

President

The President's *STEERING COLUMN*



Hi everyone

It is that time again for me to say something. We had a nice drive to the top of the pass on May 23 . I want to thank everyone that showed up and we had

4 Studebakers, 1 55 Packard and 1 49 Cadillac.

There were a lot of people at the Lake Keechelus fishing and hiking . We had to stop in Issaquah for gas. We saw the Chevy club at the XXX, so we honked when we drove by .

I'm thinking about having another drive. We could go down to North West Trek, and drive through the park in our Studebakers. I will keep everyone posted.

Thanks,



Inside find a story from Mary about her first Studebaker. Don't miss it.

Also it would be a good idea if more people would submit an article about their first (or favorite) Studebaker. We should have some extra time on our hands these days with self isolation.

JUNE MEETING

CANCELLED

2020 Greater Seattle Chapter Upcoming Events

MONTH	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME	INFORMATION & CONTACT
June	7	SDC Family Picnic	Griots in Tacoma		CANCELLED
Jul	11'	All Chapter Picnic	Mud Mountain Dam		Mary hosting. 425-4133958
Aug	16	BBQ and car show	14810 SE Jones Pl, Renton		Durkees hosting
Sep	5	Cruise and Car show	Bickelton, WA		
Oct	11	Fall Color Tour			Don Albrecht 425-392-7611
Nov	15	Election Meeting	29902 176 Ave SE, Kent		Noller's hosting
Dec	6,	Christmas Party 1PM	Sizzler, South Center		GSC hosting

UPCOMING SWAP MEETS

MONTH	DATE	LOCATION	INFORMATION & CONTACT
Sep	5	Bickleton, WA Flea market and car show	
Sep	25-26	Chehalis, WA Swap Meet	
Oct	10-11	Monroe Fall Swap meet	
Nov	7-8	Bremerton Swap meet	

Internationals

<p>August 5-8, 2020 ,</p>	<p>56th SDC International</p> <p>57th SDC International</p> <p>58th SDC International</p>	<p>CANCELLED</p>	<p>Chattanooga, Tenn.</p> <p>Indianapolis, Ind</p> <p>South Bend, Ind</p>
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SECRETARY'S SCRIBBLES

,We didn't have a meeting, but we had a good time driving our vintage cars for what was called the Covid-19 Spring Tour. The date was May 23rd and it was a very pleasant Saturday afternoon. We met at the Bellevue Park and Ride lot and toured up to Snoqualmie Pass summit with a stop at the boat launch on the south side of Lake Keechelus, then back home. There were 6 cars in our tour group and 14 people, some wearing masks. The purpose was to get the old gas out so it could be replaced with new. Four of the 6 cars were Studebakers and one was a Packard. I probably should not mention that I was driving a Cadillac because I don't have a drivable Stude.

some things done on my '32 President. There is plenty yet to do. I have also been reading more about it and saw in the latest Turning Wheels that the '32 President was renamed the Speedway President for '33. Same running gear and mostly the same body. I do see in the pictures that the trumpet horns were deleted for the Speedway model. I like those. Just an interesting tidbit. I have not heard of plans for June, but it does look like things are opening up a little.

Stay safe!

Don Andersen,

Secretary

During this "stay at home" order, I've been getting



The group at Lake Keechelus

EDITOR'S CORNER

Sorry we missed the drive. Looks like we may have another chance this month (June). Our regular meeting was of course cancelled, and personally I doubt we will have any regular meetings for a while. After all a lot of us are in the high risk category by being older than 65 years. Which means according to guide-

lines we have to wait to phase 4 before going out. And we are still in phase 1 or 2.

Personally I have been continuing on my 51 project and had a little setback when I unwrapped the rear bumper and found that some plating has peeled off in one spot. Not sure if I will use that shop again. Luckily the one spot would be covered completely by the vertical bumper guard.

