complete the application on page 12 if paying by mail or send the information by email if paying via Pay Pal. Your up-to-date information keeps the Chapter roster current.

PAY PAL USERS: When the Chapter first set up Pay Pal to accept dues it had a subscription feature which a few members used. Subscriptions are no longer offered and those who have not cancelled their subscriptions, please do so, then pay your dues using the normal Pay Pal check out. Thank you for your assistance with this bit of housekeeping.

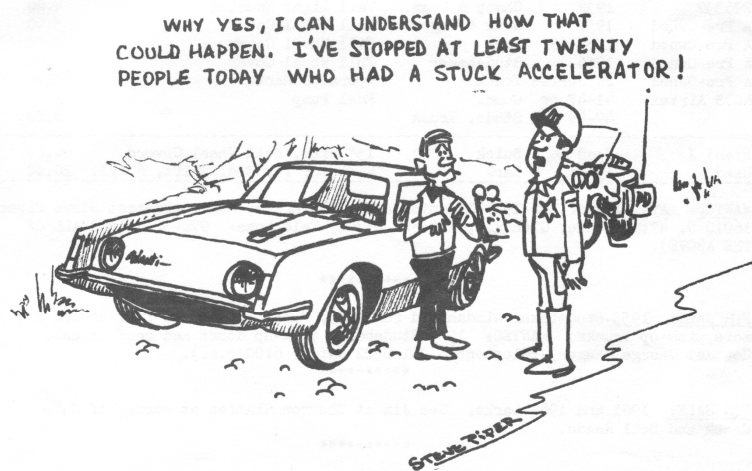
GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER THROUGH THE YEARS

The first newsletter, Volume 1 Number 1, of the Grand Canyon State Chapter was published in May, 1972 when the Chapter was a few weeks away from receiving its charter from the Studebaker Drivers Club. The first editor was Thomas Pfeifer, Phoenix, who volunteered at the second meeting held at Randolph Park in Tucson. An organizational letter from Ike Quigley and Gene Nagel to potential members announcing the first ever meeting at the Ambers Restaurant in Glendale was reprinted in the October *ECHO*. This meeting was followed by a picnic at Randolph Park where Tom became editor and other new members were elected officers from among the nearly 70 Studebaker enthusiasts in attendance. The officers elected were Curt Davis, president; Terry Lewis, vice-president; Steve Stoner, secretary-treasurer; and Melvin Ullery, tourmaster. Chuck Naugle of Tucson was appointed assistant tourmaster. Terry and Steve were also from Tucson.

At the picnic a questionnaire was circulated and the results were:

- ◆ The average age was 34
- ◆ The eldest being 57
- ◆ The youngest being 19
- ◆ The total number Studebakers owned being 249
- ◆ The preference for meeting time was Sunday afternoon
- ◆ The preference for yearly dues was \$4.00
- ◆ The preference for types of meetings in the following order was: picnics, swap meets for parts and information, technical, tune-up and repair work sessions, road rallies and economy runs, parties, business only.

Following this gathering, the GCSC met at the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument on May 21st, 1972 with a picnic followed by a technical seminar on engines. The editor noted that the next issue of the newsletter would have a want ads section, a feature article on a member's car each month and any technical or Studebaker related articles members wished to share.



Steve Piper showcased his considerable artistic ability during the 1980s and '90s submitting cartoons to *The ECHO* from time to time. Shown is one of his creations from the January-February, 1980 issue, Glen and Rosalie Torske, editors.

Steve also frequently contributed a column entitled "Studebakers in the Fast Lane" where he wrote about Studebakers that had been modified by their owners.

Steve remains a member and lives in Prescott with his wife, Vicki.

Rosalie is a member of the GCS and SAC Chapters and lives in Tucson.

From 2010: The image on the right was the logo of the International SDC Meet hosted by the Grand Canyon State Chapter. The Studebaker is a 1926 5-passenger Big Six Duplex-Phaeton, a model that was used by the sheriffs of 12 of the 14 Arizona counties, and was nicknamed "The Sheriff."

The model for the artwork was a Sheriff owned at the time by Chapter member Frank Wenzel of Palm Springs. The car was displayed prominently in the convention center where the swap meet and many activities were held during the May 31-June 4, 2010 meet at the Renaissance Glendale Hotel.



GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- DECEMBER 4** GCSC BOARD AND OFFICERS WILL MEET AT 2:00 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.
- DECEMBER 10** CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY, MEMBER APPRECIATION AND 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AT LARRY POLHILL'S PRIVATE COLLECTION, 7856 N. GLEN HARBOR BLVD., GLENDALE FROM 11:00AM TO 3:00PM, WITH A YUMMY ITALIAN DINNER AND THE FIXINGS SERVED AT NOON. IT WILL BE AN INDOOR/OUTDOOR EVENT/PLAN ACCORDINGLY. COME AND ENJOY THE VENUE, A CAR SHOW AND THE REMINISCENCES OF CHAPTER HISTORY, EVENTS AND FRIENDSHIPS. 50/50 RAFFLE. FOOD BANK DONATIONS ARE WELCOME. DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER, IF YOU CAN. CONTACT PEGGY AT peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116 FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO RSVP BY DECEMBER 3RD.
- DIRECTIONS:** FROM THE LOOP 101, EXIT NORTHERN AVE., PROCEED WEST ABOUT 1.5 MILES TO THE TRAFFIC LIGHT AT GLEN HARBOR BLVD./103RD AVE., PROCEED SOUTH (LEFT); LOOK FOR THE STUDEBAKER FEATHERS IN THE MEDIAN. THE ROAD WILL WIND SOUTHWEST, FOLLOW IT TO JUST PAST THE COCA COLA SIGN ON THE RIGHT TO 7856 N. GLEN HARBOR BLVD. ON THE RIGHT. FROM THE EAST ON NORTHERN AVE. PROCEED AS ABOVE TO GLEN HARBOR BLVD.
- JANUARY 15, 2023** SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER'S ANNUAL BANQUET TO BE HELD AT WHITE STALLION RANCH, 9251 W. TWIN PEAKS RD., TUCSON WITH DOORS OPEN AT NOON AND LUNCH AT 12:30. HAMBURGERS, GRILLED CHICKEN, BEANS, MAC & CHEESE, BREADS AND COOKIES AT \$26.53 PP INCLUDES TAX. MUST RSVP AND PREPAY BY JANUARY 9 TO SAC, PO BOX 12913, TUCSON 85732. INFO: BOB AT 520-465-9873
- JANUARY 21, 2023** WINTER GATHERING TO BE HELD AT MARTIN AUTO MUSEUM, 4320 W. THUNDERBIRD, GLENDALE FROM 10AM TO 2PM. CAR SHOW, PEOPLE'S CHOICE WITH AWARDS, SWAP MEET, SILENT AUCTION IN PARKING LOT FROM 10 TO NOON. LUNCH AT NOON. \$20 PP INCLUDES MUSEUM ENTRY FEE AND LUNCH. DONATIONS FOR THE SILENT AUCTION AND SPONSORS FOR AWARDS ARE WELCOME. CONTACT PEGGY TO DONATE OR SPONSOR, TO RSVP OR FOR MORE INFO AT 623-936-6116 OR peggyeastburn@hotmail.com
- MARCH, 2023** ALL ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING. WATCH THIS SPACE FOR DETAILS.
- MARCH, 2023** ASC PALM SPRINGS MEET - INFO TO FOLLOW OR CALL FRANK AT 760-774-3377.
- SEPTEMBER 12-16, 2023** INTERNATIONAL SDC MEET TO BE HOSTED BY THE WISCONSIN REGION CHAPTER IN MANITOWOC, WIS. WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION SOON IN *TURNING WHEELS*.

FOR ALL UNDERLINED EVENTS LISTED ABOVE VISIT THE CHAPTER FACEBOOK PAGE STUDEBAKERS GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER TO ADD THE EVENTS TO YOUR CALENDAR. OR CONTACT PEGGY AT 623-936-6116 or peggyeastburn@hotmail.com FOR INFORMATION.

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.



50TH ANNIVERSARY HOLIDAY PARTY AND MEMBER APPRECIATION EXTRAVAGANZA

Saturday, December 10th

At Larry Polhill's private collection
7856 North Glen Harbor Blvd, Glendale
Arrive 11:00 AM, Lunch at 12:00 PM

Venue is location of Larry's private Studebaker collection -
view his cars and memorabilia.

Drive your Studebaker - car show in parking lot.
Chapter memorabilia from over the years will be displayed.

The event will be an indoor/outdoor event, plan accordingly.
See directions to the party on page 5.

Italian dinner with all the fixings will be served.
Special program for Anniversary Commemoration.
50/50 raffle.

2023 Officers and Board will be announced.

Food bank donations welcome.

