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S.A.E. CAR SPOTTER

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Rochelle Larson leads the January 23rd Planning Meeting at the Fountainhead Auto Museum

2013 EVENTS CALENDAR SET

On January 23rd, Rochelle Larson chaired a well attended and active planning session to set the Events Calendar for the 2013 year. The event was held at the Fountainhead Museum, and the club encouraged attendance again this year with food. Members in attendance were: Scott Culbertson, Brett Helms, Ray McLeod, Bub Larson, Don Oines, Willy Vinton, Dave Karpik, Rochelle Larson, Will & Theresa Chase, John McCarthy, Ed & Laurel McLaughlin, Jill & Rick Larrick, Scott Grundy, and Nancy Peterson.

There was lots of discussion of what events were best attended, what months and dates were best for which kinds of events, what other activities might conflict, and who might volunteer to coordinate or be the person responsible for which event.

One concern was to try and schedule more events during the week for folks

who may have weekend conflicts. As a result, a number of weekday evening cruise events were scheduled.

The events schedule has been posted on the club website since shortly after the planning meeting, and the schedule was the subject of discussion at the club's regular February Membership Meeting. The schedule is still subject to some change, and Rochelle is still looking for folks to volunteer to head up some of the activities—but here is the list:

<u>MAY</u>

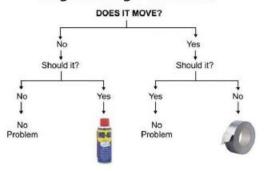
Thursday, May 9th: Car Club Membership Meeting is at the Fountainhead Museum 7pm. Dinner at The Bakery before for those who wish.

Friday, May 24th: Set-up for the Carlson Show

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I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die of natural causes

Engineering Flowchart



This time of year we are starting to get more daylight and our thoughts turn to spring; however, over the last few months Don Oines has been bored. So much so that he has been spending time re-reading old newsletters and became obsessed with the above chart (from our September newsletter), especially the tree that led to using WD-40 for stuff that doesn't move but should (like maybe part of one of Don's projects?). Don's research led him to the Canadian LaSalle Club's newsletter, where he found an in-depth study (they have long winters, too...). There, a member had done more rigorous research (he read other technical magazines) and reported that Machinist's Workshop Magazine recently published some information on various penetrating oils. The magazine reported that they tested various penetrates for break-out torque on rusted bolts, or as they put it, they arranged a subjective test of all the popular penetrates with the control being the torque required to remove the nut from a "scientifically rusted" environment. The results:

PENETRATING OIL	AVG TORQUE TO LOOSEN
No Oil Used	516 ft pounds
WD-40	238 ft pounds
PB Blaster	214 ft pounds
Liquid Wrench	127 ft pounds
Kano Kroil	105 ft pounds

*the ATF (Automatic Transmission Fluid) - Acetone mix was reported as a "home brew" mix of 50-50 automatic transmission fluid and acetone.

53 ft pounds

ATF*-Acetone Mix

Two things were noted in the Canadian LaSalle Club newsletter—first that their local machinist group mixed up a batch of the "home brew" and had equally good results, and second they noted that Liquid Wrench is almost as good as Kroil for a fifth of the price.

The Anchorage Club newsletter, Tinkering Times, also reported on the penetrating oil survey, as reported by our joint member Ted Kimsey. But Ted passed along additional wisdom from Don Frantz that "Whiskey works best on most of the old nuts I know—loosens'em up right away!"

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Saturday & Sunday May 25th & 26th (Memorial Day Weekend): Carlson Center Members Only VLNAACF Car Show.

JUNE

Every Saturday, starting June 1st until the end of the season, VLNAACF club members and anyone who drops by, will do "Cars and Coffee" at the coffee stand in the parking lot of Sadlers downtown from 8am –10 am

Saturday, June 1st: 10am Poker Run to the Monderosa for lunch

June 1st Afternoon: Pioneer Park Opening June 5th and every Wednesday Evening until Labor Day: Wednesday Night Run-Around—meet at Pioneer Park at 6:45; drive in at 7:00pm and tour to River's Edge at 8:00pm.

