



# DIXIE VALVE CHATTER

Official Publication of the Dixie Chapter of the Buick Club of America

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**April 2017**

## **A word from our Director:**

Our meeting in April should be a fun one because we are not having a business meeting! Instead we are having an outing at McIntosh Performance in Cumming. We will start with lunch at Marlow's Tavern and they open at 11:30. Lunch will be on your own and we will be together on their patio weather permitting. Then we will head out to McIntosh Performance and David is expecting us approximately 1 PM. David is excited that we will be touring his machine shop. David has always been a Buick Fan and I won't say how long ago but he raced at Road Atlanta in a Corvair, powered by a 430 cubic inch Buick engine. He currently is building a Buick engine to run in his son's race car. This engine will be putting out approximately 1000 horse power. David builds some really great engines and is a fascinating individual to talk to. He is planning on running an engine on his dyno for us and with a little luck it might be JD Westfall's engine from his 1967 Wildcat. Directions to both Marlow's Tavern and McIntosh performance are in this newsletter. I have a request to make of all the men of the Dixie Chapter. This "Outing" is going to a great guy thing but guys, lets come up with another outing that we will like but will also attract the ladies of our Chapter. I hope to see everyone next month.

Don

## **Editorial Comment:**

Greetings,

My name is Tom Lynde and I have recently been tapped as editor of the Dixie Chapter newsletter. For those whom I have not met, I have been involved with the Dixie Chapter for about five years. My professional background is in broadcasting, journalism, and education. I am passionate about the old car hobby and I enjoy collecting automobilia and maintaining my 1989 Buick Electra. My wife Tammy is a school teacher and we have three adult children and a bloodhound named Daisy

I know I have quite an act to follow as Jerry, Mike, Tria, Cliff and others before have all done a great job in producing a quality newsletter, likely one of the best out there from a club our size. Please feel free to contribute your member news, events, and want ads. And I am always open to considering ways to improve what we have; this is the Dixie Chapter's voice and its link between members. Let's communicate!

Happy Buicking,

Tom



## New Members

Please welcome our newest members to the Dixie Chapter, **Dave & Kerri Dunton** of Lawrenceville and their 1931 Sport Coupe (66-S) 2 Door

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## The Timing Chain

**April 8, 2017:** Regular monthly meeting – at McIntosh Performance Motors in Cumming.

**May 6, 2017:** BOP&C. all the details can be found online [HERE](#).

**June 3-4, 2017:** Over-nighter. See page 7 for details.

**July 3, 2017:** BOP&C Night at Summit in McDonough.

**July 5-8, 2017:** The 2017 BCA National will be held in Brookfield, WI.

See Bruce and Shari Kile for information on the after-tour

**October 18-22, 2017:** The 2017 BCA Southeastern Regional will be hosted by the Bama Chapter and will be based in Anniston, AL. Details to follow as they become available.

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## Directions to McIntosh Performance and Marlow's Tavern

Our April meeting will be at McIntosh Performance Automotive on Saturday, April 8th at 1 PM.

McIntosh Performance Automotive  
5114 Performance Drive  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Ph 678-513-4500

We will have lunch at Marlow's Tavern at 11:30 AM.

Marlow's Tavern  
The Collection @ Forsythe Shopping Center  
410 Peachtree Parkway  
Cumming, GA 30041  
Ph 770-886-3020

Directions to Marlow's:

Exit GA 400 at Exit 13. Turn right (east) on Peachtree Parkway.  
1/4 mile, turn into first shopping center entrance. You will see AMC Theatres on your right.  
Marlow's Tavern is just across the street from AMC Theatres.

Directions to McIntosh Performance:

At the Collection @ Forsythe Shopping Center, go to the main entrance so you can turn left on Peachtree Parkway.  
Go across GA 400 and turn right (north) on Atlanta Highway (Route 9)  
Go north 1/2 mile and turn left onto Piney Grove road. Ford Dealer is on the right.  
Left 200 yards onto Performance Drive. McIntosh Performance is first business on right. You will see enclosed car carrier trailer out front.



## Cars of the Month:

Every month we will include at least a picture or two of member's cars, usually as seen at recent meetings, tours or events.

