



# DIXIE VALVE CHATTER

Official Publication of the Dixie Chapter of the Buick Club of America

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## A word from our Director:

Hello Dixie Buick Members:

The last thirty days have been very enjoyable for driving our classic Buicks!

- Perfect day at the BOPC Show. There were 150 beautiful cars on the field. Several of our Dixie Buicks won awards which will be addressed elsewhere in this newsletter.
- BDE Tour at Callaway Gardens. The military museum at Fort Benning in Columbus GA was so good, I'm taking my son back. Same for the Tuskegee Air (Red Tails) Museum. You walk out of there with a tear in your eye. The butterfly building at Callaway Gardens in Pine Mountain, the Hill & Dale Gardens in LaGrange, Roosevelt's Little White House in Warm Springs, and many more.

**Come check out the BDE. There will be a tour in Nashville, TN next year.**

- Our monthly meeting at Mazzy's Grill in Norcross. Check out the MOAB (Mother of all Burgers) on the menu.

And these are only Buick events. I'm sure some of you attended other shows and cruise-ins. Mark your calendars with upcoming events announced in this newsletter.

Always a fun time driving our beautiful Buicks.

JD

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## Editorial Comments:

**CORRECTION:** I would like to take this opportunity to publicly apologize to Tom LYNDE for misspelling his name in the May DVC. I did this not once, but twice!

Tom was very gracious when he politely pointed out my error(s), and I promise to be more careful!

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Spring has come and gone and now it's already summer here in "Hotlanta". It's past time to get those Buicks all nice and shiny and now it's time to get them out and drive them. "Buicks are meant to be driven!"

Jean and I had our Reatta at the BOP&C and we saw several Dixie Chapter Members there. There is a full report in this DVC by "Guest Reporter" **Danny Finkelstein**.

We also went to the Buick Driving Enthusiasts Spring Tour at Callaway Gardens and drove our 1934 Club Sedan "Resto-Rod". We had a great time but would have liked to see more Dixie Chapter Members there. There is a full report in this DVC by "Guest Reporter" **Jack Horvath**.

Happy Father's Day to all of you Fathers and Grandfathers! I hope that you all enjoy "your day".

Love & Peace,  
Jerry



## The Timing Chain:

**June 12, 2016:** Regular monthly meeting. 1 PM at Mazzy's Sports Bar & Grill, 7160 Jimmy Carter Blvd., Norcross, GA

**July 27-31, 2016:** The 2016 BCA National will be an extra special event since the BCA will be celebrating **50 years!** Details at <http://www.buickclub.org/2016anniversary/>

**August 28, 2016:** Annual Dixie Chapter Picnic to be held at the home of **Ernie & Susie Grant**. Watch for more details.

**September 11, 2016:** Regular monthly meeting.

**October 13-15, 2016:** The 2016 BCA Southeastern Regional will be hosted by the Music City Chapter and will be based in Franklin, TN. The Registration form is attached, and more information is available upon request.



**Cars of the Month:** Every month we will include at least a picture or two of member's cars, usually as seen at recent meetings, tours or events.

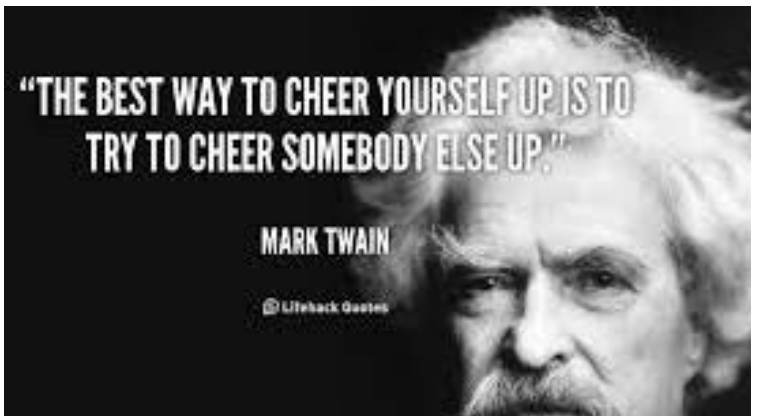
Try to be an active member, be sure to drive your "pride and joy", and then look for your picture in the next issue of the ***Dixie Valve Chatter!***



