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Temperatures are cooling and Our Chapter is Hot! Check out these upcoming events:

September 17: Drive Your Studebaker Day
October 13: OPA's Greek Food
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October 10: Thanksgiving Dinner At Bubb's Grub
November 10: Thanksgiving Dinner At Bubb's Grub
December 7: Gaslight Theatre
Christmas Pot Luck
December 11: See Page 3 for details...

Also inside:

Highlights from great get togethers

Gary and Connie go to the National Meet with their modified 1950 Champ

Plus More.....

Birthday Wishes

September

6 Jim Hill
8 Diana Naugle Carson
9 Chuck Collins
9 Terry Lewis
10 Barbara Olsen
21 Barbara Angerhofer
22 Chuck Stanford
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October

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Anniversary Wishes

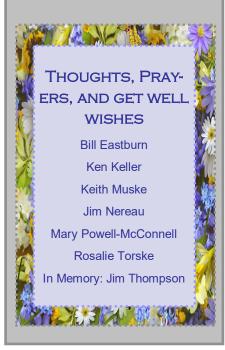


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October

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

Greetings,

The other day, I happened to be talking to long time member Fred Gooch, and it came up that the SAC of SDC was formed in 1975. This got me thinking that our Chapter will be having its own 50th Anniversary in 2025. Although 3 years seems like a long way away, it really is not.

The previous entry in my President's letter served a point, and not just the ramblings of a retired mechanic trying to make copy. During one of the recent meetings at the Fox, I mentioned that I would like to step down as President after this year. This led to a discussion that we will be needing new Officers for 2023-2024. Of course, quite a few members



Randy Goble

present were concerned as to who we could get to fill the upcoming vacancies on the Board. How will we get seven members to run our organization? What if we can't? Well, I don't think it will come to that!

Of the 65 or so members we have at this point in time, about 33% of you regularly attend our outings and meetings. That comes to 21.17 members, not including spouses and children, who are potential candidates for Officers. At most we need 3 or 4 people to show interest in helping run the Chapter. So please, if this sounds like something you would like to try, let your fingers do the walking and get in touch. What's the old saying membership has its privileges, it also has its responsibilities. Let's see the SAC at least to its 50th Anniversary.

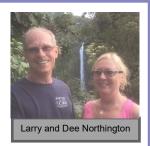
Did I ever mention that I hated writing class in school. I didn't get very good grades, either. I would rather be replacing brake shoes.

Happy motoring, Randy

PS. I included children of members as being potential Officer material because we are all young at heart.

From the Editors:

Happy Anniversary to us: This is our sixth bi-annual newsletter, covering a full year. As the man said as he jumped out of the tenth story window: so far, so good. Actually, we enjoy it, and as fairly new members, it has been a great way to get involved with the club and get to know the members.



Did anyone notice that "Cinderella and Prince Charming" were in the last newsletter? Did we let one slip by you?

We welcome pictures and story submissions. Email is the best way to submit contributions, but even a hand written article would be great.

Thank you to Bob Miles for contributions, and to Donna Goble for proofreading.

Dee and Larry Northington, SAC/SDC Newsletter Editors LD54Studebaker@gmail.com

**A reminder, the deadline for publishing newsletter contributions is the 20th of the even numbered months.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mondays, September 19, October 17, Board Meeting: 11:30 a.m., Hungry Fox Restaurant, 4637 E. Broadway, Tucson, AZ. 520-326-2835. November 21 of 2022

Saturday, September 17, 2022

Corrected from the last newsletter!

The Southern Arizona Chapter of the Annual Drive Your Studebaker Day: Again this year we are doing this drive later in the month, and hope it will be a little cooler. This year we will be going to Amado to visit The Longhorn Grill and Saloon again, at 28851 S. Nogales Hwy. Amado is just past Green Valley. We were there 3 years ago, and had a great feast. We will meet there at 11:00, and kick the tires and start the food ordering at 11:30. As always we will caravan to Amado. The East siders, and Benson members will meet in Corona De Tucson at the gas station at Houghton and Sahuarita Rd. at 10:00, and depart for Amado at 10:15. The West siders, and central Tucson folks will meet at the American Fence Company at 1111 E. Valencia Rd. at 10:00, and depart for Amado at 10:15.

