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Happy
Valentine's
day

LOOKING AHEAD TO MARCH

Arizona Studebaker Gathering

Saturday, March 4, 2023
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

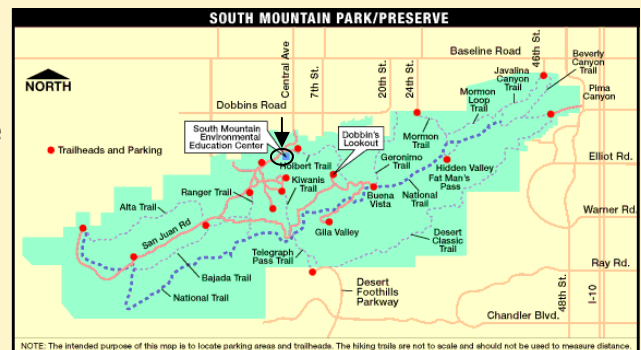
at South Mountain Park
10919 S. Central Ave., Phoenix

*Studebaker Car Show! Swap Meet! Fun Judging!
Dash Plaques! Valve Cover Racing! Raffle!*

Directions to event venue:

After passing through entrance to the park, take the first left to the Holbert Trail Picnic Area.

Watch for signage and the feather banners.



All Studebakers and related makes welcome!

No pre-registration or entry fee!

Information: See page 7 or contact
Peggy Eastburn at 623-936-6116
or peggyeastburn@hotmail.com

Visit the Chapter at our web site at www.grandcanyonsdc.com
or on Facebook at Studebakers Grand Canyon State Chapter

From the Editor's Pen

At its January meeting the Chapter board voted to further honor the two remaining founding members, Ike Quigley and Bill Eastburn, with lifetime Chapter membership. Thanks to Bill and Ike and the others who were instrumental in the founding of the GCSC for their dedication to Studebaker and keeping its legacy alive.

Russ and Sharon Ware have renewed their business card ad for StudebakerParts.com. Thank you. Please support our advertisers when they have a product or service you can use.

While at the Martin Auto Museum for our January event, I heard a number of visitors comment how informative the docents were in describing various vehicles and their history. The Museum could use more docent volunteers and if this sounds of interest to you contact the Museum at 602-298-2377 to learn how you could help.

Thanks to this month's contributors: Dan Kuhl, Michell Eastburn, John Rodhouse, Steve Fein, Pete Yuen and the editors of *The Copper Starlight*, newsletter of the Southern Arizona Chapter.

Keep the Studes rolling.

Chris



Thanks to all who made food donations at the Chapter Anniversary and Holiday Party in December to benefit the Lakeview United Methodist Church food bank program. You were very generous!

Studebaker — Builder of Champions

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.

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STATE OF THE CHAPTER

By Michell Eastburn, President

Wow, all I can say is wow. It was so great to see so many smiling faces on January 21st at our Annual Winter Gathering hosted at the Martin Auto Museum. I wish I would have had a chance to talk to all 120+ of you, but I guess there just wasn't enough time in the day. I hope everyone enjoyed the beautiful day as much as I did.



Thank you to the board members that helped make this event run so smoothly and a quick shout out to Kolton Kroulik (Merle), Lenny & Barb Olsen, Gerry Carr, Gwen Eastburn, Will Eastburn and to all those who brought auction and door prize items and last but not least to the 35+ members and attendees that drove their beautiful Studebakers and Studebaker related vehicles.

The board has worked diligently over the past few months to get 2023 off to a fresh start. We have planned a variety of events that I hope everyone will enjoy. Please plan to join us at Streetside Classics this month when we attend an all makes and model car show that they are hosting. The inside and the outside of the event will have something for everyone to look at.

Also, if you are looking to get out of town this month, think about checking out the Studes in our sister chapter on the 11th. The Southern Arizona Chapter (SAC) is hosting their 2nd Annual Car Show at the Historic Canoa Ranch in Green Valley; this should be a nice show and will be advertised to the community by Pima County, so check your fluids and tire pressure and I'll see you there.

Your Tourmaster has been working hard on bringing back the annual All Studebaker Gathering March Madness event to South Mountain; same time, same place, same fun! Get your valve cover racer ready and if you are feeling extra creative, make a trophy for the fun judging.

