

Serving the exceptionally au courant Studebaker enthusiasts of Central Oklahoma

A Word From The President

Melvin McGee

From Mel McGee 30 Apr 2021 11:30 AM

How's everybody doing for the month of May? I'm hoping the terrible hail storms and tornados missed you and all are safe.

It appears things are looking up. My great grandson returned to school a couple of weeks ago, most restaurants are open and vaccinations are being done at a good pace. How much better can you expect? We should now be getting our Studes out, shining them up and cruising around town. Sounds great, doesn't it? But let's still "play it safe", stay masked up and keep good distancing, especially in large crowds. I'm sorry to say that in our club little has been going on for the last few months, but on April 17 the third Saturday of April, the City of Midwest City Convention & Visitors Bureau again sponsored their popular "Cruise-In-For-Coffee" at the Santa Fe Cattle Company Restaurant parking lot on 29th Street. It was a fairly good turnout, about seventy-five or eighty cars when a normal number is around two hundred, but those who did brave the weather nearly froze our fannies off. I spent a lot of the time sitting in my Hawk. Then the following week the Tri-City show was on. I had my Hawk all cleaned and polished ready to go but the weather wasn't cooperating and very misty out. I opted not to go. My windshield wipers guit working. Then, as I knew it would, the sun started to come out and it turned into nice day. By then, I felt it was a little late to go.

I talked to Pete and he still has Don's Dutch Girl out there working on it. After he finishes the front bushing, Don decided to put Pwr Steering on it. After Don does all this work it would be a lot easier to drive and enjoy. The problem will be that Pat will want to drive it now and Don will be out of luck.

The next meeting hasn't been posted yet, so keep an eye on your Email. The June picnic hasn't been discussed yet. I'm thinking the second 12 June, the second Saturday, but that is tentative. You will be advised by Email or a letter from Don for those not using computer.

Hope to see you at the next meeting!

Mel



Mel's '58 Hawk at Midwest City Cruise-In Saturday 17 April

You've got to know when to hold 'em, know when to fold 'em, know when to walk away, know when to run. *Kenny Rogers*



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Please call the editor if your Birthday and Anniversary are not listed here. DQS dqsuds@gmail.com

The Central Oklahoma Chapter of The Studebaker Drivers Club would like to give our sincere congratulations and encouragement to CARmichaelTjones (Mike Jones!) as he takes up a new and challenging position as Assistant Editor at "Turning Wheels" magazine, a publication we all enjoy and eagerly look forward to receiving. We want to assure Mike that he has a standing invitation to any of our club activities—club picnic, Christmas Lunch, The Halloween Party—well, not Halloween; we get a little too wild and crazy on that occasion.

We will include Mike in all other announcements of club activities, however, and always have a chair waiting and a place to park his Avanti.

I am the editor and chief cook and bottle washer and I approve this announcement...dgs





Note from editor: First club member to send in correct answer to "Guess Who?" wins free pass to next club meeting, and will be awarded privilege of sitting in front row, MASK still required, of course, to protect the guilty.

A Call TO:

LELAND LAWS, found Leland in his garden working tomatoes, getting ready to set more in. When asked if he delivered he declared "pick up on site only". Lucille has a doctor appointment for dealing with kidney problems and we do hope it is feeling soon better she is. Leland's '51 pickup is still in the barn, waiting to be claimed, though the check has been received and the title sent to the buyer. Leland is eager to spend the money (needs more 'maters). Maybe the buyer got side-tracked; lot of that going around.

Don Cox (see Don's report on pg 6)

JOE PARKS, who has not yet corrected the fuel pump problem on the '60 Hawk, has been experiencing some breathing problems but doing a lot better now with favorable reports from his cardiologist, his pulmonologist and his podiatrist, affirms that his grandson is going to be over soon to help with rebuilding that fuel pump and the Hawk will be soon seen on the road again. Joe has a very interesting history with his two tours of Viet Nam as a Marine, his 30 years with Dayton Tire, (smoking all that time, of course) and his very smart Chow/Golden Retreiver buddy. As we closed with Joe he was returning to the task of mopping the kitchen floor. Total Hygiene.