Try to be an active member, be sure to drive your "pride and joy", and then look for your picture in the next issue of the *Dixie Valve Chatter!*



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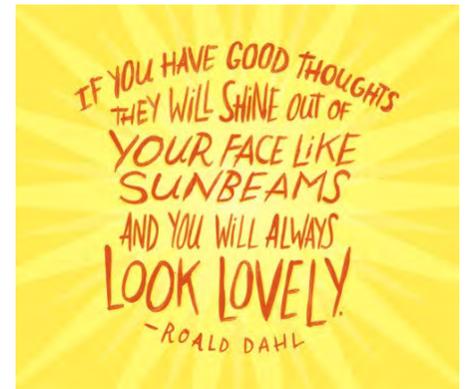
## Member "News": No "News" this month. ☹

**NOTE:** If you know of members winning awards or touring to interesting places, or have an idea for an article of interest to our members, please let **Tom Lynde** know at least two weeks before the end of the month to enable inclusion in the next *Dixie Valve Chatter*.

## From the "Sunshine Committee":

A get well card was sent to Cliff Dillingham. He is fighting an infection with I.V. antibiotics. Although he did spend some time at the hospital he is at home and improving. He has at least another 5 weeks of the antibiotics ahead of him.

If you know of a member who is ill, injured, recovering, or just in need of a special thought and bit of hope sent their way, please let **Jean Richstein** know about them as soon as possible. She is making certain that cards and well wishes are sent from the Dixie Chapter BCA. To enable Jean to share the Club's thoughts and concerns in a timely manner, please be sure to keep her well informed. [grayfoxconsulting@gmail.com](mailto:grayfoxconsulting@gmail.com)



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## CLUB SALES:

The club "store" is now open for business at all business meetings. Some of the items available are cloth BCA jacket patches, static cling BCA window decals, keepsake ornaments (featuring various **Buick** models), and **Buick** playing cards.

Call **Bruce Kile** for pricing or questions (770) 977-7924



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## Need AC Delco parts? If you are in the need of genuine

ACDelco parts such as batteries (including 6 volt) ignition parts etc., at discount pricing. We have established a "cash account" with Johnson Industries in

Atlanta aka "J. I. Parts Express" <https://www.teamji.com/home/prodServ.htm>. Simply phone the call center at (770) 448-3896 and tell them that you are with the Buick Club account #47225, and place your order. You will also need to tell them which of the 8 distribution warehouses you would like to pick it up & pay at. Distribution centers are in Woodstock, Marietta, Norcross, Emery, Snellville, Turner Field, Roswell, & Columbus. **A "cash account" does include Visa/MasterCard.** If you have any questions call **Bruce Kile** (770) 977-7924.



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## Car Quiz

Can you name the year and model car used as the ghost car in the 1937 Cary Grant film "Topper"? Answer on page 6.



## Deals on Wheels:

**1956 Century Riviera Sedan:** Have all parts missing in picture. In family (1 owner) and kept under cover most of life. It's been off the street since 1979. Does run & move, 28,000 miles. Asking \$10,000. Contact Bob Wilson for more pictures and info. 770-928-8885 or 404-580-6613.



**Buick Wheels for Sale:** 14" x 6" GM stock for 1964-1972 A bodies, 15" x 7" GM stock for 1998-2004 Century, 14" x 6" Buick chrome road wheels JK and JJ bead type, 1968-1982. All wheels \$15.00 each.

Call Lee Hurdelbrink 404-702-3350 or email [atlantaBLH@aol.com](mailto:atlantaBLH@aol.com) for specs or additional pictures.



**1969 Electra Convertible:** Full Power & Cold A/C, 92K (believed) original well maintained miles, runs & drives like new. Health issues force the sale of this great tour or show car. It is being offered to Dixie Chapter members first for \$15,000



obo. Contact Don McClair (770)271-2759 [ridge271@att.net](mailto:ridge271@att.net) or Bruce Kile (770)977-7924 [sbkile58@aol.com](mailto:sbkile58@aol.com) for more pictures and information.

**1986 Century Custom Sedan:** This 1986 Century Custom has been immaculately maintained. Less than 35k miles! Originally owned by my uncle who purchased it brand-new and passed away a few months ago. This car looks and drives as if it came off the show room floor. Never been in an accident was garage kept. Looks & drives great, new tires, Non-smoker, one owner, until I brought it to Georgia, Seats like new, and Title in hand, very clean interior. This car is in perfect

condition and must be seen to truly appreciate the beauty! The only issue with the car at all is that it needs an air conditioner compressor clutch for the AC to work. Asking \$4,000 or best offer. Contact Barbara Price for more info. 678-508-2878 [bprice4006@yahoo.com](mailto:bprice4006@yahoo.com)



## Do you have a Buick or “car stuff” for sale?

All Dixie Chapter members can advertise “For Sale” cars, parts, and car related “stuff” for up to 6 months, or longer if space permits.

