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Studebaker Drivers Club

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BACKYARD BBQ & POTLUCK

When: Saturday, April 5, 2025 **RSVP By Thursday April 3rd**

Time: 11:00am with lunch at 12:00pm

Location: Home of Bill & Peggy Eastburn - 6314 West Fillmore St, Phoenix, AZ 85043

Come join in a backyard barbeque with your Studebaker Family followed by a membership meeting. The Chapter will be providing the main dish (Peggy is preparing green chili pork [not spicy], chicken, beans and a salad) and members are asked to share their favorite side dish and/or dessert. Drinks and table ware will be provided. The Eastburn's have a collection of several unique Studebakers and a lush green grass backyard adorned with several yard animals. Come to relax, kick back and grab a beer/cocktail, some food and let's enjoy being outside before it gets "too hot".

Directions to the Eastburn's are:

From East/West exit Interstate 10 (I-10) at 67th Avenue, proceed south off the freeway about 1/2 mile to turn left (east) on Fillmore Street (if you make it to Van Buren, you've gone too far). Proceed down Fillmore Street toward 63rd Ave. The home is the 3rd house west of 63rd Ave on the right side of the road.

From the South (Loop 202 South Mountain) exit Loop 202 at Van Buren Street, proceed straight north along the frontage road to Roosevelt Street. Turn left at Roosevelt Street (stay in far left lane which will take you straight west on Roosevelt St). Proceed west on Roosevelt Street to 63rd Avenue (there is a school on the north side) and turn left (south) and go about 4 blocks to the Stop sign at Fillmore St. Turn right and the house is 3rd house on the right.

You should see a Stude in the driveway (and next door) and the front yard has green grass surrounded by a wooden picket fence. The Studebaker feather will be out near the house. There will be a few driveway parking spots available for Studes, all other members can park along the left and right side of Fillmore Street.

For more information and to RSVP contact Peggy at
peggyeastburn@hotmail.com 623-936-6116.

Visit the Chapter Facebook page Studebakers Grand Canyon State Chapter to add Chapter events to your calendar.

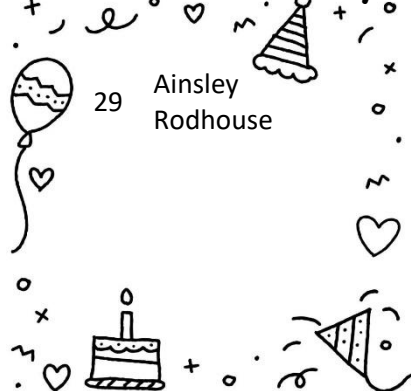
Photo from the 2024 BBQ at the Eastburn's.



Happy Birthday

5	Karen Mensing
5	Louise Stanford
12	Deanna Manley
16	Tim Painter
19	Jerry Kaiser
25	Chris Eastburn
25	Bobbi Nall
26	Linda Costell
27	Chester Bradfield

Children's Birthday's



Happy Anniversary

8	Steve & Paulette Fein,
10	Carl & Esther Reid
12	Bill & Peggy Eastburn
19	Kevin & Anita MacFadden
25	Pete & Karen Mensing

WELL WISHES: Frank Wenzel

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 We are still looking for an Editor, let a Board member know if you are interested. If being the Editor is a bit too much but would like to contribute, please consider writing an article for a Chapter event you attend, send over an article about sharing your Studebaker at another event, share a recipe, or share an article that you think may be of interest to others (can be non-car related). Send your entries over to [peggyeastburn@hotmail.com](mailto:peggyeastburn@hotmail.com) and [yearbootwendy@yahoo.com](mailto:yearbootwendy@yahoo.com) and we will get you in the ECHO.  
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STATE OF THE CHAPTER

Michell Eastburn, President

With nearly 16 Studebakers and about 90 people, the Southern Arizona Chapter 50th Anniversary All Studebaker Gathering Fiesta was a fun filled, adventurous day! With the opportunity to be the first spectators at the new Tucson Auto Museum (it had not been open to the public) made March 15th just that much more awesome. Thank you to the Southern Arizona Chapter for hosting the 2025 All Studebaker Gathering March Madness event and inviting all of us down to join the festivities.



What an awesome Spring we have had, and frankly a cool spring, mixed with a few hot days. It's nice to see people getting out with their family and friends in their Studebakers! It was neat on March 22nd to see 8 Studebakers and 1 Oldsmobile for Bakers & Bosa. Most of us had to get a bit creative in our driving skills to beat the construction traffic, but it was ok since Bosa never disappoints! Thank you to those of you that drove out and gathered for our 2nd March event.

