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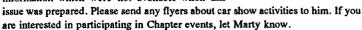
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LOCAL CHAPTER NEWS

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By Marty Burns
NOTE: Marty produces GREASY PRINTS II on
alternate months. GP-II contains events and other
information which were not available when this



I just got home from the Christmas party at Otter's. Had a good time. There were nearly thirty of us. The Buffet line was delayed for about half an hour. We managed to entertain ourselves by gabbing and gossiping. I'm sure I heard the names of some of the people who weren't there. You know how it is, if you don't show up, you'll get talked about or stuck with some job nobody else wants! The food was ample and tasty. They again had custom-made omelettes available. And, for those of us who wanted a lunch dish, there was a nice roast (a bit too rare for my taste). The "Chinese Auction" was a kick again this year. There were a few of the items that made the rounds again. Everyone seems to have had a good time. I'd bet there was no one who went away hungry. I thought I was gonna bust!

There were two of us (& 3 of our cars at the Great Oaks show. Turned out to be a real nice day. Something over 200 vehicles showed up. D.J. Joe Monte, played an eclectic 50-70's mix of music. Since it was an open show, there were all sorts of vehicles. The organizers tried to put some distance between the stocks and the "Boomers". Due to the rods constraints of the area, the booming music (?) was dominant all day. I think I'll drop them a line and let them know I'll have to include myself out next year. I don't mind loud music for a while, but, that low-pitched thumping actually disturbs my sense of balance when I'm too close. That's in addition to it being annoying as heck.

Speaking of annoying, The day after I sent out my last issue of G.P. II, I got a letter from Old Town in response to the card I dropped them on the 11th of Nov. Took 'em long enough! They apologized for not fulfilling their promise to have us lead the Cruise and

invited us to set up a date next year with the guarantee of leading the Cruise. Did not begin to address the security problem. As to their adamancy to displaying any post '72 Avantis, they essentially implied that "Rules is rules so, tough cookies if you don't like it!" I responded by sending them a copy of the latest G.P. II. I still say that unless things change drastically, I'll not suggest another "SHOWCASE" for our club. I'll probably hit the occasional cruise though. I wouldn't suggest a boycott of the cruise itself. At the right time, that can be enjoyable.

If anyone cares, Jean-Luc Packard is now very dependable (knock wood). Still needs for me to change to a 3.54/1 ratio Dana 44 rear axle. Paul White has one for me. I just have to get my own rear in gear & go get it!

Studley was involved in a hair-raising outing a short while ago. Came away unscathed though. We were on I-4 headed toward Lake Mary near 436. Some doofus in one of those slot-car looking rice-burner mobiles was on the entrance ramp behind a couple of other cars and decided to whip out and pass them, crossing the "Zebra" stripes. Didn't bother to take the tiniest glance to his left, where I was. Fortunately, I am always aware of avenues of escape. I look back and to the sides nearly as much as I look ahead. Because, as you know, EVERYONE ELSE is drunk, blind, asleep or a homicidal maniac, or any combination. I was able to hit the brakes and slide into a space behind the van that had been beside me, floor it to keep from getting clobbered from the rear by the guy who was behind the van, whip it to the left into the passing lane between two cars to avoid ramming the van, hit the brakes to avoid ramming the guy who ended up in front of me (who graciously FLOORED it to get out of the way) and I floored it again to avoid getting rearended. This all was within a couple of seconds. I spotted the offending idiot about 100 yards ahead of the mess. Did you know ole Studley can run well over 90? Did that day! Said offending Yo-Yo got nearly run off the road. Also, got a very loud and animated lecture on the responsibilities of

driving and the fact that if it weren't for my driving skills (and those of at least two other drivers), He might be responsible for a multiple-car wreck and possibly injuries and deaths. He was palefaced and very shaken by the time I got through with him. I'll bet he thought he was in for a ramming when he saw Commander Studley bearing down on his butt. I won't say I hadn't considered it before the adrenalin wore off a bit! I was still plenty P.O.ed when I got to where I was headed. So, guess what I found last Saturday. I came out of a store & found that some sleazy +*&\$~#¢@ had knocked a 11 X 3/4" chunk of paint out of the middle of the driver's door! Ironic, huh? Come out of a multiple high-speed maneuver without so much as a stone bruise and some PUTZ in a \$50.00 Crapmobile and brains to match causes \$200.00 in damage with the edge of his door! What is it with this car?! Ya' can't win! At least I don't seem to be able to. You ever had one-of-those-days? I've got one-of-those-lives!!

Enough carping and crabbing. Here's What's Coming....

JANUARY - still nothing local that I've heard about.

FEBRUARY

- 2. PALATKA 1st Annual Open Car & Truck Show \$10 Pre/\$15 DOS Info 904-328-8881.
- 8 & 9 AUBURNDALE 10th Annual Cent. FL Auto Festival & Toy Expo \$12 Pre/\$15 DOS Actually two shows 8th is for rods &Customs and 9th is for Antiques, Classics & spec. int. Info 941-686-8320.
- 14,15 & 16. Atlantic City N.J. Classic Car Auction Info: Dee 1-800-227-3868 between 9 AM and 5 PM.

March

- 8. Gainesville Cruz-In at Sam's Club Open Car Show During GATORNATIONALS To benefit "Stop Children's Cancer" Info: 352-332-5984.
- 15 & 16. DeLand 13th Annual Super Cruise America Volusia Co. Fair grounds Indoor-Outdoor Judged show Info: 904-775-1203.
- 22 & 23. Daytona 8th Annual Spring Car Show & Swap Meet \$15 Pre/\$20 DOS (or after Mar. 12) No For Sale Signs on show vehicles. Info: 904-255-7355.
- 28 & 29. Nashville, Tenn Studebaker Swap Meet - "York Of The South" Tennessee State Fairgrounds - Info: 615-893-5367 or 614-890-0721.
- 31. Daytona Beach 3rd Annual Spring Break Nationals Car & Truck Show K-Mart Plaza \$20 Pre/\$25 DOS Info: 941-665-9487.

 APRIL
- 12. Winter Garden Westside Tech's Annual Car Show and Swap Meet Still no info. on cost, but date is firm. Info: Larry Eubank 407-656-2851 X276.
- 12 & 13 Georgia Georgia State Car & Truck Championship of Brunswick \$25 Pre/\$35 after Mar. 24. Info: 941-665-9487.

CRUISES

* Kissimmee- Old Town - Every Saturday-Opens at 6 PM. open to '72 and older cars. Hwy 192 2-1/2 miles east of I-4. Always crowded

- and lots of fun.
- * Tampa Saturdays Burger King every Sat. On Dale Mabry north of Ehrlich.
- * Daytona Beach Saturdays Memory Lane R&R Cafe 2424 N. Atlantic Ave. More Info; 904-673-5389.
- * Casselberry- 1st Saturday Murray's Wings and Ribs- Oxford Square, 436 east of 17/92, 6-9:30 PM.
- * Leesburg 1st Saturday Wendy's on N. US27 at Gateway Plaza - 7-10 PM.
- * Lakeland 2nd Saturday Beef O'Brady's on Hwy 98 N. 6-9 PM. More info: 813-651-1035.
- * St Petersburg 3rd Sat. Biff's Burgers, 3939 49th St Classic Car Show hosted by Biff's w/entertainment by the "Drifters" 40 trophies. Info: 813-527-5297.
- * Deland Every Friday Gooding's & McDonalds parking lot S. Deland on 17/92 off I-4. 7-10 PM.
- Third Saturday First Union Bank parking lot 1 block east of 17-92 on Hwy 44. 5-? PM.
- * Sanford Last Saturday Wendy's at WalMart on 17-92 and Lake Mary Blvd. 7-10 PM
- Second and last Sunday at The Big Dip, 17-92 and 25th St. Doo-Wop music and good food. 3-9 PM.
- * Maitland- Kody's Drive-in on 17-92 N. of Horatio. Fridays 7-11 PM and Sundays 4-9.
- * St.Cloud- Every Wednesday night At the Ice Cream parlor at New York and 11th. 6 PM.
- Thursdays Classic Memories on Wheels at Caesar's Treasure Chest on New York Ave. Cars must be at least 25 yrs. old 5-8 PM.
- If anyone discovers a wrong phone # please let me know so it can be changed.

At the Christmas Party, Dean Gessner gave me a ring binder with photos dating back to the inception of the OAC. Since I have only been in the club for about three years there are many of the cars and people I don't know. I will also be in need of assistance I.D.ing the photos in a huge bundle of unmounted shots. As I get persons and time periods, I'll add them to our growing photographic history. So, I'll probably make a pest of myself at breakfast, meetings, etc.

It's been a busy time for me this past couple of months. I have my folks visiting for the next few months and on Thanksgiving I cooked a complete traditional dinner for seven people (I almost always do the holiday meals, hate restaurant "holidays", and love leftovers sandwiches). Christmas Dinner is going to be MUCH simpler! A huge bottom round roast and baked spiced vegetable medley (FRESH!! None of that frozen stuff in MY meals!) Since there will only be the three of us, I plan on sending a chunk of roast home with the folks and still having several days of sandwiches. I really like holidays but, I sure am glad the next major one is MONTHS away.

This just in: I have finally found a set of driver's side chrome for Commander Studley! Be here 'bout New Years. Bye.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Mandatory membership in the Studebaker Drivers Club campaign is launched by SDC President Drian Millette

By Frank Ambrogio

Our OAC membership registration form clearly states that you must also be a member of the Studebaker Drivers Club in order to maintain your membership in the local chapter. This has ALWAYS been our policy as was mandated by SDC when they accepted our application for a charter in 1984. We try to accommodate new members by allowing a 30 day grace period.

Studebaker Drivers Club President Brian Millette has noted that as many as 25% of some local chapter members are not members of the national SDC. This not only represents a considerable loss of revenue for the parent club, but also puts all chapter members at risk should an accident occur.

Orlando Area chapter sponsored events are automatically covered under the SDC's blanket insurance policy. However, that insurance covers SDC members only. Non-members are not covered. In this litigation happy society, any lawyer would jump on this point to involve us all.

I have asked for your SDC membership number, but many of you have left this item blank on the registration form. This number is located on your Turning Wheels mailing label, right above your name. If your SDC membership number is not listed on the attached roster, please forward the number to me immediately.

SDC dues are \$27.50 per year. Register by sending your check to the Studebaker Drivers Club, PO Box 28788, Dallas, TX 75228-0788 or call 1-800-527-3452. If you don't want to pay the SDC dues, let me show you how to save an additional \$10.00 (OAC dues) per year.

SPOT LIGHTS

(News of Special Events)



MY CLASSIC CAR VIDEO MAGAZINE Bradley David Productions, Inc. launches new car show on TNN.

By Frank Ambrogio

A new television series is tentatively scheduled to debut on *The Nashville Network* (TNN) on Saturday, January 4, 1997 at 1:00 p.m. EST. The series with Dennis Gage is the product of *Bradley David Productions*, *Inc.* of Evansville, Indiana.

The weekly series will feature 13 new episodes and the show creators are requesting that we get the word out to old car lovers in order to keep it on the air. The series has visited car shows and will present in-depth interviews with the men behind the machines as well as restoration help and a weekly tip from Jim Richardson.

You can also keep in touch with all the MCC news online at http://www.myclassiccar.com.

1997 SDC INTERNATIONAL MEET (SOUTH BEND)

Dave Straughn has an invitation for OAC members

Our former OAC Secretary, who now lives in Michigan, sent us a note last October. At the end of the letter he mentioned planning something with OAC members who will be in South Bend to attend the meet. He said he would provide more information at a later date.

COVA CAPSULES

Items from the Coalition of Vehicle
Associations Cova Bulletin
Submitted by Reed Webb

FLORIDA FINDS SCRAPPAGE DOESN'T MAKE SENSE - THIS IS NEWS?

According to a study made by the Florida Air Emissions Trading Commission, which was established by the legislature in 1995, it concluded that when all costs are factored together, the cost of car scrappage programs results in a figure of \$14,000 per ton of hydrocarbons and nitrous oxides thus removed from the air.

The high cost simply does not make economic sense. Scrappage does not make sense from any perspective, but it is nice to know that someone out there in state government has spent the money to convince themselves of it. We can only hope that the word is spread far and wide.

GOOD SENSE FROM UP NORTH, TOO

Ohio has learned from the Northeast Areawide Coordinating Agency that they conclude the state could simply eliminate the testing of cars manufactured before 1980 and not have to add other pollution reduction measures to compensate.

The reason is that the cars on the road of that vintage are so few in number that they don't matter or they are in great shape, made so by collectors. It is the sheer volume of newer cars and the high mileage racked up on them, which is primarily responsible for airborne pollution. Just leave the older cars alone.

OHIO - ANOTHER STATE DISENCHANTED WITH I/M

State representative Daniel Troy is trying to kill the state's contract with Envirotest Systems, that mega-company that seems to be turning up everywhere you look.

He says that if the program proves not to be cost effective and does not improve the quality of air, the state is nevertheless committed to paying *Envirotest* its contracted price for the ten year period.

Troy says that to find the 5-6 percent of the cars that exceed pollution standards by having <u>everyone</u> be tested is not the way to go. Amen!

HOW THE EPA SPENDS YOUR MONEY

The EPA is considering a standard of .09 or .08 parts per million (ppm) for volatile organic compounds (VOCs). Translated to dollars and (non)sense, to achieve just half of the proposed standard would cost about \$2.7 billion and the upper limit would be about \$14

billion.

To put that into perspective, the lower figure is about the annual budget of the Chicago Board of Education to educate 400,000 pupils.

BE YOUR OWN LAWYER

Jack Down of Citizens Against Repressive Zoning (C.A.R.Z) has an idea to help those who need legal assistance. He would have an attorney come into Chicago for an all day session on a Saturday to offer pointers and ideas. Travel and accommodations expenses would be up to the attendee along with a registration fee of about \$25.00 to help pay for the lawyer. Anyone interested in attending should contact Jack Downs, at 517-351-6751.

BACK-UP LIGHTS

The History Corner

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Fire!

It is rare to read the history of a business which existed before 1880 without encountering an account of a major fire. Buildings in those days were wooden and lit with candles, kerosene or gas. Power was provided by wood or coal-fired steam boilers. And the art of fire-fighting consisted mostly of throwing pails of water. Today, new construction techniques and the advent of electricity together with improved fire detection and fire fighting equipment have entirely changed the situation, to the point where industrial fires are relatively rare occurrences.

The Studebaker Brothers Manufacturing Company suffered two substantial fires, one in 1872 and the other in 1874. The effect of these fires is felt even today by the historian since many company records were reduced to ashes in them. Histories of Studebaker have often mentioned these fires, but have given few details. A more complete account of the first of them might be of interest.

The 1872 fire started shortly before 6 o'clock in the afternoon on Monday, June 17, 1872 in the plant's woodworking shop at the corner of Lafayette and South streets in South Bend. The shop, of course, generated large quantities of shavings and sawdust and a blower was used to carry the waste to another room for storage pending disposal. One of the journals of the blower overheated, firing the dust, but the blower continued to run long enough to carry the fire into the storage area, which went up in flames in a matter of seconds. The workmen saved themselves only by immediate flight.

Fire alarms were sounded and the response was immediate. The Third Ward engine, being the closest, arrived first and tried to pull water out of the well at the corner of Lafayette and South streets, but to no avail because the well, like many that summer, was

dry. For some time, only one engine was able to actually apply water to the fire by taking it from the nearby Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad's water tank.

A crowd estimated at several thousand people gathered and most of them lent a hand by removing property from nearby buildings. A railroad train of flat cars was hastily put together and run to Mishawaka to bring back additional volunteers and the Mishawaka fire company's pumper and hose cart.

Across Lafayette street from the Studebaker plant was a lumber yard. Lines of men passed buckets from hand to hand and every available pump was kept running to bring water from the few places where it could be found. The lumber yard was mostly saved, but a house next to it was lost, as was one belonging to John Myers, next to the Studebaker plant. A barn behind the Myers house and another barn nearby went up in flames. Three more barns east of the plant were taken. The roof of the 3rd Ward school caught fire from the sparks raining down on it and the building was nearly lost. One small home was actually torn down by the crowd in an attempt to prevent the fire from spreading. Several other houses and the National Hotel were saved, but were damaged by the heat with glass broken out, walls scorched and siding warped. Some of this property was covered by insurance, but some was not.

The weather was hot and dry, but there was little or no wind and according to a contemporary account in the St. Joseph Valley Register for June 20' the lack of wind was the only thing that saved the rest of the city. The Studebakers were estimated to have lost \$70,000 worth of buildings, machines, and lumber, but had nearly \$20,000 of insurance on it, placed with a total of thirteen different companies. The largest single coverage was \$3,000 with the Hartford. Other coverage had been bought from New York, Columbus, St. Paul, Chicago, Milwaukee, and as far away as Liverpool, England.

The building which burned had been bought by the Studebaker brothers in 1867 and had been used as a woodworking shop ever since. At the time of the fire, 125 men were employed in it. However, in 1871, the year before the fire, the Studebakers had bought the first portion what was to become the Studebaker automobile plant on the south side of the tracks and had erected buildings there and begun production. The company's valuable inventory of dried and drying lumber was also stored at the new plant and was not touched by the fire. And the carriage and blacksmith shops, located further north, were unaffected. The brothers, therefore, lost an important facility, but didn't lose everything. Within matter of days following the fire, replacement machinery had been ordered and plans set for vacating the paint shop in the new plant so it could be converted for woodworking purposes. Deliveries to some customers must, of course, have been delayed, but the recovery was so swift that the business was able to set a new sales record for 1872: \$688,000.

Department of Obscure Facts

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In 1874, a young man named Charles Eckhart worked for *Studebaker* as a wheelwright. He decided to strike out on his own and moved to Auburn, Indiana where he started the Eckhart Carriage Company. Although never as large as Studebaker, the Eckhart Carriage Company was at least successful enough to provide a living and, eventually, employment for his sons, Frank and Morris.

In the final years of the 19th century, as young men were wont to do in those days, Frank and Morris started messing around with horseless carriages. In 1900 they introduced an automobile and began making it on a production basis in 1903, calling it the Auburn. At first, the car was a single-cylinder chain-drive with the engine under the body and the fuel tank in front. In 1905 a 2-cylinder model was introduced and in 1910 and 1912 they brought out 4- and 6-cylinder cars. Nickel trim, leather upholstery and bright color schemes were featured. The Auburns of 1923 were powered by Continental, Weidely, or Supreme engines.

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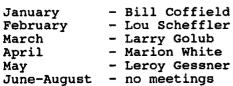
In 1924, E. L. Cord bought the Auburn company and invested heavily in it. The 1931 Auburn was perhaps the sleekest car in the company's history and sales peaked in that year at 28,103 units. The line culminated in a 1935 pointed-tail model which came with a guarantee that every car had been test driven at speeds over 100 mph. Production continued into 1936 and plans were made for a 1937 model, but sales had been minuscule and the company closed.

Thus even the fabled Auburn and Cord have a Studebaker heritage. How often we underestimate the influence of Studebaker on the automotive industry.

DEE LIGHTS

The Greasy Spoon

The following have volunteered to bring goodies to future meetings. Marion White will contact the responsible individual prior to the meeting. Please notify Marion of any changes.



September - Open
October - Open
November - Open
December - Open

SEARCH LIGHTS WANT ADS



Ads are free to members and must be submitted in writing to the Editor by the 25th (even months).

Please let the Editor know if you purchase or

sell an item listed here.

CARS FOR SALE

1953 Studebaker 232 V-8 & 3 sp. Good condition, \$500.00 OBO, also have 1953 bench seat front frame (for free), Bill Henderson, 2028 Leisure Dr. N.W., Winter Haven, Florida 33881, phone 941-299-9247.

1955 Studebaker Champion Regal 5 passenger coupe, completely restored, 30M original miles, AACA first place winner, \$14,500. Ted Janowski, 904-775-5512 (Deland).

1955 Studebaker President 4 door, V-8, auto, P.S., body is in good shape, car is not running but the motor is free and will fire, good car to restore, \$950.00. Dennis Weflen, 3465 NW 46th Pl., Gainesville Fl 32605, 352-373-5990.

1956 SKY HAWK parts car with Golden Hawk fins. Car is complete except for the engine. Has all glass and trim and has a 289' crank, \$300 or I will trade for any 1912-1914 era Flanders literature. Nick Uhl, Oak Hill Recycling Center, 131 So. U.S. #1,P.O. Box 439, Oak Hill, Florida 32759, 904-345-3049.

1958 PACKARD HAWK partially disassembled but complete \$3900, Joe Sangiorgi 407-788-6224 (Longwood).

1960 CHEVROLET BEL AIR 4 door, 6 cylinder, 3 speed with air, \$3500. John Gormican 980 West McCormick Rd. Apopka, Fl. 32703, 407-889-9252.

1961 LARK 4 door, auto, 58,000 original miles, owned by my grandfather, \$4000 or best offer. Sandra Sullivan, 8120 Alveron Street, Orlando Florida 32817, 407-678-3117.

1962 GT HAWK Glenn Smith, 4571 Lacusta Dr., Orlando, Florida 32808, 407-293-2258.

1962 GT HAWK auto, PS, PB, 289, original A/C (needs repair), mechanical restoration completed 1995, interior in good condition, \$8250 obo. Dave & Sue Glaser, 2177 Chantilly Ln., Dunedin, Florida 34698, 813-784-0553.

1963 CRUISER, 44,000 original miles, factory fiberglass front fenders (have build sheet from Newman & Altman), fast V-8 and manual transmission. Make offer. Have all papers. Dale 699-0041 (Winter Springs), 831-8382 after 6 pm. Might trade for 50s, early 60s Chevy.

1963 DAYTONA H.T. 6 cyl, OD, tinted glass, A/C, new paint, partial inter, brakes, most new rubber seals, good tires chrome etc., Arizona car, no rust \$3500. Call Noah Dancy, 904-752-3645 (Lake City, Florida).

1964 DAYTONA 4 door, silver & white, interior excellent \$1950, Keith Rolleston, 743 Saddlebrook Drive, Tarpon Springs FL. 34689, 813-938-2164.

1986 Pontiac Fiero GT, round back, V-6, 5 speed, AM/FM cassette, pb, pw, pdl, sun roof, mint condition, cold A/C, 4 new tires, white exterior, grey interior, full documents, \$4650, Conrad DePinto 407-332-6806 (Longwood).

PARTS/ACCESSORIES FOR SALE

STEPHEN ALLEN'S AUTO has new & used Studebaker & Packard parts. N.O.S. parts, mechanical, electircal & trim. VISA, MC, DISC accepted. 529 N.W. 58th Street, Gainesville Fl 32607 352-472-9369, 800-532-1236 (orders only).

1963-1964 GT HAWK parts, sold the car, now need to make room in the garage, many items, call or write. Jerry Ray, 1012 Cama Ct, Winter Springs, Fl 32708, 407-699-5364 (5:00 pm to 8:30 pm ONLY).

1955-56 NOS Packard parts, 4.1622 (458975) senior Packard tail light lenses and (458978) back up light lenses, \$300 (4 pieces); 3.314272 (6484363) Finger and lead assembly push button control contact (Ultramatic trans) 1956 Packard \$70; 3.6743 (450264) rear housing bushing (Ultra) \$10; 15.408 (382511) pin kit (Steering knuckle) \$60; 15.5035 (443795) inner assy-support arm bushing lower arm (steering knuckle) \$10. Package deal, all for \$350.00. Frank Ambrogio, 1025 Nodding Pines Way, Casselberry Fl 32707.

FERN PARK AUTO PARTS, 1420 E. Hwy 436 (2 blocks W. of 17/92), foreign & domestic, machine shop service, hard to find parts our specialty (no body parts). 407-339-3509.

ITEMS FOR SALE: for 1957-1958 Golden Hawk; McCullough Supercharger (blower only, no brackets or pulleys), grille, tachometer, dash garnish molding, fender script. All items saved from car in 1960 and packed away in very good to excellent condition. Also, heater for late 30s, early 40s models - excellent condition. Frank (beeper) 407-373-3708 or Jerry Shelton (home) 407-957-9095 (St. Cloud).

4 PACKARD V-8 ENGINES; 1 Golden Hawk engine runs with stick shift overdrive setup; 1- G.H. V-8 turns freely; 1 - 374" & 1 - 352" engine disassembled. Will trade for ? reasonable. Still have <u>free</u> Big Six, will junk in the fall! Bill Hahn, 543 Daytona Ave., Holly Hill, Fl 32117-3758, 904-255-6093.

FOUR NEW TIRES, size G-78/15, whitewalls. Two are regular tread and two are snow tread. Larry Golub, Phone: 407-788-0117.

MANUAL RADIO AC-2748 with chrome face plate, for 1956-1957 Hawks, worked when removed from Wayne Newberry's 1957 Silver Hawk in 1987, excellent condition \$50.00. Frank Ambrogio, 1025 Nodding Pines Way, Casselberry Fl 32707.

MANUALS, Chassis Parts all eights 1929-40, 1964 Commander, Daytona, Cruiser; Body Parts Sixes & Eights 1929-1940; Truck Parts 1937-40 (series 20-25-30), 1962-63 (7E & 8E series); Shop Manual 1941-42; any of the above \$20 each; Service Operator Step & Time Guide (3 guides for Champion/Commander) 1947, 1949, & 1951 \$10 each; Jerry Ray, 1012 Cama Ct, Winter Spgs, Fl 32708, 407-699-5364 (5:00 to 8:30 pm ONLY).

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER SHIRTS, CAPS, AND STUDEBAKER VISORS for sale. Shirts are light blue with collar and pocket. Sizes S,M,L,XL,2X. \$16.00. Caps are blue with a white front panel, one size fits all, \$6.00. Visors in several colors, Contact Anita Ambrogio.



ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ROSTERS are available any time. Indicate if you want the

available any time. Indicate if you want the roster of names only, or names and autos owned. Send a large SASE to Frank Ambrogio.

STUDEBAKER SALES BROCHURES for sale contact Toni Ames 352-360-0448.

PARTING 1956 GOLDEN HAWK, engine, body, and chassis parts. Stephen Allen's Auto 529 N.W. 58th Street, Gainesville Fl 32607 352-472-9369, 800-532-1236 (orders only).

PARTING Studebakers 30s-80s, radiator, hood ornaments; new, used parts; engine, brakes, fuel, cooling, steering, mechanical, electrical, body, trim, top pumps, cylinders, window motors, regulators, switches, radios, manuals, clocks, gauges, speedometers, light lenses, assemblies, Try us for hard to find parts 1900s-1980s, all makes; VISA, MC, Pioneer, 813-966-4468, Osprey, Florida.

STUDEBAKER T SHIRTS \$10/ea 100% cotton, white or ash; 50/50 T's in blue or mint, XXL \$12/ea. Send check or money order to Bonnie DiVito, P.O. Box 593, Micanopy FL 32667. Send SASE for more designs and price list on coffee mugs & ceramic novelties.

VEHICLES WANTED

1950-51-52 Land Cruiser: 4 door sedan, must be excellent original or restored. Bruce Mann, 1531 Oak Forest Dr., Ormond Beach, Fl 32174, 904-677-4302.

1953-55 Coupe or Hardtop, Richard Lewis, 941-983-9267

For Ford Pinto - motors (4 cyl), 4 spd transmissions, rear ends, racing parts for same. Jerry Shelton (home) 407-957-9095 (St. Cloud).