Saturday, June 8th: "Slo Poke" Run Sunday, June 9th: Rally & Picnic

Weekend of June 14th—16th: Joint Meet, Healy,

Alaska. We are hosts to the Anchorage Club

Saturday, June 22nd: Chena Hot Springs Poker run & Picnic

Monday, June 24th: Cruise Night to C&J's Saturday, June 29th—Saturday, July 5th ABD Tour to Dawson and Eagle

Saturday, June 29th: Hilltop Run

JULY

Thursday, July 4th (on your own) Parades in North Pole & Ester, etc.

Thursday, July 11th (after Membership Meeting): Cruise to Jorgenson's for Ice Cream

Saturday, July 13th: Scavenger Hunt

Sunday, July 14th: Rib Run to Salchaket Road-

house

Wednesday, July 17th: Golden Day's Kickoff at Pioneer Park (5—9pm)

Saturday, July 20th: Golden Day's Parade, Car Raffle Give-Away & Picnic

Tuesday, July 23rd: Cruise Night end at the A&W Saturday, July 27th: Poker Run to the Tri-5

AUGUST

Saturday, Aug 3rd: Pot Luck & Tour at Ester Mine Monday, August 5th: Cruise Night to Carls Jr. Thursday, August 8th: Club Membership Meeting at the Salmon Bake

Sunday, August 11th: Murphy Dome Run Tuesday, August 13th: Cruise Night end at the Gold Hill Caboose

> Saturday, August 17th: North Pole Rally Friday, August 23rd: Cruise to the Knotty Shop Sunday, August 25th: Monderosa Poker Run

SEPTEMBER

Saturday, Sept 7th: Breakfast Run to Hilltop Saturday, Sept 14th: Chatanika Roadhouse Run

All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism.

DUES NOTICE

At the March Board Meeting, a list of those not having paid their dues for 2013 will be presented, and by vote of the Board, those members not current on their dues will be dropped from the membership roster and will no longer receive a newsletter or other correspondence from the club.

2013 Adventure Before Dementia Tour Dates

Where: To Dawson City for their Canada Day celebration & Eagle for our Independence Day celebration.

<u>When:</u> Sat. June 29th through Sat. July 6th

Mark your calendar now and contact Scott Grundy for details regarding this fun and leisurely tour of two very historic communities! Call Scott Grundy at 457-3526 or email grundy@mosquitonet.com for info.

Anniversaries



12- Lambert & Marnie Hazelaar14- Charlie & Carrie Jurgens



Birthdays



- 6- Donna Culbertson Karmen Shoemaker
- 11- JoAnn Murphy
- 15- Rick Larrick
- 16- Mike Thomas
- 18- Will Chase
- 19- Leslie Yamamoto
- 20- Judy Weber
- 21- Roby McHone
- 25- Chuck Kirschner
- 28- Squeeky Benham Joyce Chace
- 30- John Middleton
- 31- Donna Krier

BORED NOTES FROM BOARD AND MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS IN FEBRUARY

- The Raffle Car work was planned.
 Seekins Ford, courtesy of member Al Haynes, will do body work and paint the car for the club this year. It should be ready by the Carlson Show. Ross Beal is following up on the work.
- John Binder has agreed to chair the Carlson Show for 2013, and a large portion of the Board Meeting was taken to discuss the show planning.
- Rochelle reported on the Planning Meeting and Events Calendar. She has had it posted on the Website since



1965 Ford Mustang Raffle Car

shortly after the meeting. The calendar was discussed at the Membership Meeting on Thursday as well.

- As of the Membership Meeting there were 26 memberships left unpaid for 2013. Telephone calls are planned.
- At the membership meeting, a motion was passed that would have charity recipients come to the Holiday Party to receive their check and speak to our group about their charity.