CLIFTON HILL, in the hospital emergency room with Betty, who had just experienced a bad fall, still suffering from the balance problem and scheduled now for more tests on what could be causing her difficulties. Clifton said the hail that so badly damaged Norman and that area missed them. They did take evasive measures by each taking a different car and heading north, then west, then south and arriving home to find all unscathed and still in the upright and locked position. We must ask the Gummint to put a stop to all this hail and tornado activity.

GEORGE GIBSON caught George finishing a rebuild on a customer's differential, says the business is doing well and he is encouraged by the steady number of jobs coming in and would appreciate the club sending business his way. When asked about frontend work George informed that he has long recommended <u>Terry's & Sons</u> at 228 SE 59th(59th & Shields) 405-631-1492, a company with a history of successful front -end alignment on collector/enthusiast's autos. We din't know that.



JOHN HARRIS, one of the many people in this club with which we enjoy such interesting conversation, is experiencing challenge from the wiring on his '51 Land Cruiser. Ten days work on the '51 would surely see it on the road,

but to allot ten days to one task is a challenge for anyone as talented, capable and busy as John Harris. Accomplishing the "to do" lists from his equally capable and talented wife, Connie, is enough to keep two men busy, she being one of the eight creators of and directors of "An Affair Of The Heart", an institution with which we are all certainly familiar.

As much as John loves his Studebaker, his powerful '65 Falcon and his beautiful and talented wife (not necessarily in that order of priority) he still loves practicing his woodworking skills, now limiting most of his art to the lathe, not much Furniture-making these days.



Ask John which is Connie??

Peter Rodrigues said he would have to call back. Working on Don's Starliner, he was experiencing such pleasure in the task he was taking more pictures and making out an order for more JB Weld and couldn't find his gloves and ... well, he said he would call back.

*Note: The opportunity to purchase some of these items may have been lost as they have been listed for a while and The One In Power never tells me if they've sold.

FOR SALE

1962 STUDEBAKER GT HAWK.

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NEEDS RESTORATION, ASKING

\$2,519.62

CALL ROBERT AT (405) 464-4166

For Sale

Studebaker pickup -

Chevrolet V8, Auto Transmission, A/C, Rack-and-pinion Power Steering and Power Disc Brakes

CONTACT Ken Sumwalt 405-420-3500



STUDEBAKER MEMORABILIA SALE (and other old car stuff)

AS A 32 YEAR MEMBER OF SDC, IT IS TIME TO LET GO OF MY TREASURES.

I AM HAVING A TIMED ONLINE AUCTION AS ADVERTIZED IN MAY 2021 TURNING WHEELS, STARTING MAY 17, 2021 THROUGH MAY 29, 2021, OF OVER FIVE HUNDRED ITEMS -DOZENS OF UNIQUE DIECAST CARS, KEYCHAINS, DECALS, T-SHIRTS, GOLF SHIRTS, CLUB JACKETS, MUGS, DOZENS OF FRAMED OR COVERED WALL ART, FACTORY PHOTOS AND NEWS RELEASES, HAWK GRILL, 20s RADIATOR SHELL, WINTER FRONT FOR 37 DICTATOR, BOOKS, LENSES, LICENSE PLATES, TIN SIGNS, SOME OTHER OLD CAR STUFF AND MORE.

