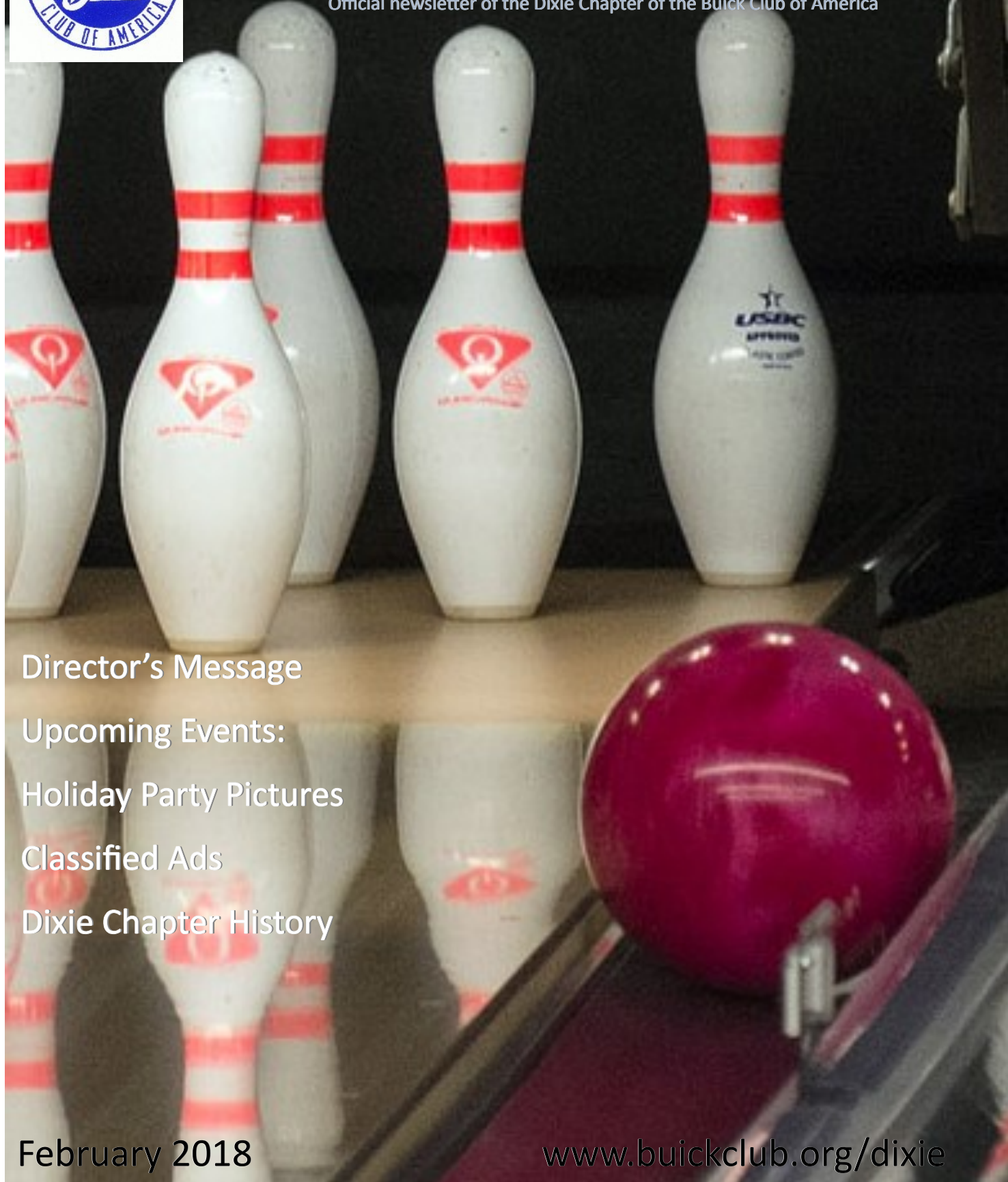


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For Photos and Upcoming Events: Check us out on Facebook, "Dixie Chapter of the Buick Club of America", and on the Web at www.dixie.buickclub.org

