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Steering Column



The Overdrive is coming together nicely. Should be a very good event. Now we need your support by registering. The form is elsewhere in this newsletter. Be sure to get a room at the Eagles Nest because if they are not booked soon the hotel will no longer honor the Studebaker discount.

The Antique Studebaker Club is conducting a separate tour on Saturday, so you might want to come earlier for that tour. When you receive this newsletter, there will only be about 2 months until this extravaganza happens.

I saw a few Studebaker people at the first swap meet of the year (Puyallup) and found some parts for my '41 and '46 other brand. Saw some Studebaker parts but they were all for more recent Studebakers than mine. Love those swap meets!

Our February tour was good fun, even though cold as the dickens. We had a double header with two garage tours and a scenic drive in between. Good food and good friends. Thank you Mary for setting that up.

Two additional items. First, dues are due! Please get your dues to Treasurer Eric to keep our club vital. Secondly, we need items for a raffle at the Overdrive banquet. Nice if they are old car related but not necessary. All proceeds will go into the Club treasury. If you want to donate a Studebaker, that would be great! Bring any items smaller than a car to the March meeting which will be at our house.

Last month, I proposed in this column that we welcome Customs and

Modifieds into our Club to get more people involved. I didn't get any hate mail, in fact, I didn't get any response at all. I did talk to Brian Curtis to see if he is aware of any such people in the Greater Seattle Area that we might get into the Club. He said most of the Customs and modifies he is featuring in his column in Turning Wheels are from the mid-west. He has talked to some from around here but has not been able to get them to join the Club. If you know any modifiers, keep after them. Seems to me if we can get a couple in the Club, others will be more likely to join them. Brian says most of them do belong to car clubs that cater to hot rod or custom builders, clubs that are not car specific. Let's get them celebrating their Studebakers in the Studebaker Drivers Club.

See you at our place for the March meeting (and chroming Seminar).

God Bless, Don Andersen

VICTOR ANDERSON 1938-2014

Charter member of the Greater Seattle SDC, "Vic" was into more than a few avocations with cars, boats, model trains, and prolific collector of anything.

Memorial Service, April 5th, 11am at the Des Moines Activity Center, 2045 S. 216th.

Donations in memory to: ALS Association (19115 68 Ave S. Kent 98032), PAWS (PO Box 1037 Lynowwd 98046)

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MARCH MEETING - Chrome Seminar

Sunday, March 9th at 1:00 pm

Don & Joan Andersen's: 11406 SE 223rd St., Kent, WA

A representative from Show Quality Plating will be the speaker. Those attending will receive a discount coupon on plating.

NOTE: Joan is providing Lasagna, and we need some volunteers to bring Salad or Dessert. SVP to Mary West 425-413-3958 or email studemary@comcast.net **RSVP BY MARCH 6th**

PLEASE BRING DONATIONS FOR THE RAFFLE BEING HELD DURING THE OVERDRIVE! IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE CAR RELATED..

SDC INTERNATIONALS

June 28-July 5, 2014	50th SDC International, Dover, Delaware, DelMarVa Chapter Hosts
August 16-22, 2015	51st SDC International, Sheraton Heights (St. Louis), Mo. Gateway Chapter, Hosts. Sheraton Westport Hotel Meet Center

SECRETARY'S SCRABBLES

On February the eighth the combined clubs of the Northwest ASC, Seattle SDC, North Puget Sound SDC, Tacoma SDC and the Northwest Avanti Owners joined together for a day of tire kicking and a great time at the garages of Mary West and Odd and Greta Justad. Mary had worked very hard preparing her garage for the get together of friends, some of whom had never seen it. Mary also was able to share her hubcap collection and here collection of vintage hats, of which she is justly proud. Mary said that she was sure that she had never had as many people in her house as she had that day. The day's near perfect weather was made more special because of what we had been experiencing over the previous week and the snow that

was to come just a few hours later that evening. The group of thirty or more began to arrive at Mary's house a little before 10:00 AM. After about two hours of show and tell the group departed, in caravan for the Justad's, where we all marveled at what Odd had accomplished and were awed and somewhat humbled by the five projects that he has under way. Some of the guests took the time to get acquainted with Greta's horse Baime. Greta had laid out a wonderful spread of Norwegian cookies and nuts which we were able to wash down with our choice of coffee or cold drinks (no alcohol though). When many of us thought we could eat no more, the pizza arrived, there is always room for pizza, so we continued to eat!

An ASC meeting was convened and presided over by Stephanie Bell, at which time ASC agenda was

discussed. Pertinent to the Seattle SDC was the suggestion by Lou Cote that the combined Studebaker groups should consider putting in a bid for the next available International, 2018, in the hope of staging it somewhere in the PNW. A show of hands showed considerable support for the idea. I think that is now or never, so give some thought to what level of support which you are willing to commit if the bid is secured.