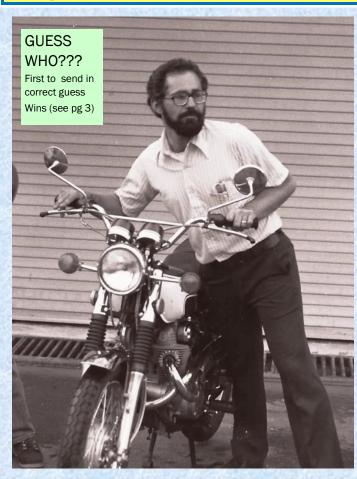
GO TO <u>WWW.KAUCTIONS.CA</u> TO REGISTER TO BID STARTING MAY 17 AND KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR BID UNTIL MAY 29.

GOOD LUCK ON BIDDING NO RE-SERVES PRICES IN CANADIAN \$\$\$IT ALL HAS TO GO!!!SHIPS WORLDWIDE AT DISCOUNTED RATES

Barry's Unreserved Timed AUCTIONS



Stude Flyer May-Jun 2021



MORE UPCOMING AUTOMOTIVE EVENTS

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Glenn Masopust Progresses With The '55 President







Glenn reports: I'm still working on thread repair on the rear axles. Damage was created before I took possession. Very tedious due to having to use a thread file. Split die won't work across the keyway. I have all the parts for the brakes and have the new steel lines for the rear shaped and ready to go. New front wheel bearings are also on the menu. I will have to remove the "Dad installed" A/C. I refuse to cut the fan shroud I have, and would welcome affordable suggestions for bead-blasting and painting that. Further work is on hold until I move from current residence to the house where the Stude resides. Once the move is accomplished, I can get serious on the '55. It breaks my heart to have to put my baby on hold. But having my eldest Granddaughter and family only 4 blocks away....worth the wait!Glenn

From Don Cox, South Central Zone Coordinator

A call to Don Cox on Tuesday 27 April, for a report on how plans for La Palma 2021 were progressing, found Don still in Oklahoma getting a trailer prepared to leave early in the first week of May for Anaheim. When asked about The Pacific Zone Meet 2021 Don expressed frustration, yet excitement as well. Frustration and concern because the City of Anaheim has not yet decided to allow such a large gathering, thus the planned dates cannot be announced as definite. Excited and eager to "get on with it" because of the tremendous positive feedback from club members across a broad spectrum of the Studebaker World.

Don reminded us, "This club, this country, is so eager to get out, meet, greet and do something! Disneyland has opened again, a few popular events are going forward with plans, but Anaheim remains uncertain as to how to proceed. If the calls and the feedback we are experiencing from so many in the club from so many areas is any indication, this might be a La Palma zone meet with the greatest attendance ever!"

Don said so many have exclaimed, "If it's open, I'm going to be there!"

Planning to attend a local club meeting soon after arriving, sharing as much information as possible, Don mentioned they have already talked about making their own trophies, awarding some special presentations and staging some special events, making the meet exciting and enjoyable and well-appreciated as well as "well-attended".

Let's hope that the Anaheim Town Council makes a favorable decision and we can get ready to enjoy some great Studebaker cars and people as La Palma presents the 2021 Pacific Zone Meet!



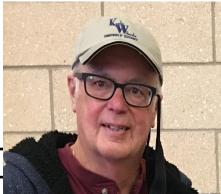
From the desk of Mike Jones "Turning Wheels Magizine"

Hello, Studebaker enthusiasts of Central Oklahoma. My name is Mike Jones and in January of this year I became the Assistant Editor of your *Turning Wheels* magazine. I had the great pleasure of meeting two of your club members in Oklahoma City during the visit of the GM Futurliner. I met with Peter Rodriguez and Donald Sutherland where we were able to spend a few minutes talking about Studebakers and my new position.

So far my main effort has been trying to obtain new advertising for *Turning Wheels*. Eventually I believe I will be taking care of all display advertising. Presently the Editor Ann Turner has that responsibly. She is an incredibly hard working person with a lot of responsibility in producing such a fine magazine. I have been assisting Jeff Rice with his series of articles on engine building competition. Providing a large amount of goodwill was something I was not expecting. I am receiving many emails and calls from Studebaker folks looking for direction on information or just wanting to talk.

