

The Dixie Valve Chatter

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Director's Message

Happy October! I am fondly reflecting on our wonderful club picnic at the Steger's! I had a great time and hope all in attendance did as well. I think I heard we had 17 classic Buicks in the front yard.

Our next gathering is at the Georgia Rib Company in East Cobb on Sunday 10/14. Remember, they offer us much more now than BBQ at their Sunday Brunch Buffet. We will be discussing our activities for the last quarter of this year so look out!

You still have a little time to register for the 2012 Southeastern Regional Tour in Florida. The deadline is October 1st and the tour dates are November 1-3, and is always a lot of fun! Bruce and Shar Kile are leading a Halloween caravan to Florida on Wednesday 31st. I think they are suggesting you wear a costume on the drive to Ocala! Let's have a contest for best Dixie Chapter costume.

See you at the meeting on the 14th.

Happy Motoring!

Bob Stone, Chapter Director
BCA# 37843

Annual Dixie Chapter Picnic



Photo: *Cliff Dillingham*

A great turnout of members and guests; a lawn full of classic Buicks (17); and a heap of Bob Stone home-made barbeque, with chicken, and the side dishes all made possible another great picnic. We are grateful to the Steger's for opening their home and again hosting this annual event. It is always a pleasure and is definitely appreciated.

2013-2014 Officer Election

Following chapter bylaws, Director, Bob Stone has appointed a nominating committee to develop a slate of officers for the next two year term. They are Jack Horvath, Mike Steger, and Roddy Pearce. The positions to fill are; Director, Assistant Director, Secretary, Treasurer, and Newsletter Editor. According to our bylaws those in office now are not eligible to serve another term.

If you have someone in mind who you think would be willing to fill one of these positions please contact someone on the committee. Nominees will be listed in the November

newsletter and voting will take place at the November meeting. The committee reports that at this time they have found no one willing to serve as Newsletter Editor, so please give it serious consideration.

GM to offer new or updated Buicks by end of 2013

General Motors plans to reveal some all-new or freshened Buick models by the end of 2013.

The freshened models include the already introduced 2013 Buick Encore crossover, the Enclave, Regal and Lacrosse. After 2013, the Buick Verano will be the oldest models in the showroom.

Source: [Detroit Free Press](#)

The Timing Chain

October 14, Regular Monthly Meeting. Held at Georgia Rib Company 4930 Davidson Road, Marietta, GA. 30068. 1:00 pm for lunch with the meeting following Georgia Rib Company (formerly All American Tavern) is located off of Lower Roswell Road just past Johnson Ferry Road, behind Kroger in Parkaire Landing Mall, and next to Gold's Gym. 770-973-7427. Choose from a new, large buffet; price per person: \$12.00 inclusive of soft drinks or iced tea. We have a private meeting room. Check their Web at:

www.georgiaribcompany.com

Directions

From I-285 take Roswell Rd. NE, **Exit 25** north. Go 0.9 miles.

Turn left onto **Johnson Ferry Rd.** go 3.8 mi.

Turn right onto **Lower Roswell Rd.** go 0.2 mi.

Turn slight right onto **Davidson Rd.** go 0.2 mi. Destination will be on the right. **4930 Davidson Rd.**

November 1—3, 2012. Southeast Regional. Hosted by the Florida Gulf Coast Chapter. See information and Registration Form attached.

November 11, Regular Monthly Meeting. Held at Georgia Rib Company 4930 Davidson Road, Marietta, GA. 30068. 1:00 pm for lunch with the meeting following

December; There will be no December meeting.

The Buick Trishield

The Buick Trishield is based in the coat of arms of the automaker's founder, David Dunbar Buick. That was a red shield with a checkered silver and azure diagonal line from the upper left to lower right, with a stag above and a punctured cross below. The Buick division adopted this and place on its radiator grilles in 1937.



In 1960, the logo underwent a major overhaul. A trio in red, white and blue, denoting the LeSabre, Invicta, and Electra then in the Buick lineup replaced its single shield.



The names LeSabre, Invicta, and Electra as related to Buick are:

LeSabre. It means "the saber" or cavalry sword. It does not mean anything related to cars. Buick was believed to have had the image of infantry charging with the saber pointed when they named their car. For many years, the LeSabre was considered the entry level full-size Buick, carrying the lowest base price in the Buick lineup. Prior to 1959, the full-size Buick Special model had held that position; in 1959 the LeSabre replaced the Special, a nameplate that was reintroduced in 1961 for Buick's line of compact cars. The name originated with the 1951 Buick LeSabre show car designed by Harley Earl.

