# The Dixie Valve Chatter

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# Director's Message

By: Bob Stone

We are looking at some hot August nights! Somehow these days seem cooler that the hot times at the BCA National!

Sure had a great time in Concord. All the People I met up there seemed to be having a great time, and I saw so many fine BUICKS there! I need to find some more garage space bad!

Many thanks to all the members in our Chapter who made the trip, and helped out in the Hospitality Suite. There were many compliments heard, and of course it would not have run as smooth as a "Straight Eight" if it had not been for Bruce and Shar Kile; their planning and follow-through for the room was excellent

Next year's is just up the road in South Bend, Indiana for a real "Mid West BCA National".

Book your room now at the host hotel. We had a great time at the Embassy Suites in Concord, slept like a King!

Our next meeting is back at the Georgia Rib Company on August 12<sup>th</sup>. See the Timing Chain for details. It was a big surprise last month to see their new brunch buffet, and we still managed to conduct business after all that food!

## The 2012 BCA National





A big "Well Done" to the Carolina Chapter for their fine work in planning, organizing and carrying-out the 2012 BCA National. Countless hours had to have been expended by Brian DePouli and his group on order for it to have run so smoothly. All the workers were courteous and seemed to be right on spot for all activities. The hotel and it's staff were remarkably courteous and attentive to the needs of their guests. For me personally, this was one of the best BCA National I have attended. Again, well done, Bryan and the Carolina Chapter. Ed.

Get well wishes to our very own Bill Hanson. Bill is recovering from bypass surgery at home. I talked to Bill and Nancy the other evening and sounded like he is well on the way to recovery.

Remember September is out annual summer picnic at the Steger's. There might be a little BBQ involved too. Also, don't forget to check out their pool, and the collection of cars that will be on the front lawn!

Happy Motoring!

Bob Stone, Chapter Director BCA#
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# Dixie Chapter at the National

The Dixie Chapter was well represented at the 2012 National in Concord; with a total of twenty two cars (Photos Pg 3-5). Members Mark Reeves; Warren Williams; Ken Baggs, and Danny Finkelstein were there without their cars. The club did well also in the trophy category, garnering a total fourteen awards. They are (in no order):

James Thomas Jr. & Grandson Quinton, 86 Regal: Silver

Roy & Janet Bass, 66 Riviera: Sil-

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# The Timing Chain

August 12, 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.

September 9, Annual Picnic. Held at the home of Mike & Jan Steger. Details and directions next month.

November 1—3, 2012. Southeast Regional. Hosted by the Florida Gulf Coast Chapter. More information later.

### **Other Local Events**

September 8, Cool Cars for Christ Car Show. Hosted by Peachtree Presbyterian Church. 3434 Peachtree Rd, Atlanta, GA. Show 9:00am—2:30pm. Registration 9:00am—11:45am. Top 10 Awards in Four Classes for Vehicles up to 1992. DJ Spinning Music; and Food. For information contact Glenn Bell at <a href="mailto:glennbell@bellsouth.net">glennbell@bellsouth.net</a> or Lee Hurdelbrink at <a href="mailto:atlantaBHL@aol.com">atlantaBHL@aol.com</a> Proceeds to benefit Atlanta Ministries Serving the Poor.

### **Quotable Quote**

A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken.

James Dent, Actor, Writer

### Awards, From Page 1

Cliff Dillingham, 66 Skylark: Gold John Link, 69 Riviera: Silver

Roy & Sharon Newby, 98 Riviera: Gold. New Senior

Gene Walsh, 68 Skylark: Senior Preservation, also A Body Car of the Year.

Ken Barrett, 67 Skylark GS: Gold Senior.

Don McClair, 66 Skylark GS: Gold

Ron & Connie Bergeron, 72 GS 350: Silver

David Gareau & Tria, 85 Regal GN: Gold Senior.

JD & Roxanne Westfall, 67 Wildcat: Archival Award.

Bruce & Shar Kile, 75 LeSabre: Archival Award.

Bob & Glenda Haggard, 70 GSX Clone: First Place Modified Division.

# Buick Regal GS clocked at 162 mph

According to General Motors, the Regal GS is officially the fastest Buick ever made. The sedan's lead development engineer, Bill Rietow, and powertrain drive quality engineer, John Townsend, did their part to support the assertion when they ran the Regal GS in the Nevada Open Road Challenge. The event isn't about allout speed, but about a driver finishing the course in a pre-set time. It has speed-limited and wide-open sections, and during one flat-out phase the Regal GS hit 162 miles per hour.



The same pair took Most Accurate Rookie honors last year in the 120-mph class, so this year they jumped to the top-tier 135-mph class. They finished second, four-tenths shy of their 40-minute target time over the 90-mile course. Source: *Jonathon Ramsey* www.autoblog.com/buick

### **August Birthdays**

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8/4	Jack Westfall
8/9	Ernie Grant
8/10	Shar Kile
8/17	Cliff Dillingham
8/20	Bob Stone
8/31	Glenda Haggard

# **August Anniversaries**

8/3 Jerry & Jean Richstein8/4 Danny & Maureen Bryant

# The Shirt Says It All



Photo: Yvonne McGowen

### **Welcome New Member**

We want to welcome Jim Mitchell to the Dixie Chapter. Jim lives in McDonough, GA and owns a 1970 Wildcat Conv. Welcome to the Dixie chapter Jim.

### **Get Well Soon**

We extend Get Well Wishes to Bill Hansen who is home following open heart surgery. Nancy said he is to see his Surgeon and Cardiologist next week. Bill stated they had problems adjusting his medication, but it appears to be better now. Please remember Bill & Nancy in your thoughts and prayers through this recovery period.

# Dixie Chapter cars at 2012 BCA National

Photos: Yvonne McGowen, Cliff Dillingham



1950 Special, Jack & Pat Horvath



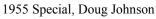
1966 Riviera GS, Roy & Janet Bass



1966 Skylark, Cliff Dillingham



1967 Wildcat, JD & Roxanne Westfall





1966 Skylark GS, Don McClair



1967 Skylark GS, Ken Barrett



1968 Skylark, Gene Walsh & brother Tom

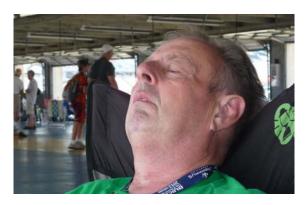
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1969 Electra 225, Gus & Rita Valeri



1969 Riviera, John Link



1969 Electra 225, Roger Smith



1970 GSX Clone, Bob & Glenda Haggard



1970 Skylark, Mike & Jan Steger



1972 Skylark, Bill & Yvonne McGowen



1972 GS 350, Ron & Connie Bergeron

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1973 Centurion, Bob Stone & Alison

1975 LeSabre, Bruce & Shar Kile



1985 Regal GN, Dave Gareau & Tria

1986 Regal, James Thomas Jr. & Grandson Quinton



1993 Estate Wagon, Roddy Pearce



1998 Riviera, Roy & Sharon Newby



2010 Enclave, Jerry & Jean Richstein

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# **Deals For Wheels**



#### For Sale

Selling late husband's (Dixie Chapter member) collection of Buicks and Buick related parts. 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 (New listing)

1990 Buick Rivera 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 (New listing)

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

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