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Chapter Holiday Party

By Steve and Gail Ault, and Larry Northington

We Americans have so much to be thankful for starting with the bountiful harvest in 1621. We again experienced a bountiful SAC Christmas Celebration.

Thanks to the Big Fella who provided wonderful weather, to coordinator Dee, to host Ann and the great venue, to the set-up and take-down crews, to Violet and Belinda for the mementos, and to the cooks who made sure we were full (of food) as well as thanks for the great gathering and club camaraderie.

SnG

Around forty people made it to the party, and eleven beautiful Studebakers. What a great party. Unfortunately, some members had problems and missed the party. Tim Stevens and his wife Maggie had a problem with their Studebaker's brakes, and Jim Hill, Brian Kent, Lillian, and Bob Miles were on their way in Jim's 56' President when they were stopped in transit due to a severe accident on I-10. See page 5 for Bob's story "The Other Christmas Party". Larry



Spread out on the old homestead

See Page 4 and the back page for additional pictures

Birthday Wishes



January

- 1 Delores Shurtz
- 3 Hugh Adam
- 5 Nora Gooch
- 8 Dan Enwright
- 16 Bob Miles
- 16 Lenny Olsen
- 20 Garry Klinger
- 22 Suzanne Nallin
- 24 Leann Storm

February

- 4 Stan Luczycki
- 7 Linda Smith
- 20 Cynthia Adam
- 27 Gilda Eneboe
- 29 Carl Holmberg



Anniversary Wishes

January

- 14 Stan & Charlotte Luczycki
- 19 Ed & Linda Smith
- 25 Fred & Nora Gooch
- 28 Rosalie Torske & Jim Nereau

February

- 29 George & Jane Jetson

Message from Our President:

Dear Studebaker Members:

I hope everyone is doing well and you have all had a happy holiday season. The luncheon get-together at John L. Lewis's Clubhouse was well attended and the food was scrumptious. Thank you so much John for arranging the venue. It is so much more fun when there are so many that can attend and mingle. It was a great idea!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. I had the best Christmas ever. First, the festivities began with the Christmas party at my house on December 15. We had a large gathering of around 40 people. Unfortunately, four people were stuck on the interstate and had their own party with appetizer wienies. Thanks so much for trying to get here, Bob Miles, friend Brian, Jim Hill and his girlfriend, Lillian. Tim and Maggie Stevens had a break down with their Stude on Golf Links. I felt so sorry for Tim, after he waited so long to get his car in port here in Tucson. I also won my first ever 50/50!

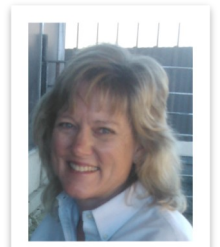
My Christmas Day was so much fun. My kids were in town (grown men!), along with my daughter-in-law and my granddaughter. The most fun was seeing my granddaughter traveling in her new radio flyer wagon. All she could say was 'wagon' over and over.' I am so thankful for my family and friends and good health.

As I contemplate all of the things that I am thankful for and all of the family and friends that I have, I am also reminiscent of friends that we have all lost over the years. This year, we lost our very long time, loved member, Eileen Loshbough, wife of Bob Loshbough. I will always remember her smile and constant attendance at so many of our gatherings.

We have a chance to celebrate our friendships at yet another annual banquet. It will be held at the White Stallion Guest Ranch on Sunday, January 19. Please get your reservation into Randy Goble if you plan on attending. Thank you again Randy, for all of your time and effort into planning the membership get-togethers. As a reminder, we will have our election of officers at this gathering. I know there is a lot of talent in the group! Please don't hesitate to put your name into the basket! Also, don't forget to get your dues in to Paul, it is that time of year again!

I hope that you all have a Happy New Year!