I have to say how important it is to support our advertisers. Their ads keep the costs down on producing such a quality club magazine. We have a couple of companies advertising that provide electrical wiring products. YNZ Yesterday Parts joined us last month, they offer quality wiring harnesses. I used them a few years ago on a 1940 Packard 180 restoration. Made wiring pretty easy. The Bradford Exchange offers a nice quality Avanti diecast model this month.

Use the Studebaker Drivers Club Forum. It's a great place to get together with members. It offers great opportunities to share your loved Studebakers, sell parts and find parts, ask for help and offer help. I believe with more than 9,000 members of the Studebaker Drivers Club it is very much underutilized.



My own Studebaker is a 1964 Studebaker Avanti R2. Proud to say it is a multi Concours award winning car. My wife and I live in Fort Worth. I hope to make a future meeting or event of the Central Oklahoma Chapter in the future. Wish you all a good year.

Mike

Please note: Progress of The Hall's Journey is reported fully in the e-mailed version of "The Flyer". The only information we have at this time is from the agency searching for Jimmy Hoffa's remains. They think they may have seen Charles while searching this Borax Wagon in Death Valley. <u>Editor</u>



Peter Rodrigues (AKA "Studie Pete") Accepts The Impossible Mission:



Studie Pete, after a visit from one of the local Dons and accepting an offer he couldn't refuse, is seen here honing the master cylinder on a 1954 Starliner Commander. His beautiful, clean, sanitary place of business will never be the same, but he doesn't know that now as he commences on April 5, 2021 the task of replacing outer bushings on front suspension, all four wheel cylinders, brake lines, grease seals and rebuilding the master cylinder and hill-holder on Don Sutherland's '54.

After removing 7.5 tons of grease and dirt and sand and undercoating, the actual work was begun and the noise level raised considerably as the work began.

Photo below shows a greasy, gritty messy mass of metal. The underside had to be cleaned enough to expose the location of the mounting bolts. Serious cleaning started after all the pieces were removed, Most pieces were painted after cleaning and before installing new washers, bolts, bushings, pins, etc.



Still on the frame, some of the crud scraped away.



Partially cleaned and identifiable Below, all downhill from here!



Cleaned and ready for new parts from rebuild kits.







1954 Studebaker Wheel Alignment Procedure

Alignment is changed through the back Upper Outer Suspension Bushing Cap (Trunion).





- 1] Remove grease fitting
- 2] Insert 1/4 " Allen wrench
- 3] Loosen trunnion locking nut—9/16" wrenches
- 4] Rotating the allen wrenches moves the top of the spindle forward or backward, (changes caster)
- **5]** Rotating the Allen wrenches also moves the spindle in or out (changes camber?)





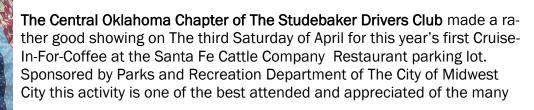


On he Road Again



Cold Saturday Morning April 17 Finds many Car Enthusiasts Welcoming Return Of MWC Cruise-In-For-Coffee

Studie Pete stays warm at MWC Cruise-In under the very nice quilt Kathy made for him.



Saturday events offered in the Oklahoma City area. Normally, somewhere close to 200 cars are presented and although a cold, bitter wind prevailed, enough cars and people showed to make it worth the time and effort to be there and visit with many we hadn't seen for some time, this being one of the earlier events since the sea-

Roland Walters shares the joy of his new Corvette.



son's closing last year. The editor's estimate would be about 75 or 80 were on display and most left around 9:30 rather than the usual 10:30 or 11:00.

Dr. Roland Walters arrived in his brand new Corvette. On order For a year, it finally arrived in February of this year and he states that he and his wife have very much enjoyed driving the car. They find it very pleasant ride in town or on the freeway.