A more perfect day would be hard to imagine! Thanks go to Ray Keehner for starting the ball rolling with the ASC sponsored event. A special thanks go out to the Justads and to Mary West for willingly hosting the event. An extra thanks to Mary for doing the work required to make the contacts necessary to make this a successful joint get together!

*Up Conatly Humbld Scribe
Bill Hallett*

Lexophile

(def); a word used to describe those who have a love for words, such as "you can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish" (one of my favorites), or "to write with a broken pencil is pointless.

A competition to see who can come up with the best lexphillies is held every year in an undisclosed location. This year's winning submission is posted at the very end.

.. When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.

. A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.

.. When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.

.. The batteries were given out free of charge.

.. A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.

.. A will is a dead giveaway.

.. With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.

.. A boiled egg is hard to beat.

.. When you've seen one shopping center, you've seen a mall.

.. Police were called to a day care center where a

three-year-old was resisting a rest.

. Did you hear about the fellow whose whole left side was cut off? He's all right now.

.. A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two tired.

.. When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.

.. The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is now fully recovered.

.. He had a photographic memory which was never developed.

.. When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she'd dye.

.. Acupuncture is a jab well done. That's the point of it.

And the cream of the wretched crop:

.. Those who get too big for their pants will be exposed in the end.

Our thanks to member Bill McKivor for some truly funny stuff –this but one example. Yr Hmbl Ed.

One More Reason

As many of you know, Yr Hmbl Ed has been actively involved in the Overdrive from the beginning.

I proposed the Lucky Eagle, and inserted myself as liaison with their management. Needless to say, I was, and am, optimistic over our plans for this unique Northwest Can-Am Event. Those plans also include ideas originally advanced by Bill Hallett to expand to two full days of activity. Truly exciting outlook with our Antique Studebaker brethren doing a Saturday Tour.

I advanced the idea of doing the usual Long Distance and Hard Luck awards ourselves by using Studebaker model cars to make them unique and truly Studebaker. I also offered to build them, with Walt Thompson supplying the models. That idea is also received a blessing to go ahead. If nothing else, they'll be unique.

From where I'm sitting, this is going to be a very good Overdrive.

All that said (ahem), I now must tell you that I will not be able to deliver on some of my promises.

My recent stay in hospital, plus the long-term requirements of rehab will dictate a schedule that is pretty demanding of my time and must take priority. I will still be

editing the President, and will be able to deliver on the Awards, and a proposed Program for that weekend, since I can do those from the house. But that is about all I will be able to do. Attending the Overdrive may even be out of bounds, I don't know yet.

What I'm hoping for here is that someone of you (or more), just got one more reason to volunteer to help with the Overdrive.

There are a whole bunch of things that will be needed now and later. Why, on that weekend alone there are fun things to do. You could help the Tour Masters organize the cars prior to leaving. You could hang around the Lobby to direct late comers, or welcome our guests and tell them how glad we are to see them at the Overdrive (it's called Glad-handing or PR), things like that. These are jobs I would probably do if I was there (I'm shamelessly playing on your heartstrings here).

Mind you, all this is in addition to every members primary support duty of planning to attend one of both days and, as reminded by our glorious Prez elsewhere this issue, get your reservations IN.

Shamelessly, *Yr Hmbl Ed*

TECH TIP

When **one examines the various** components of a Studebaker V-8 engine, it is easy to realize how well it is designed with many "heavy duty" features as compared to lesser engines. The rocker arm assembly - for instance - precision ground rocker shaft, bushed rocker arms, all well supported and with a precise oiling system.

Typically, for an engine that is in semi-regular use and sees periodic oil changes, specific maintenance of the rocker arm assembly is not necessary - other than valve adjustment, of course.

The shop manual has instructions on dis-assembly and cleaning of the rocker arm assembly, and it is quite easy to see and understand how to do this. However, since a shop manual was intended for use on cars that may have been only a few years old (and being regularly serviced at the Studebaker dealer, of course) one element of the dis-assembly and cleaning was not thought to be necessary.

Namely, the internal part of the rocker arm shaft. The rocker arm shaft is hollow which allows oil distribution to each rocker arm.

If an engine has been sitting for a long time, one needs to be certain that the rocker arm shaft can distribute oil

properly. I have seen - although rarely - rocker shafts that were full of heavy sludge.

Each end is plugged with a 1/2" cup plug that can be removed. Then the inside can be cleaned using solvent and a long oil gallery cleaning brush. Make certain all the small holes that lubricate the rocker arms are open.

Install new 1/2" cup plugs and reassemble the rocker arms, etc. and be confident of your rocker arm oiling system.