Ann Pearson



Ann Pearson

THOUGHTS, PRAYERS, AND GET WELL WISHES

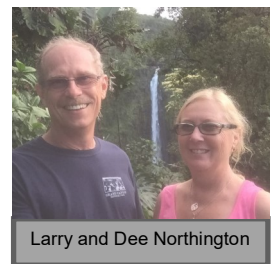
Mike Borens
Michael Hodges
Ken Keller
Steve Lanz
Mary Powell-McConnell
Jim Nereau
Chuck Stanford
Rosalie Torske

IN MEMORY (SEE PAGE 7)

Eileen Loshbough

From the Editors:

The last two months have been absolutely fantastic, with incredible weather, fun at our Studebaker Club Chapter events, and our Studebaker running great. We are helping with the initial plans for the upcoming Chapter's 50th anniversary planned for March 15. We really want it to be special. Please everyone, save the date, and plan on coming.



Larry and Dee Northington

As always, we welcome suggestions, pictures and story submissions. Email is the best way to submit contributions, but even a hand written article works great. Thank you to Bob Miles, Chuck Stanford, and Steve and Gail Ault for the contributions, and to Donna Goble for proofreading.

*Dee and Larry Northington,
SAC/SDC Newsletter Editors
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****A reminder, the deadline for publishing newsletter contributions is the 20th of the even numbered months.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Upcoming Thursdays on: **Board Meetings:** 11:30 am, Hungry Fox Restaurant, 4637 E. Broadway, Tucson, AZ.
February 13, and April
10. 520-326-2835.
(Second Thursday of the month, skipping January and March)

This is it, the first event of the year!

Always fun.

(Especially if there is a good bidding war at the auction)

Sunday, January 19,
2025
11:30 am; eat at
12:00 pm

Annual Chapter Banquet and Business Meeting at the White Stallion Ranch, 9251 W Twin Peaks Road with doors open at 11:30 am, and serving starts at 12:00 pm. We have the use of the room until 3:00 pm. Menu will be hamburgers, chicken and sides. There will be a short business meeting, with the election of officers, 50/50 drawing and auction. The price is \$37. RSVP a must to Randy at dgrg0823@comcast.net by January 7. Please send in payment to: SAC-SDC, BOX 12913, Tucson, AZ 85732. The Chapter will need to pre-pay for the total count on January 10, 2025.

Save the date!
We are celebrating our Chapter's 50th anniversary
on March 15th.
The place and time are still being worked out but look for
announcements in your e-mail and the next newsletter for details.

Reminder: Chapter Dues are due January 1

The dues are only \$19 with a mailed copy of the newsletter, or \$15 with an emailed newsletter.

Mail to:

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PO Box 12913

Tucson, AZ 85732

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Randy Goble,
Vice-Pres / Tourmaster

520-749-4484 or

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***Notice: A reminder 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 EVENTS

Additional pictures from the Holiday Party



RECENT EVENTS

The Other Christmas Party on December 15

By Bob Miles

Jim Hill, Brian Kent, Lillian, and Bob Miles started off in Jim's 1956 President Classic, leaving Benson and heading to Tucson to join in on the great holiday party at Ann's house. As we were cruising down I-10 in overdrive, there was a stoppage a mile ahead of us. It was 11:15 and we were stopped on the freeway along with a hundred other cars. I called Ann and said we would be delayed. At that time there was not a single DPS or Emergency vehicle, but soon they were coming up and the narrow spot on both sides of the highway. Looking up, we all saw two Emergency Helicopters flying about 1/2 mile ahead of us. We called Ann at 1:30 and said we would return to Benson once the traffic freed up. So, we started our own Christmas Party and broke out the chips and smokies as a prelude to our eating when we could break free. Keeping busy, Jim took out his duster and wiped down the car, and Brian took some pictures and went on a walk where he found a gray hard hat on the side of the road.

At 2:45 traffic started moving. A Semi and 2 cars were involved. The Semi had rolled and blocked both lanes. It was reported there were 2 fatalities. We arrived at Denny's for a sumptuous feast (sarcasm). When we left at 4pm, all on-ramps were still closed. Jim reported that traffic was still backed up until 6:30.

Happy Holidays



The Gaslight Theatre

By Larry Northington

This holiday season, many of our Chapter members enjoyed "Scrooge - a Merry Miserly Christmas Carol", an enchanting adaptation of Dickens' heart-lifting classic tale of magical spirits in a colorful and humorous 1950's Christmas, Gaslight-style, where they opened the eyes of the crotchety Ebenezer Scrooge to the true meaning and joy of Christmas!" Of course, the Gaslight Theatre is known for raucous laughter, campy jokes and outbursts of song. This show had all of that, but it was also a little more serious than other shows that I've been to.



