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President's Message By: Pat Dilling

Spring is upon us this month, though it seems like it has been with us all Winter long. I don't want to jinx any upcoming events but I sure hope we get some rain soon. Thanks again to George Newhouse for organizing our February Meeting at the Hof Brau, we had a great turnout as usual and there were plenty of Studebakers driven.



I have two main messages this month. first and most important; we really

really need someone to step up and take over as our Newsletter editor. This is truly one of the most important tasks for smooth operation of our Chapter and it is a primary means of communication to members both inside and outside the chapter. Whoever takes on this task will not be left all alone with it, you will have the tools you need and assistance from others including me and the outgoing editor.

Next topic is the balance in our bank accounts. At last report we have a substantial sum in the bank. And since we are a non-profit organization we need to find some uses for the money. In the past we have provided scholarships to several community colleges, donated to some school automotive programs and also to some charities. We will discuss ideas on what to do at our March meeting. If you have a suggestion on worthwhile uses for our funds please be prepared to describe it at the meeting, also have your proposal written down so we can include it in a future newsletter. I would like to have this resolved by June.

Reminder our next 3 meetings are on Saturdays! See you at BMR racing on March 14th.

Secretary Report, February Meeting

Had a nice turn-out at the Hof Brau, Thanks George NewHouse! We had 39 members and 9 Studebakers. Doug and Debbie Nielson are our newest members. Welcome! We also had two guests: Bob Challender and Mike Harris. We're glad you came!

Pat Dilling opened the meeting by leading a chorus of Happy Birthday to Brian Challender There were 13 Studebakers at the Autorama with a good response from the those who came out to see the show.

We have T-shirts from the Zone meet last summer, \$10.00 each. Contact Pat Dilling. There are still sweatshirts that were ordered and need to be picked up, as well as some extras if you want one. Contact Johna Pierce. Name badges are \$8.00 for members who would like one. Contact Linda Barnard.

The Fair Oaks Fiesta Days car show is coming up in May. In the past we have had enough club members showing their Studebakers, that space has been provided to allow us to all park together. For details contact Perry Knopf.

Art Smith displayed the effect of ethanol gas on original rubber fuel lines, and how it eats the interior of the hose. He recommended that the fuel hose be replaced with an ethanol rated hose for safety. One of our members, Bob Peterson is trying to reduce his inventory of Studebaker parts. Contact him for your parts needs.

REMEMBER! MARCH, APRIL, & MAY CLUB MEETINGS ARE ON **SATURDAY !!!**

Club dues for 2015 are due by the end of March. You can pay by mail with the form at the back of Hawk Talks, or pay in person to Linda Barnard at the next meeting. We still need someone to take over as editor of Hawk Talks, the club newsletter. Jon Stalnaker has done a great job for many years. However, Jon is willing to step aside and give another member a chance for glory!

> Linda Barnard Secretary

The End Is Near

In late 2012, I was asked to continue as Newsletter Editor. At that time, I said I would continue but it's time to start looking for someone else to take over. The following year, 2013, I made the same comment, asking to be replaced and letting it be known that I was looking forward to handing over the duties to a fresh mind. Last year when it was brought up again, I was a little more adamant about giving up the position and only hesitantly agreed to continue with the warning that I would not do it for another year and that if someone didn't step forward, I would eventually announce my final edition.

I'm still waiting for someone to step forward and have included a different request in each newsletter since December 2014. It is now time for me to announce that my final Hawk Talks issue will be no later than July 2015. I refuse to allow myself to feel guilty about this as I have forewarned the club well over two years ago. I have discussed the with president Pat Dilling and he said he would help with the recruitment effort and would take over the duties himself if we are unsuccessful in finding a replacement. I hate to see Pat placed in this pre-

NO MORE
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JULY My fear is that all this drama will scare away anyone that may have been considering the assignment. That is why my previous 3 requests to fill the job have highlighted the positive aspects of the duties. And it really is a fulfilling task that does not take up that much of your time. Alas, I am retiring and would like to be free of any obligations and this newsletter needs to be passed to the next person. I hope y'all understand and I look forward to helping the new editor get familiar.

dicament as I'm sure most membership will agree that he has enough to do being president. Nevertheless, I stand by my July deadline.

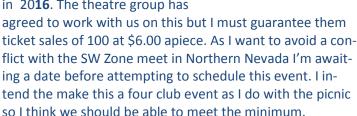
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Cool Idea for Studebaker Event Next Year By: Lou Van Anne

The Bob Hope Fox Theatre in downtown Stockton, built in 1930 is an art-deco style theatre that has been beautifully restored. The Friends of the Fox group sponsor a classic movie showing once a month on Sunday afternoons.

I have contacted them about showing the

movie "Quicksand", a 1950 Mickey Rooney movie shot largely in a late forties Studebaker dealership, sometime in 2016. The theatre group has



Anyhow, I am interested in knowing if this is of interest to the club and how many would commit to buying a ticket?

Please contact me directly. My contact information can be found on the back of the newsletter.

