### Hawk Talks

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### Big Studebaker Turn Out At Leon's House

Leon and his family showed us great hospitality and members showed up in their cars

#### What a line up!



Neighbors, family and Karel Staple members checking out the Studebakers! We were all impressed with Scott Benton's beautiful 1946 M5 pickup. He plans to use it to promote his "Santa's Enchanted Workshop" in Rescue, CA.





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## President's Message by Frank Smith

#### Hello Members:

We have had an eventful few months. In April we went to Grupe Park in Stockton. It was a fun picnic with lots of folks and cars. Thanks to Lou Van Anne for hosting this event.

I missed our annual auction meeting in May at Rick and Johna's house. I understand the auction did very well. Thank you, Rick and Johna for hosting this important meeting.

In June we all went over to Leon Cohen's house for a nice get together. There were lots of cars lined up out in front. Some cars I have never seen before. Leon's family was in town for father's day. They were all very nice and chipped in to make everybody comfortable. Thank you Leon and family for another great meeting.

Around home we've been getting the Hawk out. We've been hitting Cars and Coffee which has a real big turnout. Cruises at Foster Freeze started up again. We also went to the Napa High School Car Show in May. Johanna won the "Most Unique Car" award.

July 16th is the date for our next meeting. It will be at our house in Napa. I'll be cooking the main dish. Please bring a dish to share. Also bring a chair and maybe a sweat shirt! It's been foggy.

See you at our house in July

# Secretary's Report Apr-Jun by LaRee

# No Meeting Notes from the Studebaker Picnic. Karel Staple Chapter Meeting Minutes for May 20, 2023

Meeting was called to order by Vice President, Steve Rainville. President, Frank Smith, was attending his daughters graduation from Sonoma State University.

Meeting and yearly auction was held at Rick and Johna Pierce's home.

21 members and 3 guests attended the meeting and auction.

Guests were introduced. Ken Swindt and Dave Rauch from Bodega Bay and George Newhouse's son George Junior.

#### Treasurer Report:

Lou Van Anne, Treasurer, said we are in good shape.

Corrine Garcia donated \$500 to the club. She thanked the members for all of their support after she lost her home to wild fire.

#### **Old Business:**

Pat Dilling announced the International Auto Show which will be October 13 through the 16<sup>th</sup>. Please let Pat know if you are planning to attend.

#### **New Business:**

Lou Van Anne asked the members if there are plans for the money in our club account. Many suggestions were made, here are a few:

Steve Rainville suggested we give \$3000 to charities, Including Wounded Warriors and other veteran groups.

Linda Barnard said her worker needed money for college.

Leon Cohen suggested we donate to a school auto shop.

Steve Rainville suggested we needed to save some of the money for a zone meet.

Betty Martin suggested we reserve \$2000 for donations to charities. She made a motion for the club to donate a total of \$2000 to be divided up for 2023 and 2024. It was voted on and passed. Johna Pierce talked about Hagerty Insurance, if you are planning to get insurance through Hagerty you need to check certain boxes for coverage. For information please direct your questions to Johna.

#### **Car Shows:**

Italian Hot Rod Association Car Show is Saturday, June 24<sup>th.</sup>

Ironstone Concours d' Elegance is September 22-23 at Ironstone Vineyards near Murphys, California. International Car Show October 13. Pat Dilling has the information.

#### **Opportunity Raffle:**

Won by Corrine Garcia and the car show certificate won by Betty Martin.

#### Auction:

Many super nice auction items were donated. We had 18 people bidding. High bidder is Anthony Trujillo. Great, fun day and thank you to Rick and Johna for their hospitality.

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Minutes Continued:

#### Karel Staple Chapter Meeting Minutes for June 17, 2023

Meeting was called to order by President, Frank Smith.

25 people attended the meeting at Leon Cohen home. 12 Studebakers were driven to the meeting. Leon introduced his family: Ester, Dave, Dillon, Sam and Becky. Dillon, Leon's grandson drove his 1966 Mustang to the meeting. Dave, Sam and Becky came out from Indiana to celebrate Father's Day with Leon. Frank introduced Mike Gillman, Scot Benton and Jack Laird. Mike drove his 1953 4 door Champion and Scot Benton drove his 1946 Pickup, It was exciting to see all the Studebakers driven to the meeting.

Membership: Johanna Smith, Membership Chairperson, reported that 65 members are in good standing.

<u>Treasurer report:</u> Treasurer Lou Van Anne, said we are in good shape.