Mike Scott, appearing in public for the first in a long time (as for Club appearances) showed up with a "new" '55 Chevy, having given it a "wrap" making it a two-tone paint job. Looks really great. GoOd to visit with Mike again.









Mel's '58 Hawk, on the left, and
Leland's '74 Avanti on the right,
made a nice display for the Club.
Leland, of course, was the first to arrive
on the scene, choosing the best spot fr
the Club to position their vehicles.
Next page see mor of the club's cars.



Elmer Davis drove his special, the highly-modified, really beautiful 1953 Starlight coupe.

Chevy V8 engine

Tubular frame, and more.

And below,

Peter Rodrigues shows his favorite car, "Stude 1",another modified Starlight coupe.



On the right we see Ken Sumwalt and Clifton Hill trying to keep the cold wind off Studie Pete at the Cruise-In





Ken Sumwalt's

beautiful 1950 Studebaker pickup, here on display at the MWC Cruise-In-For-Coffee, is

FOR SALE

350 cu crate engine Automatic trans A/C and Heat Power Steering \$25,000. Call Ken Sumwalt 405-420-3500

UPCOMING EVENTS Suggested by Tour Master Studie Pete

Editor late in getting "The Flyer" online' So Sorry! dqs ALSO: Most of the Underlined event titles open a link to their site when "clicked"; don'forget to try them. dqs

May 5, 6, 7, 8, 2021 Chickasha Spring **Swap Meet**

The Chickasha Spring Auto Swap Meet is held on 40 acres just east of the Grady County Fairgrounds, Over 1,500 vendors will offer visitors auto-related items for all makes and models

Chickasha Antique Auto Club Telephone 405-224-OKLAChickasha

May 7 & 8, 2021 CANCELLED Northeast Oklahoma SDC Zone Meet CANCELLED

- 47th Annual Spring Meet at the Crowne Plaza Southern Hills, 7902 S Lewis Ave, Tulsa, OK 74136 (918) 492-5000

** May 16, Cruise in for Coffee, Sat, 8 - 11 AM -

Santa Fe Cattle Co., 7101 SE 29th St. Midwest City, OK

Budweiser's Custom Cars Super Show Tour May 16, 2021 - OKC

See pristine custom builds when Budweiser's Custom Cars Supershow stops at the Oklahoma State Fair Park. Indoor show inside the Oklahoma Expo Hall will feature over 100 categories, including lowriders, classics, imports and much more. Stick around to see if your favorite cars win cash prizes during this car show in OKC

Location - Oklahoma Expo Hall, 3213 Wichita Walk, Oklahoma City, OK 73107

Phone: 405-948-6700

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at the Santa Fe Cattle Co., 7101 SE 29th St. Midwest City,

June 21, 2021 The Great Race Stop 12

noon Heart of Route 66 Auto Museum

13 Sahoma Lake Road, Sapulpa, OK Website: https://www.heartofroute66.org/

> The Great Race Info Website: https://www.greatrace.com/route

June ??, 2021

Shawnee, OK - The Knights Auto Club 35th Annual Car Show

The Knights Auto Club of Shawnee OK is very proud to announce their 35th annual car show in beautiful Boy Scout Park, 1400 East Main (corner of East Main and Pesotum streets), Shawnee OK. Registration received before 20 June \$15, day of show is \$20. Show registration will be 8-11 am, voting 11 am to 1 pm, awards will begin at approx. 3 pm. For additional info contact Bud 405-306-0160, Randy & Lisa 405-275-0241, you can also check us out on Facebook: Knights Auto Club of Shawnee OK.

