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# President's Message

By: Pat Dilling

Wow, September was a pretty busy month. Our members had a great time on International Drive Your Studebaker Day, many gathered at the Capital City Cruisers outstanding car show and others took drives to fun places including the California coast.

Congratulations to all that made our annual auction a great success, I know some folks went home with some real treasures and the funds raised will help some young folks pursue the automotive trades with scholarships. And that sure was a tasty BBQ that Taste of Tuscany provided, courtesy of the chapter as a thanks and celebration for our successful Zone Meet. Thanks to Rick and Johna for hosting and arranging for the catered meal.

We have some important business coming up. October is when we normally set our calendar for the coming year, but that may be difficult as we tour the Empire Mine at our meeting on Oct 18. In order to get that ball rolling, I am asking members to contact me with proposed meeting places, activities or offers to host. You can call me at 530-218-0641 or email me at p.dilling@outlook.com. I will compile these, share them with the other officers and then bring a proposed schedule to the members in November where we can fill in any open dates. Please have your ideas to me no later than November 1<sup>st</sup>.

Also we will hold officer elections at the November meeting. After TEN YEARS of service as our treasurer, Johanna Smith is stepping down. She has suggested that her duties be divided as treasurer and a new position of Membership Chairman. She has promised a comprehensive list of the things she does for whoever takes these duties. Jon Stalnaker would also like to step aside as our newsletter editor. As far as I know the remaining officers plan to continue. Our Karel Staple Chapter is a great club to be a member of, we need participation from you to help lead it. If you have not held an office in the chapter, please consider stepping forward. If you would like to volunteer or nominate someone please be ready to do so in November.



## Welcome New Members

Steve & Lona Holmes  
Elverta, CA 95626  
1960 Champ Pickup

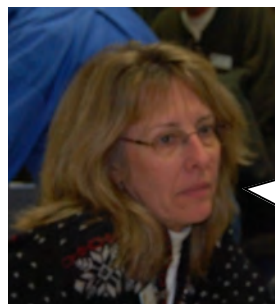
And now for a bit of fun, Steve Van Norman and I are heading out to Sacramento Raceway to run our cars at the Wednesday Night Street Drags on Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>. See page 6 for full information on this event. If you don't want to run your car, you can cheer us on. Come on out, smell some burning rubber and have some fun. <http://www.sacramentoraceway.com/wednesdaynight.html>

# Editor Wanted



It's been fun but it's time to turn over the newsletter to a new perspective. You can count on me for feature stories if you need them.

# Treasurer Needed



It's time for someone else to step up. Give me a call if you want more information on the specifics of the job.

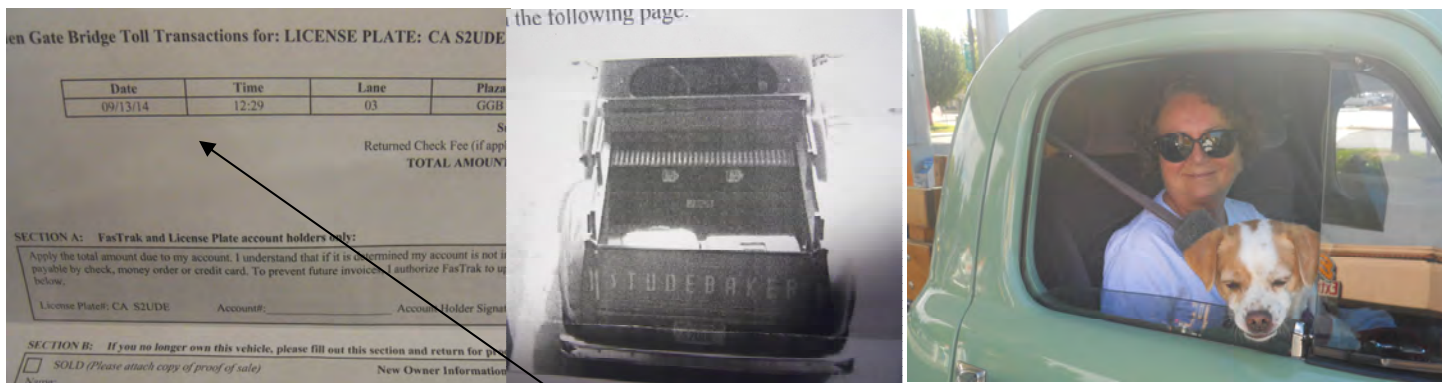


The annual auction At Rick and Johna's house raised \$1643. This total is within \$10 of what we mustered up last year. Thanks to all Y'all that brought stuff and/or money. And thanks to the club for catering lunch. We had a great time. Here's some pictures.