The board continues to plan events throughout the spring and early summer will be enjoying the outdoor weather as long as we can. This month we will gather at the home of Bill & Peggy Eastburn for a Backyard BBQ and potluck. And upcoming months will take us to Streetside Classics to check out some neat rides and Organ Stop Pizza to hear the Mighty Wurlitzer.

April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month. Follow these safety tips for a safe ride every time:

- Need to send a text? Pull over and park your car in a safe location.
- Designate your passenger as your "designated texter" and/or Google Maps navigator
- Avoid scrolling through apps, including social media, while driving
- Remind your friends and family: If you're in the driver's seat, it's the only thing you should be doing.
- If your driver is texting or otherwise distracted, tell them to stop and focus on the road.

BAKERS & BOSA

What better way to enjoy Studebakers than with donuts for breakfast?

Several members and friends joined us for our March Bakers & Bosa event on the 22nd at the Bosa Donuts in Mesa on Country Club Dr. and Southern Ave. Despite all of us having to find a unique and creative way to get around the construction, a total of 8 Studebakers and 1 Oldsmobile gathered with around 20 attendees to grab a donut and talk about Studes. This simple cruise-in event allowed those that were unable to make it and/or unable to drive their Stude to Tucson on the 15th to get out and about in the Phx area in March. It was great to see all the 4-legged friends that joined us, made for some great conversation and of course lots of head-pats for the dogs. A short meeting was held to discuss past events and upcoming events and a \$30 cash prize drivers award was won by John & Kim Rodhouse. Additionally, the board agreed to present Dennis Lynde & Linda Saar with a \$30 cash prize drivers award for being the only Studebaker to DRIVE from the Phx area to the Tucson March 15th event.

Joining for Bakers & Bosa was: Kent Musgave (24 EM Light 6 Roadster) Jerry Day (Oldsmobile Vista Cruiser), Rick Paitl & Sharon Trapp (62 GT Hawk), Dennis Lynde & Linda Saar (63 GT Hawk), Gary Keating (34 Commander), Garry Klinger (52 SLC), John & Kim Rodhouse with Callan and Ainsley Rodhouse (50 Champion), Joe & Kathy McKee (56 Sky Hawk), Michell Eastburn (65 Commander), Aaron & Belinda Scott, Rich Ettenson & Deena Cukier, James & Stephanie Bell, and Ed Devlin.

Written by Michell Eastburn



SAC 50TH ANNIVERSARY

MARCH GATHERING FIESTA

The Southern Arizona Chapter of the SDC will be hosted this years March Madness All Studebaker Gathering better known as their 50th Anniversary March Gathering Fiesta on Saturday, March 15th at the Tucson Auto Museum. What an honor it was to be the first civilians to grace the Museums floors, as they had not opened to the public yet. The day turned out to be better than anyone would have thought based on the days and morning leading up to the event. Not to say that we all didn't need the rain, but holy moly it makes it hard to plan an outdoor event knowing there is rain in the forecast. Mother Nature decided to be on our side, and the day was absolutely beautiful.

Several GCSC members met at the Rudy's enjoyed a breakfast taco before hitting the road to Sabino Canyon. Dennis Lynde, joined by Linda Saar, Richard Dormois, and Claudia Robinette, was the lone ranger driving his 63 GT Hawk to the event. Caravanning along was John Rodhouse with Callan and Ainsley, Garry Klinger with Truman (dog), Michell Eastburn with Studebaker Jr. Goat Wagon in tote, Bill & Peggy Eastburn, and guests Tom & Joyce Pfeifer. Also participating in bringing their Studebakers to the event were Malcolm Stinson towing his 28 President Roadster.

Attendees gathered outside to register and there they received their people's choice ballots and sticker for Museum entrance. Once a little tire-kicking was done and ballots were cast members proceeded into the Museum to enjoy a few more cars. The Tucson Auto Museum offered some pretty unique views of cars and such that frankly I had never seen before. There was a few Studebakers in the mix including an Avanti, Packard Hawk, and a Business Coupe.