Lou Van Anne

Fair Oaks Car Show By: Perry Knopf



The Karel Staple Chapter has participated in the Fair Oaks Fiesta car show for several years. Hosted by the Fair Oaks Chamber and presented by American-Icons.com, 300 classic cars will line the Old Fair Oaks Village with a rainbow of colors. We kick off the car show season on Sunday May 3rd, 2015. Awards, Raffles, Music, Vendors, Food Trucks, Merchant Shopping all in one day!

Information on the event can be found at http://www.fairoakschamber.com/fair-oaks-fiesta--car-show.html

Take care of your own registration and let me know you are going. 916/944-3553, fpstude@aol.com.

As in the past, we can get some spaces held for us <u>until</u> <u>about **6:30 AM**, so be there by then.</u>

Perry

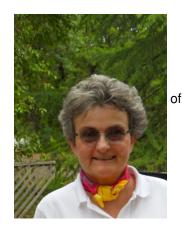
Remember the Kids By: Betty Knopf

Did you get a Christmas gift of clothing that does not fit or one that you think is totally ugly? When is the last time you deep cleaned your clothes closet and your dresser drawers?

Now is a time to be motivated to consider all of the above questions. Please consider donating clean and gently used, or even new clothing that does not fit or is ugly, to students all ages and sizes in the Center Unified School District. Clean and appropriate clothes really do help kids get to school and to succeed.

Please bring your donation items to our next club meeting.

Super thanks. Betty Knopf 916-944-3553 fpstude@aol.com



Karel Staple Represents Studebakers to the Autorama By: Pat Dilling

The Autorama was a great success for Karel Staple Stude-bakers. We had 12 cars on display in Building 7 in the Expo Center at Cal Expo. This is a change from previous years when we have been in the large Butch Gardner Clubhouse. Because the Expo Center is closer to the main gate, I believe more people saw our cars this year.

Our display spanned 44 years of Studebaker Production starting with Ethan Phillips' 1920 Special Six, which we believe was the oldest car in the show. Rick and Johna Pierce's 1964 Gran Turismo Hawk represented the 1964 model year. In be-



tween we had John and Betty Martins '50 Champion Starlight,







Kelly Wilke's and Pat Dilling's '53 Starlights, Leonard Brewer's '55 Speedster, Mel France's 57



Packard Clipper, Doug VanPool's '57 Golden Hawk, Darrell and La Ree



Brunelli's 59 pickup, George



Newhouse's '62 Lark, Steve



Rainville's '62 Champ pick up,



and Art Smith's '63 R2 Avanti.

Many members hung around at our chapter information table passing out copies of Turning Wheels and Chapter information while chatting up visitors about Studebakers. Hopefully we will gain some new members.

Once again we heard folks say they had no idea there was a local Studebaker club. Just shows the impact we can have by getting our cars out to local shows. I want to thank everyone who came out and represented Karel Staple including those who did not have their cars

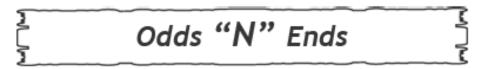


on display. It seemed like everyone was having a great time and enjoyed the whole show. I hope this encourages even more folks to do it next year.

Special mention goes out to Doug VanPool and his wife who joined us from the Sagebrush chapter. The show theme was the Great Gatsby and they were decked out in period garb every day. I have included a picture of Doug hanging out with folks at the Townsmen display, he's the one in the pin-



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*** A little girl walked into the bathroom while her mother was applying her make-up.

I am going to look just like you, Mommy!" She announced.

"Maybe when you grow up," her mother told her.
"No, Mommy, tomorrow. I just put on that Oil
Of Old Lady that you always use."

*** Vacuum windshield wipers were used in Studebaker cars up to and through the '40's. If that was what is in the car that has been sitting in storage for an extensive period, chances are that the wiper unit will not work. Chances are quite good that the unit will work provided that it gets a bit of maintenance work done to it.

The thing that is going to consume the most time would be getting the unit out of the car to enable one to service it.

Once the unit is out of the car, carefully dissemble it then using a clean rag, wipe the vacuum cavity and the paddle to rid of old grease and dirt. Further, wet a cloth with solvent and wipe the parts again with it. Allow to dry and then give it a coating of STP on the paddle and the cavity. Make up new gasket to replace the original one and assemble.

There needs to be venting for the vacuum unit to work so remove the felt pad from outside of the wiper motor and likely, it is dirty enough to need cleaning. Blow off excess dirt with air and then wash the pad with solvent. Let it dry before replacing it. This will give better venting for your vacuum wiper motor.

After servicing the vacuum motor, make sure that the rubber hose that is connected to it is in good condition. It should be hard but not brittle and it should fit tightly on to the wiper unit and at the other end on the manifold port without leakage.

Do not use just any rubber hose for vacuum purposes. Ordinary hoses will collapse with vacuum while the vacuum hose is made with resistance to collapsing. It would be a good idea to test the unit out before spending time to re-install it only to find out the unit needed to be replaced. Using a hose, hook it up to the vacuum port on the engine manifold and make sure that it is secure and away from and not able to fall into any moving parts then start the engine. If it does not work then it needs to be replaced.