2013 JOINT MEET IN HEALY

Vernon L. Nash Antique Automobile Club to host The Antique Auto Mushers of Alaska

June 14, 15 & 16

Lodging Friday and Saturday at the Denali Park Hotel BBQ Friday evening at the Otto Lake Pavilion Car Games on Saturday Morning Saturday Afternoon:

A Private Tour of the Usibelli Coal Mining Operation! Awards Banquet at the Black Diamond Café, Saturday Evening

Mark your calendar and reserve a room at the Denali Park Hotel NOW to secure your desired bed configuration; payment is not due until you check-in & you may cancel with a four day notice! View the hotel website at www.denaliparkhotel.com; or email: stay@denaliparkhotel.com; or phone: 1-866-683-1800 or 1-907-683-1800. For a 10% room rate discount, either book online or identify yourself as a member of the car group. Questions? Contact Scott or Linda Grundy for details at 1-907-457-3526 or email grundy@mosquitonet.com.

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Schedule of Events

- Tuesday, Mar 12th BOARD MEETING: Meeting at 6:30pm at Sam's Sourdough, with dinner before.
- Thursday, Mar 14th— MEMBERSHIP MEETING at 7pm (Dinner B4) at The Bakery Restaurant.

Visit the Website Events Tab for the full year's calendar of events as kept up to date by Rochelle

March, 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 BOARD MEETING Sam's Sour- dough 6:30 pm	13	14 MEMBER MEETING The Bakery Restau- rant 7pm Mtg (dinner B4)	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28		

http://local.aaca.org/fairbanks/events.htm

President's Headlights - Scott Culbertson



Well, March is here and soon we will start our driving season. I encourage everyone to pick one of our events and agree to take the lead. We really do need more of our

membership to share in the running of our club. If you can't lead one of our events ask if you can lend a hand in something. I know that all of you aren't painfully shy.

Remember that on March 12th when the board

meets we will be saying goodbye to all unpaid memberships. Remember that our annual Carlson Center Show is our kickoff event and is a member's only show. So if you are

unsure of your membership status, you need to contact the membership chair, Rochelle Larson, 590-8593, or email her at rochelle1987@hotmail.com.

While we have published the summer events please don't think that they are written in stone. If there is something vou think would be a fun activity for the club, please contact a board member or bring your idea to one of our monthly meetings. We are always looking for new things to do and a reason to drive around.

> See Ya at the Meeting! Scott

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Swedish Studebakers!

Sam and Melody's Trip to the European Studebaker Meet

Melody and I have attended the International

Studebaker Meets in Europe four of the past five years. We have truly enjoyed meeting fellow Studebaker enthusiasts from many countries.

The Studebaker Clubs of Swe-



Sam and Melody with the oldest Studebaker

den, Netherlands, UK, France and Switzerland rotate the meets between countries each summer. This has given us an opportunity to visit a new host country each summer. One hundred guests are usually in attendance and 25-30 Studebakers.

Many of the club members attend the meets every year, so we have made friends. A committee plans the 5 day meet. A central hotel is selected and the attendees share meals and participate in daily run abouts to local museums, scenic sites and interesting historical buildings.

The first meet we attended was in Sweden in 2008. The meet was held in Vanersborg, Sweden on an Industrialist's estate. The historic pastel yellow home with surrounding servant quarters and spacious tree lined lawns offered a beautiful setting for displaying all the Studebakers.

Gunno, Swedish Club president, with his talented musical family lead the group in song before our first formal dinner and to Swedish tradition we all paired up and made a formal entrance into the dining hall.

In the morning Melody and I were able to travel in the oldest Studebaker in the meet, a 1922 convertible. We led the group and traveled the back country roads through fields of grain to Trollhatten. This was a highlight of the trip for me. We went to the Saab Museum.



Gunno makes a musical dinner call



At the Saab Museum

The following day we traveled in a 1937 Dictator Sedan to the Kings Summer Palace.