In addition, non-members can advertise their cars and parts for up to 3 months, space permitting, if they have items that may be of interest to our members. This is as a courtesy to the sellers, and as a service for our members.

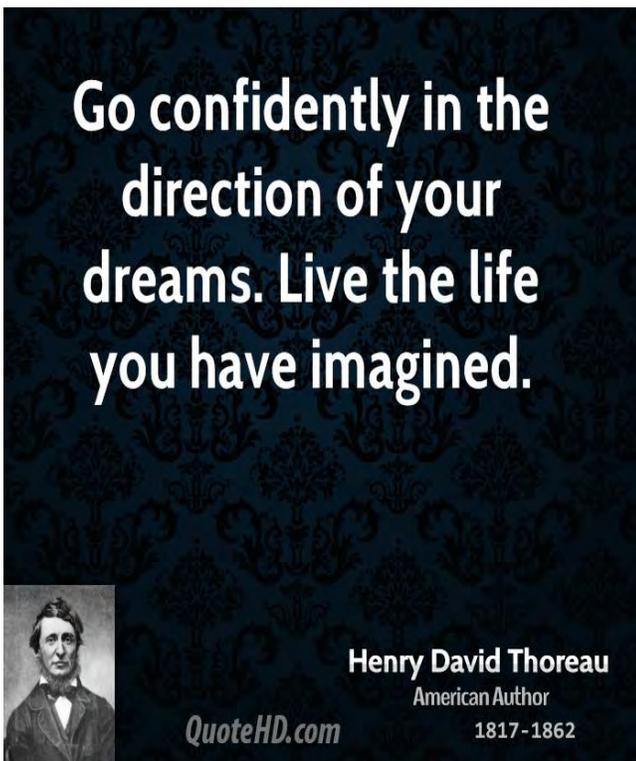
Please send your ads to **Tom** at least one week before the end of the month to ensure that your ad is included in the next **Dixie Valve Chatter**.

## Do you need replacement wheels or hubcaps?

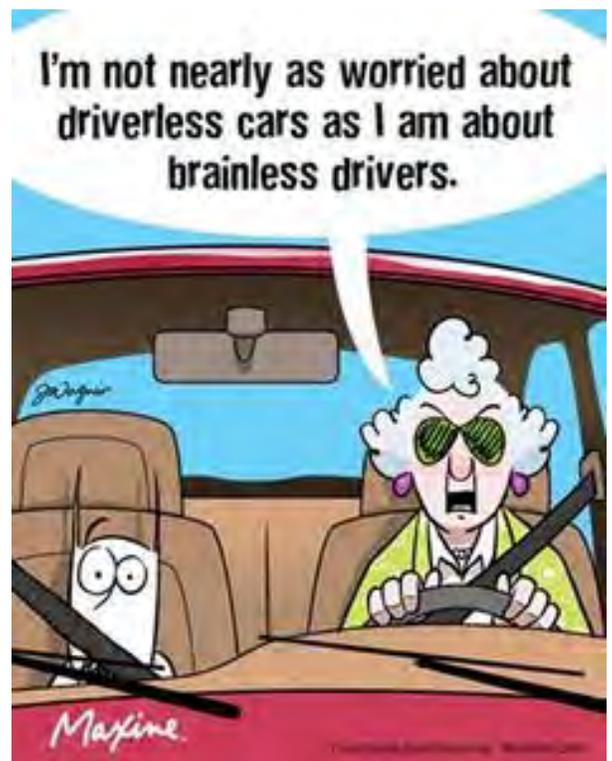
Bianca at [Hubcaps.com](http://Hubcaps.com) & [OriginalWheels.com](http://OriginalWheels.com) offers Car Club Members a discount on the Factory Hubcaps & Wheels that they show on their websites. They currently have over one million hubcaps & Rims in inventory so they may have what you need.

You would need to call them at 800-826-5880 for the discount as they do not have the ability to discount online orders. Just tell them that you are from the **Dixie Chapter of the Buick Club**, and they will figure out the best possible discount to give you.