July 4 City of Choctaw Car Show 10am–2pm Choctaw Creek Park, Harper Street, Choctaw,

> All makes and model car show. "Best of" awards given away! Food Trucks, Bounce houses, Cornhole, Fireworks at dusk. More information will be added soon! Hosted by Vintage Speedwerks

July 9, 10, 11th, 2021 Southwest Street Rod Nationals State Fair Park OKCOklahoma County Fair Grounds, OKC, OK

Website: http://www.nsra-usa.com Phone: 901-452-4030

Jul 18,_Cruise in for Coffee, Sat, 8 - 11 AM -

Midwest City hosts a Cruise in for Coffee.Santa Fe Cattle Co., 7101 SE 29th St. Midwest City, OK

July 25 - 9th Annual Food & Shelter Car Show 8am-3pm

Andrew's Park 201 West Daws, Norman, OK Registration: 8am-12pm;

Entry Fee: \$20 Mail: Floyd Yates, 1615 Canterbury Street, Norman, OK 73069

30 Classes 1st 2nd in Each Class + Best of Shows, 5 Ball Judging, 50 / 50 Pot, Door Prizes, Dash Plaque to the first 50

Website: www.canadianrivercruisers.com

Email: rlan228732@aol.com; crccarclub@aol.com

Phone: Floyd 405 596 0692 or Ray 405 343 5934

August 7, 2021 Kingfisher Cool Cars and Crazy Days Saturday

320 N Main St Kingfisher, OK

Aug 21, 2021 Cruise in for Coffee, Sat, 8 – 11 AM - Midwest City hosts a Cruise in for Coffee.

Santa Fe Cattle Co., 7101 SE 29th St.

Sept. 8-11 2021 The 57th annual SDC International Meet, Indianapolis Indiana. International Meet Marion County Fairgrounds; encompassing 144 acres with several buildings that will be utilized. Camping with full hook up is available on the grounds as well as free car trailer parking. The entire facility is secured by fencing. From the fairgrounds our chosen hotels are a short 10-minute drive on rural roads. The hotels were chosen by a three-point criteria, safety, cleanliness and price. http://sdcmeet.com/

Sep 18, 2021 Cruise in for Coffee, Sat, 8 – 11 AM -

Third Saturday <u>Cruise in for Coffee</u>. Santa Fe Cattle Co., 7101 SE 29th St

Oct 14, 15, 16, 2021 Chickasha Fall Auto Swap Meet

712 E Choctaw Ave., Chickasha, OK 73018

Find almost anything auto-related at the Chickasha Fall Auto Swap Meet. Held on 40 acres just east of

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October 16, 2021 Fall Foliage Car Show, Robbers Cave Fall Festival - Hwy 2 just 5 miles north of Hwy 270, Robbers Cave State Park, Wilburton, OK 74578

This will be our 34th year for the festival and this will likely be our best ever. There are around 65 to 70 thousand people annually who visit over the three days of the event. The largest day is Saturday, when we are joined by the Fall Foliage Cruise which hosts between 450 and 500 pre-1986 cars, some restored and some customized.

Oct 21, 2021 - Oct 23, 2021 Norman Swap Meet Cleveland County Fairgrounds Norman, OK 73071

Come to the 2021 Norman Swap Meet to buy and sell parts for cars, trucks, street rods and more

OCT 23, 2021 Wewoka Sorghum Day Car Show - Wewoka
Wewoka Sorghum Day Car Show is held during the Wewoka Sorghum
Day Festival, featuring seven city blocks of Arts, Crafts, Food, Fun,
Games, Native American Exhibits

NOV 6, 2021 Kool Kars in Kingfisher - Kingfisher

Car Show and Annual Craft and Gift Show. Over 150 great cars were here last year and we hope to have more this year. Great Food, Good Music and the be ... more »

Other Plans!!

Route 66 EAST Tour

Studebaker Club "Shop Tour" Tom Douglass - Caruseum in Edmond

13800 Santa Fe Crossing Dr, Edmond, OK 73013

Aln Interesting Article On The InternetAbout An Old Ford Truck

Built by Ford in the 60s, moth-balled, discovered, found and restored and hidden again, this link , Ford's Big Red , will take you to a very interesting story indeed. Let us know if you've read of this before, and if you believe it or not.