If you don't happen to get out of town this month to join the SAC, maybe plan on joining the Southern California ASC Chapter for their spring meet. March 23-25 will be fun filled days in Palm Springs, hope to see some of you there, too! (Don't forget to get your tickets to the PS Aerial Tramway, what a sight to see!!)

Hopefully no April showers when we gather in Scottsdale at the McCormick Stillman Railroad park for a BYOL (bring your own lunch) picnic. Check out the calendar page for more details on these events.

Going to take minute to let the Chapter (and surrounding Chapters) know that I am beyond appreciative to be a part of this Chapter and serve as your President. As I mention often, it takes all of to keep this Chapter alive, but I am so happy to be surrounded by so many supportive and helpful members that will reach out a helping hand or make a phone call just to show their appreciation of how much is put into each and every event that we host. This Chapter was able to celebrate 50 years of fellowship and my hope is that we get to enjoy another 50 years of fellowship!

Welcome New Members!

Mark Aldrich and Doug Deimeke
73 Prairie Falcon
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1963 GT Hawk

Engle & Audrey Bouwmeester
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250-319-4326
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1954 Commander 4dr Sedan

2023 CHAPTER DUES

Grand Canyon State Chapter dues are due and for 2023 dues for all members are \$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 taking care of this issue.



Studebaker

GCSC WINTER GATHERING

The Chapter hosted another fun-filled and well-attended Winter Gathering at one of our most popular event venues, the Martin Auto Museum (MAM) in Glendale, on Saturday, January 21st. The winter event was held at the former MAM location for years, then in 2022 and 2023 we have moved to the new museum with its roomy covered parking lot spaces for the car show and swapping as well as the expanded museum with around 170 vehicles including three Studebakers. Admission to the museum was included in the event entry fee along with a light lunch. Chapter president Michell Eastburn and vice president Peggy Eastburn coordinated the day's activities starting off with getting cars parked, swapper set-up and registering participants. Throughout the morning folks were chatting with old and new friends, checking out the silent auction items and bidding, buying tickets for the 50/50 raffle, visiting the museum, shopping the vendors and grabbing coffee and lunch.

At noon, Michell convened the meeting, welcoming attendees and introducing the Chapter board. Out-of-town guests from Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kansas, Washington, New Mexico, California, Alberta and B.C. were acknowledged and new members introduced. She thanked the Museum staff, Denny Lockmon for setting up the event, Stuart Tritt for making awards and all who helped with set up. Chris Collins reminded members to renew dues for 2023 and spoke about the Studebaker National Foundation meeting on Friday where a \$2,000 scholarship was awarded to a student at McPherson College; Frank Wenzel invited members to the ASC Spring Meet in Palm Springs, March 23-25; Randy Goble made an invitation to the Southern Arizona Chapter's February event at the historic Canoa Park in Green Valley; and, Paul Miller spoke of a possible outing to tour a private car collection.

Then, Michell gave a recap of highlights of the Chapter's 50 years celebrated in 2022. Winning silent auction bidders received their sought-after goodies and John Rodhouse conducted the 50/50 raffle drawing with Buddy Wright taking home \$137.00. Michell thanked the sponsors of the People's Choice awards: Tim and Cynthia Phillips, Chuck and Chris Collins, Arizona Avanti Owners Association, Jim Clever and StudebakerParts.com - Russ and Sharon Ware. The License Plate awards were given to the five highest vote getters: Larry Polhill, 1955 President; Mike and Mary Barany, 1956 Golden Hawk; Bob and Mimi Halgren, 1958 President HT; Denny Lockmon, 1959 Larkamino; Laurie Sumner, 1955 President Speedster. Congratulations to all.

Michell made announcements for upcoming events: February 18th - Streetside Classics Spring Car Show benefiting the United Food Bank; March 4th - Arizona Studebaker Gathering at South Mountain Park; April 15th - Chapter Picnic at McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park, Scottsdale.

She concluded the day's events with a hearty thank you to everyone for their participation.



Laurie Sumner with her People's Choice award.