# International Drive Your Studebaker Day was September 13th



Okay, I have documented proof from the State of California that I indeed drove my Studebaker on IDYSD. Carlene took the day off work to join me this year and we just didn't want to spend it sitting in the hot sun at a car show. We drove to Half Moon Bay with Sally and got this documentation in the mail a few weeks later. The toll booth workers on the Golden Gate bridge are no more. So, what did you do? I only got a few submissions and here they are.

**Leonard & Peg Brewer** drove their Stude to Topaz Lake in Nevada for a car show the weekend of the 13th.

We could only drive a short distance from home on IDYSD as we were expecting family visitors later in the day. It was amazing how many strangers stopped to admire and comment on our car. Most of these folks had a Studebaker in their family history. The most memorable and humorous comment came from a woman that rushed across the street from a yard sale. She told us about the 56 Hawk that she loved but was forced to sell by an ex-husband. She missed the Studebaker but the ex, not so much.



**Jim Goodland & Marianne MacDonald**



**Johna Pierce writes:**

Once again our Karel Staple Chapter amazed me! We had 13 studebakers show up for the Capital City cruisers Cool September car show. Well it wasn't a "Cool" day it was very Hot, so I want to Thank Everyone that Drove their Studebaker to Citrus Heights for the car show International Drive Your Studebaker Day. We had cars from all over, Olivehurst, Yuba City, Stockton, Middletown, Fair Oaks, Sacramento

and more. Our Chapter got so many comments from the spectators! They had never seen so many different Studebakers in one place. We handed out our club information & had inquiries about parts. Our Chapter won numerous awards, for the best represented car club, Jennifer Brown won best daily driver with her Lark, Pat Dilling won an award for 1950's modified, Stephen Rainville won award for 1950's stock, Art Smith won an award for special interest with his Avanti.

We did have an incident at the end of the show, a Dodge Charger ran into Peter Braun's 1952 Studebaker & Jennifer Brown's Lark. They exchanged insurance information & no one was hurt.

## 2014 IDYSD Karel Staple and Sequoia Chapter

By: Mike Shaw

Our drive started early on a beautiful west Sonoma County Saturday morning. Seven Studebakers from the Karel Staple and Sequoia chapters gathered at the Brayton residence for coffee and donuts. We commenced our 51 mile drive at 10:00, our first stop was in the quiet town of Bodega.

We parked in front of the old school house that was used in the famous Hitchcock movie *The Birds*. We posed for a group photo and then headed down the road to the Wildflower Bakery in Freestone. Some of the finest artisan breads you'll ever find are at this bakery. We walked through their lovely garden, chatted up a few locals, topped off our coffees and continued on our way through coastal redwoods to Occidental.



Here we tried our best to park near the old Union Hotel, but others had beat us to it. We met a local Lark owner, we spoke the Studebaker language for a while and passed on club membership information. Departing the Union Hotel was a long meandering down hill road that causes one's lower jaw to drop in awe, if even a little bit. Hail's Apple Barn in the town of Graton was our next stop, we were hoping to see the hundreds of fall pumpkins out and around the barn, but we were a weekend too early, but we all left with apples, some of us with new flavors we'd never had before.



So on the road again, heading through Sebastopol to our next destination, The Washoe House. A stagecoach stop between Santa Rosa, Petaluma and Bodega has some interesting history. The ceiling of the bar is covered in one dollar bills (it's estimated about 10,000 of them) The local farmers and rangers would pin a bill to the ceiling so when they found themselves on hard times they could come in find their bill and pay for their drinks. Then the Civil War Battle of Petaluma, which many of us didn't know about. A Petaluma militia was headed north to Southern

-sympathetic Santa Rosa, stopping in for liquid fortification, the only thing killed in this battle was large amounts of Ale. Their wives came to collect them in the morning.