Director's Message



Don McClair

Our Holiday Party was good and everyone there enjoyed a really great meal. We were down in numbers because the nasty flu bug was chasing some of our members. Because of this, the team of Bill and Yvonne McGowen were able to get the restaurant to give us a smaller semi private room and we were able to order off of the menu and it all came at a reduced cost. It was good to see Glen and Debbie Novak and John - Paul Glenkey at the Party. Next month on February 11th, we have our Annual Bowl -a - Rama. This is always a fun filled event and it does not matter if you are not a regular bowler. With the handicap system used by Bruce and Shar almost anyone can take home one of the many trophies that Bruce awards after lunch and a short meeting. If you do not bowl, come out anyway and cheer on those who are bowling. Please call or email Bruce with your reservation. 770-977-7924 or Sbkile58@aol.com Again, you can bowl and have lunch or just make a reservation for lunch.

I look forward to seeing you at the Bowl-a-Rama.

Don

Membership Renewal Time has PAST:

2018 Dixie Chapter dues were due by 12/31/17. If you are one of the 10 that have not yet paid your 2018 Chapter dues, please send \$20 to Jerry Richstein A.S.A.P.



Sonomatic Sounds, an editorial



Hello everyone,

After a week of frigid temperatures, snow and ice I managed to sneak away and enjoy a sunny, sixty degree Georgia winter day and roll the Electra out for a cruise around the neighborhood. This after a seized up a/c compressor sidelined her for a while. It is getting on time for spring clean up and maybe a new set of whitewalls before show and cruise season arrives. I hope your winter projects are coming along well, too.

It was good to connect with y'all at the annual Holiday Party. Good food and great fellowship were the hallmarks of the day. Up next, the annual Bowl-a-rama. This will be my first experience with this Dixie Chapter tradition. As a youngster I used to tear up the lanes playing candlepin. I am not sure in those skills will transcend the years, but I am surely ready to give them a try. See y'all at the lanes!

Happy Buicking!

Tom

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

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***.

Quotable Quotations

You don't love
someone for
their looks, or
their clothes or
for their fancy
car, but because
they sing a song
only you can
hear.

-Oscar Wilde

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WHAT: Annual Dixie Chapter "Bowl-A-Rama"

WHEN: Sunday February 11th

WHERE: AMF Woodstock Lanes
108 Woodpark Blvd.
Woodstock, GA 30188
770-926-2200

START BOWLING: Promptly at 12:30, so get there early!

LUNCH TIME: After Bowling, at about 2:30 p.m. with a business meeting to follow.

The cost is the same as last year; \$12 adults (over 12), \$9 for 12 & under. The price includes 3 games bowling, shoe rental & lunch, or \$6 for those having lunch only.

This is one of our most fun events. Remember.....bowling skill is not required, in fact with the "handicap system" we have, higher average bowlers have more of a challenge than those who don't bowl too often. **There will be awards & prizes.**