Bob & Mimi Halgren's 1958 President HT

Driving Studebakers to the Winter Gathering were Mike & Mary Barany, 1956 Golden Hawk; Engel & Audrey Bouwmeester, 1954 Commander Sedan; Chuck & Chris Collins, 1963 GT Hawk; Luis & Debbie Cruz, 1963 Wagonaire; Adam DeRosa, 1972 Avanti II; Bill & Peggy Eastburn, 1964 Wagonaire; Chris Eastburn, 1963 Champ; Michell Eastburn, 1965 Commander; Will Eastburn, 1962 Champ; Bob & Mimi Halgren, 1958 President Hardtop; Gary & Sandie Keating, 1934 Commander Street Rod; Dave Kirkel, 1963 GT Hawk; Garry Klinger, 1952 Commander; John Kroulik, 1958 Pickup & Goat Wagon; Dan Kuhl, 1959 Scotsman; Denny Lockmon & Maryann Lemley, 1959 Larkamino; Mike Lynch, 1962 7E13; Paul Miller & Camille Miles, Bullet Nose Custom; Shawn & Michele Miller, 1964 Champ; Lenny & Barb Olsen, 1937 Coupe Express; Don Parkey, 1960 Lark; Tim & Cynthia Phillips, 1955 Commander; Larry Polhill and friends, 1955 President, 1963 Avanti, 1962 GT Hawk; Gord Richmond, 1960 Lark; John Rodhouse, Callan & Ainsley, 1950 Champion SLC; Mr. Schmidt, 1940 President; John Seim, 1965 Wagonaire; Jeff Stout, 1960 Hawk; Butch Summers, 1948 Champion Street Rod; Laurie Sumner, 1955 Speedster; Russ & Sharon Ware, 1951 Land Cruiser; Eric Willis, Hawk; Buddy Wright, 1953 2R5; Manuel Jimenez, 1959 Silver Hawk; John Ball, 1957 Packard. Another 70+ Studebaker fans attended.

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- FEBRUARY 5** 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.
- FEBRUARY 18** CHAPTER WILL PARTICIPATE IN STREETSIDE CLASSICS SPRING CAR SHOW TO BENEFIT THE UNITED FOOD BANK FROM 9AM TO 1PM AT 614 E. AUTO CENTER DR. SUITE 101, MESA (OFF MESA DR. & US 60). NO REGISTRATION FEE. CHAPTER WILL ENTER FOR LARGEST CAR CLUB MEMBER TURN-OUT COMPETITION. TO BE INCLUDED RSVP TO PEGGY AT 623-936-6116/peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / SEE PAGE 6.
- MARCH 4** ALL-ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING AT SOUTH MOUNTAIN PARK, 10919 S. CENTRAL AVE., PHOENIX. 10AM - 3PM. START THINKING ABOUT A FUN JUDGING PRIZE YOU CAN CREATE AND AWARD. DONATIONS FOR CAN RAFFLE ARE WELCOME. SEE PAGE 7 FOR DETAILS OR CONTACT PEGGY AT peggyeastburn@hotmail.com OR 623-936-6116
DIRECTIONS TO EVENT VENUE: THE PARK IS AT SOUTH END OF CENTRAL AVE., PHOENIX. AFTER PASSING THROUGH ENTRANCE TO PARK, TAKE THE FIRST LEFT TO THE HOLBERT TRAIL PICNIC AREA. WATCH FOR SIGNAGE AND FEATHER BANNERS.
- MARCH 23-25** ASC SPRNG MEET IN PALM SPRINGS HOSTED BY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER. HOST HOTEL: VAGABOND INN, 1699 E. PALM CANYON DR., PALM SPRINGS \$145 KING, \$155 2 DOUBLES BY FEB. 24. 760-325-7211, MENTION ASC. MEET & GREET, GROUP MEALS, DRIVE TOURS. \$30PP PAYABLE ON ARRIVAL. RSVP TO FRANK: 760-774-3377.
- APRIL 15** OUTING TO MCCORMICK-STILLMAN RAILROAD PARK, 7301 E. INDIAN BEND RD., SCOTTSDALE, 10AM TO 2PM. A RAMADA HAS BEEN RESERVED. BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC LUNCH. GENERAL STORE AT PARK SELLS HOT DOGS AND ICE CREAM CONES. NO ADMISSION FEE TO RAILROAD MUSEUM OR MODEL TRAIN BUILDING. TRAIN AND CAROUSEL RIDES ARE \$3. MORE DETAILS FORTHCOMING OR CONTACT PEGGY AT 623-936-6116 / peggyeastburn@hotmail.com
- MAY 28** 49TH ANNUAL LA PALMA CAR SHOW & SWAP MEET AT LA PALMA PARK, 1125 N. LA PALMA PKWY., ANAHEIM, CALIF. 8AM TO 3PM \$25 ENTRY FOR DISPLAY CAR, \$30 IF JUDGED. SWAP SPACE, \$25. VISIT <http://studebakersocal.com/> FOR MORE INFORMATION OR REGISTRATION FORM.
- SEPTEMBER 12-16** 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.