Clifton probably owned it at one time. We must also get the full story of Clifton's Glasspar Ascot before you for a good read.



The Halls' Journey Continues

Panorama of the lake looking from Incline Village SSE

It has been quite a few days since our last communique. I apologize for the lag and hope to do better. During our stay at the Avenue of the Giants (California Redwoods near Eureka, CA), our internet service was zero except for that provided by the park and for which we paid. We limited comms during that time and only communicated when leaving the confines of the area and were in town. That turned out to be a regular even (leaving the confines), but as the designated driver I had little time to communicate.

The area was beautiful. We went to the furthest west area of the contiguous US, saw black sand beaches, observed seals sunning themselves, saw rocky beaches, traveled for miles on twisty winding roads, took a wrong turn and ended up on a 1 lane dirt road where we drove for 5 miles at about 10 miles an hour on very steep exciting mountain roads, and more.

Upon leaving that area, we headed north up to Klamath, CA. It is where the Klamath river dumps into the pacific. There we stayed at a dead zone RV park near tribal lands. We ventured out and saw seals and hoped to see their pups but did not. This is the time of year when they are giving birth and that area is known for it. We then headed to our current location, Valley of the Rogue, OR between Grants Pass and Medford. The trip here was up the Pacific Coast Highway and then across US 199. The PCH had a land-slide/washout about 18 months ago and it was closed for many months. They anticipated opening it fully earlier this year when another slide took it out. We traversed the one lane dirt area after about a 30 minute wait and moved northward (it worried Sue some as it wasn't real wide and it was pretty rough. We got to 199 and it had a sign recommending trucks longer than 30' pin to rear axles. Our rig is only about 20' so we proceeded. There were some tight turns and those forced me to be aware of my trailer tires on the inside of the turns. But, we made it through without incident.

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Trivia: the redwood trees do not have taproots. Their root system is fairly small and near the surface. As they grow, they correct any lean they have by growing limbs on the side that needs more weight. Once in a while, you'll find one that had developed a heavy lean and it will have a limb the size of a tree sticking out to the side needed to right the tree.

I am hoping you, Pat, and everyone you know are all doing well. I am betting it has been long enough that even with all the travel you and Pete have finished work on the Girl and she is back roaming the country-side. I've observed the WX on occasion and have seen you folks have not had the nicest of springs. I do hope you made out OK with it.

COVID here is a problem as it was in CA (blue states - duh!). Friday they will reinstate some of the lock downs they had in place and many restaurants will close. At the same time, mask orders change allowing people to not wear masks if vaccinated and in non-crowded locations. I really don't think gov't has a clue on how to manage this pandemic/issue.

We'll be here a week (departing on Monday - I think) for a location closer to Crater Lake. The stay there will be short as it is expensive but will give us time to drive up the mountain and view the crater. My memories of the watercolor in the lake are a rim of light color rapidly turning black as you move from shore to the center due to the depth. I remember a sign in 1970 that said they had not been successful in measuring the



Pete Yuen's "Odds-'n' fndsfrom March

Priorities In Life—

This item taken from the "Gulf Coast Cruiser". Thanks to Mary Baumgarten, Editor

Well, once upon a time, seems like only yesterday, maybe it was yesterday; a friend bought a good used 1950 Studebaker Commander four door. Mr. Odie was very proud of his new purchase and drove over to Uncle Dorsey to take him for a ride. They drove over to Liberty Center, a small and peaceful town. While there they hit a large chuck hole and knocked the muffler nearly off. It was loud but they kept on going. As they drove around, because of a new noise ordinance, they were stopped by Officer Willis and since they looked like strangers, he asked them for some ID. They soon realized that they had left home in such a hurry there was no ID on either one of them, so off to jail they went. The town clerk looked at them strangely and with no ID said, "You have one phone call." Some 40 minutes later a young man came asking about Mr. Odie and Uncle Dorsey. The clerk said, "You don't look like a lawyer to me." "Oh no sir, the men called me to bring them a pizza with everything on it."