Our last stop was the Petaluma KOA campground, where the "Tin Canned Tourist" vintage camper club was holding a weekend rally and open house. We had a chance to look at and see inside of some amazingly beautiful trailers. Classic Cars and Vintage Trailers, doesn't get much better than that!

## Directions For The Empire Mine Tour

Empire Mine State Historic Park in Grass Valley will be the place for the Karel Staple Studebaker Drivers Club meeting on **Saturday**, October 18, 2014. Our tour will be led by one of our members Jack Laird. Tour starts at 10am. The tour will take approximately 2 hours. Lunch will be provided by Darrell and LaRee in the picnic area near the parking. Wear comfortable shoes and bring your chairs. It does get cool in Grass Valley so bring a sweater. The tour cost is \$11 per person. **They only take cash and ask us to have the exact change.**



The address is **10791 East Empire St.** Grass Valley, Ca. 95945.

**How to get to the Park:** The park is located on Empire Street which is a well marked exit on Route 49.

from Sacramento or the Bay area take route 80 and pick up route 49 north in Auburn.

from Nevada and the east should take route 80 and exit on route 20 which becomes 20/49 in Nevada City.

from Marysville via route 20, route 20 becomes Empire Street as it passes over route 49 (just continue straight on to the Park).

See you **SATURDAY**, OCTOBER 18 AT 10am. NO FOOD OR DRINKS REQUIRED. Everything for lunch is furnished.

**Thank you. LaRee**



### Wanna Race?

By: Pat Dilling



Steve Van Norman and I are going to Sacramento Raceway on Wednesday October 22nd to run our cars (actually his is a '46 Pickup truck) at the Fun Street Drags. This is a lot of fun and is cheap entertainment, only \$15 to run your car or \$7 to spectate. All you need to run your car are street legal tires in good condition (no slicks) and no open headers. You also need to have some sort of catch can on your radiator overflow. Contact me if you are not sure how to do this. You must wear long pants and shoes, no shorts or sandals. If your car runs faster than 14.00 seconds you must have a helmet. They have them for rent if you don't have one.

We have all seen the fun Studebaker Drivers have at the Pure Stock Muscle Car Drags. You don't have to have a high performance car to come out and have some fun. This is a safe, legal way to see how your car performs. Come on out, smell some burning rubber and have some fun.

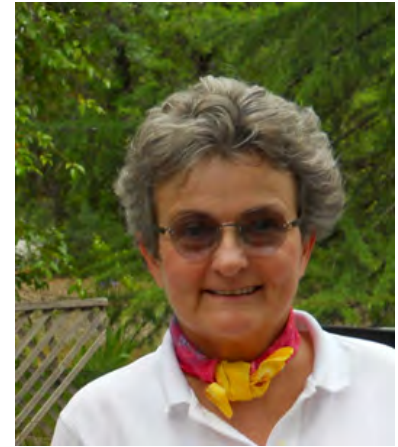
Pat

**BRING IT ON PAT—  
I CAN BEAT YOU  
WITH MY TRAILER  
ATTACHED!!**



### School Is Here!

By: Betty Knopf



Summer is really over as school has started and the weather is changing.

This Studebaker group has generously supported the effort to get students of all ages to school in weather appropriate clothing. Your donations of clean, gently used clothing has been greatly appreciated by the staff and students of Spinelli Elementary School. *You have made a difference.*

Check with your children, grandchildren, neighbors and friends to see if clothing for children and teens has been outgrown and is ready for donation.

Please bring your clean, gently used clothing to our October meeting. Perry and I will take it to the school and we thank you in advance.

**Betty Knopf**  
9167-944-3553  
fpstude@aol.com

## KSC CALENDER of Events 2014

Note: All underlined dates are monthly Karel Staple Chapter events.

