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On the cover: Many beautiful Buicks lined the Grants' driveway during the Chapter Picnic.

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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For Photos and Upcoming Events: Check us out on Facebook, "Dixie Chapter of the Buick Club of America", and on the Web at www.dixie.buickclub.org

Director's Message



Don McClair

Our outing to Gateway Classic Cars in September was very enjoyable and it was a pleasure to see some members that have been absent for a while. Gateway is located in Alpharetta GA and is very easy to get to. There I spoke with Jeff Cole at length about their business practices and of course the buying and selling of cars. They appear to be above board and if you wanted to sell your car, and they have a car at one of their other 15 locations that you want to replace it with, you could trade your car in at the Alpharetta Showroom and the other car would be shipped to you. Gateway also has a car show the last Saturday of every month from 9 AM until noon. Be sure to check out their website www.gatewayclassiccars.com

Our October meeting will again be at Mazzy's Sports Bar in Norcross. Details and directions will follow in this newsletter. If you wish to eat, be there around 12:30 to 1 PM and the meeting will follow. Mazzy's is centrally located for our members but, if you know of a location that would be good for one of our meetings, please let Bill McGowen or myself know. I look forward to seeing everyone on October 8th.

Don

Welcome New Members!

Ken & Sandy Green, BCA 15623 and their 1940 Super (51) Sedan, 1940 Roadmaster (76C) Conv, and 1940 Roadmaster (71) 4 Dr Sedan.



Sonomatic Sounds, an editorial

Hi folks,

With the coming of Autumn comes the Fall car show season. I have been busy lately filling out show registration forms for October as well as beginning my punch list of

clean up and fix up projects for the Electra this winter. There is always something that needs to be done.

I hope you enjoy this issue. We had a great chapter picnic to reflect back upon with pictures. And speaking of reflections, Bruce Kile is working on a series of articles about the early days of the Dixie Chapter. The premier article is in this issue. You will also find an invitation from our friends with the Peach State Cadillac - LaSalle Club to attend their show benefitting the veterans and the empty stocking fund. Lots going on, so put away that leaf rake and crank up that Tri-shield. Happy Buicking!

Tom



Quotable Quotations



IS ALL THAT WE SEE
OR SEEM
BUT A DREAM
WITHIN A DREAM?

A Dream Within a Dream, 1849. Poem.

Edgar Allan Poe

www.edgarallanpoe.co.uk

Member News

No member 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 **Tom Lynde** know at least two weeks before the end of the month to enable inclusion in the next **Dixie Valve Chatter**.

The Timing Chain

October 8, 2017: Chapter meeting at Mazzy's in Norcross

October 14, 2017 Car show at Lake Lanier hosted by Peach State Cadillac-LaSalle Club

October 18-22, 2017: The 2017 BCA Southeastern Regional

Grit in the Gearbox



From the "Sunshine Committee":

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



October Birthdays

- 10/7 Gene Walsh
- 10/11 Lori Barrett
- 10/11 Pat Horvath
- 10/14 Bill Horlock
- 10/15/56 Brad Braswell
- 10/15 Sandy Green
- 10/17/50 Lamar Brown
- 10/18 Al Johnson
- 10/18/57 Wanda Reeves
- 10/24/43 Frank Blizzard
- 10/26/45 Bill McGowen
- 10/26 J. D. Westfall
- 10/31 John Link



October Anniversaries

- 10/16 Frank & Jan Blizzard
- 10/19 Ernie & Susie Grant
- 10/23 Alan & Chris Strong
- 10/24 Bob & Glenda Haggard
- 10/27 Ken & Lori Barrett

Deals on Wheels

Buick Parts for sale.

Three 1932 Buick 18" wood wheels for 50 series. \$50.00 each. 1938 Buick front seat, no bottom cushion, \$25.00. Several 1957 Special parts. Call 706-865-4185.

Raymond Collins. B.C.A 474

For Sale: 1971 Buick Skylark Custom Convertible. See pictures at: <http://buybuickskylark.com/>

Entertaining offers. Kip Meeboer, 770-924-0474 or email at

kmeeboer@mindspring.com



Car for Sale from non-member.

1982 Mint Condition 2dr Buick Riviera Convertible \$ 8,000 Open to offers. 32,931 Miles. This Buick is White with Red Leather Interior. 5.0 L V8 Engine Automatic. In very Good Condition Even Garaged Kept for its entire life. Very straight rust free car. All original, even the tires. If interested please call 828-247-1767 or bennettclassics@bellsouth.net



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 requested.

