

Hawk Talks

A Publication of the Karel Staple
Chapter of the Studebaker Drivers Club



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HAS HAD
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*When is this
stupid Corona Virus
lockdown gonna be
over? I wanna go
out!*

Jilg... Whattya doing to that poor dog!!!



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President's Message

By Johna Pierce/President

Fall is here, the time has changed and the weather is colder.

I want to wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving.

If you receive an email from me asking for gift cards or money, there are people hacking the chapter site & sending emails to SDC members asking. Don't send anything or even reply to that email!

So the November meeting has been canceled at the Back Forty BBQ.

Please do your nomination for the board & send it in by Nov 15, 2020. See the ballet below. You can recreate it on another piece of paper if you like.

That way we can vote by the end of November for the board.

Since this has been a crazy year, the board & I voted to send our Karel Staple households the 2021 club calendar as a holiday gift.

Johna

Leonard Brewer Says Hey

I could not drive my Studebaker on 9/12 but I did attend the Ironstone Concours tour 9/26.

It was an 85 mile tour through Calaveras county.



2021 Nominations: Due 11/15/20

1) President

2) Vice President

3) Treasurer

4) Secretary

5) Editor

Rick Pierce will be counting the Nominations & Votes

You can send it to Studerick@yahoo.com


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Karel Staple Chapter SDC

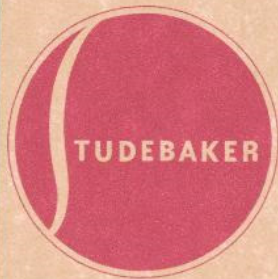
Has generously provided for the care of this and other vehicles
in the Museum's Collection with the adoption of the

1927 Erskine

through October 31, 2021

Certified By  _____
Executive Director

On This Date: October 6, 2020



TUDEBAKER NATIONAL MUSEUM

Check it out on www.studebakermuseum.org.

**Plus a word or
two from Lou**

.....and we have
ten passes to
the museum!

First come....
First served.....

If you want
some, contact
Lou before they
are all gone.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Meet William and Norma Wunderlich

I was born in 1946. Raised in a small town in northeast Nebraska. In the Fall of 1964, I enrolled in the pre-law program at the University of Nebraska. At a freshman student mixer on the first weekend of classes, I met Norma Jean Pace. We married the following January. Our first son, Bob, was born the following January and our second son, Bill, was born 18 months later.

Graduated in June, 1968, and moved the family to Sacramento to attend UOP's McGeorge School of Law. Attended the 4 year night school program while working full-time as a consultant at the CA

State Assembly. Graduated in June, 1972. Took the August 72 Bar Exam. Our third son, Brian, arrived the night before the exam started, but I passed nonetheless.

Sworn in as an Attorney in December, 1972, and the following February, 1973, became a Deputy District Attorney for Monterey County. Worked as a prosecutor, with Some time in private practice, until 1984, when I won a seat on the



Here's Bill and Norma with their new truck, all detailed out.

Monterey County Superior Court by defeating an incumbent judge In the June election. I remained on the Superior Court until February, 1993, when then Governor Pete Wilson elevated me to the Ca Court of Appeals.

I served on the 6th District Court, with my chambers in San Jose.

In 2004, after 20 years as a state judge, I left to take a federal position. I was appointed as the Federal Magistrate presiding over the small U.S. District Court in Yosemite National Park. The job included the right to rent a home near the foot of Yosemite Falls. This position is widely considered the most desirable judicial posting anywhere in the nation.

For medical reasons, I took an early retirement in June, 2009. Norma and I are retired in the Redding area, with which we became familiar during several houseboat excursions in the 80s and 90s. We currently own a houseboat moored on Lake Shasta. We began taking ocean cruises in 1989 and have, on average, taken a couple each year since. We will celebrate our 56th wedding anniversary next January.

Here's the story about the Truck



One of my best college friends, Jim Clark, is the mayor of Wakefield, Nebraska, a little town about 40 miles from Creighton, NE, where I was raised. Jim has known for years about my wish to own a vintage truck. My Studebaker was offered for sale by someone in Wakefield and Jim called me. After seeing a few pictures, I bought it on the spot.