We all met in a back room that was decorated with 50th Anniversary décor and an awesome slide show with photos of the SAC through the years. Attendees were able to participate in the can raffle and 50/50 raffle all while enjoying a catered lunch from El Molinito and washed it all down with cake. In addition, several lucky attendees received the custom made center piece plates and all attendees were gifted with a custom SAC 50th Anniversary denim keychain (all hand crafted by SAC member Dee Northington). The SAC Founding Chapter Members, Bruce Sandburg and Fred Gooch were also presented with their own 50th Anniversary custom made plate. Last, but not least, the Grand Canyon State Chapter sponsored the 4Ea People's Choice Awards for this event and one came back to Phx as, Dennis Lynde & Linda Saar won with their 63 GT Hawk.

Thank you to Ann Pearson, Randy Goble and the rest of the Southern Arizona Chapter SDC for inviting us down to celebrate their 50th Anniversary March Gathering Fiesta. Thank you to all those that made the trip from north of the Tucson area: Dennis Lynde & Linda Saar (63 GT Hawk), Malcolm Stinson (28 President Roadster), Michell Eastburn (Studebaker Jr. Goat Wagon), Richard Dormois, Claudia Robinette, Jim Clever, George Gezelius, Chuck & Chris Collins Bill & Peggy Eastburn, Richard Ettenson & Deena Cukier, John Kroulik with guest Pat Naugle, Garry Klinger, John Rodhouse with Callan and Aisley Rodhouse, Russ & Sharon Ware, Eric Willis & Father, Jon Carter & Guest, James & Stephanie Bell, Chuck Plevich, and guests Tom & Joyce Pfeifer.

Written by Michell Eastburn



Members enjoying the meeting room at the Tucson Auto Museum; Left: Claudia Robinette and Richard Dormois. Right: Ainsley, Callan, & John Rodhouse.

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- APRIL 5** **CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP MEETING AT HOME OF BILL AND PEGGY EASTBURN, 6314 W. FILLMORE ST., PHOENIX. MEET AT 11AM FOR A BACK YARD BARBECUE AND POT LUCK AT 12PM. SEE FRONT APGE FOR DETAILS. RSVP BY 04/03 TO PEGGY - 623-936-6116 OR peggyeastburn@hotmail.com**
- MAY** **CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP MEETING STREETSIDE CLASSICS, 614 E Auto Center Dr, St 101 Mesa, 85204**
- JULY 14
SUNDAY** **CHAPTER GATHERS AT ORGAN STOP PIZZA, 1149 E. SOUTHERN AVE, MESA AT Sunday 4:00PM FOR PIZZA AND MUSIC FROM THE MIGHTY WURLITZER. BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR THE FUN. NOW ACCEPTING CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS. INFO: PEGGY AT peggyeastburn@hotmail.com / 623-936-6116**
- SEP 16-20** **61ST INTERNATIONAL SDC MEET IN WASHINGTON, PENN. HOSTED BY ALLEGHENY REGION CHAPTER. CHECK IN AT <https://sdcmeet.com/> FOR LATEST INFORMATION. SDC AND AAOI WILL SHARE MEET HOTEL. ASC WILL MEET SEPTEMBER 14-16 JUST PRIOR TO SDC MEET AT HOST HOTEL HOLIDAY EXPRESS & SUITES, CALL 724-884-0556 AND MENTION ASC. CLOSEST AIRPORT TO MEETS IS PITTSBURGH INT'L.**

FOR ALL UNDERLINED EVENTS LISTED ABOVE VISIT THE CHAPTER FACEBOOK PAGE STUDEBAKERS GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER TO ADD THE EVENTS TO YOUR CALENDAR.

We had one Studebaker pass on grabbing donuts with us on March 22nd to join in the 14th Annual Apache Well Car Show in Mesa. Member, Butch Summers took his 48 Champion 2 door sedan to the car show where 327 cars were registered and he walked away with a Best in Class trophy. Able to join in the celebration was Michell with her 65 Commander, though she arrived too late to register.



Photos Courtesy of Butch Summers

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Please complete the application on page 12 if paying in person at an event or if by mail and include with your payment. If paying by Pal Pal please send the information requested by the application by email to ccollinsaz@cox.net Your up-to-date information keeps the Chapter roster current.

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

If your SDC dues are not current or you are not sure if you are current, please contact Cornerstone Registration at 760-420-7829. Dues are \$46.00 for one year, \$132.00 for three years or \$220.00 for five years. If you no longer wish to receive *Turning Wheels*, there is a membership option without the magazine at \$15.00 per year.

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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 2025. Just ask the new member to mention your name on the application where it asks "Referred By".

