



DIXIE VALVE CHATTER

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A word from our Director:

I would like to thank Tria Palmer for setting up and organizing our Holiday Party at Ippolito's Italian Restaurant. If you were unable to attend, you really missed a great time. The food was very good and the gift exchange was one of the best that we have ever had, with more gifts being stolen than ever before and everyone having a grand time.

Our January meeting will be at the Marriott Northwest and following lunch we will move to one of their meeting rooms. At the meeting you can sign up for the Bowl-A-Rama to be held in February. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please call or email Bruce and Shar Kile at 770-977-7924 or sbkile58@aol.com to have your name added to the Bowl-A-Rama list.

We are trying to plan more activities throughout the year and if you have an idea of a place or activity that you would like to see included, please let Bill McGowen or myself know.

Last, I would like to thank all the officers of the past two years for their service and dedication to our club.

I look forward to seeing everyone in January,

Don

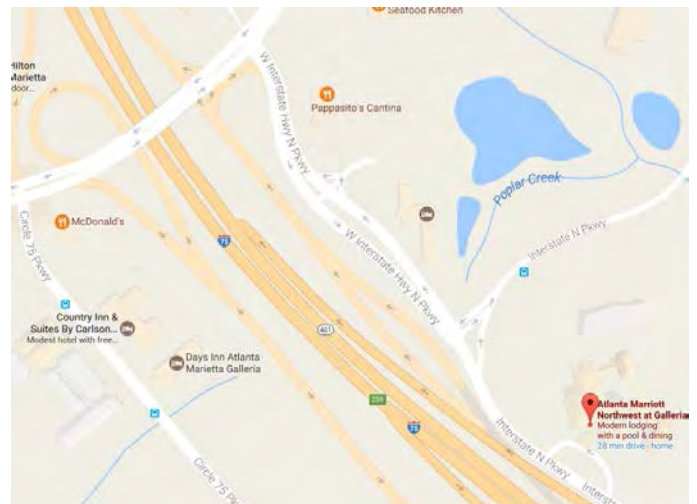
A word from our Assistant Director:

The January meeting will be at the Marriott Northwest at Windy Hill and I-75 North on Sunday January 8th.

We will have lunch in their dining room starting at 1 PM. We will order from their regular lunch menu. After lunch we will move to another room for our monthly meeting.

Many of you will know this Marriott as the hotel "where we used to have the BOP&C".

Atlanta Marriott Northwest at Galleria
200 Interstate North Parkway SE
Atlanta, Georgia 30339
(770) 952-7900



Editorial Comment:

Mike Steger is busy taking care of Jan as she recovers from her severely broken leg, and has asked me to fill in this month as a "guest editor".

I hope that everyone else had a safe & happy December enjoying time with family & friends.

I'm looking forward to seeing "all y'all" at many of the meetings, events & tours that are being planned for 2017.

Love & Peace,
Jerry



The Timing Chain:



January 8, 2017: Regular monthly meeting. Look for details in Bill's "Word from our Asst. Director" on page 1.

February 12, 2017: Annual Bowl-A-Rama followed by lunch & meeting. Look for all the details in the next *Dixie Valve Chatter*.

July 5-8, 2017: The 2017 BCA National will be held in Brookfield, WI.

October 18-22, 2017: The 2017 BCA Southeastern Regional will be hosted by the Bama Chapter and will be based in Anniston, AL. Details to follow as they become available.

A Friendly Reminder: Membership Renewal Notices were mailed last month, and 2017 Dixie Chapter dues were due by the end of last month. Those who have prepaid for 2017 or beyond don't need to pay any additional dues at this time. However, please return the membership form to Jerry so we can verify your correct address, phone number(s), email address, BCA Number, etc.



Those who do owe dues at this time can pay for up to 3 years at \$20 per year.

Past Meritorious Award winners pay just \$10 per year and current elected Chapter Officers don't pay dues while in office.

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*!

