# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE THE IDES OF MARCH



We had a small but spirited meeting at the Admiral Baker Club. Great food, a very quiet setting and wonderful ambience. In attendance, Tony Usher, Tim and Sabrina, Ricky, Bob Buchaklian and Ed Quinn.

Some great ideas were discussed regarding member participation. We have about 50 people on our roster yet we only have regular attendance of twelve people( maybe!) We



shared ideas utilizing software to upload our information – cutting down the burdensome task obtaining photos, member news and information for the newsletter. Tim is researching and more discussion needed.

We are planning to do **a "Member Car feature of the Month** - kicking it off with Tim Huntley's.. Sabrina created a template that anyone can use to provide information about their vehicle. We welcome your input and participation.

Ed Quin needed help regarding transmission and brakes for his newly acquired car, I gave him some references and he will report on his review of these vendors. Ricky will reach out to the PARALYZED AMERICAN VETERANS ASSOCIATION who restored a Studebaker that they race. I met them at the Auto Show perhaps 2 years ago and invited them to join, but we have not had follow up.

Some additional future events were discussed. Most of our members missed the **Helicopter Museum Tour in Ramona**. Ricky will get the details and we will plan a separate event with lunch to follow. Tim and Sabrina are researching park venue areas for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Picnic Meeting and Photo Shoot. This will be catered by the Club. We are looking at the park near Keith and Joan Rider; s home hoping they will join us. Other possibilities are The Admiral Baker Campgrounds and Mission Bay. More to come in the coming weeks.

As you know April is the **Detail Clinic/BURRITO BREAKFAST at Clifton Mercedes**. (See below – CANADIAN CAR CONUNDRUM) **May is the 50 year Anniversary of La Palma**. If any members want to share riding in Studebakers, reach out. Ed Quinn is planning to join Ricky and I. Hopefully we will have some others participate. For September, we are deciding on either the **SOCK HOP themed show at the Former Bill Oliver's Shop in Long Beach** versus the **Greatest Show on Turf in Clairemont**. Member Input is definitely needed on this one. **PLEASE SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS**.

### SECRETARY REPORT- Upccoming car shows – Ricky Logier



## TREASURER REPORT – MIMI \_ March 9, 2024

Beginning total assets:	\$ 8212.26
Checkbook beginning balance:	\$ 2,857.01
Income: Dues	\$ 20.00
50/50	\$ 18.00
Sub-total	\$ 2,895.01
Expenses: Reimburse Halgrens -	cookoff prizes \$ 75.00
Ending Balance	\$ 2,820.01
Savings account: Beginning balan	ce \$ 5,012.94

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Ending balance		\$ 5,012.98
Paypal		\$ 237.31
Name tag fund	Dispersed \$50	\$ 5.00
Cash on hand uncl	nanged	\$ 100.00
Total assets		\$ 8,175.30

ARTICLE CONTRIBUTED BY RUSSEL STERN: "I thought you would be interested in this story I found on MSN:

Restoring Glory: The Resurrection of a Gold 1957 Studebaker Golden Hawk "<u>https://www.msn.com/en-us/autos/enthusiasts/restoring-glory-the-resurrection-of-a-gold-1957-studebaker-golden-hawk/ar-BB1jnQ2H?ocid=socialshare&pc=U531&cvid=e3d548dfb2fe49cda8d63657077aec54&ei=23</u>

**CAR PROJECT** Do you have a car you are working on or a show you attended. Let us know so we can post it!

#### Here is one from member Tim Huntley



Projects, projects, projects. Is this really collecting? Or is it hoarding (difficulty throwing away or parting with possessions because you believe that you need to save them) disguised as collecting? I have what I am beginning to think are too many projects that range from full restoration to final assembly. Is thinking the first step towards acceptance? I have accumulated these projects as if I have nothing but free time to work on them. Unfortunately, my employer and my budget do not align with my project dreams.

Do I part ways with some of my projects? How does one choose which to abandon and which to keep? Of course, I must keep my beautiful 58 Commander Hard Top. It shows a bit of wear and in need of some TLC, but it's still a beautiful drivable car, and my first Studebaker. The 51 Starlight Coupe is in my garage and ready for assembly. It's so close to finishing, I must keep it. The 53 Commander hardtop is also ready for assembly (but not in my garage), and it has a rebuilt supercharged 289! This one is a keeper to! The Cummins 4BT motor is just sitting, ready to be installed in my 1949 1-ton C cab. This project has been around the longest, it's going to replace my Chevy truck. It's a keeper too. Oh, I can't forget about the 62 Hawk. It's a running car, but needs brakes, interior, paint... I recall the last time I rode in a Hawk. Such a nice driving car. I think I will keep this one too. The parts cars/trucks are of course too valuable to get rid of just yet. Because they aren't Studebakers I won't mention my 1974 Bronco or my 1920 Hupmobile projects. Am I a hoarder or collector? Because I only think about buying the latest project I find on Craig's List I still consider myself a collector. If I haven't completed at least one of my projects by the end of summer I may have to reconsider.