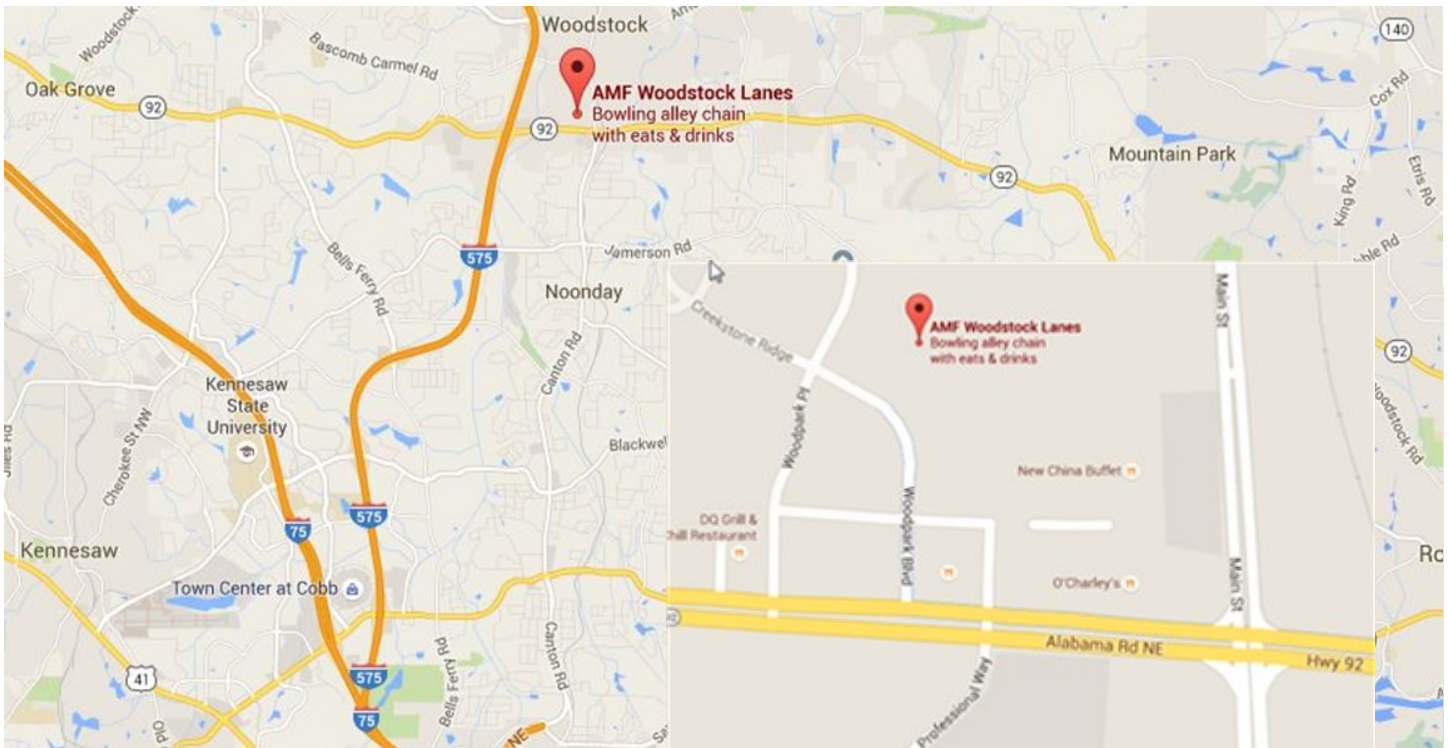
Weather permitting, be sure to drive those Buicks, There will be ample parking in "car show" fashion.

RSVP: Please RSVP by February 7th by phone or email to Bruce or Shar 770-977-7924, sbkile58@aol.com

Let's make this our best Bowl-A-Rama ever!

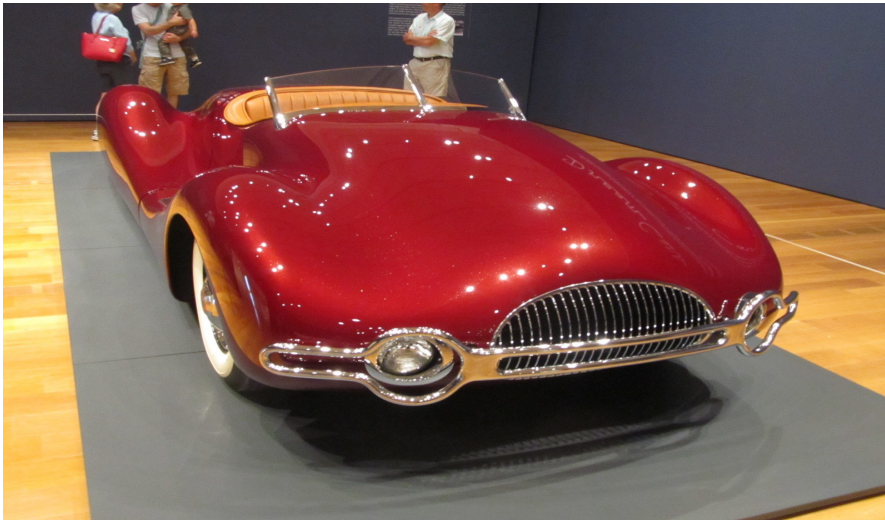
DIRECTIONS: I-75 North to 1-575 / Phillip M Landrum Memorial Hwy North toward Canton. Exit 7 right, GA 92 toward Woodstock. Turn right onto GA 92. Go approximately 3/4 mile and turn left at the Dairy Queen onto Woodpark Place. Follow the circle around to AMF Woodstock Lanes.

