

# The Dixie Valve Chatter

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## Director's Message

By: Bob Stone

Hello All!

There is a little chill in the air as I pen this. Great weather for driving our favorite brand of cars. Thanks to Wanda, Mark and Ken for hosting our last meeting at their fabulous Then and Now Car Restoration shop. We had a tour of all their works in process and saw several BEAUTIFUL cars ready for driving or a concourse event. All this took place after a wonderful meal at the BUB-BA-Q restaurant in Woodstock. They are award winning BBQ Chefs!

Our next meeting is at Norm's in Dunwoody. Look for time and date on page 2.

We started discussing the possibility of changing the chapter's name. A survey will be taken of all members to see how we feel about this and ask for some options. I Googled "Dixie" and found a Dixie college in Utah; the great actress Dixie Carter; the Dixie Chicks; a dude ranch in Texas; Woodstock's very own Dixie Speedway, and many others. Several clubs of all types have chosen this name, which either originated as a \$10 note in French Louisiana or named after Mr. Dixon of the Mason-Dixon line fame. What ever happens we

## October Meeting And Tour



Photo: cliff Dillingham

Seeing classic cars being restored by skilled craftsmen is fascinating to all car enthusiasts. Dixie Chapter members had that opportunity at the October meeting held at Then & Now Auto Restorations—owned by Dixie Chapter members Mark & Wanda Reeves. Quality work a hallmark has gained their shop national recognition at car shows as well as “high dollar” auctions - such as Barrett-Jackson, and others. We appreciate their hospitality in opening their facility for our use and look forward to the next opportunity. More photos Page 3.

will still be the same great group of BUICK fans from the great state of Georgia!

If you know some one who has a BUICK or just likes BUICKS, invite them to a meeting or an outing to see if they would like to join our chapter and the national club. If we get them to join the BCA, we will give them 2010 membership in our chapter for free!

Happy Motoring!

Bob Stone, BCA#37843

Director, Dixie Chapter of the BCA



## Buick asking for a new Riviera

For those that remember back in 2007 at the Shanghai Motor Show, GM-China showed the Buick Riviera Coupe' Concept. The car wowed the public but GM wasn't in the position to bring the coupe' to market. Fast forward to a recent meeting with GMC-Buick dealerships in Detroit and it was revealed to GMI that Buick management has requested that Buick add the Riviera to further the brands revitalization. This of course would be Buick's halo car and more than likely would use either the 3.6L direct injection V-6 mated to a six-speed automatic transmission, generating 280hp and 261-lb.ft of torque, or GM's 3.6L direct injection

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## The Timing Chain

**November 8. Regular Monthly Meeting.** Held at Norm's Steak & Seafood (sign outside says Olde Mill Steakhouse), 2089 Savoy Dr., Dunwoody, GA. Savoy Dr is an I-285 access road between N. Peachtree Rd., and N. Shallowford Rd. Lunch at 12:30, meeting at 1:30. 770-455-0900.

**November 12 - 14. Southeast Regional.** Hosted by the Music City Chapter and held in Murfreesboro, TN. If you missed early registration and want to attend you may contact the Music City Chapter to see if there are openings available.

**December.** No meeting in December, enjoy the holidays.

**January.** Planning is in process for the Annual Holiday party. Date and location will be published later.

**February 14, 2010 Annual Bowl-A-Rama.** Time and location provided later.

## Dynaflow Transmission Repair

Hersel Goff sent word that he has found a source for having Dynaflow transmissions repaired. After having problems in his 56 and having no luck in finding a shop familiar with the Dynaflow he was considering having it replaced with a newer transmission. However, he stated that a family member referred him to Mr. Don Weinbarger in Monticello, GA. Hersel made contact; had Don repair the rear end in his 50 Special, and had nothing but praise for the work done. He said that the 56 has a bad transmission leak and he is taking it to Don to repair. Hersel stated that Don repaired his first Dynaflow at age 16 so has many years experience.

We are glad to report that Don and wife Florence recently joined the Dixie Chapter. Don said if you need transmission work to give him a call. Contact him at 706-916-0521 (cell) or, [banjodonald@gmail.com](mailto:banjodonald@gmail.com)

## November Birthdays

11/9 Susie Grant  
 11/9 Lee Hurdelbrink  
 11/26 Stephanie Meeboer  
 11/28 Ken Koopman

## November Anniversaries

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

### Riviera From Page 1

VVT engine delivering 300hp and 270 lb.ft of torque that is used in Cadillac's CTS.

