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Director's Message

By: Bob Stone

It must be November if there is frost on the BUICK!

Look forward to seeing everyone at Champps American Grill in Alpharetta. We have a private room and reserved row in the lot for our bodacious Buicks to sparkle. Look for directions on page two.

It is that time of year to elect a slate of officers for the club so come on out to make your vote count. And on that thought please vote in the general election on November 2nd.

As you are reading this many members are touring the great state of Alabama with fellow BUICK enthusiast's, we promise to come back with stories of what we saw and did.

I am recruiting Buicks and their Drivers for the Annual Woodstock, GA. Christmas Parade on December 4th. If you have never driven or ridden in a parade this is your opportunity. It starts after dusk so everyone decorates with colored lights and drive down Main Street past crowds of adults and children, tossing candy as we drive by. A big line up of Decorated BUICKS would sure be a sight!

October Meeting—Great Turnout



A beautiful fall day with bright sunshine resulted in one of the largest attendances at our monthly meetings in quite some time; in fact it was the largest in recent memory. A total of twenty-eight members and guests were there, and thirteen Buicks were driven. See the car photos are on page 3.

After the parade Santa holds court at the city park with carolers singing. Well, I have my Holiday Sprit on so see you at the Meeting!

Happy Trails
Bob Stone, BCA #37843
Director, Dixie Chapter of the

Upcoming Office Election By: Don McClair

Jan Steger and I have worked to put together a slate of officers for the next term and would like to recommend the following:

Director, Bob Stone
Assist Director, Ron Bergeron
Secretary, Rich Fink

Treasurer, Jerry Richstein
Newsletter Ed., Cliff Dillingham

These are two year terms and per our bylaws and officer may hold an office for two consecutive terms. If you would like to hold an office please let your wishes be known at our November meeting when voting will take place. To hold an office you must have been a member of the Dixie Chapter for at least one year and have attended at least 50 percent of the meetings within the past year.

Also, Cliff has let it be known that after doing the newsletter for the past seven years, the next term will be his last term for publishing the newsletter.

The Timing Chain

November 14. Regular Monthly Meeting. Held at Champps Bar & Grill, 7955 North Point Parkway Alpharetta, GA . Lunch 12:00 with the meeting following. Phone: 770-642-1933

Directions:

Take GA 400 N (outside perimeter)

Take the MANSELL RD exit, EXIT 8, toward ALPHARETTA

Turn RIGHT onto MANSELL RD. Go 0.2 mi

Turn LEFT onto NORTH POINT PKWY

End 7955 N POINT PKWY

Champps Web Link:

<http://www.champps.com/Locations.aspx>

December. No meeting month, enjoy the holidays.

January 15, 2011 (Saturday) Annual Holliday Party. Held at the St. Catherine's Episcopal Church Parish Hall. Plan to arrive at 3:00 PM for reception/fellowship. 4:00 PM Dinner followed by presents opening. Directions later.

Ethanol to go to 15%

By: *Cliff Dillingham*

In October I received a publication from SEMA (Specialty Equipment Marketing Association), a trade organization associated with after-market specialty automotive products, stating that the EPA was considering raising the ethanol content in gasoline from 10 percent (E10) to 15 percent (E15) for late-model cars. They thanked the hundreds of members who asked President Obama to stop the EPA from raising the Ethanol content. Their opposition is "due to the concerns that the additional content will harm automobiles of all ages, including special interest collectors and historic vehicles. They stated *Ethanol increases water formation in the fuel system, especially when the vehicle sits over a period of time.* Also, *under these conditions, formic acid is created which corrodes metals, plastics and rubber.* They also

said *Ethanol also causes engines to burn hotter which could lead to premature engine and equipment failure. Although the higher Ethanol content gasoline is intended for newer vehicles only no information is currently available covering the distribution and regulation to make sure it is not dispensed in older vehicles, and hundreds of millions of boats, chainsaws, leaf blowers, lawn mowers, all-terrain vehicles and the like.*

Since that time, the EPA has now approved E-15. Enter the following Web link into your Browser and read the October 13, *USA Today* article describing some of the foreseen problems.

<http://content.usatoday.com/communities/driveon/post/2010/10/epa-to-allow-15-ethanol-in-gasoline-up-from-10-now-/1>

Storage space available

Dixie chapter member, Lee Hurdelbrink, forwarded information about secure, inside, storage space available for members who may be interested. Lee stated "*this is an indoor, secured location in Chamblee. I have a space for other things. The auto storage is new and I toured the building this week. They have spaces for at least 50 cars. Cost is \$125.00 per month per car. I find that this is a competitive rate and possibly some of our members would be interested*".