## From the "Sunshine Committee":

**Nothing to report this month, so as they say: "no news is good news"!**

If you know of a member who is ill, injured, recovering, or just in need of a special thought and bit of hope sent their way, please let Jean Richstein know about them as soon as possible. She is making certain that cards and well wishes are sent from the Dixie Chapter BCA. To enable Jean to share the Club's thoughts and concerns in a timely manner, please be sure to keep her well informed. [grayfoxconsulting@gmail.com](mailto:grayfoxconsulting@gmail.com)



## It happened in May

On May 22<sup>nd</sup> 14 Dixie Chapter members gathered at Mazzy's Sports Bar & Grill in Norcross. We enjoyed having lunch together, and then had our business meeting.

One of the topics discussed was the possibility of hosting a BCA National in either 2019 or 2020. The discussion was tabled and will be picked up again at future meetings.

**Expect to hear more in the near future.**

**Car Quiz:** Do you recognize this 1950's car?

**What make, model and year?**

**"Extra Credit"** if you can identify the famous steam locomotive that was built in May 1950.

**Hint:** This car is NOT a Buick, but it's the only old car that I could find pictured with the famous locomotive. **The answer is on page 7.**



## Annual Peach Blossom BOP&C, by “Guest Reporter” Danny Finkelstein:

The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Peach Blossom BOP&C was held On April 30<sup>th</sup> and began with a meet-and-greet at the Cherokee Cattle Company in Marietta hosted on Friday night by our friends at the Southeastern GTO Association (SEGTOA). This turned out to be a fun opportunity both for out of towners and locals to get together for cars and camaraderie prior to the big day.

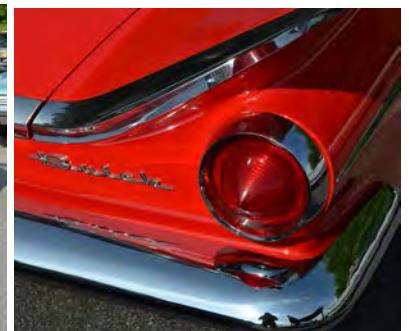
This year’s show was held at Piedmont Church in Marietta. For those who have never been there, the church hosts a yearlong 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month morning car cruise-in. They routinely draw dozens of cars that park in front of the church along Piedmont Rd. that will come and go over the course of the 3-hour cruise-in. The BOPC show field was in the rear parking lot which can provide parking for over 250 cars. Total show registration was 135 cars including 55 day of show registrations. Model years ranged from 1920 to 2015 with marques from all eras in between being represented. Total attendance would have been higher if not for some predicted afternoon rain. Fortunately, the rain held off and the slight overcast helped to keep things cool. Along with the show cars, attendees were able to browse the many vendors and classics for sale in the car coral. For those who were hungry during the show, food trucks were on site providing bar-b-que as well as ice cream.

Of the 67 awards presented at the show, 16 were taken home by Buick owners and included 7 1<sup>st</sup> Place, 3 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, and 6 3<sup>rd</sup> Place. Dixie Chapter members that won an award in their Class were: **Roy Bass** (1966 Riviera GS), **Danny Finkelstein** (1968 GS400), **Bill & Nancy Hanson** (1931 Model 86), **Jack & Pat Horvath** (1976 LeSabre), **Lee Hurdelbrink** (1965 Skylark), **Bruce & Shar Kile** (1975 LeSabre), **Jerry & Jean Richstein** (1990 Reatta), **Bob Stone** (2012 Regal GS), **Gene & Andrea Walsh** (1968 Skylark) and **JD & Roxanne Westfall** (1967 Wildcat).

In addition, two Dixie Chapter members received “**Best Of**” awards. Congratulations to **Walt & Judy Ehrenfeuchter**; “Best Buick” (1959 Invicta) and **Bruce & Shar Kile**; “Best Survivor” (1936 Special).