The small museum offered many interesting historical facts about the monarchy, the Vikings and the myths of

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1937 Studebaker Dictator

Sunshine Club

Tracy reports on cards sent

- to Theresa Chase, a getwell card for her knee surgery.
- to **Colleen Kimzey**, also a get-well card for her knee surgery
- To Beccy Monsma, a thinking of you card in her ongoing battle with cancer
- Valentines and candy were distributed at the Membership meeting
- Scott Grundy is recovering from knee surgery on 2/25 sure seems the fashion this season:-)

Tracy McLeod is the Sunshine Contact. Please give her a call or send her an e-mail if you know of a club member who could use a little "sunshine". Tracy can be reached at home: 456-7877. or by e-mail: tksplits@yahoo.com

Member Advertisements

For Sale: '51 Chevy. \$2500—needs total restoration— but looks all there.



Contact Bret Helms chelms@ptialaska.net

WANTED: A pair of cylinder heads for a Ford 351 Windsor. Must be 1969 or 1970 with C9 or D0 casting numbers. Call Rick Crisenbery (cell: 388-3191) or e-mail at crisenbery77@gmail.com



Member Ads are FREE to members—get your ad to the editor by the 20th for publication in the next newsletter

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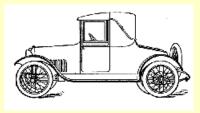
Whenever I feel blue, I start breathing again.

S.A.E. Car Spotter (circa 1917)

The Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) has been setting standards for the automobile industry and defining about everything to do with the automobile since being founded in 1905 as the Society of Automobile Engineers. In 1916 they defined body styles. The illustrations and definitions used here were taken from the book Gasoline Automobiles published by the International Library of Technology in 1917. So, in the beginning, this is what they were named:



Roadster, defined as an open car seating normally two or three people and it may have additional seats on the running boards or on the rear deck. For protection of the occupants it is fitted with a folding top, which, when folded down, as shown, is covered with a slip top cover.

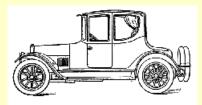


<u>Couplét</u>, is a roadster with a closed body; it is defined as a car seating two or three persons, with a folding top and full height doors with disappearing panels of glass. When the top is folded down the car is virtually a roadster (except for the door frames sticking up).

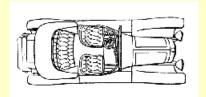


<u>Coupé</u>, is a car with a permanent closed body, and is defined as an inside-

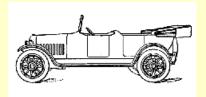
operated enclosed car seating two or three persons, with a seat facing backward for a fourth person sometimes added. The chief point of difference between the coupélet and coupé is that the former has a folding top while the latter has a permanent top.



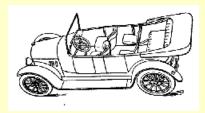
The **Convertible Coupé** is defined as a roadster with a detachable coupé top, which when detached leaves the car a roadster.



The <u>Clover Leaf</u> type of design is as an open car seating three or four persons, the rear seat being close to the divided front seat, entrance to the body only through doors forward of the front seat. Like other open cars, the clover-leaf type is equipped with a wind shield and folding top.



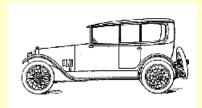
The <u>Touring Car</u> is defined as an open car seating four or more persons, having doors giving direct entrance to the *ton-neau* (the rear compartment of the body), and an undivided front seat. Touring cars are regularly equipped with a folding top and wind shield.



A <u>Salon Touring Car</u> is a touring car having divided front seats, that is, with a passage between them, and with our without a separate entrance to the front seats. Regular equipment includes a folding top and a wind shield.



A <u>Convertible Touring Car</u> is defined by the S.A.E. as a touring car having a folding top and disappearing or removable glass sides. (The term has also been applied largely to touring cars having a detachable top with glass sides, which was removable as a unit, and when removed, after replacing the regular folding top, left the car a regular touring car.)