My First Studebaker

by Mary Fanshier West

I have loved cars since I was about 7 years old. Both of my parents loved cars, too, so it was probably in the genes. Whenever they got a "new" car, my Mom would sew herself a new suit to match the colors of the car. In 1985, when I was 25, one year out of college, and working in my field of study in Kent, WA, I decided my Toyota was a little boring, and I wanted an antique car to tinker with. At that time, the "Little Nickel" newspaper was the best advertising around. There was a large section of Antique and Collector cars for sale. I was looking for a unique car, and noticed there were Chevy 5-window pickups for around \$400. I really liked them, and the ones advertised were rust-free, running and driving, with lots of life left in them.

That year when I got my income tax return of \$400 I decided to buy a 5-window P/U. I got the Little Nickel and combed the old car section for weeks and there were no more 5-windows to be had. I continued to look, but to no avail. One day I was looking and



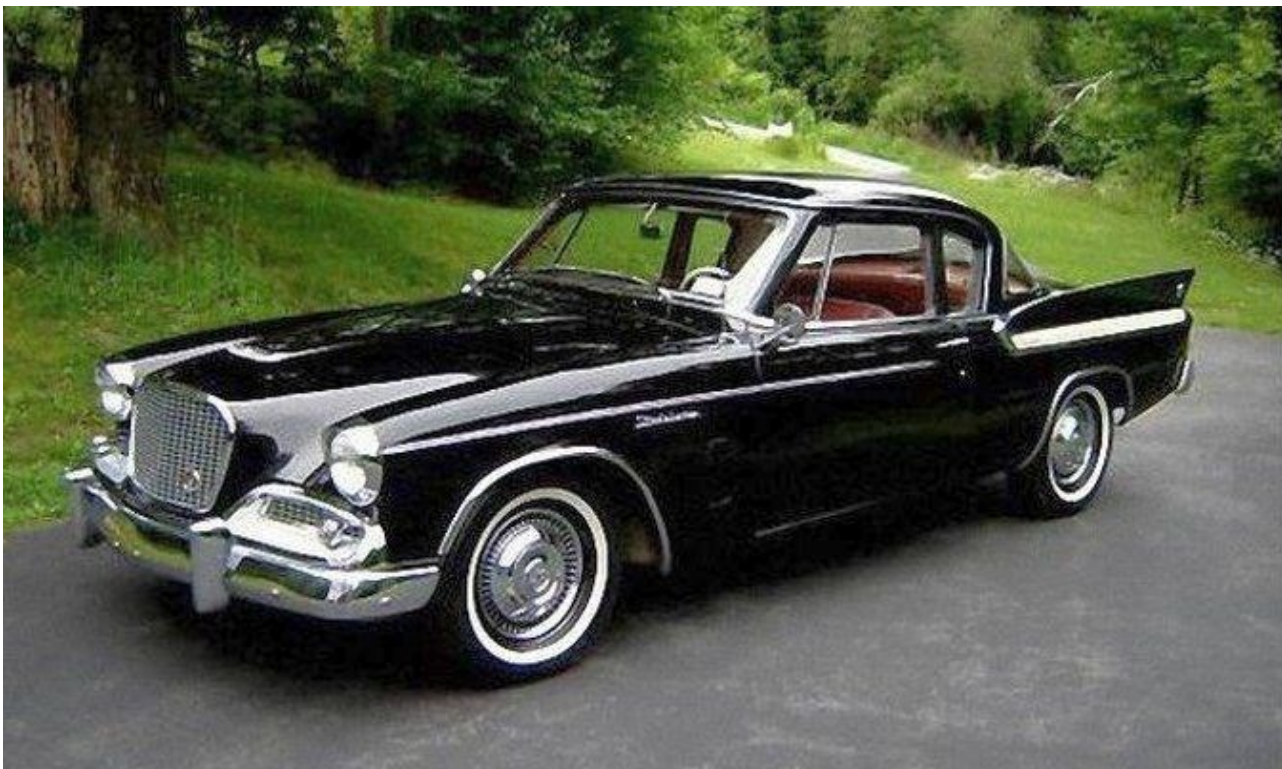
This is Mary's car taken shortly after she got it

saw an ad for a 1961 Studebaker Hawk. I wondered what on Earth did that look like? You see, growing up in Walla Walla, one never saw a Studebaker - there weren't any. I remember when my family went to the Tri-Cities one time, my Dad said "Look - There's one of those cars that you can't tell if it's coming or going!" We all pointed and laughed at it. (Now I own one.)