FEBRUARY 15 MIDWEEK MOTORHEAD MEETUP

The Kaiser Frazer Owners Club - Desert Region invites orphan car club members and other classic car owners to participate in a cruise-in on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Arizona Golf Resort, 424 S. Power Rd., Mesa (Power & Broadway Rds.) from 3pm to 7pm. Fire pits, popcorn and hot chocolate, raffle drawings and DJ music. The Resort sells food, too.

For more information contact Greg Jessen at 602-312-3394 or greg@MidweekMotorheadMeetups.com

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENT

FEBRUARY 18 STREETSIDE CLASSICS SHOW

The Chapter will participate in the Spring Car Show Streetside Classics is hosting to benefit the United Food Bank on Saturday, February 18 from 9am to 1pm at 614 E. Auto Center Dr., Suite 101, Mesa (off Mesa Dr. and US 60, just east of Larry Miller Ford). There is no registration fee for this event unless you wish to have your car judged then there is a \$10.00 fee and you will need to register and pay by February 14th at

<https://springcarshow2023.eventbrite.com>

Be on site by 9 am to be judged; judging begins at 10 am and closes at 12 pm. Categories are: -Most Radical - Best Original Build - Best Modified - Best Truck - Best in Show.

There is also a competition for largest car club member turn-out and most SS Classic spirit. If you plan to attend the event RSVP to Peggy by February 6th for the Chapter to be included in the competition and for Streetside to know how much space will be needed for our club.

Show attractions include food trucks, vendors, great music, raffle prizes and more. For those attending, register at the address above before the event to qualify for 5 extra raffle tickets. There is no fee to do this.

Be sure to bring a canned food donation for the food bank. To RSVP or for more information contact Peggy at 623-936-6116 / peggyeastburn@hotmail.com

See page 7 for March event information.

The inventor of the stop sign never learned how to drive.

Few people have had a larger or more positive impact on the way we drive than William Phelps Eno, sometimes called the “father of traffic safety.” The New York City-born Eno — who invented the stop sign around the dawn of the 20th century — once traced the inspiration for his career to a horse-drawn-carriage traffic jam he experienced as a child in Manhattan in 1867: “There were only about a dozen horses and carriages involved, and all that was needed was a little order to keep the traffic moving,” he later wrote. “Yet nobody knew exactly what to do; neither the drivers nor the police knew anything about the control of traffic.”



After his father's death in 1898 left him with a multimillion-dollar inheritance, Eno devoted himself to creating a field that didn't otherwise exist: traffic management. He developed the first traffic plans for New York, Paris, and London. In 1921, he founded the Washington, D.C.-based Eno Center for Transportation, a research foundation on multimodal transportation issues that still exists. One thing Eno didn't do, however, is learn how to drive. Perhaps because he had such extensive knowledge of them, Eno distrusted automobiles and preferred riding horses. He died in Connecticut at the age of 86 in 1945 having never driven a car.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Questions? Call Chris at 602-995-2146			1	2 Groundhog Day	3	4
5 GCSC Board Meets	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 	15	16 1852-H&C Studebaker Blacksmith Shop Opens	17	18 Streetside Spring Car Show
19	20 President's Day	21	22 Ash Wednesday	23	24	25
26	27	28	3-1	3-2	3-3	3-4 Meet at S. Mountain Park

ARIZONA STUDEBAKER GATHERING
MARCH 4, 2023 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
SOUTH MOUNTAIN PARK
10919 S. CENTRAL AVE., PHOENIX

Every two years the GCS Chapter hosts an Arizona Studebaker Gathering in March and it will be held in 2023 on March 4th at South Mountain Park, Phoenix from 10 am-3pm. All Studebakers and related makes are welcome. There is no pre-registration or entry fee.