For folks without GPS take I-19 to exit # 48, and drive West on Arrivaca Rd., then immediately turn right on South Nogales Hwy. The big skull will be on your right. We will have a 50/50 drawing. Look forward to seeing you folks for this exiting yearly event. Please RSVP John L. Lewis at lewishoot@cox.net or 520-954-0904.

Thursday, October 13, 2022

<u>Lunch at OPA's Greek Food</u>: We will meet there at 11:30 at 500 N. 4th. Ave 520-838-0568. We met there about 2 years ago, and the food was outstanding. Please RSVP John L. Lewis if you plan to attend. lewishoot@cox.net. See you there.

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner At Bubb's Grub: We will meet at 4:00 P. M. at 16010 N. Oracle Rd. in Catalina 520-825-6510. This year we are repeating what we did 3 years ago. We had such a good time, and cutting out the hard work to do it at our homes. Let's just relax this year again, and let Bubb's Grub do the work. The turkey dinner is always great with all the trimmings. We have an open menu, so you can order what you want. You can google them and check the menu out.

This year the turkey dinner will cost around \$16.00. We will do a 50/50 drawing as usual. Dinner is from 4:00 P. M. to 7:30 P. M. The weather will be great, so drive your Studebaker. Please RSVP John L. Lewis at lewishoot@cox.net if you plan to attend.

See you there for dinner.

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

<u>Gaslight Theatre - Gaslight Christmas Vacation:</u> We have 40 seats reserved for the 2pm show. The Gaslight Theatre can be really fun with club members all sitting together. Please see Page 8 for pricing and additional details.

Sunday, December 11, 2022

Christmas Pot Luck: Save the date. Please coordinate with Gloria Schmetzer for something to bring. She can be reached at 520 977-9287. Ann Pearson is hosting this year's potluck at her house. Please arrive at noon, 10550 East Old Spanish Trail Tucson Arizona 85748. 520-975-0660. From Houghton Rd and Old Spanish Trail on the East side, East on Old Spanish Trail about one mile to the intersection of Calle Los Reyes on the right side. Ann's driveway comes out right at the corner. Make a sharp right onto a dirt driveway. Go past a white house with brown trim. The driveway goes all the way around the house. Parking is available in the front and in the back of the house. The house is an old ranch house with porches around the house. Please plan on eating great food, and of course winning the 50/50!

SAC/SDC Contact:

John L. Lewis, Vice-President 520-954-0904 or lewishoot@cox.net ***Notice: A reminder from John L. Lewis that everyone should have an approved fire extinguisher displayed at your left front wheel during all meets. As required as of January 1, 2017, the SDC requires a minimum of a LU type 1-A:5B:C, but a 1-A:10-B:C would be much better for added protection.

RECENT CHAPTER EVENTS

Old Father Inn

By Larry Northington

When the outside temperatures are hot, it is still nice to get together as a club and get some lunch. We met at Old Father Inn on July 7. A nice little restaurant on the Northwest part of Tucson. A perfect place to sit down and enjoy some great food.



Nice group of car enthusiasts

(Left to Right...)

Standing: Marj Scooros and Bob Miles

Foreground: Maggie Wheeler, Eileen Loshbough, Bob Loshbough, Michael Hodges, Delores Shurtz, Bruce Sandburg

Middle Row: Larry Northington, Dee Northington, Jay Bodle, Alice de Buhr

Bαck: Gary Spies, Paul Storm, Bonnie McGraw, Don McGraw, John L. Lewis, Ann Pearson, and Gloria Schmetzer



Left to Right: Don and Bonnie McGraw's '63 Hawk, Paul and Leann Storm's '62 Lark, John L. Lewis's '61 Hawk