Invicta. The Invicta was produced from 1959 through 1963. The name Invicta was Latin, which refers to invincibility. They were full sized vehicles offered in multiple body styles including a 2-door hardtop and convertible, and 4-door hardtop and station wagon. In 1960, Buick introduced a custom trim package called the Series 4600 Invicta that featured bucket seats and a 'consolette'.

Electra. Electra Waggoner Biggs, a nationally known sculptress is best known for her sculpture of Will Rogers on his horse "Soapsuds" called "Into the Sunset". Amon G. Carter commissioned Electra Biggs to create the work after Will Rogers' fatal airplane crash at Point Barrow, Alaska in 1935. Electra Biggs had the honor of having an automobile named after her. In

October Birthdays

10/7	Lee Martin
10/7	Gene Walsh
10/11	Lori Barrett
10/11	Pat Horvath
10/12	Jan Steger
10/14	Bill Horlock
10/18	Al Johnson
10/26	J. D. Westfall
10/18	Wanda Reeves
10/15	Glenna Goff
10/26	Bill McGowen
10/31	John Link

October Anniversaries

10/19	Ernie & Susie Grant
10/24	Bob & Glenda Haggard
10/27	Ken & Lori Barrett



1959, John Biggs' brother-in-law, Harlow H. 'Red' Curtice, President of Buick Motors, Division of General Motors, named one of their luxurious Buick models, Electra.

Replaced by the Buick Hawk in the 1970s, the trishield was brought back in the 1980s, simplified, but basically the same appearance. Today, representing Buick, the trishield appears in silver, monochrome form.

Source: wikipedia.org/, trishield.com/ and waggoneranch.com/

2012 Picnic



Photos: *Cliff Dillingham*

Deals For Wheels



For Sale

1959 LeSabre 4 Dr Sedan, 1959 LeSabre Estate Wagon, and a 1959 LeSabre Estate Wagon parts car. Lots of spare parts; tale gate, doors, door panels, headlight bezels, radiator, front & rear bumpers, seats, lots of chrome trim parts, and many others. Please contact for more information and pricing. **Contact Kimberly Wright 770-932-0178** or wordwrightshop@mindspring.com



For Sale

1990 Buick Riviera 3.8 V-6 Have owned since 1996. Wife has been principle driver. Had 81K in 1996. Has 244K now, but only 56K on completely rebuilt engine. Lot of new electronics including new EMC and climate control module. New AC compressor new front struts, and front wheel bearings. Radio upgrade to Pioneer CD player AM/FM unit. Asking \$4500. More pics available. Car located in Murphy, NC. **Contact Paul VanNortwick @ 828 644 9342** or paul_v@venturecommoditiesinc.com

For Sale

1973 Riviera Parts Car for sale—Make Offer—located in Charlotte, NC **Contact David Link 704-333-1083, Cell 704-534-2017**



For Sale (New listing)

1964 Electra 225. 401 Nailhead just rebuilt, aftermarket carb, some wiring in engine compartment redone. Paint peeling. Bench seats need recovering. Solid body Everything else seems original. 90k miles. Asking \$5800. **Contact JD Westfall, who's advertising for a friend. 13127 Overlook Pass, Roswell, GA 30075. Cell 913-638-7849, or jdw52@comcast.net**

The Dixie Chapter is one of over 60 chapters of the Buick Club of America; a nonprofit organization dedicated to the restoration and preservation of automobiles built by the Buick Motor Division of the General Motors Corporation. The Dixie Valve Chatter, DVC is the official publication of the Dixie Chapter.

The year 2011 Dixie Chapter Officers are:

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**2012 SOUTHEAST REGIONAL
HORSEING AROUND WITH BUICK'S
NOVEMBER 1-3, 2012
OCALA, FL.**

ACTIVITIES INFORMATION

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31

HOT DOG ROAST DINNER.....HOSPITALITY ROOM RAMADA INN

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1

PLEASE BUDDY-UP IN CARS TODAY...THERE IS LIMITED PARKING AT THE UNIVERSITY

MARJORIE KINNAN RAWLINGS HOUSE TOUR..... AUTHOR OF "THE YEARLING"

MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY AND BUTTERFLY MUSEUM ON THE GROUND OF UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA CAMPUS. GAINSVILLE.