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

Need AC Delco parts? If you are in the need of genuine AC Delco parts such as batteries (including 6 volt) ignition parts etc., at discount pricing. We have established a "cash account" with Johnson Industries in Atlanta aka "J. I. Parts Express" <https://www.teamji.com/home/prodServ.htm>. Simply phone the call center at (770) 448-3896 and tell them that you are with the Buick Club account #47225, and place your order. You will also need to tell them which of the 8 distribution warehouses you would like to pick it up & pay at. Distribution centers are in Woodstock, Marietta, Norcross, Emery, Snellville, Turner Field, Roswell, & Columbus. A "cash account" does include Visa/MasterCard. If you have any questions call **Bruce Kile** (770) 977-7924.



October Meeting

Come on out for the regular monthly chapter meeting at Mazzy's Sports Bar, 7160 Jimmy Carter Boulevard in Norcross on Sunday October 8th. We'll gather for lunch at 12:30 and the meeting will begin about 2:00. Drive your Buick and it may be featured as a car of the month.

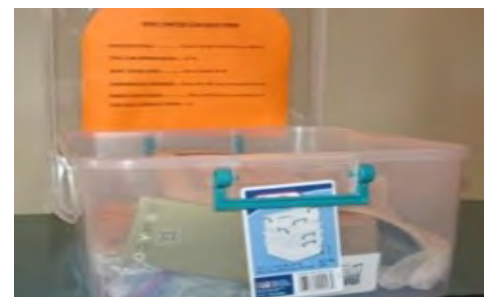


ARE YOU CHANGING YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS?

If you have a **NEW** e-mail address, please notify Jerry Richstein at jerry.richstein@gmail.com so you can continue to receive the *Dixie Valve Chatter* via e-mail

Club Sales

The club "store" is now open for business at all business meetings. Some of the items available are cloth BCA jacket patches, static cling BCA window decals, keepsake ornaments (featuring various *Buick* models), and *Buick* playing cards. Call Bruce Kile for pricing or questions (770) 977- 7924.



Moments in Dixie Chapter History

By Bruce Kile, AKA Ole BCA 3013

While it is true that ole 3013 had the plan to organize and form the "**Dixieland**" Chapter when I first came to Atlanta in March of 1979, but we didn't really start making phone calls and sending letters (remember there was no email or texting back then) to the 25-30 or so BCA members in the whole state until later in the year, after my entire family re-located to Georgia. The actual founding of the chapter should be credited to the 12 members who came to our first organizational meeting in early January 1980 at Hix Green Buick. They signed the required BCA chapter application as the "**Dixie Chapter**" and it was submitted it to the board of directors. A minimum of ten BCA members signatures were required to form a chapter. Perhaps my having just become the BCA National Chapter Coordinator at the time "greased the skids" a little bit, but in any case the chapter was officially chartered in March of 1980, unfortunately not in time to be listed in the 1980 National roster. Of the 12 charter members, four are still on the Dixie Chapter roster, Ray Collins, Roy and Sharon Newby, John Sincere, and Shar and myself. Hey, that means one-third of those who signed that application are still members! I wonder how many other chapters can say that after 37 years?

Cars of the Month. Drive your car to Chapter Events and it may be featured as a Car of the Month in the **Valve Chatter.**



Chapter Picnic

Thanks to Ernie and Susie Grant for hosting the chapter picnic, and to Ernie and JD for their grillmastery. And thank you to all who brought side dishes, desserts, and games. A wonderful time was had by all.



Car Show, Food & FUN: Cadillac of Lake Lanier • 10 AM - 3 PM

Saturday, October 14th

Cadillac of Lake Lanier • 2355 Browns Bridge Rd • Gainesville, GA
(770) 535 2200



Once again Peach State CLC is partnering with Cadillac of Lake Lanier, Lanier Corvettes Unlimited, and the GM Veteran's Group to raise awareness for veterans and their support groups. We are rallying our Cadillacs with Corvette, Olds, Buick, Pontiac clubs and other classics and muscle cars of all types to help these great causes to meet their fund-raising goals.

Drive your classic, bring a chair and money. The dealership has reserved space for YOU – the main attraction. Come celebrate the fall with us. A DJ, hot dogs and burgers, soft drinks, parts vendors, a raffle and other activities for the family.

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS HELPING THE GM VETERANS GROUP,
THE GAINESVILLE JAYCEES GUT CHECK AND EMPTY STOCKING FUND.**

Daily Driver guys will love this: Compete with the high dollar cars. How? There will be trophies for those that generate the most bucks, Best Caddy, Olds, Pontiac, Buick, Vette, Ford, Chevy, MOPAR, Truck, Motorcycle and Peoples' Choice Award! Place a bucket in front of your car. Everybody votes with their dollars, and every penny goes to veterans' causes. Want to "buy" a plaque for your car? Stuff the ballot box! Want to be on stage for your plaque? **STUFF THAT BALLOT BOX WITH BUCKS!**

Registration starts at 9:00 AM - All show vehicles \$20.

Come on up GA 400 North to Brown's Bridge Road (Hwy 369) then go east.
For more information visit: <http://www.peachstateclc.org/2017-calendar.html>

See you there! Questions? Give us a call...

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