Jay Bodle's 49 R

RECENT CHAPTER EVENTS

The Happy Rooster Cafe

By Larry Northington

We met at the Happy Rooster Cafe on August 11. A very unique restaurant on the East part of Tucson. When you approach the café, you cannot help but notice the front of the building. It appears to be painted by an artist. And upon stepping inside, you slowly realize that all the walls are painted with a common farm theme. Wow! It was just so impressive. I would like to say everything turned out perfect, but there was a long delay between the first meals being served and the last. Un-reasonably so. At least the food was really good, and the conversation was great. Even for summer, we had a nice turnout with the following: John L. Lewis, Barbara Bemer, Delores Shurtz, Bruce Sandburg, Michael Hodges, Alice de Buhr, Bob Miles, Gloria Schmetzer, Paul and Leann Storm, Larry and Dee Northington, Fred Gooch, Edwin Nelson with his daughter and Grand daughter, Deb Crooks, Chuck and Louise Stanford, and John and Jan Noble.









RECENT EVENTS

58th Annual Studebaker International Meet May, 2022

by Connie Olsen

We had a great trip to South Bend IN in our 1950 Studebaker Champion Starlight to the International Studebaker Convention. We were there for 5 days and it rained all but one day. The weather could have been better but didn't dampen the mood of the participants. We met a lot of people from all over the United States and other countries.

We had our Studebaker judged and received a first place in our division--Not a perfect 400 pt. score but high enough for a first. Here is a picture of us with our car and plaque.



Gary and Connie Olsen with their 1950 Champion Starlight and their 1st Place Plaque

Editor's Note: Gary and Connie's car is shown in the August 2022 issue of Turning Wheels on Page 35.

TECH MISCELLANEOUS

Music for a 6-Volt Car

by Larry Northington

I was able to add music to my 1954 Commander for under \$100, not counting the speakers.

Let me start out saying that I tend to do some things the hard way. If I was smarter, I would have just bought a rechargeable Bluetooth speaker and just laid it in the back seat. However, I wanted a system integrated with the car in such a way that it would be hidden, and could be removed in the future without leaving a trace.

Challenge: Create an inexpensive way to play music from my phone that was compatible with the Commander's 6-volt positive ground. Also, it was desirable to have a system that was fairly low in current so as not to have an excess drain on the generator. Most modern amplifiers designed for cars require 12 volts, therefore I needed a step-up voltage regulator. I also wanted a way to charge my phone (5 volts), so I needed a step-down regulator. And with a positive ground system, I needed a way to isolate the entire system from ground. Sounds expensive, but here is the cost of the components:

Key Components and cost:

\$34.00 BOSS Audio Systems CE102 2 Channel 100 Watt Car Amplifier

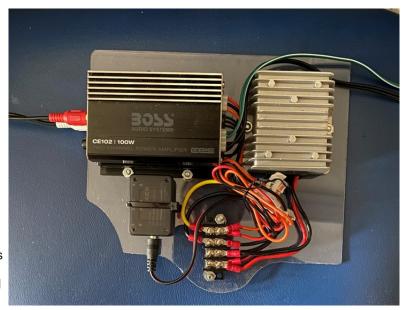
\$14.00 DC-DC 6-30V to 5V 9V Voltage Step Down Regulator with USB Charging Module

\$30.00 DIGITEN DC 6V 5-11V to 12V 10A Step up Converter Regulator

\$10.00 Flush Mount Cable Kit with 3.5mm Female AUX and USB

\$10.00 Charging Audio Cable

Some components that I already had: Plexiglass (Lexan), speakers, and screws to mount the system. Also not shown / discussed is a method to hold the phone while driving.



One dilemma I had was whether to connect the phone with a wire, or wirelessly. With a wired system, I can play music, use the navigator, and charge the phone at the same time. With a wireless system using Bluetooth, you don't have an unsightly cord, but the phone battery can run down fairly quickly, so a charging cable is nice to have anyway. Also, a wired system is cheaper. Yes, I went cheaper, er, ah, wired.