Please RSVP by December 3rd to Peggy Eastburn
at peggyeastburn@hotmail.com or 623-936-6116.



Visit the Chapter Facebook page (Studebakers Grand Canyon State Chapter) to add this event to your calendar.

December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-2146				1	2	3
4 GCSC Board Meets	5	6	7	8	9	10 Chapter Party
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Hanukkah begins	19	20	21 ***** First Day of Winter	22	23	24
26 Hanukkah ends	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	

NON CHAPTER CAR EVENTS OF INTEREST

DECEMBER 4 TOYZ 4 TOTZ CRUISE

The Remember When Cruise Association and the Wickenburg Chapter of Cops Who Care host the annual Toyz 4 Totz Cruise to Wickenburg on Sunday, December 4th. The cruise ends at the Wickenburg Community Center, 160 N. Valentine St. for a car show with raffle prizes, 50/50 drawing and music. Entry is one unwrapped new toy to help provide gifts for children.

For additional information contact Sherry at 602-326-0924 or rwca2011@gmail.com

MIDWEEK MOTORHEAD MEETUP

The Kaiser Frazer Owners Club Desert Region invites orphan car club members and other classic car owners to participate in a new cruise-in the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month in the fall, winter and spring at the Arizona Golf Resort (AZGR), 424 S. Power Rd., Mesa (Power & Broadway Rds.) from 4pm to 8pm. The hosts hope to attract the large 55+ community in the East Valley to come out to see the cars. DJ Music, AZGR will sell food.

For additional information contact Greg Jessen at greg@midweekmotorheadmeetups.com or 602-312-3394.

HANDY TIPS

By Jerry Blount, Northwest Chapter

1. You can't have too many tools. Good deals on good quality tools can be had at automotive swap meet.
2. Keep your tools clean and organized. When working on a project, you shouldn't be spending time looking for tools. Clean your tools and put them away properly after using them.
3. Don't buy tires on price alone. They may be in stock for a long time. When buying tires look for "fresh" ones. Check the date that the tire was manufactured.
4. The most common road failure is cooling related. Inspect your radiator and heater hoses. If you do not know when they were last replaced, then replace them.
5. Never re-use cotter pins. Have an assortment of new, ones available. They are very inexpensive.



CELEBRATE! December Birthdays



2	Pat Swanson	17	Kathy Parkey
3	Bill Eastburn	17	Linda Saar
4	Rosalie Torske	20	Marlene Stearn
5	John Lewis	21	John Zimmerman
5	Dennis Lynde	27	Cynthia Phillips
10	Don Parkey	28	Russ Ware
12	Maryanne Eastburn	31	Elaine Wright
16	Larry Malmstrom		

December Anniversaries

2	Tim & Joyce Wright
3	Dana & Meridith Tietz
27	Russ & Sharon Ware



Children's Birthdays

21	Sadie Tietz (daughter of Dana & Meridith)
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Thoughts and Well Wishes to

Aleta Millette
George Stout
Judy Stout
Evelyn Verrill
John Verrill

Web Sites of Interest

<https://tinyurl.com/yckj538a> Hemmings article: If Studebaker were still building cars, would Canada still be able to enjoy its beloved Tim Hortons coffee and donuts?

<https://tinyurl.com/2wa6xd32> Sneak peak at 2023 International SDC Meet schedule.

<https://tinyurl.com/5n9a2y78> Discussion on SDC Forum about Old Car Hobby Future.



STUDEBAKER CARS FOR SALE

1964 Daytona Hardtop. On frame restoration, 289 bored .30 over, half dished pistons, R2 rebuilt heads with stainless valves, R3 headers, new Edelbrock carb 650, electronic ignition, new vintage air/heat, radio converted to am/fm, rebuilt 700r, TT 3:73, 3 core aluminum radiator with shroud, disc & drum brakes, rebuilt front end & steering box, new front springs & re-arched rear with added leaf, heavy duty sway bars front & rear, Erb cam & rebuilt supercharger, R2 water pump, fuel pump plus and electric fuel pump, exhaust system, redone interior and paint. Less than 1200 miles. Built to be a driver but wouldn't take much to be show. \$27,500. Walt 602-885-2216 (2)



1955 Champion Deluxe 2 door. Black and Grey metallic, 350 crate SBC, 700R4 automatic, Ford rear end, 12 volt conversion, Vintage Air A/C, Classic instruments, QA-1 performance rear suspension, tinted windows. \$19,000 Don Aden 602-762-0009 parkadenwine6@gmail.com More pictures on myrideisme.com - look for DonandVicky or 1955 Studebaker. (1)

