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Grand Canyon State Chapter
Studebaker Drivers Club

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BRUNCH AT DEER VALLEY AIRPORT RESTURANT

When: Saturday, June 14, 2025 RSVP By Wednesday June 11th

Time: 10:30am with lunch at 11:00am

Location: Deer Valley Airport Restaurant; 702 West Deer Valley Rd, Phx 85027 (7th Ave and Deer Valley Rd)

Come join for a quick Cruise-In and brunch at Barrio Brewing at the Deer Valley Airport Restaurant. It has been a while since the members of the Grand Canyon State Chapter has gathered at the Airport Restaurant. Though the venue is the same, the food is a bit different. We will be able to watch the airplanes take-off and land as we enjoy breakfast/lunch provided by Barrio Brewing; check out their menu:

<https://www.barriobrewingphoenix.com/menu/>

We will gather in the back room and enjoy a choice of breakfast or lunch from the menu. A short membership meeting will be held. It will be a bit warm out, please plan accordingly. If your Stude is not the best form of transportation in this Phx June weather, plan to drive something that is a bit more convenient.

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.



Happy Birthday

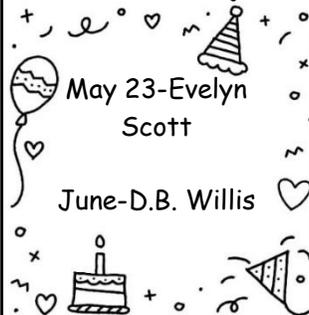
Happy Anniversary

May	
1	Peggy Akin
1	Jim Carr
3	Randy Goble
4	Carl Reid
4	Esther Reid
4	Buddy Wright
6	Georgi Otis
11	Bruce Sandberg
12	Denise Frink
14	Aleta Millette
16	Sheri Engstrom
20	Virginia Quigley
20	John Verrill
22	Belinda Scott
23	Sue King
30	Lisa Lynch

June	
2	Lou Fencil
4	John Carter
6	Ed Costell
6	Jerry Day
7	June Kaiser
8	Jim Nereau
11	Julie Serbin
12	Peggy Eastburn
14	Don Slifer
19	Paul Miller
20	Doug Nall
21	Richard Dormois
22	Donna Goble
23	John Rodhouse
25	Mimi Halgren
25	John Stern
26	Bill Barker
26	Dana Crosby
27	Sid Rosen
30	John Snyder

May	
3	Don & Sheri Engstrom
4	Paul & Lola Horvath
4	Bill & Cheryl Simmons

Children's Birthdays



June	
2	Lenny & Barb Olsen
3	Chester & Nancy Bradfield
3	Lenka Hospdka & Sam Powell
3	Jerry & June Kaiser
3	Butch & Laura Summers
6	Mike & Mary Barany
7	Chuck & Chris Collins
8	Norman & Janice Marineau
8	Buddy & Elaine Wright
16	Mike & Lisa Lynch
20	John & Marlene Stearn
22	Bob & Mimi Halgren
25	Richard & Linda Hertline
26	Ted & Jan Widhalm
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STATE OF THE CHAPTER

Michell Eastburn, President

June is here, and well, so is the Arizona heat. Though we got a few breaks with some beautiful rain late in May, we all know that searching for shade is something that we will all be doing for the next few months. Holy moly, seems like it's been a while since we have gathered with our Studebakers since we met over 1 month ago for lunch at Wally Burgers in Phoenix. What a great turnout, thank you to all of those that joined, drove their Stude, and supporting a small local business.



I am excited to go back to the Deer Valley Airport, it's been so long. In addition to hosting Membership Meetings at this venue, we used to host our Board Meetings at the airport restaurant too, that is until the pandemic shut down that option. Barrio Brewing has re-opened the restaurant and offers a nice selection of breakfast and lunch options, and it's a microbrewery so, if you feel so inclined, grab in ice cold beer.

As usual, in July we will be meeting at Organ Stop Pizza in Mesa to hear the Mighty Wurlitzer. I am kinda excited to take a bit of a break in August, cause frankly the rest of the year is so busy. The board is looking for a nice venue to meet and enjoy for International Drive Your Studebaker Day in Sept, if you have ideas let us know.

Stay Hydrated my friends!

BACKYARD BBQ & POTLUCK

Just like old times...