See the "Guardian Self Storage" flier last page.

Buick News

I read an interesting comment on the "Technobabble" Web Site titled, **2011 Buick Regal: What Would Grampa Say?** I thought it interesting enough to pass it along. It is as follows:

Of all the automobile brands still on the market today, Buick is perhaps most regarded as the brand for old folks. General Motors (GM) consolidated this market when they shuttered the Oldsmobile brand back in 2004. Facing realities of late, GM has been busily refocusing Buick on a younger demographic, with a range of new vehicles.

November Birthdays

11/9	Susie Grant
11/9	Lee Hurdelbrink
11/26	Stephanie Meeboer

November Anniversaries

11/8	Gus & Rita Valeri
11/11	John & Kevin Link
11/12	John & Melanie Reid



The 2011 Buick Regal stands as shining evidence of that effort.

Beneath the badges, the 2011 Buick Regal is an Opel Insignia. It's currently being built in Russelsheim, Germany and is considered one of the best sedans in its class in Europe. If the Regal takes off, production may move here to the states.

The new Regal isn't your Grampa's big ol' classic American Buick. It's not big, it's not old, and it's not built in America... but it just might stand a chance of being considered as classic as time goes by.

Buicks on display at October Meeting



Deals For Wheels

For Sale

CB radios, antennas, slide mounts, transmission hump mounts, extension speakers and accessories. New replacement microphones for many sets. Will test your CB for proper operation.

For all you tourers! In addition to my usual radios, I have several deluxe CB radios including:

- . **Cobra 40X** with chrome face and new deluxe mike. Like new!
- . **Kraco** with woodtone face. New in box!
- . **Midland 13-830** "top view". Like new!
- . **3 Midland "hide away"** radios. All controls on mike sized handset; main unit can be hidden under seat, under dash, or even in trunk with included optional extra long cord. New in box!

Have splitters so you can use your car antenna for your CB. Be ready for tours! Call or e-mail and I will be glad to talk and send you pictures of any or all radios. **Contact Roddy Pearce 404-371-1999 or roddypearce@mindspring.com**

For Sale

New Old Stock Monroe Max-Air Air Shocks. Fits 73-77 Century, 77-90 Estate Wagon, 73-77 Regal and 91-96 Roadmaster, as well as many other GM cars. A list is available at <http://www.oreillyauto.com/site/c/detail/MON3/MA717.oap?keyword=ma717> When you get to the O'Reilly web page, you are required to enter a zip code and select a store, it will then bring up a screen showing this set of shocks. Just click the "Compatibility" tab to see the complete list of cars that these will fit. The Max-Air Part Number is MA-717. \$25. **Contact Jerry Richstein 770-924-4779, or jerry.richstein@juno.com**

For Sale

Original Buick Owner's Manuals for 1949, 1952, 1956, 1973, and 1978. Also original Reference Book for 1926 Buick Standard Six and Master Six. **Contact Rich Fink, 770-459-4098 or richfink@gmail.com**

For Sale

Buick Reference, Specifications, adjustments and Shop manuals for 1924,1926,1927,1928 1929 & 1931. Contact Jene Van Arnam, Harrison, TN 423-344-4706.

Parts For Sale (New Listing)

1953-56 Buick V8, two NOS Delco-Remy Distributor Breaker Plate Assemblies - which include the plate, points, condenser and primary wire. They are part number 1923257 and are in opened Delco Remy boxes. \$15 each plus postage. **Contact Jay Friedman, jaysfriedman@yahoo.com**



For Sale

1959 Buick LeSabre Sedan. Silver Birch/Arctic white, green interior. 83k mi. It's all original and runs great. Asking \$9,000 firm. Prefer to sell to a local chapter member. **Contact Chip Wright 770-932-0178 or 59deltawingpilot@gmail.com**

Sales Lead

1978 Buick Riviera. My wife has owned it since new and she can no longer drive ...Runs great and in great shape...only 65,000 miles and all original. It's a 75th anniversary model - just normal wear and tare for 32 years - always garaged. She said she would take \$5,500 for it. It has new tires/radiator and fuel pump and an 8 track. Any help or advice, I hate to sell it to anyone who would not take care of it.

Contact Kenneth Roquet - Peachtree City, GA, 770-487-4000.

Club Store Items For Sale

Item	Price
BCA Logo Patch	\$2.00
BCA Logo Decal	\$0.75
Buick Trash Bag	\$0.50
Dixie Chapter Button/Pin	\$0.50
Large number of Dashboard Plaques from prior years - from 1984 to 2001.	

Contact Jack Horvath: 770-934-0127 or pjhorvath@bellsouth.net

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- ✓ **Family owned & operated since 1995**
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