OTHER ITEMS WANTED

SECRETARY, for the Orlando Area Chapter. 1-2 hours per month for 7 months, no work during the summer. Contact: Dean Gessner, P. O. Box 428, Yalaha Fl 34797.

EDITOR, for the Orlando Area Chapter. "Bread Job" (A Loaf A Day). Contact: Dean Gessner, P. O. Box 428, Yalaha Fl 34797.

Good C-K Saginaw non power steering column w/wheel. T-89 or T-85 Studebaker overdrive transmission in good condition. Bill Hahn, 543 Daytona Ave., Holly Hill, Fl 32117-3758, 904-255-6093.

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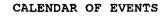
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Regularly Scheduled Chapter Events

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER (OAC) MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS are held at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month from Sept-May at Sanford Motor Co. 3418 S. Orlando Dr. (17-92), Sanford, ½ mile north of Lake Mary Blvd.

onc Monthly Breakfasts are held at 8:00 am on the last Sunday of each month at: Quincy's Family Steak House, US Hwy 441 (Orange Blossom Trail), one block north of Lee Road/John Young Parkway (423). BYOB (Bring Your Old Baker).

JANUARY

- 11 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 26 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

FEBRUARY

- 08 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 08-09 CENTRAL FLORIDA AUTO FESTIVAL & TOY EXPO at Auburndale Speedway & Polk County Fairgrounds, 10 miles East of Lakeland, Fl. Hwy 542, Auburndale, Florida. Show to benefit Polk Senior Orphans & Ronald McDonald House. Info: Doug Malcolm, Central Florida Auto Enthusiasts, 1420 N. Galloway Rd., Lakeland Fl 33810.
- 15-16 FLORIDA PACKARD CLUB WINTER MEET, 19000 S.E. Mack Dairy Road, Jupiter Florida, Hosts Fanek and Carol Childs, 561-744-8979.
- 21-23 KEYSTONE REGION CHAPTER ANNUAL SWAP MEET, York Fairgrounds, Pa. Host: Wilbur White
- 23 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.
- 28-01(March) HUDSON, ESSEX & TARRAPLANE CLUB'S WHITACRE'S WINTER MEET in Oxford, Florida, Don & Jennie Whitacre 352-748-2922.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Always keep your club roster handy.

Dave Meachum lost a 35mm Olympus Stylus camera at the state meet in Tampa. It was in a 3"x6" black carrying case. If you happened to locate it contact Dave in Port Richey at 813-868-7474.

When you need parts for your Studebaker, we hope you will think of Florida's own Stephen Allen's Auto in Gainesville first. Most often, shipments will arrive in one day.

THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

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THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

The Orlando Area Studebaker Club was organized on October 15, 1983 and was chartered as the Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club on June 19, 1984. The Charter was presented to the Chapter at the International Studebaker Drivers Club meet in Kissimmee on July 6, 1984.

The Chapter was formed to:

Encourage the acquisition, preservation, maintenance, and enjoyment of Studebaker and related automobiles.

Provide accurate historical and technical information on Studebaker automobiles, the Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Studebaker Corporation.

Promote good fellowship and pride of ownership among Chapter members.

Publish a newsletter containing news and information concerning both national and local activities, technical advice, and items wanted or for sale.

Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

Ownership of a vehicle is not a requirement for membership. Many members are either looking for some special model or are simply interested in the colorful history of the Studebaker Corporation which spanned 114 years (1852-1966).

Greasy Prints is the official bi-monthly publication of the Orlando Area Chapter - Studebaker Drivers Club. All comments and opinions are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the policy of the Chapter.

Orlando Area Chapter members are entitled to free checking with no minimum balance at Great Western Bank. Accounts must be GREAT WESTERN BANK opened at the Winter Springs branch at 5601 Red Bug Lake Road,

Tel 407-699-0240. Once the account is established, transactions can be made at any Great Western Bank branch office. Identify yourself as a member of the Orlando Area Chapter, Studebaker Drivers Club.

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Please send any auto related flyers, etc. to me for inclusion in my next report.

You may have noticed that this is a smidgin late. I have just finished replacing the wheelchair ramp at the front of our house. Still have to put at least one more coat of paint on it. Also just finished rebushing the front suspension on a '63 Avanti. Also some of the info enclosed was a bit late too. But, here it is. Better late than never.

An abortive attempt to change the rear axle assembly in the Packard wagon ended in frustration and a pile of parts. The Dana 44 I obtained had just been sitting around too long. The ring and pinion were so heavily rusted that the pinion shaft couldn't be turned with a 3' breaker bar. I did end up with some nice axle shafts, useable brake drums, good springs, rebuildable driveshaft and a good housing. The center chunk is WIPED! Anyone need a boat anchor?

I recieved an invitation to be a state representative for SEMA to collect and disseminate info on restrictive and negative political moves against the old car/modified car hobby. I have accepted. So, I may be contributing info to G.P.and bending your ear (eye?) in this format too. I'LL be grateful for info and clippings from news reports about good or bad political action regarding our cars.

By the way, we have lost the Starlite. Corporate greed and public complacency seem to have gone hand-in-hand in a conspiracy to deprive us of yet another non-homogeneous. American artifact. It's really too bad! We seem to have evolved into a society of non-caring, insular, corporate driven consumers. We seem to be wrapped in our cocoon homes waiting for "someone" to bring us our products and entertainment. I guess the few of us who care are just not enough to stir the apathetic. Such is our loss.

Speaking of apathy (not that I'm pointing fingers!). Here's hoping to see more of you at Quincys for breakfast. They have good service, good food and lots of it. I always manage to eat WAY too much! The price ain't bad neither! \$3.99 Buffet. Here are some things to do:

FEBRUARY

- Auburndale 10th annual cent. FL Auto Festival and Toy Expo. Pre \$12/\$15 DOS Gen. Admission \$5. Info: 941-686-8320
- 14-16 Atlantic city, NJ Atlantic City Classic Car Auction Info: 1-800-227-3868
- 23 Kissimmee Winterfest Avanti Only Car Show -at Old Town. Carl 407-723-9350 LET'S TRY TO GET A GOOD PARTICIPANT AND SPECTATOR TURN-OUT!!!

FEB. cont.

- 27-28 Central Florida Fair (I think this is a new activity this year.)
- March 1-4 THREE separate Car Shows!!! 27-28 Rods & Trucks, 1-2 '46 and up, 3-4 1900-1942. Overnight Security. Info: Larry 407-862-4949 or Email larryg@magicnet.net Reg. \$10/car Please send non-returnable photo; Cent FL Fair, 4603 W. Colonial Dr., Orlando Fl 32808-8158 You need only enter ONE show (2 days) period. You may enter as many shows as you wish if you have appropriate vehicles.

MARCH

- 1-2 Palatka 4th Annual Azalea Car & Truck Show Pre \$10/\$12 DOS Swap \$10 Info: 352-347-2988
- 8 Gainesville 15th Annual Original Cruz-In At Sam's Club, 2801 N.W. 13th St. \$10 req. Benefit "Stop Children's Cancer" Info: 352-332-5984
- 14-15 DeLand 13th Annual Super Cruise America Volusia Co. Fairgrounds Info: 904-775-1203
- 22-23 Daytona 8th Annual Spring Speedway Spectacular Car Show & Swap Meet By Mar. 12 \$15/\$20 DOS Info: 904-255-7355
- 28-29 Orlando 26th Annual Easter Rod Run \$15 Pre/\$ 20 DOS Swap \$30 Held at The Holiday Inn, University of Cent. FL area Info: 904-775-4807/407-282-1473
- 28-29 Nashville, Tennessee York Of The South STUDEBAKER Swap Meet Info: 615-893-5367/615-890-0721
- Daytona Beach 3rd Annual Spring Break Nationals Car & Truck Show \$20 Pre/ \$25 DOS - Info: 941-665-9487

CRUISES

- Kissimmee Old Town Every Saturday opens 6PM, '72 and older. $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles E. of I-4 Tampa Burger King on Dale Mabry N. of Ehrlich Saturdays.
- Daytona Beach Memory Land R&R Cafe', 2424 N. Atlantic Ave. Saturdays Info; 904-673-5389
- Casselbery Murray's Wings and Ribs at Oxford Square 1st Saturday, 436 E. of 17/92
- Leesburg Wendy's on N. US27 Gateway Plaza 1st Saturday 7/10 PM
- Lakeland Beef O'Brady's Hwy 98 2nd Saturday 6/9 PM
- St.Petersburg Biff's Burgers 3939 49th St. 3rd Sat Classic Car Show Entertainment by the "Drifters". Trophys too. 813-527-5297
- Deland Gooding's & McDonald's lot every Friday 17/92 off 1-4 7/10 PM
- Deland First Union Bank parking lot 3rd Saturday 1 block east of 17/92 on 44 5 to ? PM
- Sanford Wendy's at WalMart Last Saturday 17-92 & Lake Mary 7 to 10 PM
- Sanford The Big Dip Second and Last Sunday 17/92 and 25th Doo-Wop and great food. 3 to 9 PM (D.J. is "Uncle Russie" Late of S.D.C. NOW Edsel owner. But, let's not hold that against him!)

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

President Dean Gessner has announced that the Orlando Area Chapter will hold elections at the regular membership meeting on April 12. Several members are currently holding more than one position and in one case, one family holds down three of the seven officer positions. We need to have a more representative board of directors. Please consider filling any of the positions.

ELECTION NOTICE

Election of officers will be held at the April meeting. If you are interested in serving as an officer, please complete this form and mail it to Dean Gessner. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the April meeting.

I submit my name for nomination to the office(s) of :

President:	Vice President:
Membership Director:	Treasurer:
Secretary:	Editor:
Activities Director:	Any Position
NAME	Please send this form to
	Dean Gessner or bring it to the next meeting.
SIGNATURE	Thanx.
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Cruises (Cont.)	
Maitland - Kody's Drive-In - Friday 7 to 11 PM	1 - 17/92 N. of Horatio R&R music,
Give-aways Etc.	
St. Cloud - Ice cream parlor at N.Y. and 11th	- Every Wednesday at 6PM
St. Cloud - Caesar's Treasure Chest - Classic	Memories on Wheels - N.Y Ave 5 to 8PM
Cars must be 25 years old.	

Also, I heard of a "Project" car for sale. A '61 Lark Conv. All Options. NOT RUNNING
But, could be interesting. Janice Baum 331-3422 (I have not personally seen this
one. Sounded interesting.

If you discover a new cruise, an incorrect phone #, a defunct cruise, or anything else

you think should be dispersed amongst us, feel free to drop me a postcard or note.

Also, got a '47 Champion 4dr running for a guy in DeLand a couple of months ago. Kinda rough. But, mostly there. Call Wm Baker, 904-736-3797 he may still have it.

Martin Burns
1415 W. Smith St.
Orlando, FL 32804
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LOCAL CHAPTER NEWS

FROM DAVE STRAUGHN

Our Michigan/Indiana member has some ideas on the SDC International meet for OAC members

I just finished reading the Jan & Feb 1997 issues of TW where I saw the ad for the International Meet. I can only guess at what types of formal, prearranged, and organized entertainment they are planning to offer meet participants. Unfortunately, I was not able to decipher what the South Bend Chapter means when they say "Old Bags & Old Money Tour" (filthy rich widows tour?) or, "Heritage Trail Tour" (LaSalle slept under this tree?) or, "Ferns, Flour Mill & Famous People Tour" (Kellogg brothers buy out Frank's Nursery)?

I have done some thinking on what sorts of extracurricular cultural diversions OAC-SDC members might enjoy participating in during their stay in Indiana.

Here is my list, so far:

- 1. Visit Gilmore Auto Museum (Richland, MI), Kalamazoo Aviation History Museum (Kalamazoo), or both. Comments: I am sure Paul & Marion, and maybe you and Anita have been to one or both places; however, for those who have not, it is a very worthwhile experience, bring your flash camera & plenty of film. 1996 adult admission prices/person: Gilmore: \$5.00 and the Air Museum \$6.00.
- 2. Visit Auburn/Cord/Duesenburg Museum, Auburn, Indiana. Comments: Again, I know Paul & Marion have been there. I was there just before Christmas, and discovered another operating "Brand X' auto museum which is occupying the Auburn factory buildings adjacent to the ACD museum. Brand "X:' is undergoing some inside construction, but they had many cars on public display (storage for the winter?) Admission: \$6.00/adult.
- 3. For the lighthouse fanatics in the club there is a lighthouse museum located in Michigan City (admission \$2.00/person), as

well as an operating lighthouse on Lake Michigan. There are also lighthouses in South Haven, St. Joseph, and I believe Grand Haven and all within a days drive of South Bend. Comments: For the women, there is Lighthouse Place, a large outlet mall in Michigan City. Michigan City can be reached in 45 minutes by car, or you can do it low stress and take the electric interurban train from South Bend and walk to the outlet mall. Today's Jeopardy answer is: Paul White. The Jeopardy question is: Who was the first passenger on an electric interurban train?

- 4. For the adventurous female I suggest a trip via the electric interurban into the Chicago Loop (Randolph Street) and shop the upscale shops till you drop along North Michigan Avenue. Bring plenty of plastic and good walking shoes. Plan to leave early and get back late. Chicago will be on the same time as South Bend during the Meet. Beware The sales tax in downtown Chicago is 8.75%! If you don't want to shop, you could visit the Chicago Art Institute. Round-trip is \$xx.00/person. If anyone is interested, let me know and I will obtain the train schedule.
- 5. During the journey to or from the ACD Museum, we can make a brief stop at the Indiana Historic Radio Museum in Ligoneer, IN. This collection of old radios was formerly housed in the 2nd story of the ACD Museum until ACD needed more room for their cars and threw out the radio boys. Admission: Cash donation.
- 6. The National New York Central Railroad Museum in Elkhart, IN for train buffs. Admission: \$2.00/person.
- 7. I am thinking about reserving a pavilion in a local public park for a simple picnic lunch if the weather is good. Drive your 'Baker to lunch for a great photo op.

As you can see, there are plenty of diversions to occupy your time if you don't like the

formal pre-planned menu.

For persons preparing to drive a Studebaker to South Bend and desiring to capture some photos of yourself, your car, and any local color, please let me know before you start clicking the shutter. I may be able to make some recommendations on the local color for those "staged" photographs.

As an added service to OAC-SDC members, I have enclosed a copy of the Yellow Pages from the South Bend telephone directory which lists lodging opportunities in the South Bend area. My advice is to stay as close to downtown as your budget will allow. Lodging in Niles, MI, Elkhart, IN or Plymouth, IN is too far away from Meet activities. Stay out of the Wooden Indian and the Drake (& Days Inn - Editor)!

1999 RAPID CITY GETS INTERNATIONAL

Our Ontario member, Stu Chapman, has news on the 1999 meet.

From Stu Chapman Chairperson: International Meet Committee

The members of the Board of Directors of the Studebaker Drivers Club have confirmed Rapid City, South Dakota as the site of the 1999 Studebaker International Meet. something of a departure from the norm, this meet will be held September 5th through 11th, taking advantage of the recent Board decision to extend the window for international meets June/July/August to from May September.

The meet headquarters will be the Holiday Inn Rushmore Plaza and meet chair Stuart Tritt is excited about the advantages of the area and the timing of the meet. In September, the beauty of the Black Hills is at its best, travelling weather will be cooler and reduced accommodation rates all over town will be prevalent. In fact, it is expected that the room rates at the headquarters hotel will be approximately \$68.

Board member Larry Miller is working with the local group which also includes John Prodan. International Meet Committee member Denny Lockmon is overseeing the inspection and final contract negotiations with the local committee.

The meet headquarters hotel features an eight-story, open atrium with an abundance of live greenery, glass elevators and a cascading waterfall. Handicapped rooms are available and wheelchair ramps are located throughout the for easy accessibility. For enjoyment of SDC members, there is an indoor swimming pool, sauna, two whirlpools and an exercise room.

The hotel's 200 seat restaurant, the Tiffany Grille, is located in the Atrium as is the Fountain Court lounge which offers a relaxing atmosphere and features piano music. A gift

shop and Budget Rental Car location are also on site.

The hotel's beautifully decorated Dakota Ballroom comprises 7,000 square feet and divides into eight meeting rooms. A board room, the Montana, Wyoming and Hammons rooms and the Atrium area will all be utilized to handle our SDC requirements.

For those members who fly into Rapid City, perhaps best known for the famous Mount Rushmore, the Holiday Inn Rushmore Plaza 24-hour offers day complimentary а transportation from the Rapid City Regional Airport. Right outside their front door is scenic Memorial Park, complete with a six mile walking path, lighted tennis courts and a pond. The Rushmore Plaza is located just three blocks from downtown Rapid City and is five minutes from the Rushmore Mall with over 100 stores.

The Rapid City Convention and Visitors Bureau and the City of Rapid City are most hosting enthusiastic about the 1999 International Meet and SDC is excited about going to Rapid City.

The local meet committee will be keeping SDC members fully informed of all the details as time goes on.

Further information:

Stu Chapman bus: 905-632-3151 ext 22

fax: 905-333-8118 res: 905-319-8882

Stuart Tritt res: 308-235-3386

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

NOTE: Marty produces GREASY PRINTS II on other information which were not available when this



issue was prepared. Please send any flyers about car show activities to him. If you are interested in participating in Chapter events, let Marty know.

STAINLESS UPDATE: Studly is finally fully adorned. I got the left side "Butterknife" from Bill Fennessy. Saw his ad in T.W. It wasn't cheap. But, reasonable enough. Took me more than two weeks to get the time to put it on. We're "Feeling much better now" thanks.

After this last breakfast, Which was fairly well attended, I headed to Old Town for the Avanti gathering. There was a real mess of them there. I counted 29. They made me put my shoes on, so I may have lost count. I shot up a bunch of film to have more stuff for the scrapbook. I'll send the duplicates to Chris Altenburg for his use in an article in 'Avanti', or whatever. I saw him and Barbara there. He was yakking and shooting photos. I also saw the Kruegers and their Avanti. George Morrill had his '64 there with its newly rebuilt engine. Says it's doing well. There was also a nicely done custom '81. Very interesting front end treatment. I didn't get all the particulars but, I suspect Chris did and will have it in "Avanti" sooner or later.

I want to remind everyone that the Orlando Inaugural St. Patty's Parade will be on March 14th. We are invited and I have heard from a couple of people. We NEED LOTS OF CARS!!! This is free to us and there is a party for the participants. Give me a call to sign up. We will be allowed to toss candy to the kids. And organizers would like those with convertibles to be available "dignitaries". You may volunteer or not. The assembly area is Lot 12 on the corner of Hughey and Washington. They want us in place by 11:00 so they can decide who goes where for the 1:30 parade. Should be over by 2:30, 3:00 for sure. There is a party afterward for participants. Can we get a good turnout and not deprive the crowds of the sight of miles of STUDEBAKERS?

In that same vein. I talked with the organizer of the Westside Tech Spring Festival in Winter Garden. He says he would be glad to arrange for a Club Participation Award IF we can get more than 5 cars to show up from our club. It's April 12 and will cost \$12.50 each if we can get the required cars, \$15 if not. We can can't we? The funds go to their scholarship fund. I need to be able to tell him yes or no by April 1. I may be calling.

<u>DON'T FORGET</u>. The meeting is on the <u>15th</u> this month. There is a wedding in the Bales family on our regular date.

A point of interest. There is an ad in T.W. for Indexes for the SDC Family Album. Do not send me money if you have an album and want an index. They are gratis to OAC members. Just get a large manilla envelope, your address and 55¢ in postage to me. Or remind me before a meeting or breakfast and I'll bring one. There are apparently a few "Blems" of the album still available. My index will make them worth it.

Sad news to report. The father of one of our former members and favorite "Do-Wop" DJ, Russ Ross, died Feb 23 after a long battle with Alzheimer's. I have expressed my sympathies. I have his address if anyone else wishes to do so.

Much Better News!!! Captain Jean-Luc (the '57 Packard wagon, for those who just tuned in) has been touched by fame. The Captain will be featured as a recurring vehicle in the HBO show, "From The Earth To The Moon" as the vehicle of the documentary crew. Negotiations for compensation will be done shortly and the role will start March 4 if the filming goes as planned. It's about time one of these cars paid their way!! They promise not to make any "Owies". The filming will he done in Sept. I will have the use of the car when they aren't filming. So, I guess I won't have bad withdrawal! symptoms. Of course they still have to see the car up close. So, I'm crossing my fingers.

A Post script. If anyone can tape the HBO Show when it airs (they air?) I would be glad to pay for the videotape. Thanx

Stuff to do:

MARCH

1-2 PALATKA - 4th Annual Azalea Car & Truck Show - \$12, Swap \$10 - Info: 352-347-2988

8 GAINESVILLE - 15th Annual Original Cruz-In - At Sam's Club, 2801 N.W. 13th St. \$10 Benefits "Stop Children"s Cancer" Info:352-332-5984

14-15 DELAND - 13th Annual Super Cruise America - Volusia Co. Fairgrounds - 904-775-1203

16 - ST. PETE - Dolphin Village Car and Truck Show - 4801 Gulf Blvd St. Pete Beach. Info 813-525-8061. Too far for me. But those of you south of Orlando may wish to look into this one.

22 LAKE MARY - 4th Olde Lake Mary Days. No entry fee listed on flyer. Registration opens at 7:00 AM. Info: Maureen Liberatore 324-3024.

22 SORRENTO - 10th annual Derby Day & Super Cruise. \$3.00 per person, however each Super Cruise entry get 2 free admissions. Info 407-323-8844.

22-23 DAYTONA - 8th annual Spring Speedway Spectacular - By Mar. 12, \$15. After, \$20.

28-29 ORLANDO - 25th Annual Easter Rod Run - \$15 pre/ \$20 dos - Swap \$30. Held at the Holiday Inn, University Of Cent Fla. area. Info: 904-775-4807/407-282-1473

28-29 TENNESSEE - Nashville "York of The South" - STUDEBAKER Swap Meet - Info: 615-896-5367/615-890-0721

31 DAYTONA BEACH - 3rd Annual Spring Break Nationals Car and Truck show -\$20 pre/\$25 Day of Show Info: 941-665-9487

APRIL

3-6 CHARLOTTE, NC Food Lion AutoFair Collector Car Show & Swap Meet - Info 704-455-3209

12 Westside Tech Spring Festival, Car Show and Swap Meet - WINTER Garden Info: 407-656-2851 ext. 276. This One Is The Show I Mentioned. A good cause \$15 registration. Unless we can get more than 5 cars in the club group.

13 ORLANDO - Malibu Grand Prix Car show - 5863 American Way - \$15 pre/\$20 DOS Info 813-525-8061

27 Orlando - 2nd Annual Orlando Police Department Benefit Car Show - \$10 pre/\$15 DOS Info 407-246-2436. This was a blast last year. Nearly eighty cars. Hopes to be bigger this year. It's at Sullivan's Trailways, 1108 S.O.B.T.

MAY

4 SNELLVILLE, GA - 5th Annual Orphan Vehicle Show and Swap - \$5 reg. Info 404-288-8222 Rick, Before 10 PM. Official N. GA SDC Meet.

16-18 VICKSBURG, Miss. Southern Nationals - So.Central & So. Eastern Zone Meet SDC Info 601-638-5543 or 601-638-6157

23-25 TAMPA - 26th Annual Memorial Day Rod Run - Info 904-262-2773 or 904-778-4352

CRUISES

* Kissimmee- Old Town - Every Saturday-Opens at 6 PM. open to '72 and older cars. Hwy 192 2-1/2 miles east of I-4. Always crowded and lots of fun.

- * Tampa Saturdays Burger King every Sat. On Dale Mabry north of Ehrlich.
- * Daytona Beach Saturdays Memory Lane R&R Cafe 2424 N. Atlantic Ave. More Info; 904-673-5389.
- * Casselberry- 1st Saturday Murray's Wings and Ribs- Oxford Square, 436 east of 17/92, 6-9:30 PM.
- * Winter Park 2nd Saturday Magic City Diner 471 N. Semoran Blvd, Winter Park 6-9:30, 657-1717. I haven't seen this one myself, but, I WILL HAVE TO. The Flyer has a '55 STUDEBAKER HARDTOP prominently displayed on the front!
- * Leesburg 1st Saturday Wendy's on N. US27 at Gateway Plaza 7-10 PM.
- * Lakeland 2nd Saturday Beef O'Brady's on Hwy 98 N. 6-9 PM. More info: 813-651-1035.
- * St Petersburg 3rd Sat.- Biff's Burgers, 3939 49th St Classic Car Show hosted by Biff's w/entertainment by the "Drifters" 40 trophies. Info: 813-527-5297.
- * Deland Every Friday Gooding's & McDonalds parking lot S. Deland on 17/92 off I-4. 7-10 PM.
- Third Saturday First Union Bank parking lot 1 block east of 17-92 on Hwy 44. 5-? PM.
- * Sanford Last Saturday Wendy's at WalMart on 17-92 and Lake Mary Blvd. 7-10 PM
- Second and last Sunday at The Big Dip, 17-92 and 25th St. Doo-Wop music and good food. 3-9 PM.
- * Maitland- Kody's Drive-in on 17-92 N. of Horatio. Fridays 7-11 PM and Sundays 4-9.
- * St.Cloud- Every Wednesday night At the Ice Cream parlor at New York and 11th. 6 PM.
- Thursdays Classic Memories on Wheels at Caesar's Treasure Chest on New York Ave. Cars must be at least 25 yrs. old 5-8 PM.

If anyone discovers a wrong phone # please let me know so it can be changed.

THE GREASE MONKEY



TECH TIPS

If you have a tech tip which you feel will be of interest to our members, please send it to the Editor.

The following tip comes from the NorthStar Wheel, newsletter of the Minnesota Region.

Radiator Coolant Test

Submitted by Oley Olson.

As engine coolant is used and gets older, it becomes acidic. When this acidic coolant contacts the various metals of the cooling system, a voltage is induced. This is the same principle as battery acid touching the differing metal plates inside a car battery. This voltage is the cause of the electrolysis which erodes the metals of the engine's cooling system. Usually aluminum parts such as intake manifolds, timing covers, thermostat

housings, water pump housings and cylinder heads erode the most.

To test for the presence of this acidic condition use a DC digital voltmeter with the ground probe to the battery negative post and the positive probe in the radiator's coolant. A reading of 0.2 volt is acceptable, 0.5 volts is marginal, and 0.7 volt or higher is unacceptable and requires servicing.

This servicing involves draining and flushing the cooling system, then refilling it with new coolant. If the coolant is fairly fresh but has a high voltage reading, it can indicate that combustion gases are entering the cooling system, raising its acidity and therefore the voltage.

This simple voltmeter test, done routinely, can help prevent damage to your cooling system and engine.

- Contributed by Acme Machine to the Sports Car Club of America, Las Vegas Regions' Checkered Flag.

SPOT LIGHTS



(News of Special Interest)

MORE POWERFUL THAN A LOCOMOTIVE

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This story was taken from the Western Outlook, Newsletter of the North Central Zone)

The Phoenix Gazette. 3/4/96

From a recent issue of Meat and Poultry magazine. a publication of the California Poultry Industry Federation: "The Federal Aviation Administration reportedly has a unique device for testing the strength of windshields on airplanes. The device is a gun that launches a dead chicken at a plane's windshield at approximately the speed the plane flies. The theory is that if the windshield doesn't crack from the carcass impact, it'll survive a real collision with a bird during flight."