1964 Gran Turismo Hawk. Strato Blue with White Vinyl Sports Roof. Blue Vinyl Interior with A/C PS TT Power Shift AT. 74,760 miles. Final Assembly date on production order is 12/17/63 and sold 1/3/64 in Coral Gables. Florida. From estate it needs some storage related tinkering. \$19,750 or BO or trade for an equally nice 1941 Champion Double Dater. Bruce Sandburg, Benson 520-586-9173 (0)



More ads on page 11.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Keeping the oil in the pan where it belongs.

Contributed by Herman Thoms, Studebakers West
Reprinted from January-February, 1980 *ECHO*, Glen & Rosalie Torske, editors.



Studebakers don't leak oil if the pan gaskets and crank shaft seals are properly installed. Follow your shop manual procedure and in addition do the following:

REAR MAIN — Apply a thin film of Permatex No. 2 or a similar non-hardening type sealer to the face of the rear main cap rearward from the front edge of the oil slinger cavity. Apply the sealer before installing the lower half of the Brummer (rear) seal.

OIL PAN — Install the oil pan as outlined under "Oil Pan Installation" and in addition add a small amount of Permatex No. 2 or similar non-hardening type sealer to the following areas:

1. Apply a small amount of sealer at the junction of the front and rear oil pan end gaskets and the side gaskets.
2. Apply sealer to the front face and ends of the filler block.
3. Apply a ribbon of sealer between the oil pan and the oil pan end gaskets.
4. Install a small quantity of sealer in the recesses in the rear main bearing cap before installing the small cork seals.



Information taken from service letter N-1964-1, dated December 9, 1963. It is also in the 1959-64 shop manual listed under engine sealing for the 170 OHV engine, but the procedure is applicable to all Studebaker engines.

Shop manuals are available from StudebakerParts.com or most Studebaker vendors listed in the March, 2022 *Turning Wheels* magazine.

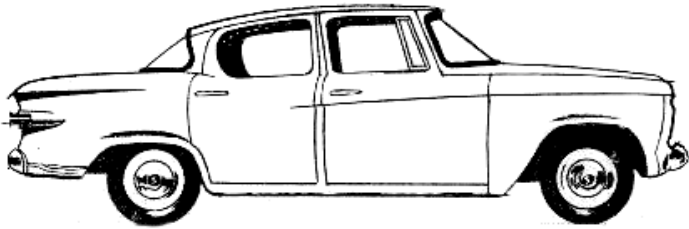
Drive Your Studebaker!

YOU'LL LOVE THAT FOUR-DOOR

By Dan Kuhl

Recently an Auto Restoration Club (at Sun City West) member brought a 1954 Pontiac Chieftain four-door into the shop to breathe some life back into its flathead straight-8 engine after sitting in the California desert for umpteen years. He is a confirmed hot rodder who has never owned a car from the 50s nor a four-door sedan. His Pontiac is definitely a horse of a different color. On the other hand, I have owned several four-door collector cars over the past 38 years. A thank you goes out to him for giving me the impetus to enlighten the Club on the merits of owning these wonderful old cars that are too often overlooked by a car-hobby enthusiast.

We need to preserve the four-door sedan which came as a station wagon or hardtop as well, because these workhorses are intrinsically linked to our nation's history as are Victorian homes and turn of the century mills. These are the cars that sold in greatest numbers, as noted in the latest issue of *Turning Wheels*, a publication of the Studebaker Drivers Club, and carried the American family to work, school, church, and across the country on Rt-66.



From the hobbyist's point of view these cars have many desirable characteristics. A four-door sedan was affordable when it was new and is affordable today when compared to the two-door hardtop and convertible. The balance sheet looks like this: the owner gets 50% more doors for about 50% less money. This

makes pretty good sense, especially if you are trying to break into the collector car hobby.

The extra doors can be doubly important if you are transporting kids, grandparents, pets or if you decide to take friends out for dinner and show off your ride. And, remember there is typically more room in a four-door model, especially a station wagon.

Practicality set aside, what would make an antique car junkie happy? In a nutshell, the ride. We buy these cars to drive and reminisce about the good-old-days. Once you've made the decision to buy a four-door you will notice the front and back ends are the same as a hardtop as are the following: the same engine and drive-train, the same interior and instrument panel, and the same view out the windshield.