STUDEBAKER DISPLAY AND FUN JUDGING - Plan to drive or trailer your Studebaker for the display, whether it is a show car, driver or project you are working on. All are Welcome! See article below about making/donating fun judging awards.

SWAP MEET - Do you have spare parts in your garage you no longer need or can use? Bring them to the meet and sell them from a parking space, trunk of your Studebaker or from the bed of a truck.

RAFFLE - Donations of Studebaker and non-Studebaker items are needed for a successful raffle. Themed baskets are always popular along with models and other fun items. Bring your donation to the registration table at the meet or the next meeting at Streetside Classics.

VALVE COVER RACES - Make and bring a racer using a Studebaker valve cover. Here are the rules:

1. Total weight cannot exceed 10 pounds. There will be an official scale.
2. Must be a Studebaker valve cover.
3. Total length must not exceed 10% over stock length of original valve cover.
4. Dimensions may be no longer than 12" high or 12" wide.
5. No sharp edges for protrusions on the racer.
6. Must be gravity powered. Absolutely no power allowed.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED. You can volunteer to assist to insure a successful meet. Contact Peggy or Michell and let them know you can help.

- ◆ Setting up canopies and tables. Arrive by 9:00 am for set up.
- ◆ Setting up raffle and selling tickets.
- ◆ Registering participants.
- ◆ Helping with parking.
- ◆ Setting up valve cover race track; helping with races.

Please make plans to attend and enjoy the day with your Studebaker friends. There will be a food vendor or bring your own food, drinks and chairs.

See you at South Mountain Park at 10919 S. Central Ave., Phoenix at the south end of Central Ave. Watch for signs and feather banner at entrance to our picnic area.

To volunteer or for information:

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CELEBRATE!

February Birthdays



2	Anita MacFadden	21	Laurie Sumner
3	Will Eastburn	22	Sandie Keating
5	Chantell Stevens	22	Kevin MacFadden
8	Nancy Bradfield	22	Eric Richardson
8	Richard Hertline	24	Janet Miller
10	Jim Clever	24	Paul Wolff
10	Terri Main	25	Harold Manley
11	Tim Wright	26	Jim McDonald
15	Brian Serbin	26	Jim Pruitt
18	Po Hso	28	Kim Rodhouse
18	Robbie Stevens		Amanda Willis
20	Pete Mensing	7	Linda Smith
20	Brian Millette		

February Anniversaries

5	Robbie & Chantell Stevens
10	Eric & Deanna Richardson
16	Bill & Judy Barker

Children's Birthdays

5	Aubrey Eastburn (daughter of Chris & Rachel)
14	Callan Rodhouse (son of John & Kim)
18	Sydney Tietz (daughter of Dana & Meridith)

Thoughts and Well Wishes to

Bob Halgren
 Jim Nereau
 Rosalie Torske

FUN JUDGING AWARDS FOR MARCH EVENT

For the All-Arizona Studebaker Gathering on March 4th, chapter members can create a fun judging award to give another Studebaker owner you decide best represents your award. Think of some aspect of a Studebaker or of driving a Studebaker for which you could give a prize. Create an award using your imagination with materials you have on hand and on the day of the event find a Studebaker that best fits your criteria and be ready to give it to the driver.

Some suggestions from past events include Best Working Clock, Oldest Studebaker, Best Wheels Covers, Shiniest Bumper...You get the idea. Get started and have fun!