"Now the British were very interested in the testing method and wanted to determine windshield strength for a brand new high-speed locomotive they have been developing. The British borrowed the FAA's chicken launcher, loaded the chicken and fired. The ballistic chicken shattered the windshield, went through the engineer's chair, broke an instrument panel, and embedded itself in the back wall of the engine cab."

"The British were stunned and asked the FAA to check the test to see if everything was done correctly. The FAA reviewed the test thoroughly and replied with a single recommendation:"

"Next time. use a thawed chicken."

BACK-UP LIGHTS

The History Corner

By Jan B. Young

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Knut's Car

In September of 1931, Studebaker announced the formation of a new company to produce an all new car. No further details were immediately given, but in December the announcement was broadened with several additional facts. The company was to be the Rockne Motors Company and it was to be a wholly owned subsidiary of Studebaker. The cars were to be produced in the old Studebaker plants in Detroit.

With the introduction of the Rockne, Studebaker's products covered an impressive array. The line started with the Rockne at \$585 and extended to the Pierce-Arrow Twelve which peaked at \$4,500. The Studebaker brand was kept in the middle of this range with the Six selling from \$840 to \$1095-and the Eight going from \$980 to \$2,095. In addition, both Studebaker and Pierce-Arrow marketed trucks in a broad range.

Knut Rockne had been born in Norway, emigrating to the USA with his parents at the age of five and settling in Chicago. In 1906, Rockne, then 18 years old, had gone to work for the railway mail service, but after four years, left to enter Notre Dame University. He graduated in 1914 after making a name for himself as an athlete. Upon graduation, the university offered him the position of assistant athletic coach and in 1918 he became head coach. In that position, Rockne transformed the school from an also-ran to a legendary powerhouse able to meet and beat the best teams in the country. With his name a household word, Studebaker had employed him on the side since 1928 to address sales meetings and to provide motivational support to its organization in a number of ways. In early 1931, Rockne was not well and he accepted the position of sales promotion manager with Studebaker, possibly in preparation for an end to his football career. Only twelve days later, on March 31, he was involved in an airplane accident that took his life. The naming of the Rockne Motors Company was thus both a tribute to a great man and also an attempt by Studebaker to capitalize on a famous and well-regarded name. Rockne Motors was also part of a Studebaker plan to capture a larger part of the post-recession automobile market by aiming at the lower-priced segment of the industry.

The Rockne automobile was actually designed by Ralph Vail and Roy Cole for Willys-Overland. Two prototypes were built and although they were well received, Vail and Cole were told that Willis-Overland was on the verge of bankruptcy and the cars could not be built. Driving home from Toledo in one of the prototypes, a depressed Vail stopped in South Bend without making prior arrangements. Albert Erskine happened to be in the office and was willing to come outside to look at the car. Erskine drove it and was so impressed that he arranged to buy the design at once. Both Vail and Cole thus ended up working for Studebaker and their prototype became the Rockne.

Production of the Rockne began in South Bend because the Detroit plants could not be made ready quickly enough, but was soon moved to the old Piquette Avenue plant in Detroit where the E-M-F and the Erskine had been made. Two models were produced in 1933 and one in 1934. Unfortunately, once again, Studebaker failed to penetrate the low-price field. Production was returned to South Bend over Easter weekend, 1933 and then phased out entirely in July of that year. As it had been with the Erskine, Studebaker had been too far ahead of the crowd. The depression still had several years to run and few people could afford a new car.

As a footnote to this story, there is one more connection between Rockne and Studebaker. Rockne died in an airplane operated by a company called Transcontinental Air Transport, or TAT. TAT was the operator of the first coast-to-coast service, inaugurated in 1928. Since airplanes did not fly at night in those days, passengers rode the Pennsylvania and Santa Fe railroads at night, and flew during the day, to achieve a coast-to-coast time of less than 48 hours. When Rockne's Fokker K-XA disappeared over Bazaar, Kansas, the resulting publicity nearly finished off TAT, but it eventually recovered and is today known as Trans World Airlines, or TWA.

The Studebaker connection is this: TAT's service involved both trains and airplanes, so the company faced the problem of ferrying passengers between airports and train stations. They solved this problem with a fleet of eleven 1929-30 Studebaker FH President Cabriolets, each fitted to pull a 14-passenger Aerocar passenger trailer for the passengers and their baggage.

Sources for this article include William Cannon and Fred Fox's Studebaker: The Complete Story (Tab Books, 1981), John B. Stoll's An Account of St. Joseph County (Dayton Historical Publishing Co., 1923), and Robert Serling's Howard Hughes' Airline; an Informal History of TWA (St.Martin's/Marek, 1983).

Department of Obscure Facts

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It has been said that Studebaker was the only carriage and wagon maker to survive the transition to the auto age. The claim is made on page 13 in Beatty, Furlong and Pennington's

book, Studebaker: Less Than They Promised, and in several other publications and is repeated often enough to be in danger of becoming a modern myth. In 1900 there were 6,200 carriage and wagon makers and it would be fun if we Studebaker enthusiasts could brag that our favorite car was the only one to survive the oats-to-gasoline transition. Unfortunately, it simply isn't true.

In 1895 the Durant-Dort Carriage Company produced 75,000 vehicles in 14 plants in the USA and Canada. Durant took over Buick on November first of 1904 and went on to found General Motors in 1908. The fact that Buick was not a direct outgrowth of Durant-Dort might lead some to disclaim the company's horse-drawn roots, but it is also true that E-M-F was not a direct outgrowth of the Studebaker's past business. The only real difference between the two situations is that the Studebaker name survived in South Bend, whereas in Flint, the Buick name survived.

Other examples exist. The Auburn was an outgrowth of the Eckhart Carriage Company of Auburn, Indiana. The car was successful, but not spectacularly so until it was taken over by E. L. Cord. It was made until 1936. Another car that had its beginnings in the wagon industry was the Canadian-made McLaughlin. Using Buick engines, McLaughlin produced autos until World War II.

The Davis was shorter-lived, but still "survived the transition to the auto age". It was made from 1908 to 1930 in Baltimore, an outgrowth of the Davis Company which originally built buggies and wagons. Even though few of us remember the Davis today, the fact that it was made for 22 years surely constitutes "surviving".

Although Studebaker was not the only wagon manufacturer to successfully make the transition to the auto age, it is true that the company was the only manufacturer to supply vehicles for the Civil War, the Korean War, and every U.S. war in between. One source, in fact, claims that a Studebaker ancestor supplied a conestoga wagon for the French and Indian War, back before the revolution. In its own way, Studebaker's record as a military supplier and as a patriotic company is even more impressive than its conversion to the auto age.

ELECTION NOTICE

Election of officers will be held at the April meeting. If you are interested in serving as an officer, please complete the enclosed form and mail it to Dean Gessner.

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at the April meeting.

SEARCH LIGHTS WANT ADS



NOTICE

Ads are free to members and must be submitted in writing to

the Editor by the 25th (even months).

CARS FOR SALE

1955 Studebaker President 4 door, V-8, auto, P.S., body is in good shape, car is not running but the motor is free and will fire, good car to restore, \$950.00. Dennis Weflen, 3465 NW 46th Pl., Gainesville Fl 32605, 352-373-5990.

1957 Studebaker President Classic, P/S, auto, T/T, H.D. suspension, Azure/Wedgewood blue, full restoration, drive to South Bend and show, §8,500. Bill Ladroga, 508-829-9018, (Holden, Massachusetts).

1960 CHEVROLET BEL AIR 4 door, 6 cylinder, 3 speed with air, \$3500. John Gormican 980 West McCormick Rd. Apopka, Fl. 32703, 407-889-9252.

1963 DAYTONA H.T. 6 cyl, OD, tinted glass, A/C, new paint, partial inter, brakes, most new rubber seals, good tires chrome etc., Arizona car, no rust \$3500. Call Noah Dancy, 904-752-3645 (Lake City, Florida).

PARTS/ACCESSORIES FOR SALE

STEPHEN ALLEN'S AUTO has new & used Studebaker & Packard parts. N.O.S. parts, mechanical, electircal & trim. VISA, MC, DISC accepted. 529 N.W. 58th Street, Gainesville Fl 32607 352-472-9369, 800-532-1236 (orders only).

MID 50s HAWK PARTS (probably 1956 Hawk), steering column, drive shaft, front bumper (with guards and mounting brackets), lower air intake panel with hood catch plate, rear window, stainless body trim. These items are in a nearby farmer's barn, if no one is interested, he is going to dispose of them. Verne R. Hillman, 430 Long Meadow Cir., Pulaski, Tn 38478, 615-363-7719.

SDC FAMILY ALBUMS. Have no Index? I have one! Indexed by car and name. In celluloid folder, \$4 M.O. and 8"x11-1/2 stamped (55 cents) envelope. (OAC members, SASE+Postage)! Marty Burns, 1514 W. Smith St., Orlando Fl 32804.

1963-1964 GT HAWK parts, sold the car, now need to make room in the garage, many items, call or write. Jerry Ray, 1012 Cama Ct, Winter Springs, Fl 32708, 407-699-5364 (5:00 pm to 8:30 pm ONLY).

FERN PARK AUTO PARTS, 1420 E. Hwy 436 (2 blocks W. of 17/92), foreign & domestic, machine shop service, hard to find parts our specialty (no body parts). 407-339-3509.

ITEMS FOR SALE: for 1957-1958 Golden Hawk; McCullough Supercharger (blower only, no brackets or pulleys), grille, tachometer, dash garnish molding, fender script. All items saved from car in 1960 and packed away in very good to excellent condition. Also, heater for late 30s, early 40s models - excellent condition. Frank (beeper) 407-373-3708 or Jerry Shelton (home) 407-957-9095 (St. Cloud).

FOUR NEW TIRES, size G-78/15, whitewalls. Two are regular tread and two are snow tread. Larry Golub, Phone: 407-788-0117.

VEHICLES/PARTS WANTED

For Ford Pinto - motors (4 cyl), 4 spd transmissions, rear ends, racing parts for same. Jerry Shelton 407-957-9095 (St. Cloud).

SERVICES OFFERED

AUTO MECHANICAL REPAIR SERVICE. Studebakers are my specialty. If I can be of help, call Marty Burns, 407-422-6706.

HEAD LIGHTS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Regularly Scheduled Chapter Events

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER (OAC) MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS are held at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month from Sept-May at Sanford Motor Co. 3418 S. Orlando Dr. (17-92), Sanford, ½ mile north of Lake Mary Blvd.

OAC MONTHLY BREAKFASTS are held at 8:00 am on the last Sunday of each month at: Quincy's Family Steak House, US Hwy 441 (Orange Blossom Trail), one block north of Lee Road/John Young Parkway (423). BYOB (Bring Your Old Baker).

MARCH

- 01-02 HUDSON ESSEX TERRAPLANE ANNUAL WINTER MEET, hosted by the Orange Blossom Chapter at Whitacre's in Oxford. Info: Larry Romig 813-347-4479.
- 08 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
 This meeting is postponed till next week.
- 15 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm. NOTE: This meeting is one week later than usual, one time only.
- 15 St Patrick's Day Parade in downtown Orlando. Contact Marty Burns for more information.
- 15-16 SWAP MEET CAR SHOW/CLASSIC AUCTION at the Volusia County fair grounds in Deland.

Info: 904-775-1203.

- 16 FLORIDA PACKARD CLUB SPRING PACKARD MEET in Fruitland Park, Tom Kiser 941-371-0070 or Joe Ezell, 904-728-2848/
- 22 4TH ANNUAL OLDE LAKE MARY DAYS at the Frank Evans Center at Lakeview Avenue and North Country Club Road. Classic car contest with trophys and other awards. No entry fee listed on flyer. Info: Maureen Liberatore 324-3024.
- 22 10TH ANNUAL DERBY DAY & SUPER CRUISE at Simpson Training Center on Hwy 44 & 46-A in Sorrento. Info: Dave & Mary Scott at 407-323-8844.
- 22-23 8TH ANNUAL SPRING SPECTACULAR at Daytona Speedway. Info: 904-255-7355.
- 28-29 FOURTH ANNUAL STUDEBAKER SWAP MEET York of the South, Tennessee State Fairgrounds in Nashville, Tennessee sponsored by the Middle Tennessee Chapter. Info: Sam Hughes 615-893-5367 or 615-890-0721.
- 28-30 EASTER ROD RUN at Holiday Inn East in Orlando. Info: 904-775-4807/407-282-1473.
- 30 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

APRIL

- 03-06 Charlotte, NC Food Lion Autofair collector car show and swap meet at Charlotte Motor Speedway. Info: Brad Bowling 704-455-3205.
- 12 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 19 5TH ANNUAL BUICK, OLDS, PONTIAC SHOW & SWAP MEET in Melbourne. Info: 407-638-8777.
- 25-27 2ND ANNUAL OLDS CLUB OF FLORIDA CAR SHOW & SWAP at Holiday Inn East in Orlando. Info: Bob 407-359-2998.
- 27 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Always keep your club roster and a membership application handy.

Due to a scheduling conflict, the March meeting will be on the 15th, instead of the 8th. Please mark this on your calendar. We have many items to discuss concerning the State Meet, so please plan to attend.

Be sure to fill out the officer nomination form and forward it to Dean. All positions are open. Please consider running for one of the officer's positions.

The Orlando Area Chapter has been invited to participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in downtown Orlando on March 15th. Contact Marty for more information

The Orlando Area Chapter will be attending the 10th annual Derby Day Super Cruise at the Simpson Training Center in Sorrento on March 22nd. Contact Marty for more information.

THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

The Orlando Area Studebaker Club was organized on October 15, 1983 and was chartered as the Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club on June 19, 1984. The Charter was presented to the Chapter at the International Studebaker Drivers Club meet in Kissimmee on July 6, 1984. The Chapter was formed to:

Encourage the acquisition, preservation, maintenance, and enjoyment of Studebaker and related automobiles.

Provide accurate historical and technical information on Studebaker automobiles, the Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Studebaker Corporation.

Promote good fellowship and pride of ownership among Chapter members.

Publish a newsletter containing news and information concerning both national and local activities, technical advice, and items wanted or for sale.

Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

Ownership of a vehicle is not a requirement for membership. Many members are either looking for some special model or are simply interested in the colorful history of the Studebaker Corporation which spanned 114 years (1852-1966).

Greasy Prints is the official bi-monthly publication of the Orlando Area Chapter - Studebaker Drivers Club. All comments and opinions are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the policy of the Chapter.

Orlando Area Chapter members are entitled to free checking with no minimum balance at Great Western Bank. Accounts must be opened at the Winter Springs branch at 5601 Red Bug Lake Road,

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Tel 407-699-0240. Once the account is established, transactions can be made at any Great Western Bank branch office. Identify yourself as a member of the Orlando Area Chapter, Studebaker Drivers Club.

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER - SDC GREASY PRINTS FRANK AMBROGIO - EDITOR 1025 NODDING PINES WAY CASSELBERRY, FLORIDA 32707 place stamp here



NOTICE THE MARCH MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE 15TH AT 7:00 PM, INSTEAD OF THE 8TH

Special Outing For OAC Members + Guests April 19th 11:00 AM Guided Tour of The New SANFORD - ORLANDO AIRPORT

Meet at Nation's Bank, 17/92+Lk Mary.

Lenveat/D: 30 for Airport Tour. We can

Lunch at a local Restaurant after

the tour. There MUST BE at

least 15 People! Please call me

To sign up BEFORE The next meeting.

I will call back + inform you, if we have

to cancel due to a lack of interest.

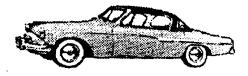
And, since this is a Club outing, Please

bring your STUDEBAKER.

GREASY PRINTS II

THE ALTERNATE MONTH SUPPLEMENT TO GREASY PRINTS ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER - SDC

MARTIN BURNS - ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR 1415 W. SMITH ST. ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32804 407-422-6706



Please send any auto related flyers, etc. to me for inclusion in my next report.

DEADLINE MARCH 31

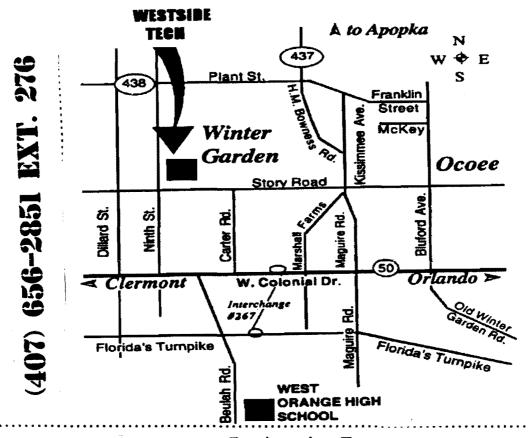
The club members at the last meeting confirmed that the WESTSIDE TECH SHOW AND SWAP benefitting their scolarship fund, will be a <u>Club Function</u>. I have been announcing this show for a couple of months now and it is a great chance to let people know we are around. A comment I hear <u>every</u> time I go out is; "I never see THOSE anymore!" They could see a few more. If we can get 5 cars to show up, we'll get a club plaque. But, I have to let Mr. Eubanks have a list by April 1 to qualify us for the \$12.50 registration fee. <u>PLEASE CALL ME</u> if you intend to go. A.S.A.P. If you have already registered, let me know anyhow. So I can refer to who else may be registered when I talk to him. If MORE than 5 can make it...All the better! I am going to try to have Jean-Luc for that weekend and may need a driver. Volunteers?

We will be meeting at Quincy's (The breakfast place,441 & Lee Rd.) at 8AM for breakfast and leaving at 9:30 sharp, with our parade of Studebakers.

Speaking of parades - The first Orlando St. Paddy's Day Parade was quite a "Do"! On the down side, a grand total of FOUR Studebakers showed up! The plus side? It appears we had the largest club turnout! Paul & Marion White brought the '55, Steve Kennedy and son Darrell came in the '58. Bill Coffield and Esther brought the '50 (mit Kermit). They decked the car and persons with green. Kermit brought his own. I drove Commander Studley and begged a couple of green streamers from the Coffields. Wanted to bring the '57 too. But, the Packard was busy being a star at the Cape. I did have a good time however. The organization (for want of a better word.) was a little chaotic. We were to be there at 11:30. 12:30 would have worked out to be more than sufficient. Not enough portable toilets and not close enough to the assembly site. No food or refreshments nearby. How 'bout some concessions next year? I thoutoghly enjoyed tossing candies to the little ones. Used up 3# by half the parade. Just after the '63 or so, Caddy in front of me exploded a radiator hose. To add insult to injury, as they pushed it out of the way, someone in the crowd yelled; "Get a Studebaker and that won't happen!" when I eased past. I have suggested to the organizers (among other things) that the old cars should be EARLY in the parade, NOT LAST!

Derby Day had quite a tunout. More tractors and flywheel engines. Somewhat fewer old cars than last year. Probably, due to a conflict with Daytona. I saw Dean and Jean Gessner with the "Purple People Eater", the Evans's '52 and Cindy. Somehow missed Marvin. Joe and Debi Raimondi were there. All the way from Intercession City. Drove the '53. The Morgans pulled in with the black Lark. And, of course, I brought the '55 and my camera. It worked this year!! There was also a de-finned '59 Silver Hawk (bright RED) brought by a National Club member named Mr. Lemmon from Leesburg.

Again - I $\underline{\text{Have}}$ to notify Mr. Eubank at Westside Tech if we'll have enough cars to qualify for the \$12.50 reg. fee and club plaque. If you wish to get registered early, Mr Eubank is at 407-656-2851 X 276. Westside Tech, 955 East Story Rd., Winter Garden, FL 34787. PLEASE CALL ME!!!!!



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APRIL

- 3-6 CHARLOTTE, NC Food Lion AutoFair Collector Car Show and Swap Meet Info: 704-445-3209
- **12** Westside Tech Spring Festival & Swap Meet Winter Garden CLUB FUNCTION see text and previous page for Info; Lets turn out in numbers and have FUN! There's a Goooood B-B-Q
- ORLANDO Malibu Grand Prix Car Show 5863 American Way -\$15 pre /\$20 DOS Info; 813-525-8061
- ORLANDO 2nd Annual Orlando Police Department Benefit Car Show \$10 pre/\$15 DOS.

 Info; 407-246-2436. A real blast last year. I'm Planning On This One!!! At Sullivan's Trai\$ways, 1108 S.O.B.T.

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- 4 SNELLVILLE, GA 5th Annual Orphan Vehicle Show and Swap \$5.00 Info 404-288-8222 Before 10PM, Rick. Official N.GA SDC Meet.
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 JUNE
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- * KISSIMMEE Old Town Every Saturday Now opens at 1PM '72 and older Hwy 192 $2\frac{1}{2}$ mi. east of I-4.
- * TAMPA Saturdays Burger King on Dale Mabry north of Ehrlich.
- * Daytona Beach Saturdays Memory Lane Rock&Roll Cafe, 2424 N. Atlantic Ave. Info:904-673-5389
- * CASSELBERRY 1st Saturday Murray's Wings and Ribs Oxford Square. 436 east of 17/92, 6-9:30 PM.
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- *LEESBURG 1st Saturday Wendy's on N.US 27 at Gateway Plaza 7-10PM
 - 3rd Friday Downtown Cruise-In '50s DJ Food no admission 5 Trophies Info Ed Watson 352-748-0977 Or Joe & JoAnne 352-365-0053
- *LAKELAND 2nd Saturday Beef O'Brady's on Hwy 98 N. 6-9PM Info: 813-651-1035
- *ST. PETE 3rd Saturday Biff's Burgers, 3939 49th St. Entertainment by the "Drifters" 40 trophies. Info: 183-527-5297
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- Second and Last Sunday Big Dip, 17-92 and 25th St. Doo-Wop and Great Food 3-9PM
- *MAITLAND Kody's on 17/92 N. of Horatio-FRIDAYS- 7-11PM

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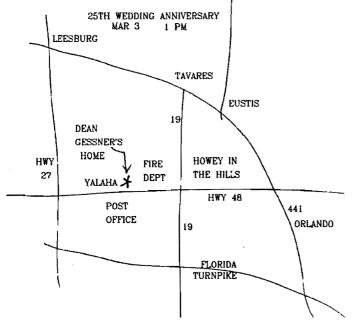
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GESSNERS CELEBRATE 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Chapter members are invited to Yalaha

Dean & Jean Gessner will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on May 3, 1997. They have invited all chapter members to attend an informal get together at 1 pm.

A map is provided below. If you plan to attend, call Dean or Jean at 352-324-2230.



ELECTION RESULTS Two new officers join the board

Election of officers was held at the April meeting. The new board is as follows:

President - Dean Gessner Vice President - Jim Morgan 'Activities Director - Marty Burns Treasurer - Bill Coffield Secretary - Paul White Membership Director/Editor - Frank Ambrogio

POT METAL WORKS Orlando firm offers plating service

C & W Pot Metal Works is located a block west of Pine Hills just north of the East-West Expressway. The address is 580A Wilmer Street, Orlando Florida 32808

I don't know how they came up with the name C & W, but owners Cynthia and Wayne Carrignan came highly recommended by the Orange Blossom Chapter, Hudson Essex Terraplane Club. They attended a school taught by the highly respected (now retired) former owner of Pot Metal Restorations in Tallahassee.

Jerry Ray dropped off several items for his 1957 Silver Hawk and they promised to have finished in mid to late May. Normal turn around time is about six to eight weeks. Their 4 foot tanks are not large enough to do bumpers, but smaller items are no problem. They can even repair broken pieces.

If you would like to discuss your plating needs, just call C & W Pot Metal Works at 407-290-2620. Their hours are 6:30 am to 4:00 pm.

TW'S FOX COMPLIMENTS MARTY'S INDEX Studebaker Drivers Club Family Album INDEX

A major shortcoming of The Studebaker Family Album is that it does not have an index. Member Martin Burns has rectified that problem. He has prepared a two part index that alphabetically lists all the owners and also all the vehicles by



year and model. I have found his index very handy. A few people misidentified their cars in the album, so these misidentities show up in the index, but that is not Marty's fault See page 57 (lower right) of the April 1997 TW for Marty's ad.

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By Marty Burns
NOTE: Marty produces GREASY PRINTS II on

Outputs and other information which were not available when this



issue was prepared. Please send any flyers about car show activities to him. If you are interested in participating in Chapter events, let Marty know.

The turnout for the Westside Tech Show was great. Except that the day started badly. We had planned to meet at the "breakfast" Quincy's and caravan to Westside. The entire Lee Rd./441 intersection was roped off and barricaded by police cars - about ten of them. Some of us had to work around the back streets to the rear entrance. That was the weekend a deputy chased an unlicensed kid through the intersection. Whereupon, said kid hit and killed a guy on a motorcycle and then destroyed the car, killing himself in the process.

Even with the Friday rain and off/on threat Saturday a.m., <u>SIX</u> of the seven signed up showed up! I even got Jean-Luc from the production company and a neighbor for a driver. We all took off in a parade of traffic-blocking Studebakers. We had to stay around 45-50 mph because of the 4.56 in the Packard. Still not changed. Anyhow, when we finally got there, the Show was <u>canceled</u>. Some days ya' just can't win! We hung around for about half an hour, eyeballing the cars as they came and went. Some nice machines! Would've made a nice show. As it was, Larry Eubank gave each pre-registered car one of the 31 trophies and everyone got goodie bags. Photos were taken and participants (or nonparticipants?) will be sent a copy for the plaque in their goody bag. We also got a club participation award.

I'm beginning to wonder if the Packard is bad luck for public appearances. First, the "missing" car for the St. paddy's parade, and now the canceled show! I guess I'll have to try again.

The outing and tour of the Sanford-Orlando Airport was well attended. We got an hour and a half tour/lecture/prognostication. Big stuff is planned. They are very proud of the several times per week tours from England and the potential for other foreign travel. If things go well, this will be a quaint remembrance in a few years. It's nice to see some sort of planning. Although, problems are sure to crop up. The expansion seems to be going well. I wonder how the people living in the flightpath feel about it. After the tour, we had lunch at the Quincy's nearby and dispersed to our own plans for the rest of the day.

As you read this, I will have attended the O.P.D. Benefit Show at Sullivan's. I hope to have seen you there. Weather permitting. Jean-Luc will not be going though. The Packard is

still being used on the HBO Series. And, I have finally been caught up with the remuneration owed me.

Just a couple of weeks ago, I asked to photograph a shooting session with the production company when they were shooting in Winter Garden. They called back and asked if I minded if they used the '55 in that particular sequence. I didn't. They decided not to use the '57 though. Shooting conflicts. So they figured Studley'd fit right in. Joe Raimondi was asked to bring the '66 Ford police car of the Kissimmee P.D. We got to the shoot about 10:30 and began to position the vehicles. Several run-through were shot and then they decided to re-position and re-shoot. Again & Again & Again . . about 12 times. <u>Then</u> it was time for tracking closeups using a "Steady-cam" shooting across the cars. Over and Over ... at least 14 times. I felt sorry for that guy carrying the thing. It looked to be at least 100 pounds.