Our thanks to "Bout Studebakers by Jerry Blount , Bob Williams, Editor.

For Cars, Aluminum Is a Back to the Future Metal

While the 2015 [Ford F-150](#) is on track to become the industry's highest-volume aluminum-body vehicle — and a breakthrough in pickup truck design — it follows many earlier ventures in aluminum auto production. Since the dawn of the automobile, manufacturers have exploited the metal's advantages for reasons that include weight reduction, corrosion resistance and ease of recycling, which is why a growing number of luxury brands and sports cars rely on aluminum structures.

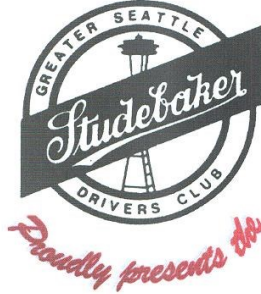
Studebaker, once the world's largest maker of horse-drawn carriages and buggies, according to the Studebaker National Museum in South Bend, Ind., built a farm wagon in 1893 whose metal components were largely aluminum — considered a precious metal at the time, as a showpiece for the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago. The so-called Aluminum Wagon contained 149 pounds of aluminum, all of the metal brackets and hardware, but not the springs or wheel rims. The wagon took more than 4,000 hours of labor to build and cost \$2,110.65, a hefty premium over the \$200 cost for a typical farm wagon. Other materials used in its construction included Brazilian rosewood and Indiana hickory.

"People on and off have been dabbling with aluminum going back to the beginning of the automobile," said Andrew Beckman, archivist at the Studebaker museum. "This was Studebaker showing off what they could do technologically in the field of transportation."

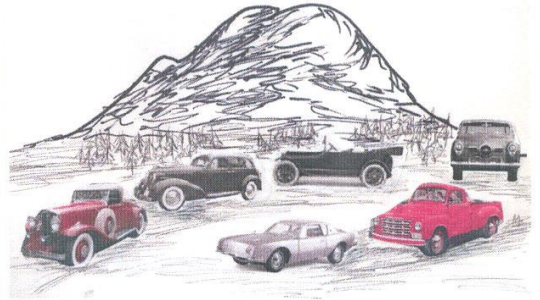


The Pierce-Arrow Motor Car Company, a luxury brand that went out of business in 1938, built bodies with aluminum panels, cast at first, then in sheet form, for 25 years because its designers disliked the fit and finish of the wood-and-steel coaches of the time. "Certainly, it never rusts," said Peter Williams, a psychologist based in Newburyport, Mass., who serves as president of the Pierce-Arrow Society. He owns a 1925 Series 80, which has a sheet-aluminum body. The company produced cast-aluminum bodies from 1904 to 1920 before switching to sheet aluminum, and eventually moving to conventional steel bodies in 1929.

Our thanks to StudePubs, Larry Swanson Editor, for the availability of this New York Times article from Sunday February 15 2014.



Car-Am Zone
**2014 NORTHWEST
 OVERDRIVE**
 May 17-18 in Rochester, WA



(Rochester is located 80 miles south of Seattle and 100 miles north of Portland, OR)

Hotel Information

Eagles Landing Hotel

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Rochester, WA 98579

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\$89.50/night + tax, price good till May 10

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Driving Directions:

1. From I-5, take Exit 88 toward Aberdeen/Tenino
2. Go West on Highway 12 for 7 miles
3. Turn Left on Anderson Road for .5 miles
4. Arrive at Hotel

AGENDA

Saturday: Registration in the hospitality room from 3:00PM to 7:00PM.

Sunday: Continental Breakfast in the hospitality room from 6:30 to 8:45AM.

Tour leaves at 9:00AM from hotel parking lot.

Lunch will be provided on the tour. Drive will be around 120 miles

Banquet at Lucky Eagle's at 6:00PM, Happy hour starts at 5:00 PM

Monday morning: Farewell for this time

NORTHWEST OVERDRIVE 2014 REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ Spouse/Guest Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip/Post _____

Registration fee includes Sunday Continental Breakfast, Tour, Lunch and Sunday evening Banquet

Number of Persons ____ \$ 55.00 (US) per person \$ _____

Late fee if mailed after 5/1/2014 is \$10.00 \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Make checks (US funds) payable to: GSC/SDC and mail to: Eric Larson
 8317 189 Ave E,
 Bonney Lake, WA 98391

STUDE STUFF FOR SALE

CARS FOR SALE

My **1967 Avanti II** is for sale. I am asking \$7,500 or best offer. I drove it to Centralia and parked it over ten years ago and it has not been run in many years. It needs brake work, exhaust, and probably a tune up to get back on the road. I'm attaching a copy of the original pricing for this car. **Don Kelstrom**

1963 Cruiser - 289 V-8, 2 barrel carb, automatic transmission, power disc brakes. Front brakes rebuilt including 4 new caliper assemblies. Near new Kumho Solus KR-21 whitewall tires. Color is Rose Mist, although it has been repainted and some areas are peeling, showing original Rose Mist. All 4 doors have new window channeling, including window regulator cleaning and lubrication. Rebuilt alternator and distributor. New water pump, fuel pump, muffler & tail pipe, hoses, etc. Seats and carpets have been re-done and look good. Straight body - all panels fit well. Slight rust in lower front fenders but the car is generally quite free of rust.