If GM continues its consistent move towards turning concepts into production with designs intact, the Riviera will more than likely have lens that will closely mimic the 2011 Regal with LED applications. Interior format will more than likely follow the theme that began in the La Crosse, with ambient lighting, intelligent technologies, quite tuning for a silent interior, and enhanced suite of safety features that is designed to meet the criteria for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) 20 Star Safety Rating.

If the Riviera goes into production, it would ride on the Epsilon II platform. Perfect timing. GM is losing their last midsize coupe' (Pontiac G6 ). The Riviera would compete directly with Lexus IS Coupe and Infiniti's G-37.

Source: <http://transtechablogspot.com/>

### Thanksgiving Quote

**May your stuffing be tasty  
 May your turkey plump,  
 May your potatoes and gravy  
 Have never a lump.  
 May your yams be delicious  
 And your pies take the prize,  
 And may your Thanksgiving dinner  
 Stay off your thighs!**

## Grit In The Gearbox



### Get Well Wishes

*Get well wishes go to Charlie Adams who recently underwent by-pass surgery.*

*Blockages were discovered when Charlie went for routine pre-op tests in preparation for knee surgery.*

*Jeanene reports that he is home, resting; is uncomfortable but doing well.*

*Our thoughts and prayers are for a quick, and complete recovery.*

## WARNING

I received a message from Jack Horvath that he heard oil change businesses have quietly, and without notifying the customer, changed to installing 5W30 weight oil. This has been done because this weight oil is used in NEW automobile engines. If your auto is not new, check your specifications. It is probable that you do NOT want to install 5W30 in your auto.

I checked "Snopes; Frauds & Scams" in an attempt to corroborate but found no match. However, I am aware on one incident where this did happen. Never-the-less, it would wise always to specify to the attendant the specific type, and weight oil to put in in your older vehicles.

*Thanks Jack for the heads-up. Ed.*

# A glimpse of cars restored, or are under restoration by Then & Now Auto Restorations



Photos: *Cliff Dillingham*

## 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!
- . **Johnson 123** with GM logo. Mint!
- . **Kraco** with woodtone face. New in box!
- . **Midland 13-830** "top view". Like new!
- . **Cobra** with instant weather channels. Like new!
- . **4 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

**1993 Buick Roadmaster Station Wagon.** One owner, complete maintenance records. New a/c, alternator, radiator, water pump, universal joints. 5.7 Lt V8. Heavy duty trailer towing package. 172k miles. \$3,000 or best offer. **Contact Red Newhouser 404-683-2091 or rednewhouser@mindspring.com**

### For Sale

**1967 Dealer Showroom AM-FM Radio and Eight Track Display Console.** Excellent condition with working radio plus NOS eight track tape player and eight track tapes. \$600 for all. Operates off ac and has all wiring and instructions. Getting rid of all my Buick and other car line memorabilia. If interested come see what I have.

**Also Literature;** 3 file cabinets categorized by year beginning with 1924 with owners manuals, model catalogs, factory information and other literature, thru 1990. Most is Buick but there is some Chevrolet, Pontiac, Olds, Cadillac and GMC. **Contact Jene Van Arnam 423-344-4706 or jvva@bellsouth.net.**

### For Sale

**1968 Wildcat Convertible with 455 engine.** Medium blue with white top and interior. Paint is new as windshield. Newer top, original power bench seat, A/C, P/W, road wheels. Tilt steering wheel, new carpet. Fender skirts Asking \$6,000.

**2 - 1969 Electra 255 Convertibles.** In need of restoration. With new fenders and other sheet metal Asking \$6,000 for both cars to make one car. **Contact Larry Joyce 404-375-9331**

### For Sale

**Buick brake & clutch steel pedal and shaft that goes through floorboard with its rubber pad.** Should fit 1934-36 Series 40, 1937-39 Series 40 & 60, 1940 all except Series 80 & 90, 1941-47 Series 40, 60 & 70 and 1948-55 all with standard transmission. Rubber pad is 3 3/16" x 2 3/16" and in very good shape. Metal parts cleaned and painted. \$7 + shipping, or I could meet you somewhere and deliver it. **Contact Jay Friedman. 404-633-7418 or jaysfriedman@yahoo.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**

### Club Store Items For Sale

<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>
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.	
Several back copies of the Bugle, and about 10 past BOP&C T-shirts. Call Jack to see what is on hand.	
<b>Contact Jack Horvath: 770-934-0127 or pjhorvath@bellsouth.net</b>	

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