#### **CANADIAN CAR CONUNDRUM CHAPTER 6**



The car went in for paint. As with all paint jobs there is cleanup and detailing. Hugo Davey, Immaculate Auto Detail worked on the Engine. He will be educating us on Detailing at Clifton Mercedes for the April Event. It's a club sponsored breakfast, so

bring your questions and your appetite. There will be a Detailing Gift drawing for a lucky winner!

I had planned on cleaning up my floors,. All the surface rust was sanded, the floors prepared with POR 15 surface prep, then painted with POR 15 prior to installing sound deadener (I used the Summit Brand – ½ the cost of "DYNAMAT." This is an aluminized material with a sticky rubber backing. After sizing your floors, inner panels and rear seat areas, you adhere the material to the floor and then use a roller to press it into place I I purchased new felt padding – the surface rust was due to moisture that remains in the carpet and the felt- undoubtedly due to this car spending 60 years in Ontario Canada.



Next month I will post the paint photos. I hope to have the trim and interior completed and ready for the road!

### STUDE SALE NEWS UPDATE

Some cool Stude's crossed the Auction Block recently. Here's a few that caught my attention.





Bid to \$8,000 on 2/26/24

1976 Avanti II No Reserve

Sold for \$9,125 on 3/11/24



**Touring Sedan** No Reserve Alumni Sold for \$14,141 on 2/21/24

## Members Out and ABOUT – BOB AND MIMI HALGREN

**Hi Clubsters** 



Every year for the last 15 or 20 years Mimi and I have gone to Arizona in the middle of January to attend the Grand Canyon Chapter SDC winter meet, work on our apartments, and go to some car auctions. This year was no different.

The winter meet is a show and shine with a small swap meet as well. It was held at Larry Polhill's private auto museum of about 40 Studebakers. I would guess we had 20 or 30 Studebakers (and a 36 Hupp) show up along with 50 or 60 people. The chapter also put on a lunch. It's a great event to catch up with old friends as SDC'ers come from all over the country. And Mimi and I even won a people's choice award with our 37 Dictator Coupe!

The first auction we went to was Barrett Jackson (BJ). We usually go in the middle of the week

so we get to see what some of the cars are selling for. This is a no reserve auction of over 2,000 cars plus memorabilia, so it takes a week for the auctioneers to get through it.

BJ is an event! Besides the cars there are vendors selling everything from tools to trailers, pictures, speed parts to new car, carvings to jewelry, and a fair food etc. It is truly an experience. It takes a full day to do a cursory tour.



One thing I forgot to mention are the thrill rides. Toyota Supras and Dodge Hellcats are there for you to ride in while the drivers put the cars through their paces. Yahoo!

The next day we went to the RM auction at the Biltmore in the morning. Then after a wonderful lunch at the Miracle Mile Deli we went to Fort McDowell for the MAG Auction. The RM

was smaller this year-maybe 75 cars-but they are all high dollar with an emphasis on high dollar sports cars. Mimi and my favorite was a James Bond Aston Martin.

The MAG auction has somewhere in the neighborhood of 200-300 cars. This selection is more of a pedestrian motif, affordable to the average person. It, like RM, is not a no reserve style, but they will put you together with the owner of a car that doesn't sell to see if you can work something out.





# THE LOEWY CHRONICLES



I always like to include something about Raymond Loewy, the man who defined mid century America. His designs were iconic.. He was a man of impeccable style. Loewy immigrated to the United States in 1919 and worked as a fashion illustrator for Vogue magazine and later as a designer of window displays for New York City department stores. Loewy's first major success came when he redesigned the Gestetner copier, giving it a form that was to remain unchanged for 40 years.



The **Gestetner** is a type of duplicating machine named after its inventor, David Gestetner (1854–1939). During the 20th century, the term *Gestetner* was used as a verb—as in *Gestetnering*.<sup>[1]</sup> The Gestetner company established its base in London, filing its first patent in 1879. The business grew, remaining within the control of the Gestetner family, and acquiring other businesses. In 1995, the Gestetner company was acquired by the Ricoh Corporation of Japan. (Lowey's redesign of Gestetner duplicator; first use of clay to model the form (source: https://collections.vam.ac.uk/item/O322014/gestetner-duplicator-duplicator-loewy-raymond-fernand/#).

#### STUDEBAKER VENDOR LIST

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As I hurtled through space, one thought kept crossing my mind - every part of this rocket was supplied by the lowest bidder. ~ John Glenn

#### **DRIVE YOUR STUDEBAKER!**

For all those who have given us your birthday and anniversary dates, if you come to a meeting during that special month, lunch is on the club.



Studebakerly,

Keith Wahl, President