<u>Old Business:</u> Discussion was continued about giving scholarships to high school auto shops. Perry Knopf announced that Betty has been working on getting a list of schools that have active auto shops. Some suggestions were given by members: Yuba High School and Auburn High School ROP. Steve Rainville again suggested the idea of giving a donation to Wounded Warriors. The discussion will be continued at next meeting.

Pat Dilling announced the International Car Show will be in October. Please let Pat know if you want to display your vehicle. Pat has arranged for the club to meet at Mountain Mikes Pizza for our meeting on October 15.

National Drive Your Studebaker Day is September 9<sup>th</sup>. Club members and guest will meet at the California Auto Museum. Lou Van Anne is making the arrangements. The Avanti club will be joining us.

<u>Past Car Shows</u>: Congratulations to our club members who attended shows and walked away with trophies. Johna and Rick Pierce won 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the Veterans car show. Johanna Smith won a trophy for the most unique car at Napa High School car show.

Steve Wilkie told about the Pacific Coast Dream Machines show at Half Moon Bay. Vehicles from all over the world were there. Steam engines to Tanks, he said it is a must see.

<u>Upcoming Car Shows:</u> Please check with Pat Dilling for a complete list. Listed below are just a few. June 24<sup>th</sup> Italian Hot Rod Association at Scottish Rite Masonic Center; El Tapatio Restaurant car show in July. Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, the Roamin Angels of Grass Valley are having "Cruisin the Pines" car show. It will be located at the Nevada Teck Center. Please contact Jack Laird for more information or <u>www.RoaminAngels.com</u>. Jack handed out Roamin Angels car club applications and talked about the club and Cruisin the Pines car show.

<u>Announcements:</u>. Scot Benton will be using his 1946 pickup for his Santa's Enchanted Workshop located in Rescue, California.

Jack Laird talked about how the car clubs can attract new members.

Pat Dilling asked if the club belonged to the Association of Car Clubs, and Johna Pierce answered yes, Rick Pierce is a Director.

Opportunity Raffle: Won by Steve Rainville and the car show certificate won by Leon Cohen.

#### Cars and Car Parts for Sale:

2 Larks for sale from the Franz Spycher estate.

Brian Challender has lots of cars and parts for sale.

Steve Rainville has 2 pickups for sale.

Leon Cohen is looking for a steering wheel without grooves for his 1956 Golden Hawk.

Next Meeting will be at the home of Johanna and Frank Smith. 2140 Coronado Ave., Napa 94559

Frank will be cooking hamburgers and please bring a chair.

It will be a pot luck, If your last name begins with:

A thru D please bring appetizer

E thru J please bring a salad

K thru P please bring a side dish

R thru Z please bring a desert

**Studebaker Stuff for Sale:** Stude truck twin traction rear end excellent \$380; Stude T-86 three speed overdrive trans very good \$180; Stude (maybe) T-96 three speed overdrive transmission good \$40; Stude truck heater box with controls good \$90; Stude truck R-series hood ornament fair \$20; Rare Stude 1 ½-2 ton original issue lug wrench \$80. Contact Scott, email: smiller15@hotmail.com or 415-305-9441 (call or text)

As we checked out the member's cars at the June meeting, one of our astute members pointed out that Leon's beautiful '58 Packard Hawk has a Studebaker engine; while his '56 Studebaker Golden Hawk restoration project has a Packard engine! Such an anomaly! Should he swap the engines to make it right?





#### **TECH TIP**

#### Cooling system update by Dan Dobbins, AKA the World's Most Wonderful Mechanic

The following information may be of value in servicing Studebaker V8 engines.

Studebaker V8 engines offer an advantage that most modern motors lack. The Studebaker V8 block can be drained, as well as the radiator. This permits one to drain 99 % of the old antifreeze mixture from a cooling system without removing the freeze out plugs. In most of the vehicles manufactured today, only the radiator can be drained, leaving behind about half of the old antifreeze mixture in the cooling system.

Behind the starter on the driver's side and behind the oil filter on the passenger side of the lower block is a small, sometimes hard to see, pipe plug. Remove these plugs. Years of tired, old antifreeze and accumulated crud will cascade from the water jacket.

If nothing drains out when the pipe plugs are removed, poke inside the drain hole with a wire coat hanger. The old coolant will pour out then. Be prepared, as this is the messiest, grimiest job there is in maintaining a Studebaker. You can recycle this dirty coolant by selling it to Chevrolet owners. They will use it and love it.

Install the pipe plugs, fill with clean water and run the engine for a couple of minutes. Shut off the engine, remove the pipe plugs and drain the block and radiator a 2nd time. This will flush the entire cooling system. Replace the pipe plugs and add about four gallons of a 50/50 mix of new coolant. Any name brand coolant will be fine. Orange, green, blue, red, white, it doesn't matter.