I forgot to bring my lawn chair, sunscreen and hat. Boy, did I ever find out how much I needed them! I got a very red face (which was really attractive as it peeled a few days later). The process is interesting. Watching is exciting. Just like watching PAINT DRY! Or GRASS GROW! But I'll do it again if I get the chance. Here's what's happening:

MAY

- ORANGE PARK N.E.FL Region AACA 24th Annual Automobile Show and Swap Meet - \$15 DOS Moosehaven, Orange Park, FL. 904-282-2184.
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18 FRONTENAC - Frontenac Flea Market Car and Truck Show - US 1 betw. Titusville & Cocoa \$15 pre/ \$20 DOS. Info: 813-525-8061.

18 TAMPA - Tampa Knights Hot Dog Bash '97 -Free Food - 11AM to 2PM - Phillipe Park, Safety Harbor. A no-car-show car-show. Info: 831-5847.

23-24 JACKSONVILLE Jacksonville Runners 26th Annual Memorial Day Rod Run - \$15 pre \$20 AFTER May 9. Info: 904-778-4352.

23-25 TAMPA - This was erroneously listed in the last GP II. The Jax Show is the correct listing.

JUNE

- Kissimmee Osceola Flea Market Car & Truck Show - \$15 pre/ \$20 DOS - Info 813-525-
- 15 TAMPA Big Top Flea Market Car Show -\$15 pre/ \$20 DOS - Info: 813-525-8061.
- 22 FRONTENAC Frontenac Flea Market Car and Truck Show - See May 18.
- 27-29 LEHIGH Admiral Lehigh Golf Resort 2nd Annual Early Spring Rod Run - \$20 pre (Incl. dinner for 2)/ \$25 DOS - 813-525-8061. (This # was incorrect last Mo.)

JULY

3-6 MARSHALL, MI - 12th Annual Fiesta of the 50's - Calhoun Co. Fairgrounds. \$35. Info: LR Productions 352-347-2988 (Ocala).

13 KISSIMMEE - Osceola Flea Market Car - Truck Show - See Jun 1.

20 TAMPA - Big top Flea Market Show - See June 15.

27 FRONTENAC - Frontenac Flea Market Show - See May 18.

CRUISES

So far I haven't gotten a lot of show fliers and there are only a couple of new cruises. The Sunday at Kody's is out now. Friday is still on.

New cruises: 3rd Sundays at The Auto Toy Store of Ocala. 352-401-0066. Fridays at Home Depot Circuit City - Ocala. Trophies on 2nd Fri.- Home Depot Parking Lot. 3rd Friday Dairy Queen of Lake Wales - 521 S.Second St. 676-1856.

- * Kissimmee- Old Town Every Saturday-Opens at 6 PM. open to '72 and older cars. Hwy 192 2-1/2 miles east of I-4. Always crowded and lots of fun.
- * Tampa Saturdays Burger King every Sat. On Dale Mabry north of Ehrlich.
- * Daytona Beach Saturdays Memory Lane R&R Cafe 2424 N. Atlantic Ave. More Info; 904-673-5389.
- * Casselberry- 1st Saturday Murray's Wings and Ribs- Oxford Square, 436 east of 17/92, 6-9:30 PM.
- * Winter Park 2nd Saturday Magic City Diner 471 N. Semoran Blvd, Winter Park 6-9:30, 657-1717. I haven't seen this one myself, but, I WILL HAVE TO. The Flyer has a '55 STUDEBAKER HARDTOP prominently displayed on the front!
- * Leesburg 1st Saturday Wendy's on N. US27 at Gateway Plaza 7-10 PM.
- * Lakeland 2nd Saturday Beef O'Brady's on Hwy 98 N. 6-9 PM. More info: 813-651-1035.
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- food. 3-9 PM.
 * Maitland- Kody's Drive-in on 17-92 N. of
 Horatio. Fridays 7-11 PM.
- * St.Cloud- Every Wednesday night At the Ice Cream parlor at New York and 11th. 6 PM.
- Thursdays Classic Memories on Wheels at Caesar's Treasure Chest on New York Ave. Cars must be at least 25 yrs. old 5-8 PM.

If anyone discovers a wrong phone # please let me know so it can be changed.

THE GREASE MONKEY Parts and Accessories TECH TIPS



If you have a tech tip which you feel will be of interest to our members, please

send it to the Editor.

The following tip is reprinted from Old Cars Weekly News & Marketplace January 9, 1997

KEY WHEEL MEASUREMENTS

By Bill Siuru

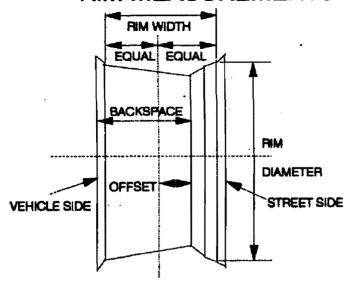
You need a replacement wheel and the local boneyard has a huge pile of used ones. The price is right, \$5 each but none of the wheels are identified. You can make the job of finding the exact match or, for a daily driver, one that can be safely mounted, a lot easier if you take a few measurements before you head down to the junkyard. Here are the key dimensions needed.

If a tire is mounted, the rim diameter can be found from the tire size. This is the "15" in 185/70R15 or "13" in 13 x 6.00. If a tire is not mounted, first measure the outside diameter on either side. Next measure the depth of the bead seat behind the rim lip. Place a straight edge across the uppermost edge of the wheel and use a ruler perpendicular to it to measure the distance from outside of the wheel to bead seat. Double this dimension and subtract it from the outside diameter previously measured to determine the rim diameter. For instance, if the outside diameter is 16% inches and the bead depth is 3/4 inch, the rim diameter is 15 inches ($16\frac{1}{2}$ inches minus 2 x 3/4 inch). You do not have to be extremely accurate since wheels usually come in even inch sizes - 13, 14, 15 inch, etc. so you can be off by a few fractions of an inch. Incidentally, for making one-to-one comparisons, you can just use the outside diameter to make the task a lot easier.

The rim width is the inside dimension between the outer and inner lips. Again. you can use the total outside width for one-to-one comparisons. You might find critical dimensions cast or punched into the wheel itself. Numbers like 14x6 or 15x6.75 indicate rim diameter and rim width, respectively.

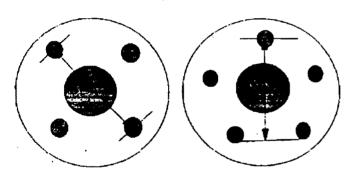
The bolt circle is a very critical dimension. A wheel with the correct rim diameter and width cannot be properly mounted unless the bolt circle is precisely correct. For even numbered bolt patterns, measure from the center of one bolt hole or stud to the one on the opposite side of the wheel. For an odd number of bolts, measure from the center of one bolt hole or stud to a line drawn between the outer diameters of the two holes or studs on the opposite of the wheel. Be especially careful if you are attempting to match up a

RIM MEASUREMENTS



wheel for a domestic vehicle with English measurements with a wheel from an import using metric dimensions, or vice versa. Tiny differences in the "translation" can mean the wheels cannot be interchanged. Numbers such as 4x5 or 5x4.75 on the wheel indicate the number of studs and the bolt circle diameter, respectively.

BOLT CIRCLE MEASUREMENT



4 BOLT WHEEL Measure from center of bolt hole to center of opposite bolt hole across hub

5 BOLT WHEEL
Measure from center of bolt hole
to line drawn between outside
diameters of bolt holes on
opposite side of hub

Make sure the wheel slips over the studs easily and does not have to be forced on. Check this before you mount the tire. Also watch out for elongated bolt holes, a problem especially on aluminum wheels. Both could result in out-of-balance problems on the vehicle even though the wheels might check out okay on a balancing machine.

The backspace and offset are two internal dimensions that should also be measured and matched up. Backspace is the distance between the outside edge of the rim and the inside mounting surface of the wheel. The offset, somewhat more difficult to determine compared to the backspace, is measured between the

mounting surface and the wheel's vertical centerline. If either the backspace or offset is different on the replacement wheel, you could run into interference problems between the wheel and the suspension or wheel well. It could also effect handling, steering response, directional stability, interference while turning, turn radius, and tire wear. Too radical a departure could even result in over stressing the suspension.

Finally, do not forget to measure and match up the center hub diameter especially if the wheel has to fit over a raised boss on the hub.

SPOT LIGHTS



(News of Special Interest)

FIGHTING THE FIGHT

This article originally ran in Old Cars Weekly News & Marketplace March 27, 1997.

Most of you are familiar with the clunker bills and zoning that affect old vehicle collectors. We urge hobbyists to fight against these efforts by joining organizations set up to protect our hobby. The following organizations fight laws and regulations that harm this hobby:

Amer. Automotive Heritage Foundation

PO. Box 482, Carlisle, PA 17013-0482 Phone: (717) 240-0976 Fax: (717) 240-0931

Association of California Car Clubs PO. Box 1331, Palm Desert, CA 92261

Ph: (619) 346-1984 Fax: (619) 568-6534

Auto Restoration Market Organization (ARMO)

Specialty Equipment Market Assoc.,

PO. Box 4910, Diamond Bar, CA 91765-0910

Ph: (909) 396-0289 Fax: (909) 860-0184

Citizens Against Repressive Zoning (CARZ)

PO. Box 536, Haslett, Mi 48840-0536

Ph: (517) 351-6751

Fax: (517) 339-4926

Coalition For Auto Repair Equality

119 Oronoco St., Alexandria, VA 22314

Ph: (800) 229-5380 Fax: (703) 519-7747

Council of Vehicle Associations (COVA)

7000 W. Southwest Highway,

Chicago Ridge, IL 60645

Ph: (800) CARS-166

Fax: (708) 598-4888

Int'l Society for Vehicle Preservation

PO. Box 50046, Tucson, AZ 85703-1046

Ph: (520) 622-2201

Fax: (520) 792-8501

Internet: http://www.aztexcorp.com

World Organization of Auto Hobbyists (WOAH)

PO. Box 1331, Palm Desert, CA 92261

Ph: (619) 346-1984

Fax: (619) 568-6534

NOTE: The Orlando Area Chapter strongly urges

each of its members to join at least one of the organizations listed above.

BACK-UP LIGHTS

The History Corner

By Jan B. Young

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SOUTH BEND AUTOS - PART 1

The early years of the auto age were a time of experimentation. Everyone in the field had an idea of what might be possible, but nobody really knew how to get it done. The level of technology was low enough so that individual experimenters could actually something new and useful. Virtually every back yard mechanic in the country thought he could build a better car, many tried to do so, and a few were even successful. During these days, the city of Detroit was just another medium-sized town, located somewhere in southern Michigan. Activity was spread across the industrial part of the country, with a fair share of it occurring in Northern Indiana.

Studebaker, for instance, began experiments with early automobiles in 1897 and sold its first car, an electric, in 1902. Studebaker's first electrics were chain driven with the motor mounted on the body to protect it from shock and to reduce the unsprung weight of the car. A Westinghouse 1.7 horsepower motor was used. The car had a top speed between thirteen and sixteen mph and a range of forty miles between charges. Studebaker, however, was only one of many. It is interesting to review the different non-Studebaker autos that have been built in and near the city of South Bend over the years.

There were four separate companies incorporated in South Bend to manufacture automobiles which were to be called the "South Bend". The South Bend Automotive and Garage Company was organized in 1900, the South Bend Motor Vehicle Co. in 1903, the South Bend Machine Manufacturing Co. in 1905 and the South Bend Motor Car Works was 1912. All of these companies planned to build an auto, but only the last of them actually did so. The South Bend Motor

Car Works specialized in trucks and fire apparatus, but produced a 2-passenger roadster during 1913 and 1914. None of the product lines were apparently very successful because the company closed its doors in 1916. George M. Studebaker, son of Clement Studebaker, was among the incorporators of the South Bend Automotive and Garage Company. The fact that the company never went past the preliminary stages of incorporation may have been due to Studebaker's decision to enter the market.

The Tincher was made by the Tincher Motor Car Co. from 1904 to 1907. Tinchers were large, heavy cars with twin chain drives and brakes operated by compressed air. The company is believed to have moved to South Bend from Chicago. After Tincher closed, Studebaker bought the company and converted its facilities for parts production.

In 1905 the W. L. Casaday Mfg Co. of South Bend produced a car called the Williams. No relation to later cars by the same name, this Williams had a hood with a circular cross-section of the same diameter as the tires and carried its spare mounted in front. The Williams was an early example of a permanent windshield.

The Tritt Electrical company built a few cars as a sideline in 1905. Their primary business was electric components for the fledgling automotive industry.

Also in 1905, The Oliver automobile was built by Frederick William Oliver. This car had a 2-cylinder twelve hp engine mounted in the front. Mr. Oliver also organized the Oliver Trackless Car Co. to build a car which was to be powered through a fifth wheel mounted under the center of the vehicle. No cars are known to have been actually made.

The Oliver Farm Equipment company, once known as the Oliver Chilled Plow company, existed side-by-side with Studebaker in South Bend for nearly 100 years. At one point in its history, Oliver employed thousands of South Bend craftsmen. It would be interesting to find a connection between James and Joseph Oliver of the farm equipment company and Frederick William Oliver who made the automobile, but none has come to light.

A company was organized in Niles, Michigan to build a car called the Perfection, but it moved to South Bend before attempting to manufacture anything. Maybe they were attracted by the skilled labor force that had been developed by Studebaker. In any event, a few four and six cylinder cars were made during 1907 and 1908, but evidently they weren't perfect because by the end of 1908 the company was gone.

The Ricketts Auto Works of South Bend made several models from a baby tonneau to a seven-passenger tourer during 1908 and 1909. The company was then taken over by the Diamond Automobile Co, which continued production under the name "R.A.C." (apparently standing for Ricketts Auto Company) through 1912.

In 1912, the Otis auto was proposed for production in South Bend and in 1914 a car called the Coliseum was similarly proposed. Neither was actually manufactured.

This covers only the South Bend manufacturers. In just the state of Indiana, more than eighty cities saw automobile production of at least five hundred different marques. In 1920 alone, the State of Indiana

boasted five hundred thirty firms manufacturing autos or auto parts with a total employment of more than 26,000. In part two, we'll cover non-Studebaker autos that were built in the cities and towns near South Bend.

DEPARTMENT OF OBSCURE FACTS

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In 1883 the state of the art in medicine was advancing and the technological revolution was peeking over the horizon. Increasing wealth in the nation had fostered increasing concern for the poor and the unwell and there was a feeling that the government should do something.

Possibly reacting to this feeling, the State of Indiana announced that it would build three new insane asylums, one in Evansville and the other two in locations to be determined. A legislative commission was formed and charged with responsibility for visiting possible sites and selecting the appropriate ones. This, of course, constituted a chance for Indiana communities to dip into the public pocket; jobs and a regular and reliable flow of commerce were at stake. Many cities, including South Bend, decided that they should actively compete for the honor of hosting a state-funded insane asylum.

The South Bend City Council named a committee to make suitable preparations for the reception of the legislative commission. Among others, committee members included Mayor Ham, Mr. James Oliver, president of the Oliver Chilled Plow Company, Judge Thomas Stanfield, and Mr. J. M. Studebaker, of the Studebaker Brothers Manufacturing Company. The committee met on April 13 of 1883 to discuss possible sites and to organize themselves. Mayor Ham took responsibility for presenting the "sanitary" conditions of South Bend and the surroundings, Judge Stanfield (who had been an influential railroad promoter) was detailed to discuss the railroads with the visitors, Mr. Oliver (who had built the city's best hotel) was responsible for accommodations, and J.M. Studebaker took charge of local transportation and the preparation of statistics.

The commission visited South Bend on May 17th of that year, arriving from Elkhart on the 4:30 Lake Shore train. They spent the evening, stayed overnight at the Oliver Hotel and the following day toured the city and several nearby locations in Studebaker carriages. Sites considered included both the Henry Studebaker and the Peter Studebaker farms. The commission's day concluded with a visit to Notre Dame, a concert by the college's Cornet Band and a sumptuous dinner at the hotel. Clem Studebaker spent the day accompanying the commission on it's tours.

At this point, the South Bend Daily Tribune, the source of our story, falls silent. The commissioners, including the governor, had seemed impressed, but naturally made no

promises. Then, on June 25, an article appeared reporting that the new insane asylums would be built in Richmond and Logansport. Richmond, it turned out, had offered the state 300 acres of free land and Logansport had come up with 108 acres. A ride in the fine Studebaker carriages, it seems, wasn't enough to overcome smart political maneuvering by the competition. Now if only J.M. had been able to haul the commission around in a fleet of Avantis...

Oops...

We're a bit red faced to admit that we couldn't spell either Knute Rockne's name or the name of Willys-Overland correctly in the article about the Rockne car. We also got the production dates wrong: the Rockne was produced in 1932 and 1933, not 1933 and 1934. Thanks to Dick Quinn for pointing out these mistakes.

SEARCH LIGHTS WANT ADS



NOTICE

Ads are free to members and must be submitted <u>in writing</u> to

the Editor by the 25th (even months).

CARS FOR SALE

1947 CHAMPION 4 DR 6 Cyl W/OD, radio, and heater. Has new seat cover & door panels, needs new headliner & floor mats. Has all new brakes, needs hill holder, has a new "el Cheapo" paint job (bad). Runs great \$2,500. Larry Good, 9401 Bay Pines Blvd, St. Petersburg Fl 33708, days, 813-392-2198, nights 813-596-5550.

1955 Studebaker President 4 door, V-8, auto, P.S., body is in good shape, car is not running but the motor is free and will fire, good car to restore, \$950.00. Dennis Weflen, 3465 NW 46th Pl., Gainesville Fl 32605, 352-373-5990.

1957 Studebaker President Classic, P/S, auto, T/T, H.D. suspension, Azure/Wedgewood blue, full restoration, drive to South Bend and show, \$8,500. Bill Ladroga, 508-829-9018, (Holden, Massachusetts).

1960 CHEVROLET BEL AIR 4 door, 6 cylinder, 3 speed with air, \$3500. John Gormican 980 West McCormick Rd. Apopka, Fl. 32703, 407-889-9252.

1963 DAYTONA H.T. 6 cyl, OD, tinted glass, A/C, new paint, partial inter, brakes, most new rubber seals, good tires chrome etc., Arizona car, no rust \$3500. Call Noah Dancy, 904-752-3645 (Lake City, Florida).

PARTS/ACCESSORIES FOR SALE

STEPHEN ALLEN'S AUTO has new & used Studebaker & Packard parts. N.O.S. parts, mechanical, electircal & trim. VISA, MC, DISC accepted. 529 N.W. 58th Street, Gainesville Fl 32607 352-472-9369, 800-532-1236 (orders only).

STUDEBAKER PARTS FOR SALE. Collection of two Stude dealers, all parts are in Northern New York. Anyone needing any particular part can drop me a line before Oct 1st and if I have the part, I will bring it down. My address in New York: Robert Oakes Sr., 1152 County Road 38, Norfolk N.Y. 13667, 315-384-3926 (May-Oct). Florida address 203 Palm Street, Fruitland Park 34731, Tel 352-365-0743 (Oct-May).

STUDEBAKER DOOR MAT, 18-3/4" X 29-1/2" rubber. I found it in Ft. Meyers years ago. If anyone is interested in this item, I am asking \$75.00 for it. Peter Amabile, 1641 Coppersmith Court, Lutz Florida 33549, Tel: 813-948-2534.

SDC FAMILY ALBUMS. Have no Index? I have one! Indexed by car and name. In celluloid folder. 8"x11-1/2" stamped (55 cents) envelope. (non OAC members, \$4 M.O. and SASE+Postage)! Marty Burns, 1514 W. Smith St., Orlando Fl 32804.

1963-1964 GT HAWK parts, sold the car, now need to make room in the garage, many items, call or write. Jerry Ray, 1012 Cama Ct, Winter Springs, Fl 32708, 407-699-5364 (5:00 pm to 8:30 pm ONLY).

FERN PARK AUTO PARTS, 1420 E. Hwy 436 (2 blocks W. of 17/92), foreign & domestic, machine shop service, hard to find parts our specialty (no body parts). 407-339-3509.

ITEMS FOR SALE: for 1957-1958 Golden Hawk; McCullough Supercharger (blower only, no brackets or pulleys), grille, tachometer, dash garnish molding, fender script. All items saved from car in 1960 and packed away in very good to excellent condition. Also, heater for late 30s, early 40s models - excellent condition. Frank (beeper) 407-373-3708 or Jerry Shelton (home) 407-957-9095 (St. Cloud).

FOUR NEW TIRES, size G-78/15, whitewalls. Two are regular tread and two are snow tread. Larry Golub, Phone: 407-788-0117.

VEHICLES/PARTS WANTED

STUDEBAKER CAR/TRUCK wanted. Bruce Leggatt, 1858 Bayshore Dr., Niceville Fl 32578-371258.

For Ford Pinto - motors (4 cyl), 4 spd transmissions, rear ends, racing parts for same. Jerry Shelton 407-957-9095 (St. Cloud).

SERVICES OFFERED

AUTO MECHANICAL REPAIR SERVICE. Studebakers are my specialty. If I can be of help, call Marty Burns, 407-422-6706.

HEAD LIGHTS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Regularly Scheduled Chapter Events

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER (OAC) MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS are held at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month from Sept-May at Sanford Motor Co. 3418 S. Orlando Dr. (17-92), Sanford, ½ mile north of Lake Mary Blvd.

OAC MONTHLY BREAKFASTS are held at 8:00 am on the last Sunday of each month at: Quincy's Family Steak House, US Hwy 441 (Orange Blossom Trail), one block north of Lee Road/John Young Parkway (423). BYOB (Bring Your Old Baker).

MAY

- 02-04 SOUTH BEND SWAP MEET, Indiana.
- 04 5TH ANNUAL ORPHAN VEHICLE SHOW, Snelville Georgia. Rick Kamen 404-288-8222.
- 10 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 16-18 **SE ZONE MEET,** Mississippi, see Turning Wheels.
- 25 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

JUNE

- 22-28 33rd INTERNATIONAL MEET in South Bend Indiana, HQ: Marriott Hotel, Hosts Michiana Chapter, see Turning Wheels.
- 29 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

JULY

27 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

AUGUST

24 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Always keep your club roster and a membership application handy.

Register early for the state meet and make your motel reservations <u>before</u> September 17.

Help the Gessners celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on May 3rd at Yalaha at 1:00 pm.

Register for the Southern Nationals on May 16-18 in Vicksburg, Mississippi. Complete information pack is available from Dave Derrick, 1015 National St., Vicksburg, Mississippi 39180 or phone 601-638-5543. See May 1997 Turning Wheels, page 37 for more info and a registration form.

20th FLORIDA STUDEBAKER STATE MEET INFO

MEET DATES: October 17 & 18, 1997.

HOST MOTEL:

Ramada Limited, Alachua - Phone # (904) 462-4200

Location: U.S. 441 - just off exit 78 on I-75.

Directions: Turn right off I-75, regardless of whether your coming from the north or south. The motel is on the left about 2 blocks.

Room Rate: \$49.00 per night + tax = \$53.41. They are holding 20 rooms until September 17, 1997. Please make reservations early as there is another function going on the same weekend.

Days Inn: Directly in front of the Ramada Limited is also holding 20 rooms, same price, until September 17, 1997. Phone # (904) 462-3251.

Other motels in the area are: Comfort Inn - phone # (904) 462-2414, Travelodge - phone # (904) 462-2244

BANQUET:

Conestogas Banquet Room - Main St., Alachua.

Take U.S. 441 South until you get to the 3rd stoplight. Turn right onto Main St. The banquet room is in the middle of the second block on the left.

Cost: Adults \$15.00 Children 12 and under: \$7.50

Menu: Sirloin steak or grilled chicken with tossed salad, baked potato, beverage and dessert. Children may substitute a hamburger or cheeseburger.

RAFFLE CAR:

1964 4 door Daytona - V-8 with power steering, factory air and a rebuilt motor.

Tickets will only be sold at the meet and the banquet. This is a nice car and will be raffled off at the banquet. You do not need to be present at the banquet to win, but tickets will only be sold the weekend of the meet.

LUNCH ON SATURDAY will be Barbecue - Free!!!!!!!

OTHER INFO:

Places to eat around the motels are:

Pizza Hut, Sonny's Barbecue, Waffle House, Hardees, Dairy Queen, McDonald's, Subway, Huddle House and close by in downtown Alachua are Conestogas, Alachua Connection, Texas Pete's and Pistol Pete's.

PLACES TO GO SEE:

Gainesville is only 15 miles south on I-75. The Oaks Mall is the 2nd exit (also called Newberry Road or SR 26).

Another place to visit is High Springs. This is a quaint little town 8 miles north of Alachua on U.S. 441 known for it's Antique Shops. It's worth a look! Also

INFORMATION:

Stephen Cade or Carol Burgess at (352) 472-9369 529 N.W. 58th St. Gainesville, Florida 32607



STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB, INC. 20TH ANNUAL FLORIDA STATE MEET OCTOBER 17-18, 1997 RAMADA LTD. AND DAYS INN

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1964 DAYTONA 4 DOOR, AUTO, V-8, PS, A/C TICKETS WILL BE SOLD ONLY AT THE MEET.

SEND REGISTRATION TO: ANITA AMBROGIO 1025 NODDING PINES WAY CASSELBERRY, FL 32707 MOTEL RESERVATIONS: (DEADLINE 9-17-97) RAMADA LTD 904-462-4200 DAYS INN 904-462-3251 MEET INFORMATION
CAROL BURGESS OR
STEPHEN CADE
PHONE: 352-472-9369

THE HOST MOTEL IS THE RAMADA LTD, OVERFLOW AT THE DAYS INN NEXT DOOR. ANOTHER FUNCTION IS GOING ON AT THE SAME TIME, SO MAKE MOTEL RESERVATIONS EARLY

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TROPHY SPONSOR (3 AWARDS PER CLASS)	> # <u> </u>	\$			
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THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

The Orlando Area Studebaker Club was organized on October 15, 1983 and was chartered as the Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club on June 19, 1984. The Charter was presented to the Chapter at the International Studebaker Drivers Club meet in Kissimmee on July 6, 1984.

The Chapter was formed to:

Encourage the acquisition, preservation, maintenance, and enjoyment of Studebaker and related automobiles.

Provide accurate historical and technical information on Studebaker automobiles, the Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Studebaker Corporation.

Promote good fellowship and pride of ownership among Chapter members.

Publish a newsletter containing news and information concerning both national and local activities, technical advice, and items wanted or for sale.

Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

Ownership of a vehicle is not a requirement for membership. Many members are either looking for some special model or are simply interested in the colorful history of the Studebaker Corporation which spanned 114 years (1852-1966).

Greasy Prints is the official bi-monthly publication of the Orlando Area Chapter - Studebaker Drivers Club. All comments and opinions are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the policy of the Chapter.

Orlando Area Chapter members are entitled to free checking with no minimum balance at Great Western Bank. Accounts must be opened at the Winter Springs branch at 5601 Red Bug Lake Road,

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Tel 407-699-0240. Once the account is established, transactions can be made at any Great Western Bank branch office. Identify yourself as a member of the Orlando Area Chapter, Studebaker Drivers Club.

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GREASY PRINTS II

THE ALTERNATE MONTH SUPPLEMENT TO GREASY PRINTS ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER - SDC

MARTIN BURNS - ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR 1415 W. SMITH ST. ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32804 407-422-6706



Please send any auto related flyers, etc. to me for inclusion in my next report.

As far as shows go - they're gone! Or so it seems. Not much is going on in the local scene. There are a bunch of cruises now and some are better than others. For a few of them, the difference is in the D.J. For others, it's the space available or the organizers.