Anyway, I decided to go look at the Studebaker Hawk even though they were asking \$850.

The car was in Puyallup. The minute I saw that car, I fell in love. It was the coolest thing I had ever seen - black with white on the fins' insert and a red interior. It looked like the Batmobile, and I HAD to have it! I got to take it for a spin, which was fun and it had the Borg-Warner T-10 4 speed, which was great, as I prefer manual transmission. I told the owner, Ted Valbert that I loved the car but only had \$400. I gave him my number and headed home. About 2 weeks later I got a call from Ted. I had given up on him by then. Well, much to my delight, he told me his wife was pregnant, and they needed the money, so I could have the car for \$400. I was so excited, I couldn't get over there fast enough. I was afraid he would change his mind. He had me sit down at the dining table and join the SDC and the local chapter he belonged to - the Tacoma Chapter. I joined them, and left with some old Turning Wheels he gave me.

Boy did I ever have fun with that car. It had lots of idiosyncrasies. For example, the radio only got one station, the furthest to the left, and lowest on the dial - The Oldies. It was like being in the Twilight Zone! I did notice that someone had used aluminum foil to encapsulate a couple of the fuses, so they were bypassed. I didn't worry about that. I didn't smell any hot wires. I DID smell smoke upon takeoff. The car was a real oil-burner. I could actually use it to my advantage. If someone was tailgating me, I could floor it, and leave a nice blue smokescreen. That made them back off. When I took the car out for a drive, I added a quart of oil. It burned so much oil, I never had to change the oil filter. One time a cop stopped me, and I thought I had a taillight out or something. He said to not worry, I hadn't done anything wrong just "What is it?" So I explained to him it was a Studebaker. He really liked it too



This is another 61 Hawk but identical to Mary's car

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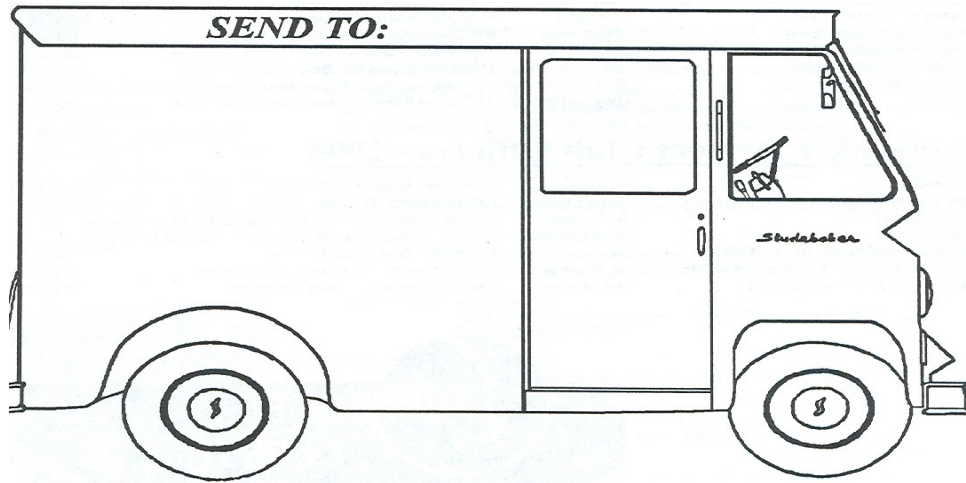
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