Many good memories growing up was attending Studebaker Potluck membership meetings, my brothers and I used to look forward to them every month. Things have definitely changed over the years and the backyard/driveway potlucks have dwindled, however I am happy to keep the memory alive by helping Bill & Peggy Eastburn, once again, host a Grand Canyon State Chapter Studebaker Potluck membership meeting.

On April 5th members and friends joined at Bill & Peggy's house in west Phx for an amazing potluck and fellowship. Peggy prepared some awesome green chili pork, pulled chicken, ranch beans and a green salad while members shared their favorite side dishes and desserts. Members grabbed a cold drink and wandered around the lush green grass of the backyard enjoying a unique collection of several Studebakers and even a oversized goat named Billy. Great conversations ensued as new and old members and family friends came together to celebrate a beautiful spring day and Studebakers. Thanks to all those who joined and shared your yummy recipes and gifts of love.

Gathering for our April backyard BBQ & Potluck was:

John Rodhouse with Callan Rodhouse (50 SLC), Bill & Peggy Eastburn (64 Champ) with guest Kevin & Nancy Wick, Michell Eastburn (65 Commander), Dennis Lynde & Linda Saar (63 GT Hawk), Walt Jazwinski (64 Lark), Bob & Carol Westfall (50 Ford Sedan), George Gazelius (T-Bird), Carl Reid (Hang Ten), Fred Schlegel & Diane King, Tim Phillips, Lenny & Barb Olsen, Gregg & Kimberly Lea, Jim & Jerry Carr, Norman & Janice Marineau, Kolton Kroulik with Liz Stonehocker,

Camille Miles & Paul Miller, Ed & Linda Costell, Rick Paitl, John Kroulik with Christine Welden and grandchild, Domenica Eastburn, Ron Rasmussen, and Rich Ettenson & Deena Cukier with the pups.

Written by and photos by Michell Eastburn



Burgers & Bakers

In March we enjoyed breakfast donuts, so fitting we enjoyed lunch burgers in May. Studebakers decorated the parking lot at 43rd Ave and Peoria Ave while their drivers' devoured burgers and more inside at Wally Burger's on May 5th. Several members and friends joined us for our May cruise-in, a total of 15 Studebakers and 1 Ford gathered with over 40 attendees to grab lunch and talk about Studes. No formal membership meeting was held, however the President and Vice President made rounds in the parking lot and dining room discussing upcoming items and other Chapter related topics. Drivers were entered into a 'drivers raffle' a \$30 cash prize drivers award was won by Larry Polhill. Thank you to all those that came out to support the Chapter and Wally Burgers.

Joining for Burgers & Bakers was: Lalo & Sheri Soto (58 Silver Hawk), Walt Jazwinski (64 Lark), William Eastburn with Gwenyth Eastburn (63 Hawk), Chris Eastburn with Chloe Eastburn (63 Champ & 59 Larkette), Don Parkey (60 Lark), Rick Melms (88 Avanti), Larry Polhill with 10 guests (62 Hawk, 64 Champ, 63 Avanti, 51 Champion, 63 Wagonaire, 59 Lark), Bob Gasson (55 President), Michell Eastburn (65 Commander), Bill & Peggy Eastburn (64 Champ), Bob & Carol Westfall (50 Ford Sedan), Ike & Viginia Quigley, Ron Rasmussen, Paul & Phyllis Setaro, Jim & Jerry Carr, Butch Summers, John & Kim Rodhouse with Callan and Ainsley Rodhouse, Jim Clever, Rich Ettenson & Deena Cukier with the pups, Kolton Kroulik with Liz Stonehocker and 1 guest, Ed Devlin, Steve & Paulette Fein, Robert Wagner, Paul & Barbara Dean, and Tom Pfifer.

Written by Michell Eastburn



Photo Credit: Michell Eastburn

Gotta check out what's under the hood; Ed Devlin and Jim Clever join Bill Eastburn and Will Eastburn checking out our new members, Lalo & Sheri Soto's, 58 Silver Hawk. Many may have recognized the Hawk, as it was a member of the Chapter for many years when owned by the late John Kemper (husband of Annie Kemper and father of Sheri Soto) *Photo Credit: Michell Eastburn*



Peggy Eastburn & Paulette Fein enjoying themselves while admiring the Marvel scenery at Wally Burger
Photo Credit: Steve Fein

Thank you to Larry Polhill for bringing a total of 7 Studebakers to our May event. *Photo Credit: Michell Eastburn*