While I'm on the subject of cruises - There is the 7th Annual Old Town Cruise on the 7th of June (Sat.). As usual it is expected to be CRONDED!! To compound the problem, modifications and construction around there has used-up some of the free land. Read this as: Worse Parking! Plan accordingly. I am planning to be there with Jean-Luc. The production Co. has taken a hiatus from shooting exteriors for several weeks (Read-Gone over budget.) so the Captain is home for a while. Joe Raimondi and I went to Gains-ville a short time ago and took a bunch of the mess in my garage with us. Swaps and purchases were made and I returned with a new differential for the wagon with more apropriate gearing. So, the trip to Kissimmee will be less of an ordeal for the car or me! I have heard from Steve Kennedy and he's planning to go to the cruise too. Will we see any one else there?

I have included a form to fill-out for those of you who wish to put in your two cents regarding an "International Orphan Car Club". Might be a good idea if it can publicise the existence of and visibility of these cars. Might also be another avenue of contact to the Pol.s messing with "junker" laws to further their careers so it looks like they're actually DOING something. I'm going to respond with the correct suggestions. MINE! Of course you must know by now; Modesty runs in my family. Here's the show info. I have amassed:

- 1 KISSIMMEE Osceola Flea Market Car & Truck Show \$15 pre/\$20 DOS Info 813-525-8061
- 13-14 MINTER HAVEN 8th Annual Fater's Day Rod Run at the Admiral's Inn Mo \$ info. Info; 407-957-6638 or 813-294-1805
- 15 TAMPA Big Top Flea Market Car Show \$15 pre/\$20 DOS Info: 813-525-8061
- FRONTENAC Frontenac Flea Market Car and Truck Show \$15 pre/\$20 DOS. Info: 813-525-8061
- 27-29 LEHIGH Admiral Lehigh Golf Resort 2nd Annual Early Spring Rod Run \$20 pre(inc. dinner for 2)/\$25 DOS Info 813-525-8061
 JULY
- 3-6 MARSHALL, MI 12th Annual Fiesta of the 50's Calhoun Co. Fairgrounds. \$35 Info: LR Productions 352-347-2988 (Ocala)
- TAVARES 4th annual July 4th Auto Show Pre. reg. by June 16-\$10/\$15 DOS Main St. Tavares Live ent. 12-9 Contact Thunder Road Cruisers Info:352-742-5221/742-2024
- 13 KISSIMMEE Osceola Flea Market See June 1
- 20 TAMPA Big Top Flea Market. See June 15
- 27 FRONTENAC Frontenac Flea Market. See June 22 CRUISES
 - KISSIMMEE Saturdays Old Town 172 and older You Know the story. Have fun! -2nd Fridays - on hwy 192 at the Hollywood Diner. 6:30 to 9:30 - Cruisers get 20% off meals
 - TAMPA Saturdays Burger King on Dale Mabry north of Erlich.

 DAYTONA BEACH Saturdays Memory Lane Rock and Roll Cafe, 2424 n. Atlantic Ave.

 More Info. 904-673-5389

CASSELBERRY - 1st Saturday - Murray's Wings and Ribs - Oxford Square, 436 east of 17/92 WINTER PARK - 2nd Saturdays - Magic City Diner, 471 N. Semoran Blvd. 6-9. 657-5389 LEESBURG - 1st Saturday - Wendy's on N. US27 at Gateway Plaza 7-10 LAKELAND - 2nd Saturdays - Beef O'Brady's on Hwy 98 N. 6-9 Info: 813-651-1035 ST. PETE - 3rd Saturday - Biff's Burgers. 3939 49th St. - Info: 813-527-5297 DELAND - Fridays - Gooding's & McDonald's parking lot S.Deland on 17/92 off I-4. 7-10 - 3rd Saturday - First Union Bank lot. 1 block E. of 17/92 on hwy44 SANFORD - Last Saturday - Wendy's at WalMart on 17/92 and Lake Mary Blvd. 7-10 2nd and Last Sunday - The Big Dip, 17/92 and 25th St., Doo-Wop and Good Food MAITLAND - Fridays - Kody's, 17/92 N. of Horatio, 7-11 PM ST.CLOUD - Wednesdays - At the Ice Cream parlor at New York and 11th. 6 PM Thursdays - Classic memories on Wheels at Caesar's Treasure Chest, N. Y. Ave. The newest cruise info I have is about one on the third Friday of the month in LEESBURG Downtown from 6-9 PM . Info: 352-748-0977 or 352-365-0053

I need some information. I haven't had much feedback on the usefulness of this newsletter. I would like to hear from some of you. I am not vain enough to need a vehicle for my natterings and this thing costs the club in printing fees and postage and occasionally requires a bit of extra effort on my part. (Not this time though. There's just not alot going right now.)

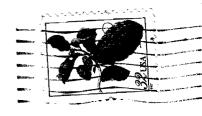
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PLEASE RETURN TO; CLIFF TAYLOR, 121 SOUTH EAGAN, REPUBLIC, MISSOURI 65738 USA ADD A SEPARATE LIST IF YOU LIKE BUT PLEASE FILL OUT AND RETURN!!!!!!!! THANKS, CLIFF!

Martin Burns
1415 W. Smith St.
Orlando, FL 32804
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Activities Director





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JULY-AUGUST 1997

DEADLINE FOR ALL NEWSLETTER ITEMS IS THE 25th (EVEN MONTHS)

IN MEMORY OF DWIGHT SWANSON JR.

Chapter founder's son is remembered by Becky Elliott

Hello! I am Becky Elliott, the daughter of Jeff and Lou Elliott. I started in the Orlando Area Chapter when it was originated and was the Club Historian. Although I am not a member now, I still remain active in the love for cars through my father and his many car enthusiast friends.

This letter is about Dwight Swanson, Jr., the son of two of the original elected officers who began our club many years ago. Dwight Swanson, Sr. was our Activities Director and Carolyn Swanson was our Membership Secretary. As a family they were very active in our club and helped make it successful by doing so. In 1985 the Swanson family relocated to Atlanta.

Last year Dwight Jr., 25 passed away on May 24, 1996. He had a short illness and was laid to rest on May 26, 1996. Those who knew Dwight Jr. knew that he was a fun-loving, friendly and caring person. I always felt he was the "little" brother I never had. Dwight and I grew closer together being at the Studebaker club events with our parents and we became closer outside of those activities also. Actually all of the kids in the club grew close and would keep in contact with each other and do fun things together on the weekends when we didn't have any events or activities. The club was another way to meet people and be able to learn and enjoy the same things our parents did even though we were teenagers. We as a club had fun together!

Dwight Jr. was just 13 days away from graduating from the Promina Kennestone Hospital Radiology program. He was studying to become a Radiologist. He had worked so hard for this and was honored as being one of the top in his class.

As a young man he was also very active outside of going to school full-time. He also was an member of the Masonic Lodge and a

member of the Yaarab Shrine Temple and the Kennestone Mountain Shrine Club.

In honor of Dwight C. Swanson, Jr. his classmates at the Promina Kennestone Hospital Radiology program have established a memorial garden that was dedicated to him on May 3, 1997. If you would like to contribute a donation to the memorial garden, please make checks payable to the "Dwight Swanson Memorial Fund" and return to my attention at 1609 Dauphin Lane, Orlando Florida 32803.

I would love to hear from you if you ever get a chance to drop a line or give me a call. My phone number is 407-896-9493.

Sincerely:

Bechy Elliott

FROM THE EDITOR

By Frank Ambrogio

Sometimes the editor is faced with a conflict between providing information and considering people's feelings.

When I heard about Dwight Jr's illness and subsequent passing, I was undecided about whether I should print the information or let word of mouth provide the news.

After much thought, I decided on the latter course. I felt that those who knew young Dwight would get the notice. I also felt that Dwight and Carolyn didn't need any painful reminders so soon after their tragic loss. Although more than a year has passed, I'm sure time hasn't lessened their heartache.

Becky's information does however seem appropriate at this time and, with her permission, I have included it in this issue.

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By Marty Burns NOTE: Marty produces GREASY PRINTS II on other information which were not available when this



issue was prepared. Please send any flyers about car show activities to him. If you are interested in participating in Chapter events, let Marty know.

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CRUISES

New cruises: 3rd Sundays at The Auto Toy Store of Ocala. 352-401-0066. Fridays at Home Depot Circuit City - Ocala. Trophies on 2nd Fri. - Home Depot Parking Lot. 3rd Friday Dairy Queen of Lake Wales - 521 S.Second St. 676-1856.

Kissimmee- Old Town - Every Saturday-Opens at 6 PM. open to '72 and older cars. Hwy 192 2-1/2 miles east of I-4. Always crowded and lots of fun.

Tampa Saturdays - Burger King every Sat. On Dale Mabry north of Ehrlich.

Daytona Beach - Saturdays - Memory Lane R&R Cafe 2424 N. Atlantic Ave. More Info; 904-673-5389.

Casselberry- 1st Saturday - Murray's Wings and Ribs- Oxford Square, 436 east of 17/92, 6-9:30 PM.

Winter Park - 2nd Saturday - Magic City Diner 471 N. Semoran Blvd, Winter Park 6-9:30, 657-1717. - I haven't seen this one myself, but, I WILL HAVE TO. The Flyer has a '55 STUDEBAKER HARDTOP prominently displayed on the front!

Leesburg - 1st Saturday - Wendy's on N. US27 at Gateway Plaza - 7-10 PM.

Lakeland - 2nd Saturday - Beef O'Brady's on Hwy 98 N. 6-9 PM. More info: 813-651-1035. St Petersburg - 3rd Sat. - Biff's Burgers, 3939 49th St - Classic Car Show hosted by Biff's w/entertainment by the "Drifters" 40 trophies. Info: 813-527-5297.

Deland - Every Friday - Gooding's & McDonalds parking lot S. Deland on 17/92 off I-4. 7-10 PM.

Third Saturday - First Union Bank parking lot 1 block east of 17-92 on Hwy 44. 5-? PM.

Sanford - Last Saturday - Wendy's at WalMart on 17-92 and Lake Mary Blvd. 7-10 PM

 Second and last Sunday at The Big Dip, 17-92 and 25th St. Doo-Wop music and good food. 3-9 PM.

Maitland- Kody's Drive-in on 17-92 N. of Horatio. Fridays 7-11 PM.

St.Cloud- Every Wednesday night - At the Ice Cream parlor at New York and 11th. 6 PM.

- Thursdays - Classic Memories on Wheels

- at Caesar's Treasure Chest on New York Ave. Cars must be at least 25 yrs. old 5-8 PM.

If anyone discovers a wrong phone # please let me know so it can be changed.

SANFORD ORLANDO CHAPTER MEETING, FLORIDA May 9, 1997

By Paul White - Secretary

Members in attendance were Dean & Jean Gessner, Leroy & Helen Gessner, Frank & Anita Ambrogio, Don Dodgen, Jerry & Becky Ray, John & Joann Gormican, Larry Golub, Jim & Ann Morgan, and Paul & Marion White. The meeting was called to order by Dean Gessner at 7:35.

Minutes of the April 12 meeting were read and accepted. Treasurer Anita Ambrogio reported our balance at \$1552.15. She also presented tickets for the Commemorative coins being raffled by the SDC. We had 32 of the 40 still unsold and that after the meeting, OAC would purchase any remaining. If the chapter wins, we would raffle them off at the state meet.

Marion solicited help for the state meet hospitality room. It was decided to purchase the soft drinks in Alachua. Members are urged to bring goodies for the hospitality room.

Dean thanked all who attended their 25th wedding anniversary party. We then discussed the raffling of the 1937 Coupe Express model. It was agreed that the price would be \$3.00 per ticket, or 2 for \$5.00 with the drawing at the banquet. Volunteers are needed to sell tickets.

Dean announced an orphan car show in Branson, Missouri and Paul announced another in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Paul will represent OAC with his 1963 Avanti.

Larry Gouub suggested we work in liason with the AACA club and attempt to keep informed on their events. Larry volunteered to act as the liason.

Paul White suggested we make a contribution to the Studebaker National Museum restoration fund in mamory of the late Hy Berman. Don Dodgen suggested we donate \$50 in memory of Hy and another \$50 as a club donation.

Our next meeting will be October 11. Members should attend to help work out last minute details for the state meet. A lot of help will be needed at the meet site. All members are expected to make a contribution of time and talents.

Marion White signed up several people for the Goodie Calendar and now reports that she needs only someone to volunteer for May 1998. Please see her at the state meet and complete her calendar.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Larry Golub.

THE GREASE MONKEY



TECH TIPS

If you have a tech tip which you feel will be of interest to our members, please send it to the Editor.

STOP LIGHT SWITCH New switch is available for Dot 5 flu

New switch is available for Dot 5 fluid From the Smoky Mountain Wheel

Ted Banner of the East Carolina Chapter offers this stop light switch tip.

Harley Davidson motor part # 72023-51B stop light switch is for the Dot 5 silicone brake fluid. This should be THE switch for your Studebaker silicone fluid brake light failure problem.

It looks like a standard switch. The wire ends need to be changed to male bayonet type. It's a bit pricey, but it should outlast dozens of 666858 or F4805 switches.

Dorman 705-070 universal speedometer cable repair kit replaces broken cables. It is 81" long.

Free Wheeling - another of Studebaker's many firsts

by Buzz Beckman

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The term "free-wheeling" was more than likely the creation of an early '30s ad writer, who was asked by Studebaker marketing to come up with a catchy name for a simple mechanical device. That device, mounted in the transmission, was a small one-way clutch, which Studebaker engineers had been working on since the late '20s. Finally, in 1931, it was ready.

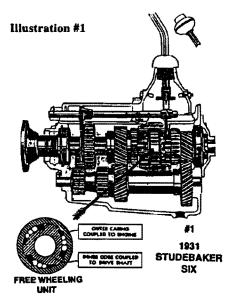
The purpose of this "engineering break-through" was to allow the engine, when the vehicle was in motion, to drop to an idle when one's foot was lifted from the accelerator. It accomplished exactly the same thing that most drivers back then were already doing coasting! The only difference was that with Free Wheeling, it wasn't necessary to depress the clutch or slip the shift lever into neutral.

Why coast? Because coasting saved gas and made the journey, at least downhill, much quieter. Granted, it wasn't the safest thing to do, but when money was as hard to come by, as it was during the Depression, a penny saved might well have been the only penny you had!

The device itself was not new nor was it a

major engineering development by any stretch of the imagination. In fact, one-way clutches had been in use for years in farm machinery, lawn mowers and even window shades. Their sole purpose is to allow a shaft or other mechanism to rotate freely in one direction, but catch and transmit power in the other.

Using the window shade as an example, as you pull it down it "freewheels," making a clicking sound as the one-way clutch levers ride over the built-in ramps or teeth. As you stop the downward movement and release the tension. the levers engage the teeth, which locks the clutch and prevents the shade from rewinding.



same idea is used in the now almost obsolete reel-type lawn mowers. Remember the clicking sound as you pulled the mower backward? That was the one-way clutch "free-wheeling." Another familiar use is the pull-cord starting system for small engines.

In an automotive application, the one-way clutch took the form of a doughnut sized metal cylinder whose components included an outer cup-shaped casing, an inner core with machined ramps and a series of rollers. Early on, it was mounted in the center of the transmission as an integral part of the main shaft. (See Illustration 1) Later versions were mounted more toward the rear of the transmission for reasons of accessibility and ease of manufacture. (See illustration 2)

Though highly proclaimed at the time and adopted by many manufacturers, this anticipated answer to all driving ills fell hopelessly short of its billing. In fact, by 1936 "free-wheeling" had become more of an embarrassment than an asset.

The primary reason for the disenchantment w a s the shortcoming of not having the assistance of the engine when braking. With Free Wheeling engaged, "shifting down" was of no value since the car



Illustration #2

merely continued to coast along. This

presented a potentially dangerous situation, especially as cars became older and brake efficiency declined.

Of course, one could lock out Free Wheeling by means of a button on the shift lever, or, on later models, a pull-rod. This could be done either parked or while driving. If you were driving, though, you had to accelerate the engine to match road speed. If you failed to do so, you could easily convert your Free Wheeling into Expensive Wheeling at the local transmission shop.

There was a bright side, however, because the "free wheeling" concept lived on in many other applications. The most notable example is the overdrive transmission, which, without a one-way clutch, could not function. The reference here is to the type of overdrive introduced by Studebaker to the industry in 1935. This variety is not to be confused with today's five-speed manual transmissions. These devices, often dubbed overdrive, do not use a fact, clutch. In one-way the justification for using the term "overdrive" is that the fifth-speed gear (and sometimes even the fourth) has a ratio of less than 1 to 1. This means that for each revolution of the engine, the output shaft of the transmission rotates more than one revolution hence, over

Another common application of one-way clutches is in the torque converter of automatic transmissions. Its purpose is to allow the stator to "free wheel" in one direction only. So, as you cruise down the road in your new Cumulo Nimbus StratoDyne V-6 with its Turbo-Slush shift lever comfortably resting in Economy Mode, extend a reverent thank you to those South Bend engineers of yesteryear. They deserve it.

A few excerpts from the 1931 Studebaker Six brochure:

"Unlocking the Wingpower of Momentum, Free Wheeling with positive gear control gives you mastery of this giant force which, until now, has always been paid for and wasted."

"Free Wheeling permits your car to move smoothly ahead under its own momentum when you lift your foot from the accelerator. The engine drops instantly to idling speed."

"Gear shifting is always quiet, always easy, regardless of car speed. You need not touch the clutch pedal in making your most frequently needed shifts second to high and high back to second."

"Access to conventional (non-free-wheeling) gear positions is had by simply depressing the button on the gearshift lever ball, which permits the lever to move slightly farther toward the front or back, locking out the Free Wheel unit."

SPOT LIGHTS



(News of Special Interest)

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCIES

From the COVA Bulletin

It is difficult to keep up with what is happening in each state in terms of those environmental regulations which affect us as vehicle collectors and motorists. To help you know where to go to get information for Florida and Georgia, we are listing those state agencies and their addresses.

FLORIDA

Virginia Wetherell, Secretary
Department of Environmental Protection
3900 Commonwealth Blvd., MS-10
Tallahassee, Florida 32999-3000
Phone 904-488-1554, FAX 904-921-4303

GEORGIA

Harold Reheis, Director Environmental Protection Division Department of Natural Resources 205 Butler St., SW Atlanta, Georgia 30334 Phone 404-656-4317

FIGHTING THE FIGHT

This article originally ran in Old Cars Weekly News & Marketplace March 27, 1997.

Most of you are familiar with the clunker bills and zoning that affect old vehicle collectors. We urge hobbyists to fight against these efforts by joining organizations set up to protect our hobby. The following organizations fight laws and regulations that harm this hobby:

Amer. Automotive Heritage Foundation PO. Box 482, Carlisle, PA 17013-0482 Phone: (717) 240-0976 Fax: (717) 240-0931 Association of California Car Clubs PO. Box 1331, Palm Desert, CA 92261 Ph: (619) 346-1984 Fax: (619) 568-6534 Auto Restoration Market Organization (ARMO) Specialty Equipment Market Assoc. PO. Box 4910, Diamond Bar, CA 91765-0910 Ph: (909) 396-0289 Fax: (909) 860-0184 Citizens Against Repressive Zoning (CARZ) PO. Box 536, Haslett, Mi 48840-0536 Ph: (517) 351-6751 Fax: (517) 339-4926 Coalition For Auto Repair Equality 119 Oronoco St., Alexandria, VA 22314 Ph: (800) 229-5380 Fax: (703) 519-7747 Council of Vehicle Associations (COVA) 7000 W. Southwest Highway, Chicago Ridge, IL 60645 Ph: (800) CARS-166 Fax: (708) 598-4888 Int'l Society for Vehicle Preservation

PO. Box 50046, Tucson, AZ 85703-1046

Ph: (520) 622-2201 Fax: (520) 792-8501

Internet: http://www.aztexcorp.com

World Organization of Auto Hobbyists (WOAH)

PO. Box 1331, Palm Desert, CA 92261

Ph: (619) 346-1984 Fax: (619) 568-6534

NOTE: The Orlando Area Chapter strongly urges each of its members to join at least one of the organizations listed above.

BACK-UP LIGHTS

The History Corner

By Jan B. Young

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South Bend Autos - Part 2

In part 1, we took a brief look at autos that were built in South Bend in the early years of the industry. South Bend, however, was home to only some of the marques made in the area. For instance, The city of Mishawaka is just a few miles east of South Bend, separated today only by a political line. Mishawaka has its own history of automanufacture.

In 1901 a man named Hayn built and sold one car in Mishawaka. Then in 1905, the American Simplex got its start. The American Simplex was based on a 4-cylinder, 2-cycle engine. The car was initially successful and a new plant was built for the 1906 models. Simplex displayed their cars in the 1909 Automobile Exposition in Chicago, but in 1910, confusion with the larger Simplex Automobile Company of New Brunswick, New Jersey forced the company to change its name to Amplex. In 1911 two Amplex cars ran in the Indianapolis 500 and one of them was involved in that race's first fatal accident (the other car placed seventh). The car itself was expensive and the 2-cycle engine was retained long after it was considered obsolete elsewhere. In 1914, the company's success exceeded it's financial and management capabilities and production ceased. A receiver's sale was held on January 20, 1914 and even then, on its way down the tubes, the company defended the two-cycle engine: "Please understand this: The difficulties of the Amplex Motor Car Company were not due to the failure of the two-cycle engine principle. It stands as a successful demonstration of a two-cycle valveless engine, and it only needs a practical business management..."

Adolph Kamm, a South Bend brewer, bought the company and decided to try again in 1916. The revived Amplex, however, failed to make a profit, so it was sold to King Gillette of razor blade fame. Whatever improvements were made by Gillette were evidently also inadequate because Amplex/Gillette then simply faded away.

The Kenworthy Motor Company made a car in Mishawaka from 1920 to 1922. The Kenworthy was notable for sharing with the Dusenberg the honor of being America's first production car to offer a straight-eight engine and four-wheel braking. Unlike the Dusenberg, the Kenworthy was also available with more normal four and six cylinder engines. It was the last non-Studebaker car to be built in South Bend or Mishawaka until the Avanti II came along in 1966.

Another few miles down the road from Mishawaka is Elkhart, Indiana, where considerable activity took place. The Elkhart automobile was made from 1908 to 1909, the Crow-Elkhart was made from 1909 to 1924, and the Elcar was made from 1915 to 1931. The Elcar was considered successful with production of 4,000 autos in 1919, but didn't survive the depression. Elcar also made chassis for the famous Mercer roadsters and after Mercer's demise in 1925, attempted a revival from its Elkhart factory. Apparently the revival did in both Mercer and Elcar.

Also in Elkhart, the Huffman was made from 1920 to 1925, the Sperling was made from 1921 to 1923, the Sterling was made from 1909-1911, and the Sun was made from 1916 to 1918 after moving into town from Buffalo. The Sperling and the Sterling were apparently unrelated; their corporate names were the Associated Motors Corporation and the Elkhart Carriage and Motor Car Co., respectively. Elkhart Carriage certainly can't be faulted for not trying. The company had previously made the Elkhart and the Elcar, mentioned above. And, in 1911, they briefly made a car called the Komet.

In addition to all these names, the Morriss-London was made in Elkhart from 1919 to 1925. It was nearly identical to the Crow-Elkhart, being made by the same company, but was built without bodies for export. Like the Studebaker, the Pratt-Elkhart was an outgrowth of a harness and carriage works. Unlike Studebaker, it only lasted from 1911 to 1917.

And finally, looking west of South Bend a few miles to the city of LaPorte, we find the home of the Munson, made from 1899 to 1902. The Munson was probably the first combination power (gasoline and electric) to be made in America. Munsons, like the Morriss-London, were made without bodies, allowing the buyer to fit whatever pleased him.

The tremendous amount of activity in the South Bend area between the turn of the century and World War I was partly due to the developmental nature of the auto industry in those days, but can also be partly attributed to the presence of Studebaker. Studebaker had, for many years, attracted and trained thousands of craftsmen in many of the wood and metal working arts required to build the early autos. Some of these craftsmen tried to build cars themselves; others went to work for auto-makers that moved into town to take advantage of the pool of available labor.

While Studebaker was in part funding these new companies by training workmen for them, it also benefitted from the competition to the extent that the presence of all these competitors generated new ideas and new designs and, as the other companies fell by the wayside, many employees doubtlessly came back to Studebaker.

Material for this article was drawn from Jim Moloney's Studebaker Cars (Motorbooks International, 1994), Beverly Kimes and Henry Clark's Standard Catalog of American Cars 1805-1942 (Krause Publications, 1985), G. N. Georgano's Encyclopedia of American Automobiles (Rainbird Reference Books, 1971), Emiel Fabyan's The World's Greatest Wagon Works (PhD Thesis, Ball State University, 1987), Paul Brockman's Made in Indiana (a magazine article which appeared in Traces of Indiana and Midwestern History by the Indiana Historical Society, 1994), and David Eisen's Mishawaka Mosaic (Bethel Publishing, 1983). All of these publications should be available through your local library.

Department of Obscure Facts

Starting in 1876, when Clement Studebaker began traveling abroad, the export business became important to Studebaker. In 1912, for instance, Studebaker accounted for 37% of all US auto exports. When Studebaker, along with the rest of the auto industry finally settled on left-hand drive in 1915, it kept on making right-hand drive cars for export.

Studebaker also paid a good deal of attention to export marketing and it published a special edition of the Studebaker News for the export market. The January, 1949 issue of this export edition tells us something about the work needed to prepare cars for export.

Cars for export were not simply driven onto a ship as they are today. Instead, they were shipped CKD (completely knocked down). As export cars were completed, they were parked until complete orders could be accumulated.

The order was then run through a disassembly and crating process. Six CKD lines were in service: three for cars and three for trucks. Coming off the line, twenty four cars would occupy thirty crates and two trucks would occupy five (assuming that bodies were being shipped with the truck chassis). The crates were then loaded into open railroad gondolas for shipment to the port of debarkation.

Many comments can be made about the inefficiencies of Studebaker's South Bend plant, but the fact that export cars were built, and then un-built at significant labor cost says a lot. It's true that in those days Studebaker's competitors and most other manufacturing companies operated equally wasteful factories, but we can still see here the seeds of the Japanese take-over of the 1980s.

Thanks to Richard Quinn for providing the information behind this article.

SEARCH LIGHTS WANT ADS



NOTICE

Ads are free to members and must be submitted <u>in writing</u> to

the Editor by the 25th (even months).

CARS FOR SALE

1947 CHAMPION 4 DR 6 Cyl W/OD, radio, and heater. Has new seat cover & door panels, needs new headliner & floor mats. Has all new brakes, needs hill holder, has a new "el Cheapo" paint job (bad). Runs great \$2,500. Larry Good, 9401 Bay Pines Blvd, St. Petersburg Fl 33708, days, 813-392-2198, nights 813-596-5550.

1955 Studebaker President 4 door, V-8, auto, P.S., body is in good shape, car is not running but the motor is free and will fire, good car to restore, \$950.00. Dennis Weflen, 3465 NW 46th Pl., Gainesville Fl 32605, 352-373-5990.

1960 CHEVROLET BEL AIR 4 door, 6 cylinder, 3 speed with air, \$3500. John Gormican 980 West McCormick Rd. Apopka, Fl. 32703, 407-889-9252.