CLASSIFIED ADS

STUDEBAKERS FOR SALE:

1964 Studebaker Daytona. On frame restoration-rebuilt 289ci bored .30; 1/2 dished pistons; stainless valves for unleaded gas; polished crank, assembled and balanced by Morrison machine shop; Savon trans rebuilt 700r; front end with receipts; TT 3:73; HD springs and after-market sway bars; BC/CC paint; new interior; oem replacement dash; front wiring harness; Paxton Supercharger with Avanti sidemount; rebuilt R-2 carb&heads, ERB cam and rebuilt SC/high output; R-3 headers; 3row aluminium radiator & shroud; electric pusher fan; new vintage air/heat, and much more see add - [1964 Studebaker Daytona 2 dr for sale by owner - Peoria, AZ - craigslist](#) Asking \$27,500 Walt - 602-885-2216

1951 Studebaker Commander. Chevy 350/400 combo with floor shifter and cable throttle. Mallory unilite distributor. Shorty headers to replacement exhaust system. Aluminum radiator. Turner Front Disc Brake conversion. Currently not running but would need basic wiring and battery only. Some leaks, otherwise mostly original. Original engine and trans available to go with it. Asking \$7K. Ruth Cushing 623-376-7054 or idlewildrac@msn.com

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1947 Champion, 4dr. Project car. Engine and transmission operable. New tires. Rebuilt starter. Located in Willcox. Call Raymond at 520-254-2757; Leave message if no answer.

1964 Daytona 2DR Hardtop. 259 V8, Flightomatic, Runs, transmission seems OK. Arizona car, little rust, needs to be restored. \$2250. **1961 Lark 2DR Hardtop,** 259 V8, Flightomatic. Arizona car, not running, needs to be restored. \$1250. Lark and Hawk sheet metal also for sale. Avanti parts also, needs to go. Apache Junction. Keith Graham 602-818-8376

1939 President Eight Cruising Sedan. All original 39,000 miles. Likely the best all original '39 of any model in existence. Paint, chrome, interior all original and near new. A few accessories have been added including front and rear center bumper guards, wig-wag tail light, radio that works. First Place at SDC Intl meet in last 10 years. Runs and drives well. Art Seifert, Kansas. Phone: 913-522-9671 art@fresheyesinternational.com

STUDEBAKER PARTS & SUCH FOR SALE:

Studebaker 6 bladed cooling fan. Should fit most V8 1951-1964. \$25 OBO **Studebaker door handle finger guards-** PART # AC-2699-I think will fit most cars 1953-1964. Very good condition \$45 pair OBO. I have a single one that has been repaired-make offer on it. **New in box Magnetic mount towing lights.** Wiring harness plugs into your tow vehicle for turn signals & brake lights. \$25 OBO **Buick Skylark script-2** pair different years-all tabs intact \$25 OBO for all 4 pieces. Fred Gooch 520-883-7418 for questions or pics. nora.gooch@yahoo.com

1oz Studebaker Silver Coins. Many for sale. Contact Charles at 480-532-6058.

Studebaker Manuals - FREE. 1947 Champion Shop Manual. 1955 Shop, Parts and Chassis Manuals. Used. Pick up in Litchfield Park. Cliff at 602-692-1814

What to expect when you are expecting your Travel ID in the mail

By Bill Lamoreaux / ADOT Communication March 27, 2025 ([What to expect when you are expecting your Travel ID in the mail | Department of Transportation](#))

As you have heard by now, May 7 is the deadline for federal REAL ID, also known as the Arizona Travel ID, deadline. We know you are aware, because many of you are choosing to update your standard Arizona IDs to the federally compliant version. However, we also understand that many people may not know what to look for in the mail. You may expect an envelope with the MVD logo on it, or an envelope with a clear window showing your new ID. Sorry to let you down, but your new credential will come in a plain white envelope.

The Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division mails those new credentials to your home address in an unmarked envelope without an ADOT or MVD logo to protect your credential and your identity. Mail theft is a common way to steal identities, and that's another reason for MVD to be careful with your new driver license or ID card. As annoying as something that looks like junk mail can be, we'd rather have you face that than mail thieves.

Whether you went to an [MVD office](#) or an [authorized third party location](#) to update your ID, it should take about 10 days to arrive at your mailbox. So, if you are expecting a new card in the mail, you might just want to be a little more selective as you determine what to throw away. Avoid having to contact the MVD for another copy and possibly missing your flight without the new federally compliant ID card.

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