Saturday, Oct 18th – Grass Valley, Empire Mine. Hosts: Darrell & LaRee Brunelli

Sunday, Nov 16<sup>th</sup> – Sacramento, Elks Lodge for lunch and Cemetery Tour. Hosts: Brian & Linda Challenger

Sunday, Dec 7<sup>th</sup> – Annual Christmas Party. Elk Grove. Host: Jilg Douglass & Steve Rainville.

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

### 2014 NorCal Misc. Car Shows & Events

Provided by Jeff McClure (updated 9/1/14)

Remember, nothing impresses the crowds more at a car show than a STUDEBAKER! If there is a car show/ event that you would like to get listed in *Hawk Talks*, just email me at [darlenejeff@sbcglobal.net](mailto:darlenejeff@sbcglobal.net). Be sure the date of your event does not conflict with our monthly gatherings.

**\*\*NEW\*\*** *Folsom Cruise Night is Back!* EVERY WEDNESDAY, New location: Skipolini's Pizza & Pasta, 191 Blue Ravine Rd, 4:30-9pm, Free, Pre '73,

Oct 25, Sat: *10<sup>th</sup> Annual OctoberFest Car Show & Toy Run*, at Lowes (Greenback & Sunrise) in Citrus Heights, 8am – 3pm, All 1975 and older, \$10 pre-reg, Bring a NEW Toy, [www.capitalcitycruisers.org](http://www.capitalcitycruisers.org)

Oct 26, Sun: *“Arbuckle Car Show and BBQ”*, LaVanche Hursh Park, Arbuckle, CA. 8am-2pm Tri-Tip Lunch, Awards, Halloween Parade, Goodie bags. \$20 Pre-reg 530-476-3190

## Ideas Wanted for Next Year's Calendar

Do you want to host a monthly meeting next year? Do you have an idea for an interesting place to meet? Get your ideas to Pat Dilling by November 1st and we will settle next year's calendar of events at the November meeting.

Hosting a meeting is  
FUN...

C'mon, you can do it!



Linda is right. We like to  
have fun and we are  
known for our pot luck  
meals.

If you know of an inter-  
esting place to take a  
bunch of Studebakers,  
let us hear about it!





National SDC Application / Karel Staple Membership & Badge Application

**National SDC Application**

**Karel Staple Chapter Application**

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If new member, source of referral:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please list Studebakers, including Year, make, body style on separate page.

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

**Membership dues are \$20 Annually**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Birthday (Mo) \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

YES, I would like my newsletter emailed to me each month.

NO, I would not like my information to be published on our roster.

**Please list Studebaker (s) owned:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
  2. \_\_\_\_\_
  3. \_\_\_\_\_
- | Year | Model | Body type |
|------|-------|-----------|
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**Name Badge Application:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(may be a nickname)

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Name badges are \$8.00 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Membership fee: \$ 20.00  
Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make check payable to:**

Karel Staple Chapter SDC  
Mail to: Johanna Smith  
2140 Coronado Ave  
Napa, CA 94559  
or call: 707-255-5108



**Wanted**

Still looking for a set of bumper guards for my 51 Champion.



Jon Stalnaker  
707 344-1957

(12-14)

**WANTED**

Hi horn from `63 or `64 Stude sedan. Need it to assist in restoration of Will Vogt `64 Avanti. Contact Art. 530-743-2942. lucky7@succeed.net.

(09-14)

**WANTED**

Need 2 axle shafts to fit a 50 rear end, threads stripped

mcshaw517@gmail.com  
707 217-7170

(12-14)

**More Stuff for Sale**

Anyone interested in Lark parts. My self, Brian and Steve have made a few trips to Woodland to check out the parts from Bill Hollmans collection. Loran Polete is in charge. All of the remaining Larks have been purchased and removed by a good friend of mine Andy Schneller who lives near Olivehurst.

There are still several V8 and 6 cyl engines, some with transmissions, in the barn. Also a 27 rear end. We three have pretty well picked up the loose parts.

Loren also has a `27 Packard for sale. I have photo`s. Packard asking price is \$14,000. Contact me with any questions. ART 530-743-2942.

Also 1963 Avanti light custom. asking \$19,000  
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