1963 DAYTONA H.T. 6 cyl, OD, tinted glass, A/C, new paint, partial inter, brakes, most new rubber seals, good tires chrome etc., Arizona car, no rust \$3500. Call Noah Dancy, 904-752-3645 (Lake City, Florida).

PARTS/ACCESSORIES FOR SALE

STEPHEN ALLEN'S AUTO has new & used Studebaker & Packard parts. N.O.S. parts, mechanical, electircal & trim. VISA, MC, DISC accepted. 529 N.W. 58th Street, Gainesville Fl 32607 352-472-9369, 800-532-1236 (orders only).

STUDEBAKER PARTS FOR SALE. Collection of two Stude dealers, all parts are in Northern New York. Anyone needing any particular part can drop me a line before Oct 1st and if I have the part, I will bring it down. My address in New York: Robert Oakes Sr., 1152 County Road 38, Norfolk N.Y. 13667, 315-384-3926 (May-Oct). Florida address 203 Palm Street, Fruitland Park 34731, Tel 352-365-0743 (Oct-May).

STUDEBAKER DOOR MAT, 18-3/4" X 29-1/2" rubber. I found it in Ft. Meyers years ago. If anyone is interested in this item, I am asking \$75.00 for it. Peter Amabile, 1641 Coppersmith Court,

Lutz Florida 33549, Tel: 813-948-2534.

SDC FAMILY ALBUMS. Have no Index? I have one! Indexed by car and name. In celluloid folder. 8"x11-1/2" stamped (55 cents) envelope. (non OAC members, \$4 M.O. and SASE+Postage)! Marty Burns, 1514 W. Smith St., Orlando Fl 32804.

1963-1964 GT HAWK parts, sold the car, now need to make room in the garage, many items, call or write. Jerry Ray, 1012 Cama Ct, Winter Springs, Fl 32708, 407-699-5364 (5:00 pm to 8:30 pm ONLY).

FERN PARK AUTO PARTS, 1420 E. Hwy 436 (2 blocks W. of 17/92), foreign & domestic, machine shop service, hard to find parts our specialty (no body parts). 407-339-3509.

ITEMS FOR SALE: for 1957-1958 Golden Hawk; McCullough Supercharger (blower only, no brackets or pulleys), grille, tachometer, dash garnish molding, fender script. All items saved from car in 1960 and packed away in very good to excellent condition. Also, heater for late 30s, early 40s models - excellent condition. Frank (beeper) 407-373-3708 or Jerry Shelton (home) 407-957-9095 (St. Cloud).

FOUR NEW TIRES, size G-78/15, whitewalls. Two are regular tread and two are snow tread. Larry Golub, Phone: 407-788-0117.

VEHICLES/PARTS WANTED

STUDEBAKER CAR/TRUCK wanted. Bruce Leggatt, 1858 Bayshore Dr., Niceville Fl 32578-371258.

For Ford Pinto - motors (4 cyl), 4 spd transmissions, rear ends, racing parts for same. Jerry Shelton 407-957-9095 (St. Cloud).

SERVICES OFFERED

AUTO MECHANICAL REPAIR SERVICE. Studebakers are my specialty. If I can be of help, call Marty Burns, 407-422-6706.

HEAD LIGHTS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Regularly Scheduled Chapter Events

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER (OAC) MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS are held at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month from Sept-May at Sanford Motor Co. 3418 S. Orlando Dr. (17-92), Sanford, ½ mile north of Lake Mary Blvd.

OAC MONTHLY BREAKFASTS are held at 8:00 am on the last Sunday of each month at: Quincy's Family Steak House, US Hwy 441 (Orange Blossom Trail), one block north of Lee Road/John Young Parkway (423). BYOB (Bring Your Old Baker).

JULY

27 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

AUGUST

24 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

SEPTEMBER

- 12-13 TRI-STATE MEET black mountain.
- 13 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 19-20 MUSIC CITY MEET in Nashville, Tennessee, sponsored by MTSDC.
- 28 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

OCTOBER

- 11 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 11 6TH ANNUAL FALL ROD RUN hosted by the Osceola Rodders in St. Cloud. P.O. Box 421981, Kissimmee Floirda 34742.
- 17-18 20th ANNUAL FLORIDA STATE MEET sponsored by the Orlando Area Chapter. See flyer.
- 26 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

NOVEMBER

- 07-08 AUTOFEST '97 in Downtown Leesburg sponsored by Leesburg Downtown Partnership, Inc. and Uniques & Antiques. Info: Joe Ezell 352-728-2848, Marvin Evans 352-787-0461, Sue Commons 352-365-2019.
- 08 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 22-28 24TH ANNUAL TURKEY ROD RUN at Daytona Speedway. Info: 904-255-7355.
- 30 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

DECEMBER

- 13 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 28 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Always keep your club roster and a membership application handy.

Send a contribution to the memorial garden fund for Dwight Swanson Jr.

Register early for the state meet and make your motel reservations <u>before</u> September 17.

Submit an article for the newsletter and make your editor happy (better yet, volunteer to become the editor).

20th FLORIDA STUDEBAKER STATE MEET INFO

MEET DATES: October 17 & 18, 1997.

HOST MOTEL:

Ramada Limited, Alachua - Phone # (904) 462-4200 Location: U.S. 441 - just off exit 78 on I-75.

Directions: Turn right off I-75, regardless of whether your coming from the north or south. The motel is on the left about 2 blocks.

Room Rate: \$49.00 per night + tax = \$53.41. They are holding 20 rooms until September 17, 1997. Please make reservations early as there is another function going on the same weekend.

Days Inn: Directly in front of the Ramada Limited is also holding 20 rooms, same price, until September 17, 1997. Phone # (904) 462-3251.

Other motels in the area are: Comfort Inn - phone # (904) 462-2414, Travelodge - phone # (904) 462-2244

BANQUET:

Conestogas Banquet Room - Main St., Alachua.

Take U.S. 441 South until you get to the 3rd stoplight. Turn right onto Main St. The banquet room is in the middle of the second block on the left.

Cost: Adults \$15.00 Children 12 and under: \$7.50

MenuSirloin steak or grilled chicken with tossed salad, baked potato, beverage and dessert. Children may substitute a hamburger or cheeseburger.

RAFFLE CAR:

1964 4 door Daytona - V-8 with power steering, factory air and a rebuilt motor.

Tickets will only be sold at the meet and the banquet. This is a nice car and will be raffled off at the banquet. You do not need to be present at the banquet to win, but tickets will only be sold the weekend of the meet.

LUNCH ON SATURDAY will be Barbecue - Free!!!!!!!

OTHER INFO:

Places to eat around the motels are:

Pizza Hut, Sonny's Barbecue, Waffle House, Hardees, Dairy Queen, McDonald's, Subway, Huddle House and close by in downtown Alachua are Conestogas, Alachua Connection, Texas Pete's and Pistol Pete's.

PLACES TO GO SEE:

Gainesville is only 15 miles south on I-75. The Oaks Mall is the 2nd exit (also called Newberry Road or SR 26).

Another place to visit is High Springs. This is a quaint little town 8 miles north of Alachua on U.S. 441 known for it's Antique Shops. It's worth a look! Also

INFORMATION:

Stephen Cade or Carol Burgess at (352) 472-9369 529 N.W. 58th St. Gainesville, Florida 32607



STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB, INC. 20TH ANNUAL FLORIDA STATE MEET **OCTOBER 17-18, 1997** RAMADA LTD. AND DAYS INN I-75 (EXIT 78) AND HIGHWAY 441 ALACHUA, FLORIDA

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THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

The Orlando Area Studebaker Club was organized on October 15, 1983 and was chartered as the Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club on June 19, 1984. The Charter was presented to the Chapter at the International Studebaker Drivers Club meet in Kissimmee on July 6, 1984.

The Chapter was formed to:

Encourage the acquisition, preservation, maintenance, and enjoyment of Studebaker and related automobiles.

Provide accurate historical and technical information on Studebaker automobiles, the Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Studebaker Corporation.

Promote good fellowship and pride of ownership among Chapter members.

Publish a newsletter containing news and information concerning both national and local activities, technical advice, and items wanted or for sale.

Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

Ownership of a vehicle is not a requirement for membership. Many members are either looking for some special model or are simply interested in the colorful history of the Studebaker Corporation which spanned 114 years (1852-1966).

Greasy Prints is the official bi-monthly publication of the Orlando Area Chapter -Studebaker Drivers Club. All comments and opinions are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the policy of the Chapter.

Orlando Area Chapter members are entitled to free checking with no minimum balance at Great Western Bank. Accounts must be opened at the Winter Springs branch at

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5601 Red Bug Lake Road. Once the account is established, transactions can be made at any Great Western Bank branch office. Identify yourself as a member of the Orlando Area Chapter, Studebaker Drivers Club.

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER - SDC GREASY PRINTS FRANK AMBROGIO - EDITOR 1025 NODDING PINES WAY CASSELBERRY, FLORIDA 32707

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GREASY PRINTS II

THE ALTERNATE MONTH SUPPLEMENT TO GREASY PRINTS ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER - SDC

MARTIN BURNS - ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR 1415 W. SMITH ST. ORLANDO, FLORIDA 32804 407-422-6706



Please send any auto related flyers, etc. to me for inclusion in my next report.

This is not going to be a wonderful newsletter this month. There is guite a bit of news to relate.

Some of you may have heard by now, Marilyn Davis, who was valiantly battling and being treated for cancer, died recently. I and several others of the club have extended our condolences to Lou Sheffler. I had the priveledge of having many conversations with Marilyn and will miss her. If you drop Lou a line, I'm sure he will appreciate it. At a time like this is when friends and acquaintances can be alot of help by just being there for support.

Now for the next bit of information; This is the LAST G-P II. As you may remember, I asked for input on it's usefulness and practicality. I got ONE letter from a member who said I'd probably not hear from anyone else. He was partially right. I heard, by phone, from one other person. I can't say I have been surprised. Therefore, I don't see the need for the drain on club resources and my time. Of course, The contributions to "Greasy Prints" will continue. (You can relax now, Frank!) I will occasionally, send out F.Y.I. cards if something really neat or deserving comes up. But, no more "G-P II. It was an experiment. And as we all know, not all experiments have the expected out-come.

On a lighter note. Did you see the "Automotive" section of the "Sentinel" on the 24th? How about the EDSEL article? The photograph is mine. The car is ex-SDC-er Russ Ross'. They somehow "forgot" to credit the photo correctly. I reminded them and they nicely promised to issue a correction. It's on page 3 of saturday's paper. Thanks Folks! An additional F.Y.I. I will be taking the official photos for the 40th Anniversary EDSFL meet on Orlando. Aug. 2 at the Expo Center on Livingston St.

The last bit of news. My luck has run true-to-form. I have been assailed by the Orlando Zoning SS. After 10 years of parking various cars in their accustomed places on my OMM property, The Zoning fascists (My own first amendment opinion, thank you.) have informed me that it has never been legal to park them there. So I'v either got tio modify the beck out of half my property or remove my cars. My legally purchased. well maintained, personally owned cars! ALL of these cars are tagged and driveable. (I'll give you the fact that the Hot Rod is a tad ratty. But it's LICEMISED) The fact that these blue nosed, troublemaking and intrusive people have a legal leg to stand on is offensive enough. But, the obnoxious little female (the nicest thing I can call her.) who left the notice really set me off! She was parked in the neighbor's grass with her city truck when I returned in Jean-Luc with Seulah from her weekly trip to the hairdresser for her "'DO" maintenance. The Zoning fascists have been harassing the neighbors (Who are losing their house and really need more hassle.) for several months. Haven't offered to HELP anyone as far as I know. The house does look dumpy. And I help them as much as I can. So, I walked to the truck as she got out with an orange sheet in her hand while peeling the backing off it. Using my "Official business" tone, I asked, "Is there something I can do for you?" She snapped, "Yeah, you can get those cars off the grass right now!" "They're illegally parked!" and made for Studley. She was planning to stick that gooey sheet right on the windshield. I took it from her. Her tone antagonized me and the attempt to deface my classic pushed a little more! ! said"YOUR office told me to park here 10 years ago!" She said, "MO one in OUR office told you that! "really snottily. Isaid "EXCUSE ME?!" "Someone did!" She almost snarled, Yeah? That was their name?" "How the HELL would I remember after ten years?" was my reply. I was really getting P****d! She again said, "There's no was anybody told you to park on the grass!" Called me a LIAR! Twice! The rest of the conversation is "Expletive deleted" I called her boss for suggestions on solving my parking problem and to complain about the snotty attitude. I DID tell him she got exceptionally well cursed.

I won't be treated like a disobedient child and called a liar on my OMN property. Calling me a liar will get you the same treatment as calling me a thief, and she got it! I won't relate the whole story. But, I ended up calling several people and demanded to know what is their solution to the parking problem. All they were able (or willing) to do was read me a littany of things I COULDN'T do. I told them they caused the problem. So, I expected some help, not hindrance. When I talked to "Little Hitler-ess'" boss he told me he'd call back in a day. Didn't. I finally had the bright idea to call Randall James at the mayor's office. I told him the basic story, the run-around I'd been getting and how tired I was of hearing the "Just doing our job." excuse. I told him that didn't work in Muremburg and shouldn't now. Enforcing oppressive laws that undermine the constitution is just as immoral as it ever was. It may not be as extreme as the SS. But, THEY started small when taking personal liberties away too. If one looks back 30 (or even 20) years, in just the Automotive vein, you can see a myriad of rights that are gone now. And look at "Privacy". The Feds want access keys to all commercial encription devices used to scramble cell phones, T.V. signals, 2-way radios, and computers. Supposedly, Only to be used for legitamate surveilance. Yeah, and my granny can run the 100 yd dash in 9.5! Mr James listened patiently and courteously and then got me in touch with two men who PID offer help. A Mr. Collum in planning and a guy with "Rodney" on his nametag in the "Permitting" office. I've got to pour a mess of concrete on the east of the property (Removing 30 year old shrubs that actually shield the cars from vision!) And will be putting up a 5' privacy fence in the back. Because it's nobody's d**n business what's in my back yard!! Maybe I'll have an "Up vours. Zoning!" party when I'm done.

I"ll put my soapbox away for now. Lecture over!

SEE YA' in GREASY PRINTS!

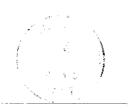
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LOUIS SCHEFFLER & MARILYN DAVIS
1589 BOBOLINK LANE
CASSELBERRY, FL 32707

Frank - Before Greny Prints goes out
May be This ought to be redone?

I hand wrote To address on this last GP.II.

mrs-"

Martin Burns 1415 W. Smith St. Orlando, FL 32804 O.A.C./S.D.C. Activities Director





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DEADLINE FOR ALL NEWSLETTER ITEMS IS THE 25th (EVEN MONTHS)

MARILYN DAVIS-SCHEFFLER, 1945-1997

Her smile and cheerful disposition will be missed.

With husband Lou at her side, Marilyn Davis-Scheffler passed away quietly on Sunday morning July 13. Her death came one day after her 52nd birthday. With her passing, one of the truly nice people of our club has left us. Her cheerful disposition and bright outlook were rather remarkable qualities view of her



illness. Those qualities made her smile seem brighter. The best memory I have of Marilyn is when I asked her at the Christmas dinner how she was feeling. Her answer was a very animated, "WONDERFUL".

Marilyn was a relative newcomer to our chapter. Many of you may never have met her. Despite her illness, she was still able to attend many of our events including the last state meet.

Loss and death seem to be steady companions. Marilyn's death has caused quite a loss for Lou, her family, and our chapter. Even those of you who never met her have suffered a loss. You never got to see her smile.

Our condolences go to Lou and Marilyn's family. We will miss her.

STATE MEET UPDATE

More rooms made available at the Ramada Ltd.

This will be the last issue of Greasy Prints you will receive prior to the meet. I hope that you will heed this notice and register so

that we can better plan for the event. Early registrations help defray some of the initial expenses and give us a good barometer of what to expect in the way of participation.

Stephen Cade has guaranteed an additional 20 rooms at the Ramada Ltd. That is 20 rooms more than originally reserved. If you made reservations at the Days Inn because the Ramada was full, please call the Ramada again and switch to the host hotel. Remember, the deadline for motel reservations is September 17th. After that date, the rate may not be the same. Mention the Studebaker show and call now.

Stephen, and Carol Burgess, have been very busy planning the meet. If you have goody bag items, send everything to them. They have sent flyers to every Florida member listed in the SDC roster. We've printed the meet information before and it is repeated one more time in this issue. If you plan to attend, now is the time to take action.

The following was received from Marion White I'd like to have a hospitality notice included in the next issue of Greasy Prints.

Chairperson (Marion), needs donations of finger foods for Friday night: fruit platter, chips & dips, crackers & spreads, cookies, brownies, hors d'oeuvres, etc!

Those who have already signed up for item donations are Becky Ray, Ann Morgan, Joann Gormican, Anita Ambrogio, and Helen Gessner. We need many more. Also, the only person to offer to help me in the hospitality room so far is Ann Morgan. Please sign up if you can volunteer some time.

Sign up at the next meeting, drop me a note, or call me at 352-383-7279 (after Oct 1), or Jean Gessner at 352-324-3320.

RENEWAL TIME

Membership renewals for 1998, due October 1st

I have included a membership renewal form for everyone whose dues expire on September 30th. Please take the time to renew promptly so I can get the roster up to date. I will mail it with IT'S TIME the January-February 1998 issue.



Please be sure to include your national SDC membership number. Make your check payable to the Orlando Area Chapter - SDC and mail it to the membership director. The address is on the front page of this issue.

GP WINS GOLDEN QUILL AWARD

Old Cars Weekly selects OAC newsletter in Regional Club Publications category

It is our pleasure to send the enclosed Golden Quill Award certificate to you for outstanding achievement with your collector car club publication in 1996. You are an asset to our hobby.

Your dedication and hard work has not gone unnoticed by our judging team, which includes the editors of Old Cars and Gerald Perschbacher, our "Club Clips" columnist.

Chad Elmore

(Editor's Note: What a great surprise to see GP listed among the winners)

GP-II TURNS ITS FINAL PAGE

Apathy dooms alternate OAC publication

Just as Greasy Prints was receiving its award, the last issue of Greasy Prints II arrived in early August with the news that Marty Burns was discontinuing the publication. GP-II was started by Marty with an emphasis on local car shows and other related events. The hope was that it might encourage more of us to take part in shows and other chapter sponsored activities.

Marty had asked for member input to see if he should continue putting out the alternate newsletter. Only two people responded. I think that most of us enjoyed GP-II. Unfortunately, there was not a marked increase in either club activity or car show attendance.

Many of us, who do attend some events, stick to those near our own home. Due to the heat, I rarely take part in events during the summer. Though we won't show great numbers, we can still be represented by attending events in our own immediate area.

I enjoyed GP-II, and I appreciated Marty's help in getting the information to you. I must agree, however, that there is no need to waste club resources on a project that simply did not achieve its intended purpose.

OAC MUSEUM DONATION

Museum's Woody project is fully funded From Secretary Paul White

Please put a blurb in Greasy Prints to the effect that the Studebaker National Museum has acknowledged receiving the donation in memory of the late Hy Berman, as well as the other donation from the OAC.

PACKARD FARM ACQUIRES SIA

Missouri vendor is now with Packard Farm

Packard Farm has recently acquired Special Interest Autos of St. Louis and Bob Johnson has joined our sales staff. You can still enjoy friendly and prompt service from Bob by calling him at Packard Farm, 97N. Greenfield, indiana 46140

Call the following mumber FAX 317-462-3124, 317-467-4181. Orders only 800-922-1957, 800-433-1257, Fax 317-462-8891

Thank you. Hope we can continue serving you with your parts needs.

BILL & LOIS MCDOWELL

ORPHAN MEET

OAC receives offer from other orphans

FROM:

Tom Larson, President, Suncoast Region, Nash Club

Dave McClinchy, President, Suncoast, AMC Club of Tampa Bay

Joe Stinnett, President, Orange Blossom Chapter, Hudson, Essex & Terraplane Ciub

SUBJECT: 2nd Annual Tri-Meet

The enclosed flyer announces the 2nd annual Tri-Meet of our three clubs. We met together for the first time last year and it was a wonderful experience for all of our members. We are not large clubs, but we had about 75 people and over 20 cars at the meet last year. We are hoping for many more this year.

Won't you please share this announcement with your members. We know there are many "old car lovers" who especially love the "orphans" who might want to meet with us on Saturday, September 20.

We also invite your club to co-sponsor this meet with us. In our view, it's "the more the merrier". If your club philosophy includes meets that agree with our no hassle - all welcome philosophy, we would be pleased to have your club join us as a sponsor.

Till September, we "LOVE THOSE ORPHANS!" (NOTE: Marty has the flyer for this meet. Perhaps some of you in south Orlando can try to make it. Since we don't meet during the summer, we could not discuss the question of joining in as a sponsor.)

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By Marty Burns

I received a call from someone named Mickey in South Florida. He said about 16 of them are thinking of reviving the Sunshine Chapter down there. He also said they would like to caravan with some of us to the meet. If you would like to caravan, give me a call and we will see what we can set up.

The stream of weird happenings topped with the trouble from the zoning S.S. seems to have abated some so, I can devote a bit of time to Stude stuff. I have my 6 foot privacy fence in place. Put all 21 panels up by my lonesome. Whew! If anyone wants to know, I'll not do that again soon! I still have to pour the concrete out front and down beside the house. The "Mutant" and "Studley" have been moved. Well let's just say it's nobody's business what's behind my privacy fence. O.K.? I may still plan an "Up yours" zoning party after all the work has been done and inspected of course. I may be cranky and belligerent, but I'm not a masochist.

Speaking of PARTIES, I've been cogitating on our Fall Soiree. It's my opinion that we should have it the weekend after the state meet or November 1st. The weather should still be trustable and warm enough. Everyone should be back from trips and vacations by then. It would be great to get lots of Studebakers at our Studebaker picnic. (Oh-oh. I feel a soapbox coming on.) I have been noticing a glaring absence of Studes at our functions (Breakfasts, for example) recently and am beginning to wonder if we should change the club name to "Stude Owners/Brand X Drivers" club. Of course, I'm advantaged. Until I redo the cam and converter in the Hotrod, I have to drive a Studebaker product! Nuff said!

There are a couple of interesting things coming up. Naturally, everything is on the same day. There's a benefit show Sept. 20 at Florida Lutheran in Deland. It's to help buy a wheelchair van. I don't know who will be the recipient. But, those things are NOT cheap, \$20,000 to 30,000 depending on the adaptations needed. The Pre Reg. is \$10, but I'm sure that donations will be appreciated in amounts in excess of that or even instead of attending if something else draws you elsewhere. And food at the concession stand is 1/2 price for exhibitors. Info is in the show listings.

Another show on the 20th is in Plant City. (Yeah, I know, quite a distance!) for those of you who live in that area or are in the mood to travel. The show is co-sponsored by the H.E.T. Club, Suncoast AMC Club and the Suncoast Region Nash Club. This is a FREE-Bee. Just off I-4 Exit 11. Sounds interesting. Too far for me though. If anyone goes, I'd like to hear about it. Take PHOTOS!

Jean-Luc is finishing-up the featured role in "From The Earth To The Moon" this

Wednesday. Or at least that's what I'm told. They called this A.M. and wanted me to bring the car this afternoon so they can (temporarily) de-shine the hood to cut out glare into the camera as they do close-ups of an astronaut's wife driving it. I suspect they may also need a couple of days to locate camera mounts. I am, again, going to try to get still photos of the shoot. They have been very co-operative in the past. I think the time frame is to be in the late 60's.

I am planning to do the delayed repairs. I want to install the two missing rear spring leaves and the twin rear fender antennas (Antennae?). That couldn't be done while they were filming because of the problems matching shots. I have to get the new rubbers in the control arms before the trip to Gainesville in Oct. Poor old "Studley" isn't going to make it, sad to say. There is some engine work needing to be done, that I don't have time or cash to do right now. Pushing oil real bad on #6 and no compression on #5. I guess 120,000+ miles isn't bad. Especially, since it was seized solid when I got it (at 83,000 mi.) and I used an evil concoction and plenty of force to break it loose ten years ago. I have another partially disassembled '55 President engine at the house (turns) and Paul White and I worked out a swap for a leftover chassis with engine and trans that turns free too. Other things will get done at the same time as the engine. Like installing the power steering unit and pump that I got nearly two years ago. I may even have the Hydro-vac rebuilt and re-install the power brakes. After only ten years. Of course, that takes money too. By the way, does anyone know where there is a "C" for the hood of my PA KARD? The '58 letters are too small.

(Editor's Note: What follows is a mildly edited account of a cruise Marty attended. You can substitute anything you wish for the notation __. The notation H_I is a substitute for a national motel chain. Fasten your seat belts.)

Some of you may have gotten cryptic messages about a free show at "The Mill" on Kirkman Rd on the 16th. Well, I went and it was a disaster! They expected about 100 cars. No dice. There were THREE!! There was a screw-up with the hotel parking lot and they let the Snake Expo people from across the street fill up the parking lot in front of "The Mill". One of the organizers told me that eight other cars had come, saw the cramped parking and left. Not going to take the chance that "Joe public" was going to whack, bump, crease, or otherwise deface their "baby", I guess. I suspect others just took a gander from Kirkman and proceeded to other venues.

But, that wasn't the only hassle. Part of the "congenial" staff of the H_I_ right next to "The Mill" strutted over to inform us that we weren't allowed to "save" parking spaces in front of the restaurant for potential "car show" people. The organizer (also a D.J.) was approached by some snotty woman who informed

him that the "Hotel Guests" can park anywhere on the property that strikes their fancy. When the annoyed man asked "What about the Mill patrons?", she just repeated herself. Then he insisted on an answer, Miss Nose-In-The-Air ordered him off the property or she'd call the Sheriff. Yeah, Start a fight and then yell for "Big Brother" to pull your chestnuts out of the flames. Like the Sheriff gives a crap! I flashed on the little S.S. Storm Trooper I ran into. Before anyone could get a suitable answer from her, this short, fat, obnoxious guy butts in at the top of his voice with, "We don't give a __what the __you're trying to do." "You better get your __ off the property right now. As if HE had any chance of tossing us out. They were beginning to really tick me off! I'm surprised that the guy was able to keep his cool. There was no EXCUSE for this man's behavior, tone of voice, or VULGARITY! No one else had made filthy comments. No one was even talking to him! There was absolutely no provocation for that type of treatment or public display.

After a couple of further encounters with these two "people" (and I use the term loosely in one case!) everyone was so disgusted and P.O.ed that we just bagged it and left. But, before I left, I talked with D.J. Dave and Sal T. and they insist that they're going to work with the "Mill" owner (and very likely several lawyers), the general public, and do it again the 20th of next month. I'll be there. The last two times the troublemakers harassed us, I got photos of each of them. Lady Bigmouth again threatened D.J. Dave with the Sheriff. That's when I got the shot of her. Copies of "Arrogance Personified" are available soon. The shot of "Waddling Obnoxious" was in bad light so it was wasted. Hopefully, I won't get another shot.