**** A cowboy rode into town and stopped at a saloon for a drink. Unfortunately, the locals always had a habit of picking on strangers. When he finished his drink, he found his horse had been stolen.

He went back into the bar, handily flipped his gun into the air, caught it above his head without even looking and fired a shot into the ceiling. "Which one of you sidewinders stole my horse?" he yelled forcefully. No one answered.

"All right, I'm gonna have another beer, and if my horse isn't back outside by the time I finish, I'm gonna do what I dun in Texas! And I don't like to have to do what I dun in Texas!" Some of the locals shifted restlessly. The man, true to his word, had another beer, walked outside, and his horse has been returned to the post. He saddled up and started to ride out of town.

The bartender wandered out of the bar and asked, "Say partner, before you go, what happened in Texas?"

The cowboy turned back and said, "I had to walk home."

**** On the Average

47% of women would not choose their current partner as their perfect date, 70% of population think that it is okay for a woman to ask a man for a date, 60% of women who ask a man out, insists on paying for the date, 93% of women say they absolutely do not want a man ordering for them in a restaurant, 42% of women say the best place to meet men is a work or school while 8% would choose health clubs.

KSC CALENDER 2015

<u>Saturday, March 14th</u> – Bill McAnally Racing, 900 Riverside Ave, Roseville, Arrive at 11 am, Potluck. Hosts: Rick and Johna Pierce 916-676-0010. All are welcome!

Saturday, April 25th - Stockton-Grupe Park Joint Picnic with Sequoia Chapter and Avanti Club. Host: Lou Van Anne. Arrive 1 pm. Potluck side dish, grills provided. 209-473-4898 for information. All are welcome! Sunday, May 3rd: Fair Oaks Fiesta Days Car Show in Fair Oaks

Saturday, May 16th - Taste of Tuscany, 7753 Roseville Rd: STE #A, Sacramento, Hosted by Leonard and Peggy Brewer. Arrive 10 AM, 530-333-2347. All are welcome!

<u>Sunday, June 14th</u> – Sundial Bridge in Redding. 840 Sundial Bridge Dr. - Redding, CA 96002. Arrive at 10 am, I- 5 Caravan will be organized. Restaurant on-site or picnic. Hosted by: Dick and Norma Grove. 530-527-4583. All are Welcome.

Saturday, June 20th – JM Studebaker Wheelbarrow races in Placerville. Details to follow.

<u>Sunday, July 19th</u> – Napa social/potluck. 2140 Coronado Ave., Napa, CA. Arrive at 11:00 am. Hosts: Frank & Johanna Smith 707-255-5108. All are welcome!

<u>Sunday, August 2</u> – Yuba City – Tour of Mel France's new museum. 2241 Hooper Rd. Yuba City, CA Pot Luck, Arrive 11 AM. Host: Mel France 530-674-0327. All are welcome!

Aug 16 – 22, 2015 – 51st Studebaker Drivers Club International Meet, St. Louis Missouri

<u>Sunday, Sept 20th</u> – Sacramento Annual Auction/potluck. 1129 Weber Way Sacramento, CA. Arrive 11:00 am. Hosts: Rick & Johna Pierce 916-442-5984. Meeting will include our annual auction. Bring Studebaker and car related items. Proceeds of the auction go to scholarship fund. All are welcome!

All of the above underlined dates are Club events. - editor

Local Car Shows for March

- 14 Casa Roble Auto Shop Car Show, Orangevale
- 15 Cars & Coffee, Dreams & Drivers @ Nugget Market, Roseville
- 15 Lodi Swap Meet & Car Corral
- 14-15 Street Machine & Muscle Car Nationals, Pomona
- 21-22 Good Guys 32nd All American Get Together, Pleasanton



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An Announcement From Dean Sumpter

May 9th - Saturday - the Sequoia Chapter of SDC (Bay Area) is having a swap meet at Studebakers West in Redwood City. Can be any items not just Studebaker. This is a fund raiser by selling spaces. They also offer a hot dog or hamburger lunch with chips and a drink for \$5 or \$6 bucks. Contact me for details carvin9755@gmail.com or 916-753-6003.

List of parts for sale

- 1. 1964 259V8 engine and Auto Trans \$600
- 2. 1957 289V8 Supercharged engine and Auto Trans \$1600
- 3. 1964/65 Quad headlights, grille \$75
- 4. OHV 6 cylinder air cleaner cleaned and painted ready for install \$35
- 5. V8 2 barrel air cleaner cleaned and painted ready for install \$55
- 6. Delco 12Volt generator good condition cleaned and painted ready for install \$30
- 7. 1960-64 Champ PU passenger side floor panel from Classic Enterprises sells new for \$180 plus shipping
 Price is \$125
- 8. 1953-55 passenger side door for Hardtop excellent condition \$300
- 9. Factory tinted window and regulator for above door \$100

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