Apolitical Aphorisms

*If God wanted us to vote, he would have given us candidates. ~Jay Leno

*The problem with political jokes is they get elected. ~Henry Cate, VII~

- We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office. ~Aesop~
- If we got one-tenth of what was promised to us in these Election speeches, there wouldn't be any inducement to go to heaven. ~Will Rogers~
- When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become Prime Minister or President, I'm beginning to believe it. ~Clarence Darrow~
- Why pay money to have your family tree traced; go into politics and your opponents will do it for you.
 ~Author unknown~
- Politicians are people who, when they see light at the end of the tunnel, they go out and buy some more tunnel. ~John Quinton~
- Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich, by promising to protect each from the other. ~Oscar Ameringer~
- I offer my opponents a bargain: If they will stop telling lies about us, I will stop telling the truth about them.
 ~Adlai Stevenson, campaign speech, 1952~
- politician is a fellow who will lay down your life for his country. ~ Tex Guinan~
- I have come to the conclusion that politics is too serious a matter to be left to the politicians. ~Charles de Gaulle~
- Instead of giving a politician the keys to the city, It might be better to change the locks. —Doug Larson

Pete Yuen's "Odds-'n' fndsfrom May

It's Elementary, Or is it?

The famed Scotland Yard detective, Sherlock Holmes and his friend, Doctor Watson went on a camping trip. After a good meal and a bottle of wine, they laid down in a tent and went to sleep. Some hours later, Holmes awoke and nudged his faithful friend. Watson, "Look up at the sky and tell me what you see," he said. Watson replied, "I see millions of stars."

Holmes queried, "What does that tell you?" – Watson pondered for a minute — Astronomically, it tells me that there are millions and millions of galaxies and potentially, millions and millions of planets. Astrologically, I observed that it is in Leo. Horologically, I deduce that the time is approximately a quarter past three. Theologically, I can see that God is all powerful and that we are small and insignificant. Meteorically, I suspect that we have a beautiful day tomorrow. What does it tell you"?

Holmes was silent for a minute, then he shook his head and spoke, ---- "Watson, you idiot, ---

SOME WAG HAS STOLEN OUR TENT."

Too much oil can cause windage (In a car, that is—)

Windage is defined as: 1 – The disturbance of air around a moving object - 2 – Deflection of a projectile caused by wind – 3- The part of a ship exposed to wind. These definitions are in the Webster's Dictionary. What is not in the dictionary is when the word is used pertaining to a car.

Windage is a term used when excess amount of oil in the motor crankcase is whipped into a froth even though anti-foaming agents have been put into the oil at the time of refining and blending). The spinning crankshaft whips the oil into a froth and the lubricating effectiveness is severely reduced to a point that it would have a similar effect as in not having oil in the system. Due to improper lubrication, the motor will be damaged, albeit that will happen over time. You do not want this to happen. The amount of oil that you put into the motor is specified by the car manufacturer. Do not exceed the amount that is specified or your motor could seize up as a result.

If your car is taken to a garage or a lube shop, be sure to check the oil level on the dipstick before leaving the shop. If the dipstick show excess, don't let the mechanic tell you that it does not matter. To him, it doesn't matter as it is not his car. Have the shop remove the excess oil and protect your investment.

- *- "If you can share with the people who've been good to you, do it." Judge Judy
- *- "Never put off until tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow." Mark Twain
- * "Always remember that you are unique just like everybody else." Unknown
- * "Nothing is impossible, the word itself says "I'm possible!" Audrey Hepburn
- * "The difference between stupidity and genius is that genius has its limits."?
- * "A smile is a curve that sets everything straight." Phyllis Diller
- * "A day without laughter is a day wasted." Charlie Chaplin
- * "Worrying is like paying a debt that you do not owe." Mark Twain



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