For those coming from the East take GA 92 West. Cross Canton Hwy. Go approximately 1,000 feet and then turn right between McDonalds & Velox Insurance onto Woodpark Blvd. Follow the circle until you see AMF Woodstock Lanes.



The Timing Chain

- ◆ February 11, 2018: Bowl-a-rama!
- ◆ May 12, 2018: Peach Blossom BOP&C. Hosted by Peach State Cadillac-LaSalle.
- ◆ June 19-23, 2018: BCA National Meet. Denver, CO
www.buickclub.org
- ◆ June 12-15 2019: BCA National Meet. Midwest City, OK



Norman Timbs' Buick Streamliner

Grit in the Gearbox

Winter Poem



IT'S COLD!!
The End

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.

New Items! Playing cards, Patches, and Decals!!



Moments in Dixie Chapter History

By Bruce Kile, AKA Ole BCA 3013

Credit for the idea of having a bowling outing as a "cold weather activity" goes to the N.E. Ohio Chapter who started it back in the mid 70s. But when we, The Dixie Chapter, were looking for a February outing in 1992 or 93, "ole 3013" had a memory recall from those earlier Ohio days and suggested bowling. The idea met with a lot of enthusiasm, although most everyone admitted they had not bowled in years, some said it was "never". Let's face it, bowling, especially bowling on a regular basis wasn't big in the South. After all, it's pretty much considered a cold weather sport and fortunately real cold weather is something we don't usually have a lot of in Georgia, except this year. Of course February in Georgia is still better than February in Ohio, and unlike our northern old car friends, we can drive our "pride & joy" to our winter activities and meetings. We credit Roddy Pearce with the name "Bowl-A-Rama" as well as locating on the internet and donating the two rotating trophies we present each year for the top male and female bowlers. Of course the whole event is all for fun and with the *handicap system we use, all bowlers, regardless of their bowling skills, have an even chance to win awards. Needless to say, participation in the "Bowl-A-Rama" is always optional. Some folks prefer to stay on the side lines and be cheerleaders or spectators, but regardless of the level of involvement, its always lots of fun and in the spirit of Buick Club activities. It must be why the tradition has continued for about 25 years. Oh BTW, we always invite your guests, young & old, to join us too. Remember....it's the most fun you can have in a pair of rented shoes anywhere!

*(Your "official" Buick Club average is established once you have bowled 3 games)

Bruce Kile
sbkile58@aol.com

- 1/8 Chrys Bruno
- 1/9 Doug Durkee
- 1/12 Jane Petsch
- 1/14/32 Rita Valeri
- 1/19 Jana Hunter
- 1/24 Kevin Link



- 2/2/65 Steve Zigler
- 2/10 Charles Hunter
- 2/15 Bruce Kile
- 2/18 Danny Bryant
- 2/24 Maureen Bryant
- 2/24 Gail Anderson
- 2/28 Bob McNichols

DIXIE CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY



A grand time was had by all at the annual chapter holiday party at Ippolito's in Swanee. Great fellowship, good meal and a rousingly fun gift exchange. (Even though I did not get to keep the shop vac. Ed.)

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/>

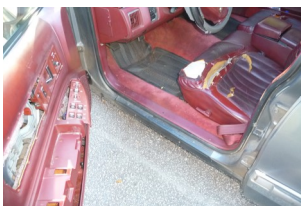
Entertaining offers. Kip Meeboer, 770- 924-0474 or email at

kmeeboer@mindspring.com



For sale

1992 Buick Roadmaster sedan. Purchased in 2005. Good running "driver-type" car. Would need restoration to be a show car. Solid, rust free Georgia car. A/C and driver's side door window not working. 176,000 miles. \$1,200. Located in Doraville. Call Bill Powell (678) 507-6709 or email powellb69@gmail.com



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 ACDelco 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.**