## Quotable Quotes

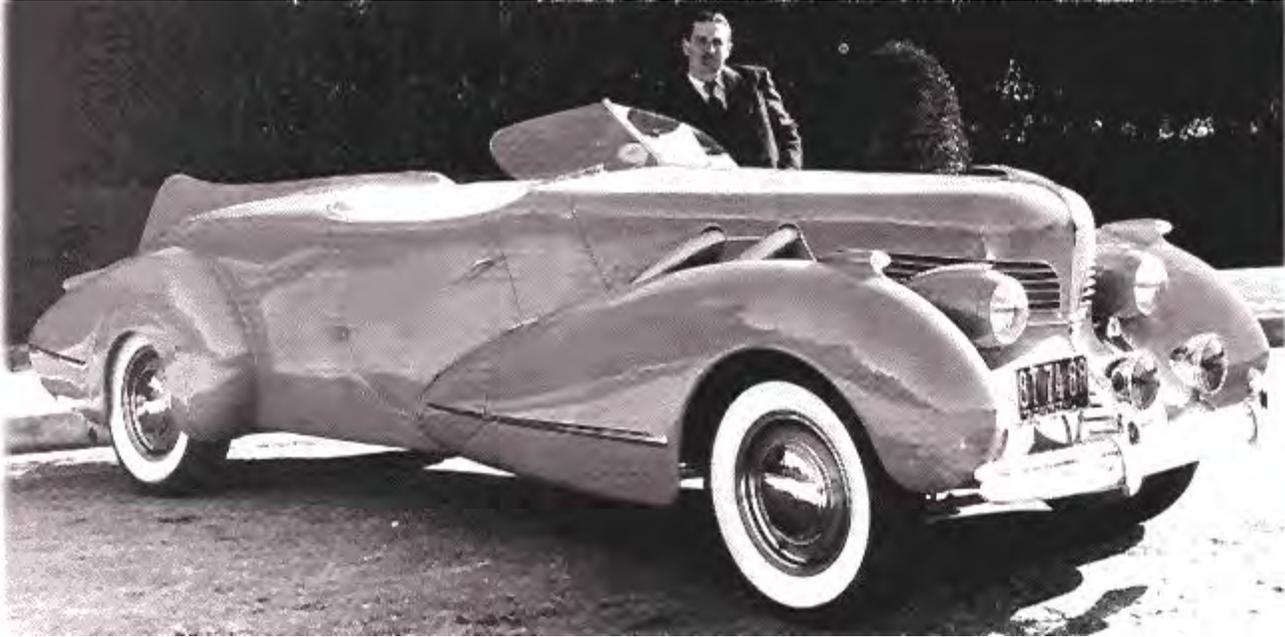


## Grit In The Gearbox



## Car Quiz Answer:

The Topper car was based on a 1936 Buick Century. The movie producers initially wanted to use a Cord for the “ghost car”, but found it to be too small to hide a second steering wheel and the hidden stunt driver. The car later became a marketing tool for Gilmore Oil Company and was extensively modified from its onscreen appearance.



### Happy Birthday to:

- 4/6 Jerry Richstein
- 4/14 Pat Levelle
- 4/27 Jack Horvath

### Happy Anniversary to:

- 4/5 Bill and Nancy Hansen
- 4/7 Gene and Andrea Walsh
- 4/24 James and Sarah Thomas
- 4/25 Steve and Suzanne Zigler
- 4/26 Bruce and Shar Kile



As important events in the lives of our members, birthdays and anniversaries are recognized in the *Dixie Valve Chatter*, but **with no mention of ages or years without the permission of the member**. If you will be reaching a milestone birthday or significant anniversary this year, please let **Tom Lynde** know so we can all share in your special celebration. [lynde2375@charter.net](mailto:lynde2375@charter.net)

# **BREAKING NEWS!**

## **The Return of the Overnighter**

Well after a two year absence, the chapter "overnighter" has returned. Please mark your calendars, I-Pods, I-Pads (or whatever is necessary) for June 3-4. Our plans are to meet at a location TBD, tour north to Blairsville/Hiawassee. Along the way there will be food stops (of course), antique browsing & a visit to Brass Town Bald Mtn. We will also be touring/visiting a very interesting recreated old Texaco garage including a nice collection of cars. There will be additional things planned but you'll just have to "wait & see". Sorry, but we must limit this to the first 15 Buicks. You can get your name on the list by calling (or emailing) Shar & Bruce (770) 977-7924, [sbkile58@aol.com](mailto:sbkile58@aol.com) or you could take a chance that the event won't be filled up & wait for more details in the May DVC.

**The Dixie Chapter is one of over 60 Chapters of the Buick Club of America, "a non-profit membership corporation dedicated to the preservation and restoration of those vehicles built by the Buick Motor Division of General Motors Corporation".**

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