While those two were creating a disturbance in the bar by confronting "Kahuna" manager, I told one of the other guys that, if those two were in MY bar ordering ME around, they'd better hope I had the cool to call the Sheriff instead of pulling out the bat. I DID tell them that I intended to give them and "H_I_" as much bad publicity as I could muster. This is my start. A copy will be sent to the "Mill" and they can pass it on if they wish. I intend to send notice to the "H I " area supervisor. They should know how their employees treat people who aren't "Guests" yet. And may never be after witnessing a display like that. If anyone else is interested in a free show and show of force, WE NEED CARS! I will be checking on the progress. But, the plan is to go ahead with another try. They should know that "Car People" aren't trash and are a force to be reckoned with. Gift certificates were given to the people who showed up and the first 25 will get them next time. There is A-C in the restaurant for those of us not wanting to sit in the sun to sweat, get heat prostration, dark tans or skin cancer.

Check out the stuff going on:

SEPT 12-13 BRANSON, MO - 2nd Annual International Orphan Car Show - Info 800-858-8258

27 OCALA - "September Fest" '97 - Charity Show - \$10 pre/\$15 DOS - Pre by Sept. 20 Info: 352-857-3571

20 ORLANDO - FREE SHOW - "The Mill", 5905 S. Kirkman Rd. 2-6 PM, Phone: 407-345-4833 to let them know you'll be attending or to check if the problems related above are worked out.

20 DELAND - Diamond Jubilee - Benefit - \$10 pre / \$12 DOS - Donations might be nice. (Not asked for by the org. Just MY idea of a nice thing to do.) Info.- Barbara @ 904-736-5871 or 1-800-833-2111

20 PLANT CITY - "Love Those Orphans" - @ Buddy Freddies' Restaurant south of I-4 exit 11. FREE SHOW Info. Joe -407-;377-1047 H. 649-7396 Bus. Sonny 352-394-2573

28 ORLANDO - Shrine Temple Car Show & BBQ - \$15 - Info: Larry 407-862-4949. Maybe we can get a bunch of us together at breakfast and go to this one in a caravan again. Start a tradition. anyone? Give the car a warm-up run before the meet?

OCT 4-5 OCALA 2nd Annual Cruz Fur Critterz - \$10 pre/\$15 DOS - Swap \$15 at Garlits' Museums -Info: Maureen 873-9344 Garlits Museum 245-3661

OCT 11 ST. CLOUD - 6th Annual Fall Fun Run - Osceola Rodders - \$15 - Free Shirt reg. before Oct. 1 Dash Plaques. Info: Osceola Rodders, P.O. Box 421981, Kissimmee 34742. Ck payable to Osceola Rodders and indicate shirt size. This was a good one last year. It is being held in St. Cloud for the first time this year.

17-18 Gainesville - see you there!! (Of course, everyone knows, I'M going to win the car!) (It must be MY turn!)

NOV 7-8 LEESBURG - Downtown Autofest '97 -

NOV 7-8 LEESBURG - Downtown Autofest '97 - \$10 pre (by Oct 15)/\$15 DOS - Money awards - goodie bags - Vendor spaces \$50 - Must have fire ext. No Alcohol - No Boom boxes (a real plus!) - Info: Joe 352-728-2848, Marvin 352-787-0461

14-16 BRANFORD - Heaven Hill Farm - Collector Car Flea Market - NOT A SHOW. Spaces/car corral \$50 ea 'til Oct 1. \$65 after. Info: 904-935-0343 M-F 9-4 (N.W. of Gainesville).

CRUISES Wednesday

- * Every Wednesday night St.Cloud At the Ice Cream parlor at New York and 11th. 6 PM. Thursday
- * Every Thursday Classic Memories on Wheels at Caesar's Treasure Chest on New York Ave. Cars must be at least 25 yrs. old 5-8 PM.
- * Every Thursday Downtown St. Cloud 5:00 8:00 Sponsored by Osc. Rodders & St Cloud.
- * Every Friday Maitland- Kody's Drive-in on 17-92 N. of Horatio. 7-11 PM.
- * Every Friday Deland Gooding's & McDonalds parking lot S. Deland on 17/92 off I-4. 7-10 PM.
- * 2nd Friday Hollywood Diner, 192 Kissimmee. 6:30 - 9:30

SATURDAY

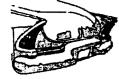
- * Every Saturday Kissimmee Old Town Opens at 6 PM. open to '72 and older cars. Hwy 192 2-1/2 miles east of I-4. Always crowded and lots of fun.
- * 1st Saturday Casselberry- Murray's Wings and Ribs- Oxford Square, 436 east of 17/92, 6-9:30 PM.
- * 1st Saturday Leesburg Wendy's on N. US27 at Gateway Plaza 7-10 PM.
- * 2nd Saturday Winter Park Magic City Diner 471 N. Semoran Blvd, Winter Park 6-9:30, 657-1717.
- * 2nd Saturday Lakeland Beef O'Brady's on Hwy 98 N. 6-9 PM. More info: 813-651-1035.
- * 3rd Saturday Longwood Central Auto Parts on 17-92, south of 436, 6 - 10 pm.
- * 3rd Saturday First Union Bank parking lot 1 block east of 17-92 on Hwy 44. 5-? PM.
- * Last Saturday Sanford (except Nov-Dec) Wendy's at WalMart on 17-92 and Lake Mary Blvd. 7-10 PM

Sunday

* Second and last Sunday at The Big Dip, 17-92 and 25th St. Doo-Wop music and good food. 3-9 PM.

TAIL LIGHTS

(News of Past Events)



RENOVATED ZIP VAN GOES TO SDC MUSEUM

SGC donates club project during SDC meet

The South Georgia Chapter completed the restoration of the Studebaker Zip Van mail truck. Members brought the van to the SDC International Meet where it is to be put on permanent display at the Studebaker National Museum in South Bend, Indiana.

South Georgia Chapter President Neil Thornton of Hazlehurst, donated the Zip Van and chapter members donated all labor and financial support. Most of the exterior restoration work was done at Pete's Body Shop, owned by Pete Sample of Hazlehurst. Jimmy Scurry from Waycross, who is a Postal Service employee, delivered the vehicle.

The Orlando Area Chapter congratulates the South Georgia Chapter for taking on a great project and seeing it through to completion.

SPOT LIGHTS

(News of Special Interest)

CAR CLUBS NEED TO HELP THEMSELVES
Lack of funds ties the hands of organizations
trying to help us

By Frank Ambrogio

The Council of Vehicle Associations (COVA) was organized a few years ago to help us fight unfair legislation affecting our hobby. Not

long ago, COVA announced that it is unable to accomplish all that it had hoped, because the operating funds did not materialize as anticipated. This was due to the apathy of so many individuals who assume the problem will just go away by itself.

This apathy was mimicked by the car clubs, which basically are an extension of the individual. A recent issue of the COVA Bulletin listed all of the car clubs that have joined. As of that time, only the Orlando Area Chapter - Studebaker Drivers Club had joined COVA from this area.

There must be 100 car clubs in our immediate area and probably several thousand nationally. Yet, less than 200 nationally saw fit to join COVA. One only needs to look at the National Rifle Association to see what power can be generated by a well organized group that has the support of its members.

COVA was hoping for all car clubs to contribute \$1.00 per member. For our chapter, this represents an expenditure of about \$55. That is an amount which we can easily afford. On the national level, the Studebaker Drivers Club would be hard pressed to find \$13,000 in the budget. I would assume that most national clubs would feel the same pinch.

Just because our chapter has contributed, we as individuals are not in for a free ride. We need to join these organizations and offer our personal support. I had been putting it off for months and months, but I finally sent in my contribution to another organization which I feel is a good one. It is called Citizens Against Repressive Zoning (CARZ). The name sums up its purpose and Marty's account in his last issue of GP-II is an excellent example of the need for this organization.

For the past several issues, I have reprinted the Old Cars Weekly listing of car related organizations. I hope each of you will join one or more of them and that all the car clubs, which receive this newsletter, will do likewise.

The old saying, "there's strength in numbers" reflects only part of the story. We have the numbers and the organization. All that is missing is the support. So, before the tank runs dry and the tires go flat, take a look at the list below and offer your support.

FIGHTING THE FIGHT

This article originally ran in Old Cars Weekly News & Marketplace March 27, 1997.

Most of you are familiar with the clunker bills and zoning that affect old vehicle collectors. We urge hobbyists to fight against these efforts by joining organizations set up to protect our hobby. The following organizations fight laws and regulations that harm this hobby:

Amer. Automotive Heritage Foundation PO. Box 482, Carlisle, PA 17013-0482 Phone: (717) 240-0976

Fax: (717) 240-0931

Association of California Car Clubs PO. Box 1331, Palm Desert, CA 92261

Ph: (619) 346-1984 Fax: (619) 568-6534

Auto Restoration Market Organization (ARMO)

Specialty Equipment Market Assoc.,

PO. Box 4910, Diamond Bar, CA 91765-0910

Ph: (909) 396-0289 Fax: (909) 860-0184

Citizens Against Repressive Zoning (CARZ)

PO. Box 536, Haslett, Mi 48840-0536

Ph: (517) 351-6751 Fax: (517) 339-4926

Coalition For Auto Repair Equality 119 Oronoco St., Alexandria, VA 22314

Ph: (800) 229-5380 Fax: (703) 519-7747

Council of Vehicle Associations (COVA)

7000 W. Southwest Highway, Chicago Ridge, IL 60645

Ph: (800) CARS-166 Fax: (708) 598-4888 Int'l Society for Vehicle Preservation

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PO. Box 1331, Palm Desert, CA 92261

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NOTE: The Orlando Area Chapter strongly urges each of its members to join at least one of the organizations listed above.

SEARCH LIGHTS WANT ADS



Ads must include the city and must be submitted TRUCKS in writing to the Editor by the 25th (even months).

CARS FOR SALE

1947 CHAMPION 4 DR 6 Cyl W/OD, radio, and heater. Has new seat cover & door panels, needs new headliner & floor mats. Has all new brakes, needs hill holder, has a new "el Cheapo" paint job (bad). Runs great \$2,500. Larry Good, 9401 Bay Pines Blvd, St. Petersburg Fl 33708, days, 813-392-2198, nights 813-596-5550.

1960 CHEVROLET BEL AIR 4 door, 6 cylinder, 3 speed with air, \$3500. John Gormican 980 West McCormick Rd. Apopka, Fl. 32703, 407-889-9252.

1963 DAYTONA H.T. 6 cyl, OD, tinted glass, A/C, new paint, partial inter, brakes, most new rubber seals, good tires chrome etc.,

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STUDEBAKER PARTS FOR SALE. Collection of two Stude dealers, all parts are in Northern New York. Anyone needing any particular part can drop me a line before Oct 1st and if I have the part, I will bring it down. My address in New York: Robert Oakes Sr., 1152 County Road 38, Norfolk N.Y. 13667, 315-384-3926 (May-Oct). Florida addrress 203 Palm Street, Fruitland Park 34731, Tel 352-365-0743 (Oct-May).

PARTS FOR SALE. 1952 V-8 radiator, new, \$170: '52 V-8 fuel pump, new \$20: 62-3-4 OHV-6 waterpump, new \$25: nice Packard Clipper wheelcover, \$5: '55 wheelcover \$12: set of 4 nice Avanti wire wheel covers, \$150: early V-8 overhaul gasket set \$30: Studebaker watch, running, silver case, nice \$150: set of 4 nice '62 wheelcovers, \$40: 1953-61 C-K rear bumper, nice \$95. All plus actual shipping cost. Paul White, 9405 Anne, Pinckney Mi 48169, Phone 313-426-5223.

FOR SALE. 1955 (53-61) rear bumper, very nice \$85 available Oct 1, pay now - get later; 1950-52 NOS radiator, probably fits other years V-8 \$165, it's new, not rebuilt; 1952 Commander and Land Cruiser left side rocker moulding NOS \$35; 1955 power steering gearbox, should fit 53-61 \$50; 1957-66 NOS front shocks (Gabriel), \$35 pr: used T-86-1 trans, \$50; set of 4 Avanti II wire wheel covers, nice \$150; set (6) pistons (1561394) NOS 10 oversize \$60 for 6. Paul White, 32404 Okaloosa, Sorrento Fl 32776 no phone.

1963-1964 GT HAWK parts, sold the car, now need to make room in the garage, many items, call or write. Jerry Ray, 1012 Cama Ct, Winter Springs, Fl 32708, 407-699-5364 (5:00 pm to 8:30 pm ONLY).

FERN PARK AUTO PARTS, 1420 E. Hwy 436 (2 blocks W. of 17/92), foreign & domestic, machine shop service, hard to find parts our specialty (no body parts). 407-339-3509.

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HEAD LIGHTS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Regularly Scheduled Chapter Events

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER (OAC) MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS are held at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month from Sept-May at Sanford Motor Co. 3418 S. Orlando Dr. (17-92), Sanford, ½ mile north of Lake Mary Blvd.

on the last Sunday of each month at: Quincy's Family Steak House, US Hwy 441 (Orange Blossom Trail), one block north of Lee Road/John Young Parkway (423). BYOB (Bring Your Old Baker).

SEPTEMBER

- 06 FLORIDA REGION AACA RESTORATIONS 97 at Fleet Peoples Park, Winter Park. Info: Steve Cooley 352-383-1202
- 05-07 TRI-STATE MEET, Ashville, N.C. David Houser 910-945-3818.
- 13 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 19-20 MUSIC CITY MEET, Nashville, Tn
- 20 2ND ANNUAL TRI-MEET orphan gathering at Buddy Freddy's Restaurant at Exit 11 off I-4 in Plant City. For info: Larry Romig, 813-347-4479.
- 20 SANDY SPRINGS FESTIVAL COLLECTOR CAR SHOW in Sandy Springs, Ga. 404-288-8222.
- 28 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.
- 28 2ND ANNUAL CAR SHOW AND BAR-B-Q, 2300 Pembrook Dr. sponsored by Bahia Shrine Antique Cars, Larry Gilbreath, 608 Colby Ct., Altamonte Springs, Fl 32714, phone 407-862-4949. We will meet for our regular breakfast and then cruise to the show.

OCTOBER

- 11 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 17-18 20th ANNUAL FLORIDA STATE MEET sponsored by the Orlando Area Chapter. See flyer.
- 26 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

NOVEMBER

- 07-08 AUTOFEST '97 in Downtown Leesburg sponsored by Leesburg Downtown Partnership, Inc. and Uniques & Antiques. Info: Joe Ezell 352-728-2848, Marvin Evans 352-787-0461, Sue Commons 352-365-2019.
- 14 14TH ANNUAL CAR SHOW, Seminole County Museum grounds Sanford 17-92 & County Home Rd at Five Points, across from Flea World. Hosted by Celery City Cruisers. Info: Dave Scott 407-323-8844.

- 14-16 HEAVEN HILL FARM collector car flea market - car corral - antiques, 1 mile off U.S. 129 on C.R. 138 in Gilchrist Co. hosted by Bud & Marion Josey, former owners of the Antique Winter Festival in Zephyrhills. \$5.00 admission. Info: Marion Josey 904-935-0348.
- 08 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm.
- 27-29 24TH ANNUAL TURKEY ROD RUN at Daytona Speedway. Info: 904-255-7355.
- 30 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

DECEMBER

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THINGS TO REMEMBER

Always keep your club roster and a membership application handy.



Register early for the state meet and make your motel reservations before September 17. Stephen has reserved 20 more rooms, so check again if you were told the motel was full. Contact Marty if you would like to join, or set up, a caravan.

Our membership renewal period begins with this issue. Please complete the registration form and renew promptly. I'll accept cash, checks, or bribes. No credit cards.

Join one or more of the organizations helping the old car hobbyist. This is a serious matter and warrants your active participation.

The FLORIDA REGION AACA RESTORATIONS 97 show will be at Fleet Peoples Park, Winter Park on Sept 6. Info: Steve Cooley 352-383-1202

You folks to the South might want to attend the ophan meet at *Buddy Freddy's Restaurant* at Exit 11 off I-4.

Sign up for the Car Show & Bar B Q on September 28. Meet for our regular breakfast and then cruise to the show.

Leave room on your calendar for our annual picnic and our Christmas dinner. Dates have not been set yet but they will probably be in November and December respectively. Contact Marty if you have any ideas or opinions.

The Celery City Cruisers will hold their show on November 14 across from Flea World.

Those of you in the Kirkman Road area can let Marty know if you plan on going to the Mill restaurant cruise and carnage jamboree.

I'd go, but my mommy won't let me.

20th FLORIDA STUDEBAKER STATE MEET INFO

MEET DATES: October 17 & 18, 1997.

HOST MOTEL:

Ramada Limited, Alachua - Phone # (904) 462-4200

Location: U.S. 441 - just off exit 78 on I-75.

Directions: Turn right off I-75, regardless of whether your coming from the north or south. The motel is on the left about 2 blocks.

Room Rate: \$49.00 per night + tax = \$53.41. They are holding 20 rooms until September 17, 1997. Please make reservations early as there is another function going on the same weekend.

Days Inn: Directly in front of the Ramada Limited is also holding 20 rooms, same price, until September 17, 1997. Phone # (904) 462-3251.

Other motels in the area are: Comfort Inn - phone # (904) 462-2414,
Travelodge - phone # (904) 462-2244

BANQUET:

Conestogas Banquet Room - Main St., Alachua.

Take U.S. 441 South until you get to the 3rd stoplight. Turn right onto Main St. The banquet room is in the middle of the second block on the left.

Cost: Adults \$15.00 Children 12 and under: \$7.50

Menu: Sirloin steak or grilled chicken with tossed salad, baked potato, beverage and dessert. Children may substitute a hamburger or cheeseburger.

RAFFLE CAR:

1964 4 door Daytona - V-8 with power steering, factory air and a rebuilt motor.

Tickets will only be sold at the meet and the banquet. This is a nice car and will be raffled off at the banquet. You do not need to be present at the banquet to win, but tickets will only be sold the weekend of the meet.

LUNCH ON SATURDAY will be Barbecue - Free!!!!!!!

OTHER INFO:

Places to eat around the motels are:

Pizza Hut, Sonny's Barbecue, Waffle House, Hardees, Dairy Queen, McDonald's, Subway, Huddle House and close by in downtown Alachua are Conestogas, Alachua Connection, Texas Pete's and Pistol Pete's.

PLACES TO GO SEE:

Gainesville is only 15 miles south on I-75. The Oaks Mall is the 2nd exit (also called Newberry Road or SR 26).

Another place to visit is High Springs. This is a quaint little town 8 miles north of Alachua on U.S. 441 known for it's Antique Shops. It's worth a look! Also

INFORMATION:

Stephen Cade or Carol Burgess at (352) 472-9369 529 N.W. 58th St. Gainesville, Florida 32607



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SWAP MEET SPACE (TRUNK SWAP ALSO)> # @ FREE	\$0.00_
GENERAL REGISTRATION (You must register to participate in other events)	\$3.00_
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THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

The Orlando Area Studebaker Club was organized on October 15, 1983 and was chartered as the Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club on June 19, 1984. The Charter was presented to the Chapter at the International Studebaker Drivers Club meet in Kissimmee on July 6, 1984.

The Chapter was formed to:

Encourage the acquisition, preservation, maintenance, and enjoyment of Studebaker and related automobiles.

Provide accurate historical and technical information on Studebaker automobiles, the Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Studebaker Corporation.

Promote good fellowship and pride of ownership among Chapter members.

Publish a newsletter containing news and information concerning both national and local activities, technical advice, and items wanted or for sale.

Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

Ownership of a vehicle is not a requirement for membership. Many members are either looking for some special model or are simply interested in the colorful history of the Studebaker Corporation which spanned 114 years (1852-1966).

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5601 Red Bug Lake Road. Once the account is established, transactions can be made at any Great Western Bank branch office. Identify yourself as a member of the Orlando Area Chapter, Studebaker Drivers Club.

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20TH ANNUAL STATE MEET

In the middle to late 1980s, it seemed like interest in the Annual State Meet was waning. For many years during that period, fewer that fifty cars showed up and our banquet attendance was below one hundred.

Things began to improve dramatically in the early 1990s with more cars and more attendees. This years meet carried on that new allegiance. There were seventy two preregistered cars and only an all day rain on Saturday kept the actual number from topping ninety.

Not only was the quantity high but the quality was exceptional. I heard many people express how difficult it was to select only one car in each class. One class that was extremely competitive was the C-K class for 1956-1961. Three 1956 Golden Hawks, one 1956 Flight Hawk, three 1957 Golden Hawks, and one 1957 Silver Hawk were included. Any one of these cars would easily have won a first place award in many previous years.

That same level of quality and competition prevailed throughout the entire range of classes. The voters seemed to exhibit a good sense of judgement and I think the results were right on target.

The banquet proved to be a rather spirited affair with lots of bantering and activity. I feel it was one of the most enjoyable and best attended we've had in quite some time.

The raffle car drawing was held toward the end of the evening and the excitement was at high level. After a slight delay John & Gina Ernst provided the winning ticket stub and picked up the keys to the 1964 Daytona.

Congratulations to everyone who attended the Meet. Some owners went home with trophies, some went home with hopes for next year, but everyone was a winner on this weekend.

SUE LAYMAN PASSES AWAY ON JULY 4TH

Cancer claims another longtime OAC member

Longtime Orlando Area Chapter member Fred Layman reported that his wife Sue passed away on July 4th after a long battle with cancer. Fred and Sue lived in Lake Worth and did not attend regular chapter functions. We could always count on them, however, to show up at the annual Florida State Meet.

I have to admit that I didn't know Sue very well. In fact, I probably spoke to her less than a dozen times. I do, however, remember that she was always pleasant and interested in the club, cars, and the people.

My two best recollections of Sue were at the State Meets of 1989 and 1996. In 1989 she came running up to me, called me Frank, and said she wanted to renew "our" chapter membership. I had no idea who she was and since she had cash, and no registration form, I had to ask her name. I've always been dreadful at recognizing faces, but names always stay with me.

We were talking again at the State Meet in 1996, and she was telling Anita and me about her and Fred's individual battles with cancer. She was in good spirits and really looked good. We spoke for about 10 minutes and I remember wishing her well. We've probably spoken at every meet in between, only for a short visit.

When Fred renewed his OAC membership, he included a note informing me of Sue's passing. Although I only saw Sue once a year, it was quite a shock and I missed our usual brief exchange at this year's meet.

Our condolences go to Fred Layman and his family.

PEN LIGHTS

(STORIES FROM AROUND THE HOBBY)

1950 CHAMPION GETS A SPOT OF T(V)

Coffield's Studebaker will air on the

European Discovery Channel

By Bill Coffield

The '50 Champ will become a European TV star. As a follow-up to a response I made several months ago to a query, I was contacted by Daniel Adamson of the British TV production company, Top Marques, International. They were in the process of producing their third annual series on cars from around the world for the Discovery Channel Europe.

The 1997 13-part series, included one part on Studebakers and they had solicited for participants on the internet. One of the cars they wanted was either a '50 or '51. A couple of months or so went by before they answered my response, so when I got a call from this Englishman from out of the blue, I wasn't at first, sure what he was talking about. But when we got squared away, it was quite a pleasant conversation, most pleasant chap, you might say great sense of humor.

We made the arrangements that he and his crew would arrive at Coffield Manor (on Studebaker Street) around 9:00



A.M. Saturday, September 6th.

As you may recall, that was the same Day that Princess Diana was laid to rest in their homeland. Of course that was on their minds and one of the crew said that, if he had been back home at the time, his employer would have involved him in television coverage of the week's events.

We weren't exactly sure what to expect, but they said that they would like to do an interview first. So they found what they believed to be the best setting, our dining room, which is designed to resemble a '50s diner. We talked at some length, about the history of Studebaker, about the practicality of the car, its comparison to other vehicles of its day, about the bullet nose and especially about Kermit the Frog, who always travels with us in the Champ. Since Daniel didn't know the connection, I explained that in the original Muppet movie, Kermit and Fozy Bear, who are bound for Hollywood to seek their fame and fortune, jump into a '50 Champ.

Kermit's reaction is, "Oh, a Studebaker,
where 'd you get it?"
Fozy: "My uncle left it to me.''
Kermit: "Oh, did he die?
Fozy: "No, he's hibernating."

The Brits loved that story, they almost blew the interview by laughing so hard. They said that they would be sure to include that part on the air.

After the interview, we set out to find a good location to take some static shots of the car. At first we thought they might want a nice pristine setting such as Lake Lilley, Wekiva Springs State Park, or even possibly an orange grove. But when we realized that they wanted something a little quieter, we found ourselves alongside a lesser traveled road in Northwest Seminole County. It probably took 2 1/2 to 3 hours of shooting from all angles and with all manners of shading, depending on the inclinations of Ol' Sol at the moment. Boy, these guys are meticulous. But that wasn't all. Now, they wanted some drive-by shots. So they armed Esther and me with a Walkie-Talkie and radioed instructions of when they wanted us to drive by and when to stop, turn around and do it again. This must have gone on for another hour or so.

Finally, around 5:00 P.M. or so, they wrapped it all up, packed their rental van and moved on to their next setting for the next day, Daytona Beach. But this time the subject would be a different kind of car.

By the time this is all edited and readied to air, it will probably only amount to a 6 to 8-minute piece, but they explained that they have to be thorough, because obviously, if they blow it, there's no opportunity to return and re-shoot.

The Discovery Channel over there is broadcast to 30 countries throughout Africa and Europe including several of the Southeastern European countries which used to be part of the Soviet bloc. In these locations, there will have to be translations into their various languages and dialects. This year's series will air throughout the months of October, November and December and will probably be rebroadcast later in the year.

It seems that in the first two years this show has been airing, it has become the highest rated show on the Discovery Channel. Daniel and his two-man crew (we only got their first names, Lee and Andy) have been in the U.S. for the past couple of months, having traveled throughout California, Wyoming, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Ohio and several other states. It seems that, of the 13 episodes, 7 will feature American cars and the other 6, European.

In all, it was a most interesting and fascinating time, despite having taken up all of a weekend day that Esther and I always treasure to relax and do some un-business-related things. We are told that there are plans for the series to be carried by the Discovery Channel in the U.S. at some future date. At this time, I don't know when

that will be, but be assured, you'll be the first to know, as soon as I find out, unless you see it listed in TV Guide before I have even been informed. Look for it soon on a Cable system near you.

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

By Marty Burns

The 20th Florida State meet has been over for a few days now and some of us are finally catching our breath. The turnout was exceptional. Nearly eighty cars and over 200 people. This was in spite of the negative weather factor. It started raining early Saturday morning and never fully let up until late in the afternoon. If one looks at the photos taken, you will see wet cars all over the place.

We drove to the Conestoga banquet room for the food and presentations. A certain person (who shall remain nameless, for now.) got me involved in public speaking, which is not my forte. Hopefully, my segment was not too boring.

I was glad to get a chance to meet so many other Stude people. Of course, I hope nobody expects me to remember names. I sometimes have trouble with mine! There were a few vendors there and I took advantage of the chance to pick up another spare wheelcover for Jean-Luc. I even found a couple of 1957 Packard print ads. I also found time to take nearly 100 photos (soon to be in the club scrapbook.) I got photos of the 1937 Coupe-Express model winner and the grand prize raffle car winner. In case you were vacationing in a cave off Tarawa for the last six months, the raffle car was a 1964 Daytona 4 door that was donated by the Cade family_et-al. Of course, I neglected to make note of all the winners. I'll leave the listing of the winners to the "Official" OAC-SDC secretary (who, by the way, may have the job for life.)