Speaker considerations: Where to place the speaker/s, and size are the greatest consideration. Many people put a single speaker under the dash where the original speaker was. The amplifier I chose has two outputs, which cannot be connected together. If a single speaker is used, it must be a dual voice coil speaker with left and right inputs. Some amplifiers have a crossover output, which combines the left and right speaker outputs so that a single speaker can be used, however most of these units intend the crossover output to be connected to a subwoofer, and therefore limit the output to low frequency. My car already had aftermarket speakers in the doors, so initially I used them. Since then, I switched to a dual voice coil speaker from Retro Sound. Another consideration is that most aftermarket speakers are designed for lots of power. A 500 watt system would sound great, however my goal was to have a lower current draw. Therefore, I used a 100 watt power amplifier. The challenge is to find good sounding speakers designed for lower power. Powering speakers designed for 500 watts with a system that outputs much less power just sounds dull. Just match the power ratings as best as possible.

Success: A decent sounding system on the cheap, hidden, and can be removed easily in the future. Worth it: Absolutely not. If anyone wants to do something similar, I can provide more information, but my advice is to just buy a Bluetooth speaker.

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UPCOMING AND FOR SALE

Gaslight Theatre

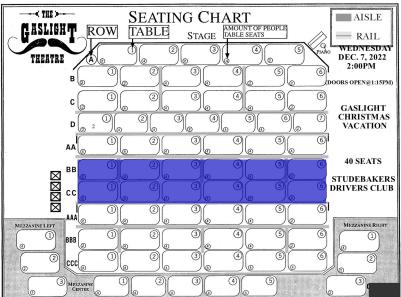
By Bob Miles and Larry Northington

Mark your calendar, and plan to go. Our chapter is looking for a great turnout to what is always fun (and clean) entertainment. We have 40 of the best seats reserved for the 2 P.M. show on December 7. The doors open at 1:15 P.M., so get there a little early if you would like to order something from the menu. This is on a Wednesday, so it won't be overly crowed, and a club get-together can be really fun.

Bob Miles will need to turn in the number going and money by November 19, 2022. Please RSVP Bob Miles at rmc61coupe@aol.com, or call him at: 520 465-9873.

Prices (tax included): \$29.35 for adults \$27.18 for seniors, students, and military \$16.31 for children ages 2-12







STUDEBAKER ADS ~ WANTED AND FOR SALE OR TRADE



<u>Wanted:</u> 1957- 1959 Silver Hawk. Contact Connie Olsen: 702-540-6218, house@go-olsen.com

<u>Wanted</u>: Dealership license plate frames, such as, Frost & French or Palm Springs Studebaker. Fred Gooch 520-883-7418, email nora.gooch@yahoo.com

<u>Wanted</u>: Two Studebaker emblems or letters (don't care about year or model) for plaque. Contact Steve Ault: email gsajourney@yahoo.com or phone or text 520 603 5342.

<u>For Sale: Studebaker models</u>: Beautiful '57 Studebaker Golden Hawk model in original box like new, \$60.00. Call Joyce Mooney at 520-977-7864.

For Sale: 1953 Studebaker Commander 232 CID engine long block. Bell housing, clutch disc, pressure plate and fly wheel are attached to the block and included. The bell housing fits a 3-speed manual transmission. This engine was a running engine when purchased some years ago. The engine turns over freely. The block serial No. is V263234. \$300.00. Call John Noble at 505-670-4180 or email: slow-bull1868@gmail.com

For Sale: '54 Champion 4 door. Only one family owned. "62 Lark engine, otherwise all original. Carmine red top over Sandusky beige. Garaged over 65 yrs. Very good condition. \$10,000 and offers will be considered.

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One for \$20.00, two or more \$15.00 each.

For orders, the diameter of the steering wheel is needed along with the year, model and color of the car.



<u>For Sale:</u> 1921 Packard Single Six, 1923 Studebaker 2 door Special Six, 1927 Studebaker 4 door and lots of Hawk parts. For more information, call John Nuell, a friend of a member, 289-441-1545.

<u>For Sale:</u> 1964 Studebaker 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 just needs some storage related tinkering. \$19,750 or best offer or trade for an equally nice 1941 Champion Double Dater.