\$3,750.00 **Jerry Blount 503-658-6914 Damascus, OR**

1952 Studebaker 4-Door Champion.

Prime condition, Located in Enumclaw. \$30,000 invested, not counting my time. Chrome and a new interior account for some \$13,000. It is not a show car, but it does look reasonably good (biased opinion maybe) \$15,000 OBO. Will listen to reasonable offers.

Vance O. Fredrickson
24625 SE 448th St.
Enumclaw WA 98022
360-825-3952

PARTS

1 - left front fiberglass fender- fits GT Hawk, new
1 - Right front fiberglass fender- fits GT Hawk, new
\$550 for the pair -As is, where is: No reasonable offer refused! Come and get them!

Brian Curtis, 5721 Northwest Dr., Ferndale, WA.
98248.

Email: briankcurtis@yahoo.com

WANTED

For a 1963 GT Hawk - 4 full disc wheel covers. Phone **Rob Hill (250) 642-7349 (Canada)**

I am looking to purchase a copy of the Studebaker 1966 "Facts and Features" catalog (24 pages). A picture on page 9 of the November 2011 edition of TW. If you have one you are interested in selling, or you have one you would be willing to scan please send an email to **Mark Hayden haydenmj@shaw.ca** or (250) 748-4643

LITERATURE

Magazines with Studebaker articles - .

Collectible Automobile -1928-33 Studebaker Presidents by Richard Quinn - \$6 1939-40 Studebaker Champions by Richard Quinn - \$6 1953-55 Studebakers - \$6 1955 Studebaker Speedster - \$6

1950-51 Studebakers (not a feature article) - \$5

Hemmings Classic Car 1953-64 Studebaker Station Wagons - \$5

Motor Trend

1957 Studebakers - \$5 Small article and pictures of 1953 Studebaker Convertible Custom and information and pictures of 1957 Rambler Rebel Fuel Injection - \$5

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Studebaker Vendors: <http://www.studebakervendors.com>
Studebaker Clubs of the World: <http://studebakerclubs.com/>

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Greater Seattle Chapter dues are due January 1st each year and are for a one year period. Dues are \$25/year for club Newsletter in print, or \$13/year for e-mail version. Dues are prorated per month for dues collected throughout the year. Make check payable to: **SDC GSC**, Mail check to : **Eric Larson 8317 189 Ave E Bonney Lake, Wa. 98391** e-mail to : badcow@w-link.net

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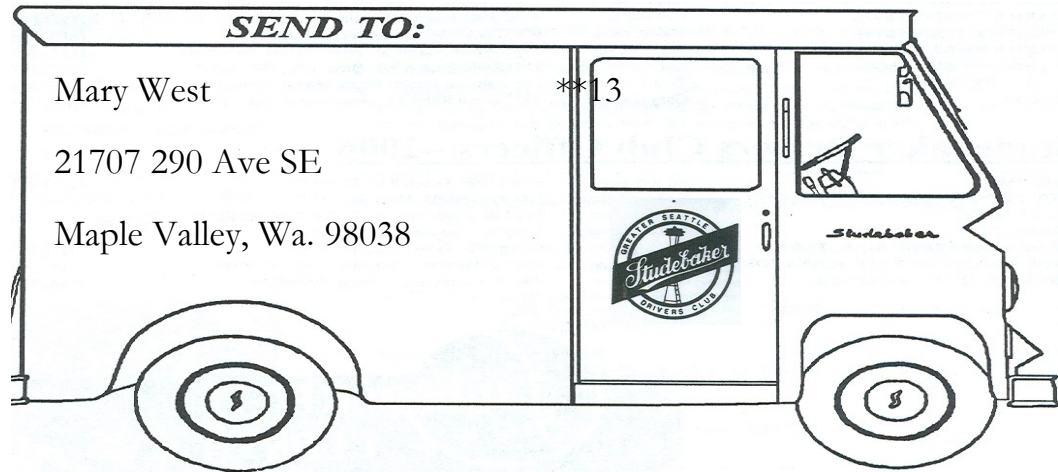
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