The Florida Museum of Natural History, chartered by the Florida Legislature in 1917 as the state's official natural history museum. With more than 30 million specimens of amphibians, birds, butterflies, fish, mammals, mollusks, reptiles, vertebrate and invertebrate fossils, recent and fossil plants and associated databases and libraries, the Florida Museum is the largest natural history museum in the Southeast. The 6400 S.F. screened outdoor butterfly enclosure has hundreds of tropical plant and living butterflies. Learn about butterfly and moth biology and see scientists working in the rear lab.

DISCOVER MICANOPY:

As Florida's oldest inland settlement, Micanopy (pronounced Mick-can-oh'-pee) has a well-established tradition of charm and Southern hospitality. Micanopy sometimes called "the little town that time forgot" possesses warmth and charm as well as eclectic shopping. Here you'll find unique historic sites, friendly people.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2

A Thoroughbred Horse Farm Tour will give you a great introduction to the breeding and foaling and training operation of a race horse farm . You will also see a horse in training at the track.

After lunch at Stumpknockers, on the Withlacoochee River, an optional tour, on your own, to Don Garlits Drag Race Museum, exit 341 off I-75, 13700 SW 16th Ave. Admission for Seniors is \$13.00.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3

FLORIDA CARRIAGE MUSEUM

An amazing collection of over 160 of the finest horse-drawn carriages in the world. There is everything from an Austrian Emperor Chariot to a WWI John Deere Supply Wagon. Lunch will be on the grounds and we are told that there will be a Civil War Reenactment on the grounds in the afternoon.

There will be a MOPAR Show on the Don Garlits Museum grounds on Saturday for anyone interested in stopping on their way back to the hotel.

BANQUET:

HORSE AND HOUND RESTAURANT: 6998 N US 27, OCALA

Cocktails: 5:30

Dinner: 6:30

YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO HAVE FIRE EXTINGUISHER IN YOUR CAR AND HAVE A WORKING CB RADIO.

BUICK IS THE OFFICIAL TOUR CAR.... IF YOU DID NOT BRING A BUICK, PLEASE ARRANGE TO RIDE WITH SOMEONE WHO DOES HAVE A BUICK.

2012 SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL TOUR

**HORSING AROUND WITH BUICK'S
NOVEMBER 1-3, 2012
OCALA, FL.**

HOSTS: GULF COAST CHAPTER
BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA
FLORIDA

QUESTIONS: MARIE BEATON
PHONE: 941.456.0033
EMAIL: beatonme@embarqmail.com

HOTEL: RAMADA INN AND CONFERENCE CENTER

3810 NW BLITCHTON ROAD (US 27)
OCALA, FL. 34482

PHONE: 352.732.3131

RATES: \$59 + tax/night

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ CELL _____ EMAIL _____

BUICK YEAR _____ MODEL _____

REGISTRATION FEE \$ 25.00

WEDNESDAY EVENING: OCTOBER 31
HOT DOG ROAST...HOSPITALITY ROOM

NC

THURSDAY: NOVEMBER 1

MARJORIE KINNAN RAWLINGS HOUSE TOUR # _____ @ \$ 3.00 = \$ _____
MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY/BUTTERFLY MUSEUM # _____ @ \$ 7.50 = \$ _____

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN ON GROUNDS
DISCOVER MICANOPY
DINNER ON YOUR OWN

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2

THOROUGHBRED HORSE FARM TOUR # _____ @ \$ 12.00 = \$ _____
LUNCH. STUMPKNOCKERS

ON THE RIVER ...DUNNELLON # _____ @ \$ 18.00 = \$ _____
FRIED CATFISH DINNER # _____ GRILLED CHICKEN DINNER # _____

AFTERNOON OPTION:
DON GARTLITS DRAG RACING MUSEUM
DINNER ON YOUR OWN

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3

FLORIDA CARRIAGE MUSEUM.....WEIRSDALE
INCLUDES LUNCH ON THE PREMISES # _____ @ \$ 30.00= _____
CIVIL WAR REENACTMENT.....ON YOUR OWN

BANQUET: HORSE & HOUNDS
6998 N. US 27
OCALA, FL.

CASH BAR COCKTAILS.....5:30 PM
DINNER6:30 PM

8 OZ. PRIME RIB # _____ PECAN CRUSTED CHICKEN # _____

HONEY BOURBON SALMON # _____ @ \$ 30.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1, 2012. PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE
TO: GULF COAST CHAPTER-BCA. MAIL REGISTRATION AND CHECK TO:
MARIE BEATON, 5601 DUNCAN ROAD, LOT #71, PUNTA GORDA, FL. 33982**