Bruce Sandburg 520-586-0403



Note from the editor: The South Bend plant ceased automobile production on December 20, 1963, so this Hawk was one of the last produced.

For Sale: 1964 Studebaker Gran Turismo Hawk. 91K original miles, original am radio works fine, no air conditioning, excellent original perforated white headliner. Carpet and seats are like new. Has optional rear seat armrest and full tinted glass option. Recent awesome base coat clear coat for that sweet looking wet look. Numbers match in/out called Astro Ivory and blue cloth interior. Also, full black vinyl top in excellent condition, so very sharp 3-tone attractive colors! Good chrome on both bumpers. New headlight and taillight bezels. New weatherstripping and trunk mat. Original jacks, full working gauge package and even clock works. Stock 289 V8. Motor has original correct yellow valve covers. Very rare three speed power shift automatic and center console. Highway gears for cruising. New dual

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Car Shows and Cruise Nights

<u>Saturday October 15</u>: The 16th Annual Tucson Classics Car Show, the Premier Car Show in Arizona, will be held from 10—4 at The Gregory School. Enjoy a Fun Family Day with over 400 Beautiful Classic Cars on the Grass! For more information, visit the website at https://tucsonclassicscarshow.com/

Thursdays: Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburger weekly Cruise-In, 3725 West Orange Grove Rd., Marana, AZ, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., 520-989-0314. If you are wearing a Freddy's cap or shirt, you will receive a free ice cream.

Thursdays: Freddy's Frozen Custard & Steakburger weekly Cruise-In, 10205 East Old Vail Rd., Tucson, AZ, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., 520-647-9816.

<u>Fridays:</u> Freddy's Frozen Custard Cruise-In & Car Show, Free custard, 11143 N. Oracle Road, Oro Valley, AZ, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. plus, 520-989-0067. They also have a car show the last Saturday of every month from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. plus. It is hosted by Obsessions Car Club and trophies are awarded. There is no Friday show when there is a Saturday show of that week.

Little Anthony's website for future car shows: https://littleanthonysdiner.com/car-shows

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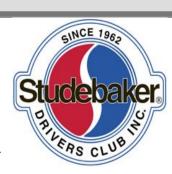
For more fun events go to: http://www.carnuts.org And in the state of AZ: http://www.cruisinarizona.com/

Speedway Antique Mall Cruise-In Nights, 5045 East Speedway Blvd., Tucson, Arizona: Cars usually start showing up at 4:30 p.m. Actual start time is 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Second Saturdays of the month. Call Ray for information at 520-404-5090.

The Gaslight Music Hall in Oro Valley. Please check the website for future dates, email heather.gaslight@gmail. Nothing scheduled at this time for car shows.) Concerts will be held on selected evenings outdoors at 5:30 p.m. Please check the website. Bring your own blanket.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The Southern Arizona Chapter Studebaker Drivers Club is dedicated to the preservation, restoration, pride of owning and the joy of driving fine Studebakers; and to providing assistance on a local level to the National Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc. You DO NOT have to be a Studebaker owner to join; however, for insurance purposes, membership is required in the National Studebaker Drivers Club. SDC was founded in 1962 and has approximately 13,000 members worldwide. *Turning Wheels* is the monthly magazine of the SDC. *The Copper Starlight* is the Southern Arizona Chapter's official publication and is published every other month. Subscriptions are included in club membership dues.



How to become a Member: 1) Complete the membership application below. 2) Write a check or money order for \$15 for a full year, payable to Southern Arizona Chapter, SDC. This includes an e-mailed copy of The Copper Starlight. An additional charge of \$3.00 required for a mailed copy of the newsletter. 3) Enclose an additional \$29.00 if you are a new SDC member or the amount for one of the categories below if you are a returning member. 4) Name: _____ Mail to Membership Director:

Southern Arizona Chapter of The Studebaker Drivers Club PO Box 12913 Tucson, AZ 85732

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Arizona Chapter Studebaker Drivers C	Club	Birthdays:	
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