Photos by **Danny Finkelstein**



## Member "News":

### Buick Driving Enthusiasts Spring Tour, by "Guest Reporter" Jack Horvath:

On May 15-20, Dixie Chapter members **Frank & Jan Blizzard, Jack & Pat Horvath, Bruce & Shar Kile, Jerry & Jean Richstein, and JD Westfall** joined **hosts Skip & Jane Petsch** & the rest of the **75 Buick Driving Enthusiasts** for the 2016 National Tour to Callaway Gardens at Pine Mountain. Our first stops were at the FDR Warm Springs Little White House, National Park Museum and polio therapy pool complex.

On the second day we visited the National Infantry Museum at Ft Benning. The military training student graduation field, covered viewing stands, and historic Army displays were very impressive.

On the third day we headed west to Tuskegee, AL, where we were able to explore the Tuskegee Airmen Museum, and the Booker T. Washington/George Washington Carver Museum at the Tuskegee University.

On Friday we drove with a police escort to the Callaway family Hills and Dales Estate in LaGrange. This gorgeous 1916 mansion with 13,000 square feet, and the surrounding gardens, which were begun by the wife, Sarah Fuller in the 18th century, were wonderful sights to behold. During our police escort, our thirty Buicks, including Cary and Lynn Crutchfield's silver 1991 Hearse signed as "LST RYDE", the local drivers all courteously pulled over to the side and allowed us to pass.

We enjoyed a wide variety of satisfying meals throughout the week, and finished our tour with a rousing banquet at our central location, the Pine Mountain Resort.



Photos by **Pat Horvath**



**NOTE:** If you know of members winning awards or touring to interesting places, or have an idea for an article of interest to our members, please let Jerry know at least one week before the end of the month to enable inclusion in the next *Dixie Valve Chatter*.

## Deals on Wheels:

### 1960 Buick LeSabre: Debbie

Brooks has decided to part with her award winning 1960 LeSabre with just under 43,000 original miles. Lots of new parts!



I won best GM car, best in class, plus a couple of plaques this year. She is a beautiful car and I hate to

part with her. She has leaks and needs more gaskets replaced. She needs front brake shoes as the ones I purchased didn't fit and she needs a horn as the horn button fell down inside steering column when the new turn signal actuator was put in. I also had a guy who works on upholstery repair a couple of places where seam was coming apart. Asking \$15,000 810-845-8684

[dlbrooks1958@gmail.com](mailto:dlbrooks1958@gmail.com)

**Buick Wheels for Sale:** 14" x 6" GM stock for 1964-1972 A bodies, 15" x 7" GM stock for 1998-2004 Century, 14" x 6" Buick chrome road wheels JK and JJ bead type, 1968-1982.

All wheels \$15.00 each.

Call Lee Hurdelbrink 404-702-3350

or email [atlantaBLH@aol.com](mailto:atlantaBLH@aol.com) for specs or additional pictures.



**1986 LeSabre Limited Coupe:** Sadly, we must part with this rare car that my mother bought new in January 1986 in Marietta. It has 87K pampered miles, is near perfect inside & out, and has power everything. This Archival Elite winner, at the BCA National in 2014, is ready for show or cruising and is being offered to Dixie Chapter members first for only \$3,800. Additional pictures upon request.



Call Bruce or Shar 770-977-7924 or email [sbkile58@aol.com](mailto:sbkile58@aol.com)



**WANTED: 1969 Riviera Rear Bumper** John Link is looking for a rear bumper for his 1969 Riviera.

Contact John at [linkltrs@bellsouth.net](mailto:linkltrs@bellsouth.net) or (404) 578-8973 if you have one for sale, or know of one.

## Do you have a Buick or "car stuff" for sale?

All Dixie Chapter members can advertise "For Sale" cars, parts, and car related "stuff" for up to 6 months, or longer if space permits.

In addition, non-members can advertise their cars and parts for up to 3 months, space permitting, if they have items that may be of interest to our members. This is as a courtesy to the sellers, and as a service for our members.