But overall, I thought it was a really good show filled with costumes and great music from the 50's. Dee and I got there early so that we could order food. We enjoyed the Hot Wings and Jalapeno Poppers, and they were great. I would highly recommend them.

RECENT EVENTS

Thanksgiving Potluck November 9, 2024

By Dee Northington

This year's Studebaker potluck was celebrated at John Lewis's recreation center. Far Horizon East had a very nice room that seated the group with a few opting to sit outside to enjoy the amazing weather. The kitchen setup accommodated all the delicious food that everyone brought. We had a total of 46 people and 10 Studebakers.

Those who drove Studebakers were: Jerry and June Kaiser, '59 pickup, Larry and Dee Northington, '54 Commander, Randy and Donna Goble, '57 President, Don and Bonnie McGraw, '63 Avanti, Chuck, Louise, KC and Lorena Stanford, '89 Avanti, Stan and Charlette Luczycki, '63 Avanti, John Lewis, 64 Hawk, Paul and Leann Storm, '62 Lark, Jim Hill, Lillian Nowinsky, Bob Miles, '56 President and Lou Fencil drove his '56 Trans Star. Others who attended were: Gary and Connie Olsen, Mike Hodges, Gary Pryor, Delores Shurtz, Bruce Sandburg, Tim Stevens, Fred and Nora Gooch, Charina Arnold, Ann Pearson, Aaron and Belinda Scott, Steve and Gail Ault, Barbara Bemer, and John Lewis's neighbor's Rob and Cheri Gaither.

We want to thank everyone for sharing their mouth-watering dishes. A special appreciation goes out to Donna and Randy Goble for preparing the delectable ham and Ann Pearson's finger-licking turkeys. Thanks to those who also helped with the cleaning up to return the center back to normal.



IN MEMORY AND MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

In Memory: Eileen Loshbough

One of our dearest long time members, Eileen Loshbough passed away in November. Eileen was always cheerful, and attended almost every Studebaker event with her husband, Bob. She was so fun to visit with. She will be missed.



Studebaker Sighting

Source Anonymous

Rumor has it that the Stanford's beautiful convertible Avanti was recently seen in snow country. This picture was submitted anonymously, and may give validation to the rumor and who the culprit might be. Chuck went out and verified his car was where he had left it, however when he looked inside, he found a nicely pinned note inside that said Merry Christmas. He may never know if there is any truth to the rumor.



This story may or may not have an inkling of truth to it.

Word Search

By Larry Northington

Every word here is contained within the letter grid. Words in the list can be found in a straight line horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. Words may be either forward or backward.

- AVANTI
- BIGSIX
- CHAMP
- CHAMPION
- COMMANDER
- DIKTATOR
- ERSKINE
- FLANDERS
- GARFORD
- LARK
- PRESIDENT
- ROCKNE
- SPEEDSTER
- STARLIGHT
- STARLINER
- TRANSTAR
- WAGONAIRE

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FACEBOOK AND FOR SALE

Facebook Group for Southern Arizona

By Larry Northington

Reminder, there is a Facebook group just for *Southern Arizona Studebaker*. It's just a fantastic way for anyone to post a quick story, picture, and/or video of something that they would like to share with others. Several of our Chapter members have joined, and yes, I am a member of the group. And no, Facebook will never replace our website. For those that would like to try it, open Facebook and enter Southern Arizona Studebaker in the search window. The Southern Arizona Studebaker Driver's Club group will come right up. Or try the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/749035523960935>

If anyone wants to check it out, and is having problems, just contact me. Larry



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For Sale: '54 Champion Coupe. has rebuilt Commander V8 engine, heavy duty OD transmission, master cylinder. New wiring, brake cylinders, and tires. All glass intact, all chrome trim intact. Needs upholstery, paint, minor body work. Asking \$4000 OBO. Call Chuck at 520-591-3652

For Sale: 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.