The winner who's name I do remember, is the Hard-Luck trophy winner. This unfortunate person had some work done on his Lark before leaving Kissimmee (not by me, goodness!) and due to a crushed oil pan, lost all of his oil before Clermont. He towed it to Alachua, where I was enlisted to render aid and comfort. I got guite a lot of that during the weekend. I just so happened to have brought a toolbox and a change of old clothes. When we caravaned to the "Cade Collection", arrangements were made for parts from Stephen and the use of the shop floor. Of course there was a bit of fiddling with a couple of other cars before I got started on the Lark. Six hours and an oil pan later (plus a couple of other odds and ends), Dr. Sanchez's car was back under its own power. I am not sure I wish to do another of those real soon. They are

definitely not like the C&Ks or other open framed cars. Even Jean-Luc Packard got some attention. He needed a left headlamp, so while I was lounging around (HAH!) under the Lark, Stephen located and installed one. Regretfully, before I got 30 miles down I-75, someone kicked up a small stone which hit and cracked it. Back to one light until I got home. Thanks anyway, Steve!

Upcoming is the fall OAC Picnic at Apopka's Kelly Park. Food time is about 1 PM. Your arrival may be as much earlier as you wish. You are invited to bring your own meat, your own tableware and your Studebaker, in no particular order. There is still an entry fee to the park (\$1.00 per person) and no pets or alcohol. This is a State park. We are looking for great attendance and good weather. There is a stream and if you are bold (goofy?) enough, you may want a swimsuit.

We are still in the final planning stages of the Christmas party but info will be available soon. The club has again been invited to the Apopka Christmas Parade. They will no longer waive the entry fee of 25 bucks. It was explained to me that this does not provide a profit to some organizer. It goes to the various charitable functions of the Sertoma Club. There has been some interest expressed by half a dozen members. So, should we pay the \$25, enlist a dozen or so cars and participate, or blow it off and wait for a free parade invite? Speaking of parades (and backtracking a mite), we ended up with 11 Studebakers parading all the way from Wildwood to Alachua! I was told by one of the people in the rear, that they had their C-B turned on and heard all sorts of trucker chatter about "all those Studebakers headed north behind a Packard wagon!". So, we got noticed, impressed and entertained a mess of people. It would be neat to cover half of the Apopka parade route with Studebakers (at least in my humble opinion) hint, hint.

Is anyone interested in "taking over" a cruise? I have noticed that a couple of the local cruises seem to have been taken over by certain groups. One in Maitland seems to have been somewhat appropriated by the custom and hot rodders and one in Fern Park is well covered by a certain "Pony" group. This is not a criticism. Just observation. The cruise at the Big Dip in Sanford is still going but occasionally attendance is sparse. Since there is an abundance of Stude iron locally, I thought it might be handy to sort-of adopt a meeting-for-a-cruise place. Maybe, on the afternoon of Breakfast Day. It would help establish a presence and support a nice local business, not to mention a past member of the club, Russ "Uncle Russie" Ross who, with Laurie "Queen of Doo-Wop", emcees the music. The owner is always appreciative and supplies what might be the best burger in the area. Not to slight the rest of their

foods. I am expressing my personal opinion here and don't want for this to be taken as an official endorsement. There has been talk of a Thanksgiving, Christmas and/or New Years' free car show here also. I'll do some research and pass along any info. The shows held at the Big Dip are susually all afternoon affairs and the regular cruises (Second and last Sundays) from 5-9.

I have accumulated some show and cruise flyers. Here's the info,

NOV 15 Cocoa Village - Cruise/Show - Canned food drive - 6-9 PM - Info: 639-0659.

NOV 15 - Cocoa - Cool Cars On Campus - Brevard Community College - \$20 pre/ \$25 DOS, Vendor \$30 - Info: 639-0659 or 267-7588.

15 Vero Beach - Fall Celebration of Cars - Pre \$12/DOS 15 - No modified cars, Benefit Rotary Children's Programs Contact: Citrus Capitol Chapter/VMCCA c/o I. R. Hospital Foundation, 1000 36th Street Vero Beach, FL 32960.

28-30 Daytona - Turkey Run - \$25 before Nov 15/\$30 DOS - Info: 904-767-9070.

DEC 13 - Brandon - Sun'N Fun Vettes - Open Show - Pre \$12 (by Dec 6)/ \$15 DOS, Benefit Rotary's Camp Florida - Info: 813-654-4042.

Recent Cruise Flyers

1st Fri - 6:30-9:30 - Hollywood Diner, Hwy 192, Kissimmee.

2nd Fri - 6:30-9:30 - Murray's Wings and Ribs, 436 at Oxford Road, Casselberry.

2nd Sat - 6-10 - Magic City Diner 471 Hwy 436, Winter Park.

3rd Sat - 6-10 - Behind Wendy's and Hardee's, 17/92, Longwood.

Every Fri - 5-10 - Melbourne - old Ward's Auto Center. S. Babcock St. Info 407-631-2317.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual picnic and christmas dinner

The annual OAC picnic will take place on Sunday, November 2rd at 1:00 pm. Your only requirement is to bring a meat to cook and some chairs. The location is once again at Kelly Park in Apopka. There is a \$1.00 per person entry fee to get into the park. For more information and/or directions, call Marion White at 352-383-7279 or Marty Burns at 407-422-6706.

The annual OAC Christmas dinner will be held at 1:00 pm on Sunday December 14th. The location is Marina on the Lake Motel and Restaurant in downtown Sanford on Lake Monroe. This is the same location we held it three years ago on Seminole and Palmetto east of Hwy 17-92. The cost is \$13.75 per

person including tax and gratuity. You must RSVP by December 7th. You can get directions at that time. Contact Marion or Marty.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Members who fail to renew will be dropped from the roster on December 20

Memberships for 1997 expired on September 30th. Look at the mailing label on the last page of your newsletter. If the right side of the top line reads "OCT 1997" or earlier, your membership has expired. This will be your last reminder.



IT'S LATE

Please be sure to include your national SDC membership number. Make your check payable to the Orlando Area Chapter - SDC and mail it to the Membership Director. The new roster will be distributed in January.

I would like to welcome several new members to our chapter. It has been some time since I last reported new members, so you may have already met some of them. I believe all of them were at the State Meet.

WELCOME TO:

Fernando & Joyce Albert, Maitland Jim & Deb Beekman, Cocoa Barry M. Brinson, Thonotosassa Bill & Bonnie Kolar, Jacksonville Lynn & Patricia Moorcroft, Lake Mary Jeff & Carrie Rice, Ocala

FROM THE EDITOR

Award at meet banquet catches editor off guard
By Frank Ambrogio



At the just completed State Meet banquet, I was the recipient of an award for 15 years of service as editor of Greasy Prints. I didn't know the chapter had all these excess funds in the treasury. Perhaps I should put in mileage vouchers for my trips to the printer.

Though awards aren't necessary, in my case, I do appreciate the fact that someone thought enough of me to take time to make the effort. I am compelled, however, to set the record straight. In the year 2929 when researchers excavate the remains of this civilization and find this plaque, they will erroneously record history giving me far more credit than I deserve.

In truth, there have been five editors of our newsletter over the years. At the club's initial meeting in October 1983, Ruth Wilcoxson took on the job of our first editor. Ruth set the standard for those of

us who followed and Ruth was also the person who gave our publication the clever name of *Greasy Prints*.

When Ruth left the area in 1985, the job of Editor passed on to Anita Ambrogio. In her second year at the typewriter, Anita was the recipient of the Golden Hawk award in 1987. This award is presented, by the SDC Chapter Publications Committee, to the editor of the most improved newsletter.

When Anita became treasurer, I then stepped in and became editor for two years from 1988 to 1990. At that point, Martha Morrill became our editor. She passed the task on to husband George later that year when her increased workload prevented her from carrying on. George than handled the job until late 1991 when I took over for my second term.

So you see, I have been doing the job for a little over half the time our chapter has been in existence. Therefore, I'm only half as dumb as you make me out to be.

Thanks to our President, Dean Gessner, for doing the work on this award. Though the facts were *slightly* embellished, the intent was genuine.

SEMA REPORT

From The Florida SunVisor, October/November, 1997 Orange Blossom Chapter - Hudson Essex Tarraplane Club by Larry Romig



(HET Ed's Note: Please don't be fumed off by the first couple of sentences of this report and move on to something else. I know that most of us (including me) really don't want to hear this stuff, but it isn't "crying wolf" to say that all of us must start to be educated, informed and involved if our hobby is to survive in it's present form.)

I've reluctantly agreed to be appointed as a state contact for a network of individuals and organizations throughout the United States who are concerned about the impact of all kinds of regulations on our old car hobby.

I use the word "reluctantly", because no one else in the chapter has volunteered to take on this most important responsibility. Certainly it is not too late and I would be more than pleased to hand over this chore to another person in the chapter.

The network is sponsored by the Specialty Equipment Market Association with offices in Washington D.C. SEMA is a non-profit trade association formed by the businesses which serve the motor vehicle aftermarket. This organization and the many others who are involved are obviously protecting their own

interests first and foremost. In my opinion, it is great that your and my interests just happen to coincide with theirs.

Like most of us, I've had a "wait and see" attitude about most of this stuff and I've just been hoping it would go away. But it won't. Just the other day I received a newsletter from one of the local car clubs to which I belong. That newsletter reports on a new ordinance in the city of Largo, (not more than 10 miles from my house).

The article notes that a Largo city commissioner, Pat Burke lives directly across the street from a retired man who has an old truck in his back yard, behind a fence. The top of the cab is visible from the street. This led to an ordinance being passed recently that attempts to remedy this "problem". While the ordinance sensibly prohibits some things like running a car repair business or car lot from your home it also hits right at the hobbyist and do-it-yourselfer. This ordinance:

- 1. Prohibits you from having more than one inoperable vehicle inside your garage. It doesn't matter what size the garage.
- 2. It limits any repair made outside in your driveway to 72 hours, regardless of the situation.
- 3. It prohibits any inoperable vehicle from sitting in your driveway or on your property, front or back, even if it is licensed and insured.
- 4. it prohibits you from working on any vehicle not registered to that address. Should you do so, even if no money changes hands, you are deemed an auto repair business.
- 5. If you try to sell any auto not registered to that address, you are deemed a used car dealer.
- 6. You may not store any object deemed "junk" anywhere on your property for more than 72 hours. "Junk" includes car parts, machinery, a boat with no motor, etc.
- 7. The police department is given the authority to "remove or have removed any such items as are defined and prohibited".

That means that those horror stories you've read about in Old Cars Weekly about a collector having a 1955 Thunderbird hauled off by the city can happen right here in Largo, Florida.

Of course, we also have a state government that now puts "Collectible" license tags on anything on 4 wheels that is over 20 years old.

Elsewhere in Florida, Caray Mills and his father Ernie own a small contracting

business. They received initial approval from Florida environmental regulators to fill in two waterfront properties with 19 truckloads of sand which they did as the first step in developing the properties. However, despite this initial approval, the two of them were thrown in prison and later convicted for wetlands violations.

On the brighter side, SEMA cites on a new AAA study which noted that passenger vehicles and light trucks currently cause less than 30% of the emissions that lead to ground level ozone problems. The study reports that the amount of vehicle emissions has been steadily decreasing since 1970 and the study concludes that most cities "need not take further action to control auto emissions to meet the new ozone standard".

In California, SEMA was a participant in a fight to reduce the burden on car owners who have aftermarket products on their car. Current SMOG inspections would be simplified and if tailpipe emissions are acceptable, the car will not have to be taken to a special referee SMOG station. One state Senator in sponsoring the new bill noted that "if the tail pipe emissions are coming out clean, it shouldn't matter one iota which parts you have under the hood." The article I'm quoting from also notes that some state agencies will actively seek the Governors veto of the bill.

Finally, the SEMA Action network urges all of us to actively participate in supporting current legislation before congress which would impose a 4 year moratorium on the establishment of new standards for ozone and fine particulate matter. If enacted, the legislation would nullify EPA's tough new air quality mandates. SEMA notes that in its opinion the new EPA standards are problematic because they are based upon unreliable scientific findings and will result in tougher pollution controls on ALL sources.

THE HISTORY CORNER

by Jan B. Young
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TIPPECANOE PLACE

Shortly after John Clement Studebaker and his large family moved from Ohio to South Bend, Indiana, two of his sons were married. In May of 1852, Henry married Studebaker, daughter of Samuel Studebaker and a second cousin, and Clement married Charity Bratt in October of that same year. Probably out of need to support their new wives and impending offspring, Henry and Clement went into the blacksmithing and business wagon-making and founded Studebaker, the company that was eventually to grow into the Studebaker Corporation.

Clement and Charity Studebaker began their married life in a single room on the northwest corner of Michigan and Division Streets in South Bend (Division Street is now called Western Avenue). Clement built a house on the southeast corner of Carroll and Division and the couple moved there, but Charity passed away on March 17, 1863. There had been two children, but neither had survived infancy, so Clement was alone again.

At the age of 33, Clement had become a well-known and well-to-do businessman in the city of South Bend. One of his associates was a man named George Milburn, who also made wagons in the nearby town of Mishawaka. Milburn had a daughter who had recently been widowed at the tender age of 19. After a period of mourning and a proper period of courtship, Clement and Ann Milburn Harper were married on September 13, 1864. They took a room in the home of Peter Studebaker, who then lived on the northeast corner of Michigan and Division, but the following spring, moved across the street, where their first two children were born. Peter's house later became the site of the railway station for the Peninsular Railroad, which was built through South Bend in 1872 and later became the Grand Trunk Western Railway. In 1868 Clement and Ann moved again, this time to the William Ruckman house, at 620 West Washington Street. Clement purchased the property and they settled in permanently.

By the middle 1880s, the Studebaker brothers were operating the largest wagon works in the country. They had transformed themselves from a hand-to-mouth living as blacksmiths to the position of wealthy industrialists. Although their strict religious upbringing had kept all five of the brothers from living opulent, flamboyant lives, in 1885 Clement decided that he wanted a larger and better home, one more fitted to the entertainment of friends and visitors.

Clement hired Chicagoan Henry Cobb as architect. Cobb was well known for a number of buildings including the recently finished Potter Palmer mansion. Ground was broken in the spring of 1886 and the result was the building which survives today: a Romanesque granite, sandstone and fieldstone four-story mansion. Clement specified local materials and required that local workmen be hired to do most of the construction. The general contractor was Robert L. Braunsdorf, an 1871 immigrant to South Bend from Germany who also built the Studebaker Repository in Chicago. The actual building was done under the direction of Christopher Fassnacht, another South Bend resident who owned and operated a local lumber and woodworking business.

Additional land was purchased and the Ruckman house was moved around the corner to make room for the new structure. The Ruckman

house was occupied in its new location for some years by Clement Studebaker, Jr. and his family. After Clement Jr.'s bankruptcy in the depression, it was converted to apartments, but ultimately burned in 1950 and was torn down.

Clement and Ann called their new house "Tippecanoe Place", but left no record of why. It may have been named after Chief Tippecanoe of the Miami Indians who is said to have used the knoll on which the building sits as a council ground. Or, it may have been named after Benjamin Harrison, who was a friend and acquaintance of Clem's. Prior to becoming U. S. president, Harrison had been governor of the Indiana Territory and had been responsible for the defeat of the Miami Indians, earning him the nickname "Tippecanoe". Quite possibly the mansion was named after both men. Interestingly, an 1885 article in the South Bend Tribune mentions the Clement Studebaker home, calling it Tippecanoe Place. Since the new mansion was barely in the planning stages at the time, the implication is that Clement had given the name previously to the Ruckman house.

As built, Tippecanoe Place was heated by a gravity fed hot water system fired by both coal and wood. Many rooms included fireplaces which were doubtlessly used to supplement the furnace during the coldest weather. Gas lighting was installed and retained for quite some time, at least partly because Clement was for many years president of the South Bend Fuel and Gas Company.

The first level of the home was primarily dedicated to services, containing the kitchen, pantry, butler's pantry, laundry room, linen storage room and a dining room for the servants. It also contained the state dining room, a smaller personal dining room and a reception hall. By using all three dining rooms, one hundred people could be seated for dinner.

The second level was accessible either via a staircase or through the house's elevator, one of the first in the state. The second level was the primary living level and was where visitors were entertained when they weren't being fed. There was a formal drawing room, a library, a family sitting room and an office for Clement, complete with a built-in safe. The second level is the one generally seen by the public as the house exists today.

Continuing up the stairs or on the elevator, one comes to the third floor, devoted primarily to the family. The third floor contained a sitting- room, nursery, master bedroom with attached bath and dressing room and four additional bedrooms, two with attached private bathrooms. Continuing to the fourth floor, one found three guest rooms, four servant rooms and a large room that served as an art gallery but

was also used as a ballroom from time to time.

Clement, Ann, their three children and three servants moved into the new house in February of 1889. A glittering reception was held on September 13, Clement and Ann's 25th wedding anniversary, with six hundred invited guests, an orchestra, and a full sit-down dinner served in shifts. Plans were underway for a reception for the members of the Pan-American Congress that October, but early on the morning of October 11 some rags left behind in a closet by painters caught fire.

The scene of the fire was as though Larry, Moe and Curley had moved into town and joined the South Bend Fire Department. Today we can chuckle at the number of things that went wrong because no one was seriously hurt, but a great deal of unnecessary property damage occurred.

A servant girl was awakened by the smell of smoke at 2:30 in the morning. The servant awakened Mrs. Studebaker, Clement being out of town on business. Mrs. Studebaker located the fire, but left the closet door open, allowing it to spread. While the house was being evacuated and the alarm being raised, the fire reached the elevator and climbed quickly to the roof through the open shaft gratings. A neighbor telephoned one fire department, which responded, but with inadequate men and equipment. Another neighbor raced for the nearby central alarm box, but the key to the box, thrown from still another neighbor's window was dropped, starting a frantic search in the grass in the middle of the night. Mrs. Studebaker was the last one out of the house except for the children's nurse, who climbed down a gutter from the third floor. Unfortunately, as Mrs. Studebaker ran out of the front door, she closed the door behind her and it promptly locked. Everyone from the house was in nightclothes and they were now locked out of the burning house. The key to the alarm box was finally found and the alarm turned in, but response was further delayed by street paving and sewer work which required the firemen to make an extensive detour. The front door was battered in, water was brought to play, and the fire was brought under control, but not before the house was entirely ruined.

As he had done before with fires at the wagon works in 1872 and 1874, Clement rebuilt, as best is known, with minimal change to the original design. The house that we see today is, of course, the rebuilt one.

Clement lived until 1901 and after his death the house continued to be occupied by his widow and by his son, George and George's family. George inherited the house in 1916 when Ann Milburn Studebaker passed away, but lost it in a personal bankruptcy

in 1933. In 1941, the empty building was purchased by E. M. Morris and given to the city's school system. It served as a school for handicapped children but again became vacant and ultimately was returned to the heirs of Mr. Morris. In appreciation of the history of the building, the Morrischeirs, then presented title to the house to a preservation organization called Southhold Restorations, which struggled for five years to restore and maintain it by leasing space for parties and conventions. Southhold ultimately ran out of money and was forced to sell Tippecanoe Place in 1979 to Continental Restaurant Systems, a division of Ralston Purina. After a 21 million dollar renovation, the restaurant "Tippecanoe Place" opened in South Bend in 1980. Successful, it remains open today and is highly recommended by this author as a place to have a fine dinner amid memories of Clement Studebaker and the glory days of the Studebaker Corporation.

Most of the material in this article was drawn from Joan Romine's Tippecance Place, published by Southhold Restorations in 1972. Copies are available (and quite inexpensive) from Southhold at 502 West Washington Street in South Bend, Indiana 46601.

SEARCH LIGHTS WANT ADS



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Member ads and ads for any Studebaker are free.
They will run at least 2 times, must include the city and must be submitted in writing.

NOTICE

CARS FOR SALE

1947 CHAMPION 4 DR 6 Cyl W/OD, radio, and heater. Has new seat cover & door panels, needs new headliner & floor mats. Has all new brakes, needs hill holder, has a new "el Cheapo" paint job (bad). Runs great \$2,500. Larry Good, 9401 Bay Pines Blvd, St. Petersburg FL 33708, days, 813-392-2198, nights 813-596-5550.

1960 CHEVROLET BEL AIR 4 door, 6 cylinder, 3 speed with air, \$3500. John Gormican 980 West McCormick Rd. Apopka, FL 32703, 407-889-9252.

1963 AVANTI \$3500, (no info available), Armon Hiltz, 813-447-3375 (Clearwater).

PARTS/ACCESSORIES FOR SALE

STEPHEN ALLEN'S AUTO has new & used Studebaker & Packard parts. N.O.S. parts, mechanical, electrical & trim. VISA, MC, DISC accepted. 529 N.W. 58th Street, Gainesville FL 32607 352-472-9369, 800-532-1236 (orders only).

352" Packard (1956 Golden Hawk) V-8 engine, complete and nice minus carburetor, Stephen Cade, 529 N.W. 58th Street, Gainesville FL 32607 352-472-9369

1951 STUDEBAKER 2R5 PICKUP TRUCK USED PARTS FOR SALE all parts used but in good condition. Transmission \$50, 6 cyl motor (not running) block heads rods pistons crank oil pan \$75, front axle complete with hubs \$50, 1 carburetor \$20, 1 generator \$15, 4 original wheels \$40, 1 starter \$15, front springs \$20, complete instrument panel \$25, all the above at one time purchase \$200. Charlie Downing, 2253 Oxbow Rd, Jacksonville FL 32210, phone 904-781-4138.

FOR SALE. 1955 (53-61) rear bumper, very nice \$85 available Oct 1, pay now - get later; 1950-52 NOS radiator, probably fits other years V-8 \$165, it's new, not rebuilt; 1952 Commander and Land Cruiser left side rocker moulding NOS \$35; 1955 power steering gearbox, should fit 53-61 \$50; 1957-66 NOS front shocks (Gabriel), \$35 pr: used T-86-1 trans, \$50; set of 4 Avanti II wire wheel covers, nice \$150; set (6) pistons (1561394) NOS 10 oversize \$60 for 6. Paul White, 32404 Okaloosa, Sorrento FL 32776 no phone.

1963-1964 GT HAWK parts, sold the car, now need to make room in the garage, many items, call or write. Jerry Ray, 1012 Cama Ct, Winter Springs, FL 32708, 407-699-5364 (5:00 pm to 8:30 pm ONLY).

FERN PARK AUTO PARTS, 1420 E. Hwy 436 (2 blocks W. of 17/92), foreign & domestic, machine shop service, hard to find parts our specialty (no body parts). 407-339-3509.

VEHICLES/PARTS WANTED

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HEAD LIGHTS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Regularly Scheduled Chapter Events

ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER (OAC) MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS are held at 7:00 pm on the 2nd Saturday of each month from Sept-May at Sanford Motor Co. 3418 S. Orlando Dr. (17-92), Sanford, ½ mile north of Lake Mary Blvd.

OAC MONTHLY BREAKFASTS are held at 8:00 am on the last Sunday of each month at: Quincy's Family Steak House, US Hwy 441 (Orange Blossom Trail), one block north of Lee Road/John Young Parkway (423). BYOB (Bring Your Old Baker).

NOVEMBER

- 02 OAC ANNUAL PICNIC at Kelly Park in Sanford. Bring your own meat to cook, the club will supply chips and drinks. Contact Marty Burns 407-422-6706.
- 07-08 AUTOFEST '97 in Downtown Leesburg sponsored by Leesburg Downtown Partnership, Inc. and Uniques & Antiques. Joe Ezell 352-728-2848, Marvin Evans 352-787-0461, Sue Commons 352-365-2019.
- OR OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm. MEETING CANCELED.
- 09 FOURTEENTH ANNUAL FALL PACKARD MEET at WITS END, 2805 Sarasota Golf Club Blvd., Sarasota FL 34240, 8:30 4:00, For info: Tom Kaiser 941-371-0070.
- 14 14TH ANNUAL CAR SHOW, Seminole County Museum grounds Sanford 17-92 & County Home Rd at Five Points, across from Flea World. Hosted by *Celery City Cruisers*. Info: Dave Scott 407-323-8844.
- 14-16 HEAVEN HILL FARM collector car flea market - car corral - antiques, 1 mile off U.S. 129 on C.R. 138 in Gilchrist Co. hosted by Bud & Marion Josey, former owners of the Antique Winter Festival in Zephyrhills. \$5.00 admission. Info: Marion Josey 904-935-0348.
- 27-29 24TH ANNUAL TURKEY ROD RUN at Daytona Speedway. Info: 904-255-7355.
- 30 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

DECEMBER

- 13 OAC monthly membership meeting, 7:00 pm. (This meeting may be canceled due to the Christmas dinner)
- 28 OAC monthly breakfast, 8:00 am.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Always keep your club roster and a membership application handy.

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This is the last reminder that membership renewals are past due. If your mailing label reads "Oct 1997" or earlier, please complete the registration form and renew promptly.

November 2nd is the date for our annual picnic at Kelly Park. \$1.00 admission per person. Bring your own main course to cook. Contact Marion White or Marty Burns for information and/or directions.

The November membership meeting has been canceled. Please <u>do not</u> attend, especially if you are afraid of the dark.

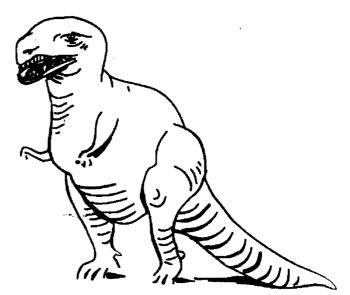
The Uniques & Antiques car show, Autofest '97, will be on November 7 in Leesburg.

The Celery City Cruisers will hold their show on November 14 across from Flea World.

December 14th is the date for our Christmas dinner in Sanford. We will be doing the Chinese auction again so bring a gift of at least \$5.00. Contact Marion White or Marty Burns to RSVP and for information or directions.

Think about suggestions for our annual charity donations.

Join one or more of the organizations helping the old car hobbyist. This is a serious matter and warrants your active participation.



I hear that Paul White has been saying nasty things about me! Well Paul, I'm back! If you're man enough, you can meet me at the Studebaker National Museum from November 15 - February 15.

THE STUDEBAKER DRIVERS CLUB - ORLANDO AREA CHAPTER

The Orlando Area Studebaker Club was organized on October 15, 1983 and was chartered as the Orlando Area Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club on June 19, 1984. The Charter was presented to the Chapter at the International Studebaker Drivers Club meet in Kissimmee on July 6, 1984.

The Chapter was formed to:

Encourage the acquisition, preservation, maintenance, and enjoyment of Studebaker and related automobiles.

Provide accurate historical and technical information on Studebaker automobiles, the Studebaker Drivers Club, and the Studebaker Corporation.

Promote good fellowship and pride of ownership among Chapter members.

be opened at the Winter Springs branch at 5601 Red Bug Lake

Publish a newsletter containing news and information concerning both national and local activities, technical advice, and items wanted or for sale.

Meetings are held monthly or as noted in the newsletter and are open to all members and prospective members. Family membership dues are payable on October 1st of each year. See the membership registration for more information on our dues policy.

Ownership of a vehicle is not a requirement for membership. Many members are either looking for some special model or are simply interested in the colorful history of the Studebaker Corporation which spanned 114 years (1852-1966).

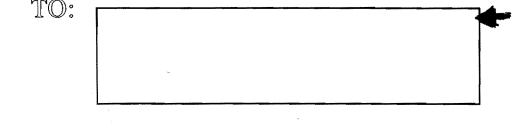
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