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER TREASURER'S REPORT 8/6/2022-12/31/2022			
Submitted by John Rodhouse		P.O. Box	156.00
		Web Site Hosting	119.88
		Name Badges	10.75
		October Event Food	217.00
		Anniversary Party	2500.00
		Anniversary Party Gifts	<u>422.06</u>
			\$4,209.35
		Ending Balance as of 12/31/22	\$3,598.26
		MONEY MARKET	
		Beginning Balance 8/6/2022	\$7,328.14
		Transfer to checking account-Anniversary Party	-2500.00
		Interest @.05%	<u>.29</u>
		Ending Balance 12/31/2022	\$4,828.43
		PAY PAL	
		Beginning Balance	\$513.82
		Dues Paid	194.00
		Pay Pal Fees Paid	<u>-12.16</u>
		Ending Balance	695.66
		Cash on Hand	260.00
		Grand Total 12/31/2022	\$9,382.35
GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER TREASURER'S REPORT 8/6/2022-12/31/2022			
Submitted by John Rodhouse			
CHECKING ACCOUNT			
Beginning Balance as of 8/6/22	\$3,605.11		
RECEIPTS			
SDC Dues	125.00		
2022 Chapter Dues	12.50		
2023 Chapter Dues	1028.00		
ECHO Ad	25.00		
50/50 - April	97.00		
50/50 - December	180.00		
T-Shirt Sales	110.00		
Name Badges	10.00		
Coaster Sales	115.00		
MM Transfer-Anniversary Party	<u>2500.00</u>		
	\$4,202.50		
	\$7,807.61		
DISBURSEMENTS			
SDC Dues	125.00		
ECHO Printing & Postage Sept-Dec	658.66		

SOUTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER NEWS

The Southern Arizona Chapter's **annual banquet** was held Sunday, January 15th at a new-to-this-event venue- the White Stallion Ranch, a very scenic resort located on Twin Peaks Road adjacent to the Saguaro National Park. The festivities included dinner, raffles, drawings and election of officers. Elected for a two-year term were Ann Pearson, President; Randy Goble, Vice-President/Tourmaster; Paul Storm, Treasurer; Marj Scooros, Secretary. Randy had already served two terms as president and will take on the duties of arranging the Chapter's activities.

GCSC members attending from the Valley were Bill & Peggy Eastburn, Michell Eastburn, Russ & Sharon Ware, Jim Clever, George Gezelius and Ed and Linda Smith.

February 11, the Southern Arizona Chapter hosts it's second Annual Car Show at the historic Canoa Ranch in Green Valley. It is held in affiliation with the Pima County Natural Parks and Recreation Division. If you would like to make the trip down to Green Valley for this show here is information from the Chapter's newsletter:

Canoa Ranch requests that Studebakers arrive by 9:30, so we can park and complete registration before the gates open at 10:00. We plan to be there until 2 p.m. Pima County will do the advertising to the public, so people can be exposed to our shiny Studebakers. We can have some fun, and this is a way to raise money for the restoration of the Manning family facilities. A lot of entertaining at the ranch in the 1940s and 50s with the movie and TV stars that came to old Tucson. We'll have a food truck from the Longhorn Restaurant, plus another food truck arranged by Canoa Ranch. No fee will be required for anyone driving their Studebakers. The X cars are requested to do a donation at the gate, and they will be required to park by the lake. Let's get some more of our Studebakers running and shined up for this wonderful outing.

The directions to the ranch are as follows: Take I-19 south to Green Valley and exit at mile marker 56, which is Canoa Road. Go under I-19 to the round about and bear left to the Canoa Ranch exit. Follow the Frontage Road ½ mile to 5375 S. I-19 Frontage Road and turn right. (There will be signs to follow.)

Contact the tourmaster Randy Goble at 520-749-4484 if you have questions.

HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH LIABILITY COVERAGE?

One day, a motorist in France stalled his Citroen on the railway crossing. Unable to move the car off the tracks as the train approached, he fled from it. The train, unable to stop, struck the car. The collision caused the train to derail and ripped up 300 feet of tracks, resulting in 20 boxcars of beer to be spilled into a nearby river. The beer killed all the fish in the river, thus, it put the local fishermen out of work for a season. The railway's service was disrupted for 6 weeks. The engineer suffered 2 cracked ribs. He, the fishermen and the railway sued the motorist's insurance company. The total for the claims exceeded 7 million dollars,

The lesson to be learned here is, first, to drive a Studebaker, not a Citroen, the second thing is not to park on the railway when the train is approaching, and the third thing is to have enough insurance coverage.

Contributed by Pete Yuen.

CHAMPION, THIRD TIME IS THE CHARM

By Dan Kuhl

In the 1920s the Studebaker Corporation attempted to emulate what Ford, GM and Chrysler were doing, offer automobiles at all price points. Albert Erskine, president of Studebaker, decided that remaining in the mid-price field did not bode well for the company's future. He purchased the Pierce Arrow brand to fill the luxury gap and developed a new low priced car, the Erskine.