For Sale: 1963 GT Hawk "Skyhawk" With Steel Sunroof, 289 V8, Flightomatic. Wrecked on Right Front, Repairable, Includes replacement Fender And Hood, Has Local History. \$2500. Keith Graham 602-818-8376, Leave Message. Also Hawk And Lark And 1956 Sheet Metal For Sale

For Sale: '64 GT Hawk
Very late production. Looks and runs great. \$14,000 OBO.
Bruce 520 586-0403

For Sale: '64 Cruiser PS/PB (Disc)/AT, solid , \$4,500 OBO.
Also, a '63 Cruiser (not running).
Superchargers: two good re-built ones, some that need rebuilt - prices vary, two 289 Engines (full flow), manifolds, distributors, transmissions (three OD, and a Five Speed Chevy), several carburetors, 53 Henry J (no engine or transmission). Lots of stuff, just call and I'll see if I have it.
Bruce 520 586-0403

For Sale: '50 Champion 4-door. 49k miles. This car was in the process of being restored when health issues stopped progress. It is in primer. The engine runs. All chrome is original and in great condition. Restored carb, radiator, fuel tank, seats. New rubber for the hood, trunk and doors. Includes many extra parts from a donor car, including hood. Asking for \$8,000 OBO
Call Don Senn at 520-290-5623.

For Sale: Selling body repair tools. Air file, sand paper for same and paper for DA. Misc. Steve Ault 520-603-5342.

For Sale: V8 cylinder heads bare \$20 each
2 reground V8 cams \$50 each
Several used V8 cams \$20 each
Several Fiber cam gears \$10 each
V8 exhaust manifolds - \$20 left side, \$30 right side
259 Crankshafts \$20 each
V8 water pump manifolds \$15 each
Truck V8 water pump manifold \$25
V8 intake 2 bbl manifolds \$15 each
Hawk rocker moldings \$10 each
Champ truck grill painted \$30
GT Hawk headliner bows, very nice \$30 for full set.
'56 1/2 ton C-Cab truck back glass \$30.
Studebaker V8 Valley pans \$5.00 ea.
'62 Lark grill \$20. very nice.
'53 sedan trunk lid \$20.
'62-'64 GT Hawk complete set good glass in chrome frames wing windows, side glass.
Lots of other parts, if you don't see what you want, call me. I may have it. Large items for pick up, email for pictures. Contact Jerry 520 979-0065

For Sale: Studebaker 6 bladed cooling fan. Should fit most V8 engines 1951-1964. \$25 OBO
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Car Shows and Cruise Nights

30th Annual Sahuarita Classics Car Show – January 25, 2025. Register Online for \$30. Registration closes January 18. Location: The Quail Creek Veterans Municipal Park in Sahuarita. Come hungry! There will be food trucks all day! Sorry, dogs are not allowed. Visit the following website for additional information and the registration link: <https://carnuts.org/Car-Show>

Wednesdays: Every Wednesday (3-5PM) cars gather at Continental Plaza in Green Valley (exit #63 off I-19). Some winter afternoons up to 40 cars are there. No club, no rules, no board!! It's a little east of the Safeway parking area. Never know what shows up Wednesday!!!

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.

Fridays: 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, 7010 E Broadway, 520 296-0456. Car shows are usually twice a month: <https://www.littleanthonysdiner.com/> for information.

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.

For more fun events go to: <https://carnuts.org/>, and in the state of AZ: <http://www.cruisinarizona.com/>

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) Join the Studebaker Drivers Club if not already a member. The application can be found on line at: https://studebakerdriversclub.com/?page_id=24654

2) Complete the membership application below.

3) Write a check or money order payable to Southern Arizona Chapter, SDC. (The price can be prorated for a partial year) for \$19 for a full year, which includes a mailed copy of The Copper Starlight newsletter. or \$15 for a full year, which includes an e-mailed copy of The Copper Starlight newsletter.

4) Mail to:

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PO Box 12913
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Southern Arizona Chapter Studebaker Drivers Club

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email: _____

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Wedding anniversary: _____

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Studebakers owned: (Year/Model/Body Style & any comments)

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- Call people with club information
- Bring cookies or snacks
- Host a gathering
- Mail out newsletters
- Make arrangements for tour/location/meeting place
- Call me & I'll help
- Other _____



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