The guy selling it had acquired the truck last March at an auction in Columbus, Nebraska. Apparently, the buyer then encountered some financial problems. His asking price was only what he needed to get the title from the bank from which he borrowed the money to buy the truck. I got the truck for a very reasonable price.

I contacted the guy who runs the auction in Columbus. He wasn't real helpful, mainly because the guy who placed the truck in the auction made it clear that the truck was part of a messy break up with his former partner and he wasn't willing to talk much about it. Apparently, the guy and his partner owned a small museum in Missouri. About 25 years earlier, the museum acquired the truck from an older man from Pennsylvania, who had owned the truck for a long time and kept it in great shape. The museum guy told the auction guy that the PA guy was old when the museum got the truck and is undoubtedly dead now. When the partners broke up, they split up the museum pieces and, even though his partner felt that he (the partner) should get the truck, the guy who put it in the auction said "screw it" and took off with the truck, hustling it into Nebraska and quickly dumping it at the Columbus auction.



Whether all of this is true, I have no way of knowing. But I can say the truck is in beautiful shape, all original, with 59,100 miles on the odometer, which I really believe is the original mileage. The engine is a small straight six.

Bill Wunderlich



A.S.S.I.S.T** of the Month

****Anthony's Special Sale of Interesting Studebaker Treasures**



OK, HERE'S THIS MONTH'S TREASURE

59/60 Lark Grill Surround
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This one is absolutely beautiful. I believe it's re-chromed, and never installed.



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NOVEMBER 2020 ADVERTISEMENTS

CARS, PARTS, SERVICES

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Contact Larry Jones 530-933-3941 or email lwj1@yahoo.com

1960 Lark VIII - \$17,500. **Contact Larry Jones 530-933-3941 or email lwj1@yahoo.com**

Check the bottom of page 5 for "ASSIST of the month" from Anthony



Cars/Parts Wanted

Need clock for 1954 Commander Coupe **Contact Jim Goodland 707-718-6787**

I am looking for a restored 1950 or 1951 Studebaker four door with a manual transmission / overdrive. If you know of one, please call me @ **704-599-5885 ~ Jeff King jeffking@att.net (Charlotte, N.C.)**

Parts Wanted Need to get rid of something? Give me a call and I'll put it in the newsletter.

Contact Dean Sumpter 916-753-6003 or carvin9755 @gmail.com

David Long here...SDC member from Hagerstown MD.

I spent a fortune doing a mechanical restoration on a 57 Golden Hawk and sold it (can only afford one toy and I have a 65 GTO convertible). Well...I miss the car and am willing to sell my GTO but only if I can find a 57 Golden Hawk in Turquoise or a 58 in Surf Green. Must be in excellent condition, be the original color and have the Studebaker 289 super-charged engine (no replacement engines)...I am a purist.

I realize I am trying to find a rare car, but this is the best place to start. If you know of anyone that has one of these two rare cars, please send them my way. \$500 finders fee to you if I buy it. I just think Studebakers are more cool than my GTO. Budget is \$50,000 so I am serious.

Thank you for the consideration -

David Long—Call (301)302-9634 or email d.long@myactv.net

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What's Left of the Karel Staple Chapter CALENDAR for 2020

November 15th, Back 40 in Roseville—Cancelled

December 5th, Christmas Party at Justin's Kitchen in Yuba City Mel France, Host

More information to come... stay tuned - Due to the volatile nature of this pandemic, events planned for next year will not be included in the 2021 Club calendar. We will just have to get the word out via the newsletter next year.

Due to this unique and chaotic year, we are not having club meetings as usual. As a result, the Karel Staple Board has determined that as a gesture of Seasonal Greetings ***all member households will be mailed a club calendar this year. This will be done around the first week of December.***

Thanks to all the members who provided input for this year's calendar. We have ended up with a good variety of photos; from project updates to a couple newer members with absolutely unique Studebakers. Some members typically purchase more than one calendar. As a result, ***I am asking that you let me know if you want additional calendars. The cost again will be \$15.00 and needs to be paid to Perry Knopf prior to printing. Your request needs to be to me by November 15, 2020.*** Additional calendars can be picked up at our house in Carmichael, or mailed. Mailing costs will be \$2.00 each. Hopefully, next year will get us into a less chaotic club lifestyle.

