



The Dixie Valve Chatter

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Director's Message

"The best laid plans of mice and men often go astray". If you attended our August outing, you'd probably agree with Mr. Steinbeck. After a delicious brunch at the Duluth Diner, we headed over to the Southeastern Railway Museum ... only to find the entrance blocked by a real train! (oh, the irony!) After waiting in the sun for half an hour, we decided to throw in the (sweat-soaked) towel. Hopefully we can schedule another trip back some day, as the museum really is worth the trip.

This month we have the annual picnic and Mike & Jan Steger's. It's always a fun time with great food, conversation, and of course a front yard full of shiny Buicks, or as Jan calls it "heavy metal yard art". Look for more details elsewhere in the newsletter, and do make plans to attend.

Also this month is the Southeastern Regional meet, in Belmont, NC. There's still time to sign up, so get those registration forms in the mail! The Finks have never been to a Regional, and we're hoping this will be the first of many to come. Hope to see y'all there!

"Live long and drive a Buick!"
Rich Fink BCA #43841

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**August outing to the S.E. Railway Museum
AKA "The Buick Bake"
See more pix on page 3!**

THE 5TH ANNUAL DIXIE CHAPTER "OVERNIGHTER" "Trains, Trucks, Turntables & Things"

Departing Sat. Nov 2nd from Cartersville heading to Chattanooga via U.S. Hwy. 41, antique shopping in Ringgold and then onto the Tennessee Valley RR museum plus an (optional) 1 hour train ride. After lunch at the museum, we will head to the (new) International Tow Museum. Lodging will be in Ft. Oglethorpe, room rates \$63 to \$81. Sunday we will drive thru the Chickamauga Battle Field, as well as historic towns of Chickamauga & LaFayette in route to Summerville where we will be visiting Paradise Gardens, one of the strangest (weird might be a better description) places yet. After Lunch we will stop at the RR turntable and (this time) watch a locomotive turn- around. Of course the tour will include fun & games, mystery & ice cream stops. There is no registration fee for this event, **BUT IT IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 20 CARS.** Register by calling (or emailing) Bruce or Shar (770) 977-7924 email sbkile@juno.com Upon hearing from you we will give you the hotel info. **ABSOLUTE DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING IS OCT. 1ST.** So don't be left out, register today!

The Timing Chain



SEPTEMBER 8, 2013 1:00 pm

Dixie Chapter Annual Picnic at Jan & Mike Steger's home.

Once again it's that time of year to get together and picnic and let the Steger's neighbors admire the "Heavy Metal Yard Art". We will be doing this the same as in year's past. Here's the breakdown on what to bring. I will be calling you to confirm.

Last name beginning with:

A - F: Dessert or sweets; **G - H:** Green Vegetable (Broccoli, salad, slaw, etc.) **J:** Ice (3 bags);

K - L: Other Vegetable (baked beans, corn, etc.);

M: Raw veggies (veggie tray); **P:** Sweet Tea;

R: Unsweet Tea; **S:** Lemonade; **V:** Anything chocolate;

Wa: Chips & Dip; **We:** Lemonade;

Wi: Bread (rolls/biscuits). We look forward to seeing you and your Buick!

If you want to use your GPS, the address is: 4895 Settles Point Road, Suwanee, GA 30024.

Directions

I-85 North of Perimeter go north to Suwanee exit. Turn left. You are on Lawrenceville-Suwanee Road heading west. Lawrenceville-Suwanee will turn in to Suwanee Dam. After you cross over Peachtree Industrial Blvd, you will pass 1 traffic light (Settles Bridge Road) then take next left on to Settles Point Road. Follow it until it dead ends.

Our house is the two story brick on the right.

Highway 20 from GA-400. Head east on Hwy 20 for approx. 6 miles. Just pass the Kroger Shopping Center on your left, take a right on Suwanee Dam and drive approx. 3.5 miles. Just pass Sims Lake Park on your right you will see Settles Point Road on your right. Turn right on Settles Point *(If you arrive at Peachtree Industrial Blvd you missed it. Turn around)* Follow Settles Point Road until it dead ends. Our house is the two story brick on the right. If you get turned around or lost, please call (770) 831-5943 and we will rescue you!

SEPTEMBER 14, 2013

Cool Cars For Christ Car Show

9:00am to 2:30 pm

See attached registration form

SEPTEMBER 25-28 2013

Southeast Regional - Belmont NC.

Get your registration form sent in quickly! This event should be a fun time for all who attend.

OCTOBER 12, 2013

Ellijay Apple Festival & AACA Regional Car Show

Enjoy the activities at the Apple show and the car show. You can choose to enter the show or just drive your Buick and park with the cars at the show. Afterwards, we will stop at the Apple Orchard to sample/purchase everything conceivable made from apples. We will top this trip off with a stop at Big 'ems BBQ near Jasper. October is a great time to drive your beautiful Buick.

NOVEMBER 1-3

Dixie Chapter Overnighter

This year we are heading up to Chattanooga, TN and NW Georgia. Information on page 1. Plan now since space is limited. Hey, isn't it time for someone to propose again!?

JANUARY 11, 2014

Dixie Chapter Annual Holiday Party

Details coming soon!

FEBRUARY 2014

Annual Dixie Chapter BOWL-A-RAMA!

You have five months to sharpen your bowling skills!

And for those of you who like to plan ahead:

BCA National - July 23-26th, 2014 Portland, OR.

BCA National - June 10th-13th 2015 Springfield, MO.

Mark your calendars...uuhh when you get them!

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

9/23 Kip & Stephanie Meeboer

9/25 Ron & Connie Bergeron

9/25 Roger & LeeAnne Smith

9/30 Wayne & Carol Whittenburg

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/2 Walt Ehrenfeuchter 9/4 Joan Rose

9/4 Richard Rose 9/5 Tom Lynde

9/6 Don McClair 9/8 Maria Gaynor

9/15 Bill Hansen 9/17 Hank Lewis

9/26 Rich Fink 9/26 Beth Watkins

9/26 Roxanne Westfall

**Retirement is great. You get to be your own boss
and tell yourself to do nothing all day!**

Anonymous

August Outing at Duluth Diner & S.E. Railway Museum



If you missed this outing, you missed a great time. We had a tasty brunch at the Duluth Diner, then headed over to the S.E. Railway Museum. As Rich mentioned in his column, we were not able to get to the museum due to a stalled train. (see left middle picture) But we were able to work on our tans!



"DEALS ON WHEELS"



**NO DEALS THIS MONTH.
CHECK FUTURE ISSUES
OF THE "VALVE CHATTER"
FOR GREAT DEALS ON
BEAUTIFUL
BUICKS!**

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