GRAND CANYON STATE CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- JUNE 14** **CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP MEETING AT DEER VALLEY AIRPORT RESTAURANT, 702 WEST DEER VALLEY RD. PHX 85027. MEET AT 10:30AM FOR A CRUISE-IN AND LUNCH AT 11:00AM. SEE FRONT APGE FOR DETAILS. RSVP BY 06/11 TO PEGGY - 623-936-6116 OR peggyeastburn@hotmail.com**
- JULY 14** **CHAPTER GATHERS AT ORGAN STOP PIZZA, 1149 E. SOUTHERN AVE, MESA 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 13** **SAVE THE DATE: INTERNATIONAL DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER DAY**
- 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
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2025 CHAPTER DUES

Grand Canyon State Chapter dues for 2025 are due and for all members are \$20.00 yearly. Dues can be paid by cash, check or via Pay Pal using this link - <https://www.grandcanyonsdc.com/membershipSDC.html> If you use Pay Pal and have a subscription for a dues amount other than \$20 please cancel it and renew at \$20. 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. Additionally, you can now get a membership with the digital *Turning Wheels* only for \$29.00 per year. If you haven't read a digital version of *Turning Wheels*, give it a try at the Member Area of the SDC website. Just login, enter your membership ID and password and select View Digital Magazine.

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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 jdlewildrac@msn.com

1949 Studebaker Pick-Up. w/ 1986 Chevy engine, frame, and running gear. 350 crate motor and trans air disc brakes in front. Edelbrack 4B headers. \$16,000 or best offer. Bill Barker. 623-561-1012. Phoenix Az.

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

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The I-10 Broadway Curve Improvement Project is Complete

June 5, 2025 ([The I-10 Broadway Curve Improvement Project is Complete | Department of Transportation](#))

PHOENIX – The Arizona Department of Transportation has completed the I-10 Broadway Curve Improvement Project, providing motorists a less traffic-congested, shorter commute times and safer driving experience through one of the busiest stretches of Interstate 10 in the Phoenix area.

ADOT is happy to announce that all major construction work has been completed and all lanes on I-10 through the Broadway Curve area are open. Motorists may still see crews conducting the finishing touches for the project such as planting bushes and completing some wall and barrier work. With more than 300,000 vehicles passing through the I-10 Broadway Curve area on an average weekday and that number expected to increase by 25% or by 75,000 more vehicles by 2040, completion of the I-10 Broadway Curve Improvement Project was vital.

“As the largest urban freeway reconstruction project in Arizona, the benefits are endless for everyone who relies on our highway system — that includes motorists and the thousands of businesses along the corridor,” ADOT Director Jennifer Toth said. “By improving safety and reducing congestion, this project supports our agency’s vision to safely connect people and empower the economy. We’re already seeing results.”

The project expanded capacity along 11 miles of I-10 from just south of Ray Road to Interstate 17 near Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport. Construction began in summer 2021 and was completed on May 31, 2025. Some of the major components of the project included:

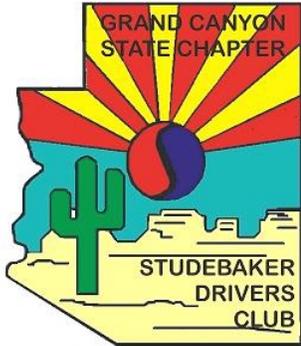
- Adding additional travel and HOV lanes in both directions on I-10 between US 60 and I-17 by Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport
- Construction of Collector Distributor (CD) roads to separate mainline traffic from traffic that’s entering and exiting the freeway
- Construction of new 48th Street and Broadway Road bridges
- Rebuilding the I-10 interchange with SR 143 to improve traffic flow and constructing new HOV flyover ramps that connect I-10 and SR 143
- Widening the I-10 bridge over the Salt River to make room for additional travel lanes
- Constructing two new multi-use bridges over I-10 between Baseline and Broadway roads
- Constructing several sound and barrier walls throughout the project area

This project was funded by federal funds, Maricopa Association of Government’s Prop 400 (a dedicated half cent sales tax that was approved by Maricopa voters in 2004), and local funds. The project was built using a public-private partnership, which combined design and construction in a single contract. In a joint venture, Pulice, FNF Construction and Flatiron Constructors, also known as Broadway Curve Constructors, were chosen as the developers. The project designers were T.Y. Lin International Group, Stanley Consultants and Aztec Engineering.



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