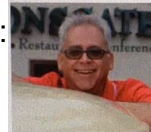
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Because of the COVID-19 Pandemic, I have deleted the meetings that I know are cancelled. The ones still listed could also get cancelled, so be prepared for that to happen. Keeping your health and that of your loved ones is far more important right now.

What's New in the PSW Zone

By:



Studebaker Drivers Club

**Jon C. Stalnaker Sr, Director
Pacific Southwest Zone**

If you haven't already heard, we got another new Regional Manager for California South. Mimi Halgren stepped down to take the President position in the Antique Studebaker Club and Dan Scott stepped up to replace her. All of our Regional Managers are up for election this year and I have personally nominated every one of the incumbents for re-election. There are no term limits for Regional Managers. Of course, everyone was free to nominate someone else if you so desired. Instructions were in the October issue of Turning Wheels, but the cut-off date of November 1st is probably behind us by the time you read this.

Dan Scott hit the job running and has put together a web page for the Pacific Southwest Zone. We are still tweaking it and I have sent it out to other zone leaders for their input. When it's done, a new member that joins the SDC can look it over and see what local chapters are in their area. It includes links to chapter web sites and messages from the leadership team. I will promote it more when it is up and running.

The 2021 Zone meet that was supposed to be in Utah next year has already been cancelled. They had trouble getting commitments from the host hotel. We are attempting to combine next year's zone meet with the La Palma meet and are working through the details. It looks promising but we are hesitant to make any official announcement just yet. We will be looking for help from the chapters in our zone once a final decision is made. Hats off to the BCOIE Chapter for being willing to share their event. Let's keep our fingers crossed. La Palma is on Memorial Day weekend.

The 2021 International Meet is scheduled for September next year in Indianapolis. Surely this mess will be over by then. Keep an eye out for the announcement in Turning Wheels.

National SDC Application

For SDC National membership:
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to:

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Includes monthly publication of
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_____ First year membership	
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In an effort to offset the price increases, discounts for 3 and 5 year memberships are now available. See the back page of your Turning Wheels magazine for the discounts.

Karel Staple Chapter Application

All members of local chapters
must be members of the National
Studebaker Drivers Club
SDC #: _____

Membership dues are \$20 Annually

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____

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Name: _____
 (may be a nickname)

Spouse: _____

Name badges are \$10.00 each \$ _____

Membership fee: \$ 20.00

Total enclosed: \$ _____

Make check payable to:

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Tech Tips

by: Studebaker Mike



If you've ever considered converting your Studebaker to an Electric Vehicle, this story may interest you.

Pete Yuen sent us this link to a story on the electrek website about conversion of your car to an electric vehicle. Check out the entire story at <https://electrek.co/guides/ev-conversion/>

Tesla electric motors to soon power V8 muscle cars with this new crate motor

Story by Fred Lambert

EV West has unveiled its new Tesla crate motor mount kit to drop into V8 muscle cars in electric conversion projects. Tesla electric motors have become a staple of electric vehicle conversions. Their power has made them popular with people making drag strip electric monsters or even just wanting to have some torque underneath them in cool classic car conversions. We have seen many crazy electric car conversion projects using Tesla's powerful electric motors and a variety of different battery packs.



Some companies have been trying to make it easier to upgrade a vehicle with salvaged Tesla motors by packaging them to fit in cars and developing controllers for them. Now EV West, a popular EV parts and conversion shop in California, has unveiled their own Tesla crate motor for muscle EV conversions: As you can see, it's an entire Tesla drive unit with power inverter and the brackets to be mounted like a block motor.

EV West wrote in the product announcement:

Ready for a Tesla drive in your V8 muscle car? We have you covered. Our new Revolt Tesla crate motor mounts to your small block motor mounts and attaches directly to your driveshaft allowing you to use your existing rear axle. A huge time and money saver. It also allows you to change gear ratios in your third member. As they point out, it should save time in an EV conversion by greatly simplifying the motor mounting, which could also save money. However, they haven't released the price yet, and while they say it will save money, don't expect the kit to be cheap. EV conversions can be expensive and often runs into the tens of thousands of dollars.

After you have your electric motors, you also need battery modules to feed it and a way to mount those in the vehicle. Check out our EV conversion section for some of the coolest projects we have covered over the years.

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