When all is said and done, affordability is the key factor. You get your ride at a reasonable price, save a part of history, and have fun doing it. When it comes time to sell it you will not make a killing, but guess what, you didn't pay a ton for it either. Such is the story with my '40 Ford that I recently purchased and my '53 Buick, purchased in 2015. My first four-door purchased in 1984, was a '63 Studebaker Daytona Wagonaire with the sliding top currently owned by Larry Polhill. All three are uniquely nostalgic with great histories and get their share of attention at car shows. But most important, the two that I own currently are a thrill to drive.

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My '52 Studebaker was stolen! *Frank and Elizabeth van Doorn*

On the 23rd of November I went to my secure storage facility (in Omaha, Neb.) where I store a couple of my Studebakers and found our 1952 Studebaker Commander hardtop and its enclosed trailer missing. I had parked it there upon returning from the SDC North Central Zone meet in Salina, Kansas on September 25th. I had not been back there until this past Wednesday and found an empty spot in the outside lot where my trailer used to be. This was a big shock, of course.

Car serial number on door post is 8219612. The car has a translucent red steering wheel and is a standard shift overdrive model. The trailer is a 20 feet wedge nose tandem, white in color with some damage on the right front corner. Its brand name is Carry On, serial number 4YMBC2022JM015250.

Anyone who rents space at the storage place has their own assigned code number to punch in to get the electric gate to open but they got in somehow. There are also cameras in place and I hold out hope something will show. All pertinent info and pictures have been transmitted to the Omaha police auto theft unit. This car should be hard to sell as it is pretty unique. Nobody would have known what was in the trailer so I surmised that they were hoping it belonged to someone that had all their tools of the trade in it. This has happened around here several times.

Please keep an eye out for our car. Thanks.

If you have any information about the car or trailer please contact Frank at 402-657-5318.



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~ Bill Watterson

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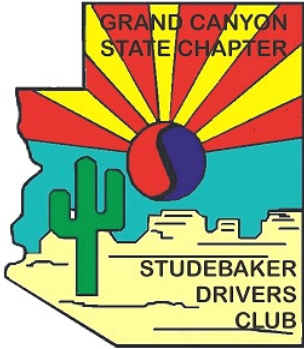


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- 4 Board Meeting
- 10 Celebration Party

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Plastic

In life, there are many Pros and Cons.

There is ample usage of plastics in a modern car. Pro or Con? . . . Both, depending on the usage.

Pros: * Plastic is lighter than the steel or metal part that it replaces.

Does not rust.

Easily molded.

When used on intake manifolds, it stays cooler.

Less costly to manufacture than metal parts

Carbon fibre is a very strong and light material.

Plastic rust-proof (2 part) paints are effective replacement for the lead- based paints.

Nylon, seems to be quite a good product. In many cases it is used an anti-friction material.

Still, the modern ball joint that uses nylon does not have the durability of the older, all metal ball joints that can be lubricated. That said, the greaseable ball joints, if not lubricated will wear out prematurely.

Lexan is a plastic that resist impact. It is used on headlight covers instead of glass on modern cars. Impact of rocks can often break glass covers but they mostly bounce off Lexan.

Cons: * Fibreglass bodies on Avanti(s) do not rust but they get stress cracks.

Can become brittle with time.

Cannot take much stress without reinforcement.

Toxic when it is burnt.

Some are not recyclable (at this time).

Lexan as used in headlight covers get fogged up with age. That impeded the amount of light that can pass through the cover. (The "Fogging" can be cleared by **very mild** abrasives.)

Kits are available at auto supply stores.

Carbon fibre is very expensive compared with steel. Will there be widespread usage of the material in the future? – Time will tell. In the meantime, there are many raves about the material.

When plastic is used as impellers in water pumps, it can become loose on the shaft resulting in the impeller not turning with the shaft. This, in turn , causes the engine to overheat when operated.

Radiators in cars with plastic tanks have only 7 -10 years life span on the average.

Plastics becomes brittle in engine bays, especially if the car has a turbo-charger.

Ever increase of usage of plastics in modern cars.

The Modern and Future Car:

More and more parts are being built into an assembly. Parts that once was replaced for example, \$100 or so may be put into an assembly that is hovering in the \$1,000 mark. This is a common practice nowadays.

The new cars have nice features but at a cost. The more features in a car, the more chances of having trouble with them in the future. However, one must consider that "nothing" lasts forever, except dirt.

Contributed by Pete Yuen.