As mentioned in a previous article, he kept Pierce Arrow alive for a few more years to produce some of the most iconic cars of the classic period, and sadly wasted time and money on the Little Aristocrat (Erskine), a car that wasn't really a Studebaker. Quoted from the reference: "The Erskine was not really a Studebaker car of the kind which the car buyer was accustomed. The body was designed by Dietrich Company of Detroit. Production of the bodies was done by the Budd Company of Philadelphia, and the small flathead six was supplied by the Continental Motor Corporation of Chicago. The Erskine was a car assembled by Studebaker, but was not a Studebaker in the traditional sense."

By the end of 1931 A.R. Erskine was crying for a another new low price product line. The new car would be the Rockne. It began production in 1932 and ended in 1933. With the White Motor Car debacle that year, the company was forced into receivership. Note: The 1931 Studebaker Company Annual Report boasted of products in all three passenger car price fields with a line of trucks from White in their stable.

Soon after Studebaker went into receivership in March of 1933, President Erskine passed away. A federal court appointed Harold Vance and Paul Hoffman as receivers; these men would run the company for many years after. With their efforts and much planning another new Studebaker automobile in the low price field was in the making.

From 1935 until 1938 Mr. Vance and Mr. Hoffman began work on the next and final candidate for the low priced field. After receiving accolades for the styling of the 1938 models (See the 1938 State Commander Convertible Sedan recently obtained by the Studebaker National Museum, December, 2022 *Turning Wheels*), one of Raymond Loewy's styling staff, Clare Hodgkin, director of product design, received the nod to design the new model, the Champion (Raymond Loewy headed the largest industrial design firm in the world at this time).

The Studebaker Board of Directors still believed a car was needed to better compete with the other automobile companies. They knew it was going to be the new Champion and was willing to spend the 4.5 million dollars that was spent on this "do-or-die" project. The new Studebaker would be a new type of light-weight car that offered, comfort, convenience, ride and handling, equal or better than any car in the low priced field. Styling wise, it was ahead of the competitors with its hidden hinges and running boards. But more importantly would offer a new small six cylinder engine with an overdrive transmission. This would be the first time that overdrive would be available in a car in the low priced field. When all was said-and-done, the new Champion came in at 2389 pounds, which was 500 pounds less than comparable models sold by the aforementioned manufacturers. Proof of its future success was the winning of the Mobilgas Economy Run in 1940.

People flooded Studebaker dealerships in 1939 to see the all new Champion. Some reporters compared its debut to that of the Ford Model A in 1927. In an August 1939 press release it was reported that 842 new dealers had been added with the Champion release. Furthermore, by 1941 over 55% of new cars manufactured were Champions. Over 6,000 Champions were produced in January 1942, before production was curtailed due to WWII production demands. During the war the Champion engine powered an all-terrain vehicle, the Weasel. Over 15,000 Weasels were manufactured for the war effort and was still in the army's inventory into the 1960's.

After the war Studebaker came back with the "First By Far with a Post-War Car", the Skyway Champion. In the 50s Studebaker held its own in the battle over V8 power, but it excelled at the end of the decade with its Champion powered Lark that debuted in 1959. It stole the show with its economy following the recession in 1958. In the 60's the newly styled pickup, the Champ, was named after the stalwart Champion. The Champion was the last all new car introduced by Studebaker; Mr. Ebert stated in his article. "it is doubtful that Studebaker would have survived into the 60s without the Champion".

Reference: Ebert, Robert R. (Spring 2022). Erskines, Rocknes, and Champions. *Automotive History Review*, No. 63, pp. 8-23.

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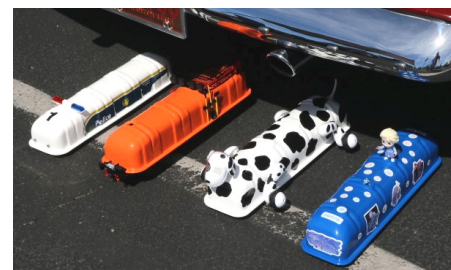
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