Photos by Pat Horvath



From the "Sunshine Committee":

Kat Fink broke her ankle **again**, and is recovering at home.

Jan Steger broke both bones in her left leg and had to have surgery. She now has a metal plate and a bunch of screws in her leg.

Please keep these members in your thoughts and prayers.

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.

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Member "News": No "News" this month. ☹

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 **Mike** know at least one week before the end of the month to enable inclusion in the next *Dixie Valve Chatter*.



Car Quiz:

What year and Model Buick was being used as a squad car by this Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff?

Hint: This Buick was from the same year that Franklin Roosevelt was elected President for his 1st term.

The answer is on page 5.



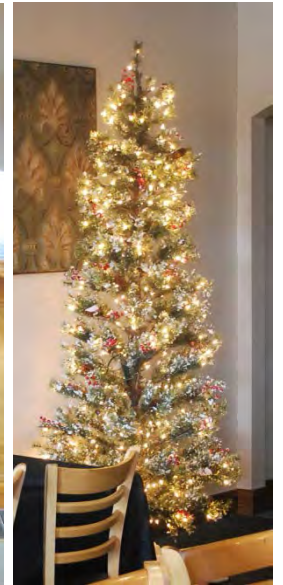
It Happened in December: On December 4th about 30 Dixie Chapter members gathered at Ippolito's Italian Restaurant, adjacent to the beautiful Town Center Park in Suwanee, to celebrate the "Holiday Season". We had a private 3rd floor room overlooking the park.

There was plenty of food and fellowship, and of course the annual gift exchange. Everyone seemed to like the food, and the service was excellent.

A big "Thank You" to Tria and Dave for making all the arrangements.



Photos by Cliff Dillingham



Deals on Wheels:

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 for specs or additional pictures.



1969 Electra Convertible: Full Power & Cold A/C, 92K (believed) original well maintained



miles, runs & drives like new. Health issues force the sale of this great tour or show car. It is being offered to Dixie Chapter members first for \$16,900



obo. Contact Don McClair (770)271-2759 ridge271@att.net or Bruce Kile (770)977-7924 sbkile58@aol.com for more pictures and information.

1986 Century Custom Sedan: This 1986 Century Custom has been immaculately maintained. Less than 35k miles! Originally owned by my uncle who purchased it brand-new and passed away a few months ago. This car looks and drives as if it came off the show room floor. Never been in an accident was garage kept. Looks & drives great, new tires, Non-smoker, one owner, until I brought it to Georgia, Seats like new, and Title in hand, very clean

interior. This car is in perfect condition and must be seen to truly appreciate the beauty! The only issue with the car at all is that it needs an air conditioner compressor clutch for the AC to work. Asking \$4,000 or best offer. Contact Barbara Price for more info. 678-508-2878 bprice4006@yahoo.com



Do you need replacement wheels or hubcaps?

Bianca at Hubcaps.com & OriginalWheels.com offers Car Club Members a discount on the Factory Hubcaps & Wheels that they show on their websites. They currently have over one million hubcaps & Rims in inventory so they may have what you need.

You would need to call them at 800-826-5880 for the discount as they do not have the ability to discount online orders. Just tell them that you are from the **Dixie Chapter of the Buick Club**, and they will figure out the best possible discount to give you.

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 **Mike** 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

"Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man."

- Benjamin Franklin

Grit In The Gearbox



Car Quiz Answer:

On the left is a 1932 Buick Phaeton equipped for police work with an extra light on the roof, a spotlight on the passenger side, a siren mounted on the frame cross tube.

The other Buick is a 1930 or 1931 Four Door Sedan with the same police equipment.

You can read more about these Buick police cars on the Old Motor website [HERE](#).



Happy Birthday to:

- 1/8 Chrys Bruno
- 1/12 Jane Petsch
- 1/14 Rita Valeri
- 1/19 Jana Hunter
- 1/24 Kevin Link

Happy Anniversary to:

No anniversaries to celebrate in January

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 **Mike Steger** 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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