Please send your ads to Jerry at least one week before the end of the month to ensure that your ad is included in the next *Dixie Valve Chatter*.



## Quotable Quotes



"My father gave me the greatest gift anyone could give another person:  
**He believed in me.**"

— Jim Valvano

**It's that special day to  
give thanks that your  
dad wasn't shootin' blanks.**



## Grit In The Gearbox

**Car Quiz Answer:** The car is a 1959 Edsel Corsair 4 Door Sedan. The locomotive is the N&W 611. It is one of the most powerful steam locomotives ever built and is a "Class J". It was built by the Norfolk & Western Railway in May 1950 in Roanoke, Virginia and is still used in excursion service.

**HAPPY  
HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY**

### Happy Birthday to:

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|-----|------------------------|------|----------------|
| 6/1 | Gayle Haggett          | 6/16 | Suzanne Zigler |
| 6/2 | Ken Barrett            | 6/21 | Nancy Hansen   |
| 6/3 | Roy Bass               | 6/21 | John Rebuck    |
| 6/3 | Julie C. Ehrenfeuchter | 6/29 | Coleman Rigby  |
| 6/3 | Warren Williams        |      |                |
| 6/6 | Gus Valeri             |      |                |

### Happy Anniversary to:

- |      |                            |
|------|----------------------------|
| 6/1  | Roy & Janet Bass           |
| 6/14 | J. D. & Roxanne Westfall   |
| 6/15 | Jack & Pat Horvath         |
| 6/19 | Walt & Julie Ehrenfeuchter |
| 6/23 | Pat & Cindy Levelle        |
| 6/26 | Keith & Chrys Bruno        |



As important events in the lives of our members, birthdays and anniversaries are recognized in the *Dixie Valve Chatter*, but **with no mention of ages or years without the permission of the member**. If you will be reaching a milestone birthday or significant anniversary this year, please let **Jerry Richstein** know so we can all share in your special celebration.

The Dixie Chapter is one of over 60 Chapters of the Buick Club of America, "a non-profit membership corporation dedicated to the preservation and restoration of those vehicles built by the Buick Motor Division of General Motors Corporation".

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The Music City Buick Club presents the 2016

# Southeast Regional Meet REGISTRATION FORM

Please make checks payable to: Music City Chapter BCA  
Mail to: Ron Franks, 1654 Cooper Creek Lane, Franklin, TN 37064  
All payments must be received by September 30, 2016

Event	Fee	Amount
Registration Fee	\$35 (for Registrant & 1 Guest) X_____ =	\$_____
	Additional guests \$5 each X_____ =	\$_____

## Events:

THURSDAY OCT 13  
TOUR OF NISSAN PLANT

No Charge (Max of 40) X\_\_\_\_\_

FRIDAY OCT 14  
TOUR OF WILLES JOHNSON PRIVATE AUTO  
COLLECTION & LUNCH AT 'THE DINER'

\$10.50 per person X\_\_\_\_\_ = \$\_\_\_\_\_

*Fee includes tour and lunch.*

SATURDAY OCT 15  
TOUR @ CARNTON PLANTATION  
IN HISTORIC FRANKLIN

\$12 per person X\_\_\_\_\_ = \$\_\_\_\_\_

*Fee includes tour.*

BANQUET DINNER

\$30 per person X\_\_\_\_\_ = \$\_\_\_\_\_

*Fee includes dinner (please select Prime Rib or Grilled Chicken Florentine). The banquet will take place in our host hotel, Best Western.*

Total enclosed: \$\_\_\_\_\_

### REGISTRANT'S INFORMATION

Attendees' Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest/Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Attendees' Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell No: \_\_\_\_\_ Email (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

BCA # \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Member (Y/N) \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Name \_\_\_\_\_

Registration includes 1 dash plaque, tour packet & 3 days of hospitality room.

HOTEL INFORMATION: Best Western Franklin Inn 1308 Murfreesboro Rd. Franklin, TN 37064; 615-79050  
A special rate/night has been set aside for a limited time of \$98.49/night including tax.  
Please make this reservation on your own.