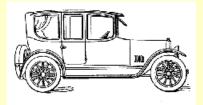
A <u>Sedan</u> is a closed car with a permanent top, seating four or more persons all in one compartment. This involves a passage between the front seats because as a general rule the sedan body has only two doors, with entrance to the front seats being through the passage between them. Glass sides are not removable..

The <u>Convertible Sedan</u> is a salon touring car fitted with a detachable sedan top.

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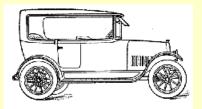
Have you noticed since everyone has a cell phone these days, no one talks about seeing UFOs like they used to?

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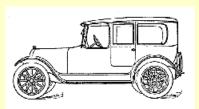


When the top is removed and the regular folding top substituted, the car is again a salon touring car. Just as with the sedan body, the glass sides are not removable.

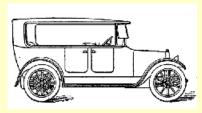
The **Open Sedan** is defined as a sedan



so constructed that the sides of the top can be removed or stowed away, thus leaving the space from the wind shield to the back entirely clear. The top itself is a permanent part of the body.



The <u>Limousine</u> is a closed car seating three or five in the rear compartment, with the driver's seat outside, covered only with a roof. The top and glass sides are permanent parts of the body, and there is a glass partition between the front and rear compartments.



The **Open Limousine**, one form of which is show above, is defined as a touring car fitten with a permanent top and disappearing or removable glass sides. It may or may not have a partition between the

driver and the passengers; the front seat is not divided.



The <u>Berline</u> is a limousine having the driver's seat entirely enclosed. The front seats are not divided, and separate doors give entrance to the front and rear compartments. The top is a permanent part of the body.



The <u>Landaulet</u> is defined as a closed car with a folding top, seats for three or more passengers inside, and the driver's seat outside. There is a roof over the driver's seat, and only the part of the top over the rear seats can be folded down.



The **Brougham** is a limousine with no roof over the driver's seat. Consequently the wind shield is the only protection of the driver. The top is a permanent part of the body.

Confused yet? I understand that Scott is preparing a test at the April Meeting, so you better study well. For practice you might go over to the Fountainhead Auto Museum and see if Willy and Nancy have all the early cars labeled right (be careful, just like today, car manufacturers played games with what they called their cars—sometimes just to make them appear to be something they aren't. (As a side note, even today the S.A.E. defines car body styles—so if you want to know the difference between, say, a SUV and a Crossover, check out the website!)

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Norse Mythology; Valhalla, Thor, Odin and the first humans Ask and Embla.

We spent several more weeks



On Tour- at an Industrialist's Lodge

in Europe. Traveling from Gothenborg by car ferry to Frederikshavn Denmark. Down the center to Copenhagen and on to Germany.

Our first European Studebaker meet was wonderful.



I'm asked why we travel to Europe for Studebaker Car Meets. Wasn't Studebaker an American Car?

Even in 1876 Studebaker exported wagons to the World and by the time automobiles became the means of travel, the Studebaker Export Corporation had established distributors and dealers in many markets.

Assembly and manufacturing plants were also built to increase speed and efficiency in supplying these markets.

Plants were located in the following countries, Cork- Ireland, Mexico City, Sao Paulo- Brazil, Malmo-Sweden, Copenhagen- Denmark, Uitenhage- South Africa, Brussels-Belgium, Alexandria- Egypt, Switzerland and Israel

For many years Studebaker was the number four car company in production in America.

- Sam Simmons

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NEXT MEETINGS

This month the membership meeting is at The Bakery on Thursday, March 14th. Meeting starts at 7pm; most members are there for dinner by 6pm.

The Board Meeting is at 6:30 PM at Sam's Sourdough Café on the Tuesday before the membership meeting. This month it is on Tuesday March 12th / Dinner is B4. Everyone is also welcome to attend.