On my three daily driven Studebakers, this cooling system maintenance is routinely performed every two or three years, along with the installation of new upper and lower radiator hoses. For Larks, use a Gates hose # 21953 (upper) and a Dayco hose # 70507 (lower). For Hawks, use a Gates # 20406 (upper) and a Gates # 20603 (lower). The Hawk's upper hose will require some trimming on the radiator end to secure a proper fit.

Always use a brown handled, sharp knife to make this cut. If possible, see that the lower hose has a coil spring inside it to avoid the possibility of the lower hose collapsing from the suction created by the water pump pulling the coolant out of the bottom of the radiator.

If your local parts dealer doesn't stock these brand numbers, they can interchange these brands and numbers with ones they can obtain.

#### KSC CALENDER 2023

**Bold Dates are Karel Staple events** 

**July 16th Sunday** 11 am Frank & Johanna's Napa meeting, Potluck 2140 Coronado Ave, Napa CA 94559 Bring a chair

Aug 19th Sat at 10am for Brunch at Taste of Tuscany

7753 Roseville RD #A, Sacramento 916-727-7055

**Sept 16th Sat. 11 am Drive Your Studebaker Day** at the California Auto Museum. Hosted by Lou Van Anne. 2200 Front Street, Sacramento. Bring your chairs, lunch and drinks

October 12-15 Sacramento International Auto Show, Cal Expo. Contact Pat Dilling 530-218-0641 to display your Studebaker.

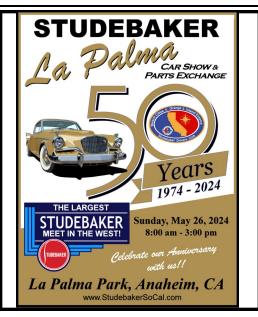
October 15th at 11 AM. Pat Dilling Host. Mountain Mike's Pizza, 1319 Fulton Ave, Sacramento November 19th Sunday 11 am hosted by Lisa Hale. Back Forty Texas BBQ

1201 Orlando Ave, Roseville, CA 95661 (916) 726-4040

Dec 10th Sunday 11 am California Auto Museum Christmas Party

2200 Front St, Sacramento, CA 95818 11 AM

Holiday Luncheon catered by Taste of Tuscany. \$20.00 Exchange gift.



President Frank ran into a good friend.at the Packard Inter-



national Meet, and almost bought a cool old car!



#### **Directions to the July Meeting**

Follow the Yellow Brick Road -----

### **2140 Coronado Ave, Napa CA 94559** From Sacramento:

- Follow I-80 W to CA-12 W in Solano County. Take exit 39B from I-80 W
- Turn right onto CA-12 W/CA-29 N/ State Hwy 12 W (signs for Napa/ Sonoma)
- Use the right 2 lanes to turn slightly right onto CA-221 N (signs for Downtown Napa/Lake Berryessa)
- Turn right at the ARCO station onto Shelter Ave.
- Arrive at the corner of Shelter & Coronado Ave



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#### **National SDC Application**

# For SDC National membership: Please mail check or money order to:

Studebaker Drivers Club, Inc. P.O. Box 1715
Maple Grove, MN 55311-6715

#### Includes monthly publication of Turning Wheels Magazine

 First year membership	
 w/periodicals class mail Regular membership	\$29.00
w/periodicals class mail	\$36.00
 Regular membership	
w/ first class mail	\$62.00
 Student/young adult	
(up to 22 years old)	\$29.00
 SDC membership without	
Turning Wheels	\$12.00

To use Visa or Mastercard call: (763)420-7829 fax (763) 420-7849 or email: sdc@cornerstonereg.com for more information.

Spouse:		
Address:		
City:	St:Zip:	
Phone:		
Email:		
If new member, source of referral:		
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Name:

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

#### **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: St: Zip: Phone: ( )
Email:
YES, I would like my newsletter emailed me each month NO, I would not like my information to be published on our roster.
Please list Studebaker (s) owned:
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Name Badge Application:
Name:(may be a nickname) Spouse:
Name badges are \$12.00 each \$
Membership fee: \$\frac{20.00}{}\$  Total enclosed: \$\frac{1}{20.00}\$

#### Make check payable to:

#### **Karel Staple Chapter SDC**

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For insurance purposes and also to comply with SDC Bylaws governing chapters, all members of a local chapter must also be a member of the National Club.

Don't forget to renew your National membership.

For a look at the pictures in color Www.Hawktalks.com

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