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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



Summer is getting closer to being over and that means our annual picnic is getting closer by the day. JD Westfall has been gracious enough to offer his home to host this picnic on Sunday September 12th starting at 1 PM. Please RSVP to JD by September 1st. JD's email is jdw52@comcast.net or phone is 913-638-7849. Also, If your last name starts with letter A thru M please bring a side dish. If your last name begins with the letter N thru Z please bring a desert. The meat and soft drinks will be provided by the club and if you wish to have a cool adult beverage, you will need to bring that as well. Address, directions and the main gate security code will be provided later in this newsletter.

I have most of the Buick Bugles from the early 1990's to current and they are looking for a new home. There are arranged by year and if you would like to have any of these, they will be at the picnic.

Last, long time member of our chapter Roddy Pearce is having some serious health issues and is in Cardiac ICU at Emory Medical Center. Roddy is a strong supporter of our club and was always there for whatever was going on with our Chapter. Please keep Roddy in your thoughts and prayers.

I hope to see you at the picnic,

Don

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

On-line Content

Click the link below for news coverage of the Back to the Bricks celebration in Flint, MI

<http://www.abc12.com/content/news/Back-to-the-Bricks-automotive-history-491007891.html>

Sonomatic Sounds, an editorial

Tom Lynde

Greetings,

The chapter picnic is just around the corner. Be sure to RSVP with J.D. if you are planning to attend. It is always a great time with good food and good folks. Not to mention a bevy of beautiful Buicks to look over.

My weekends are getting about to get busy with a host of local car shows to attend this Autumn. Be sure to check out the Timing Chain for a listing of events. Be sure to drop me a line if you are hosting a show, or know of a show or cruise that you think other members would enjoy, and I will be sure that it gets mentioned in The Valve Chatter.

Shameless plug announcement. I am hosting a show at my church September 22nd. Details in the Timing Chain. Come by m if you're in the neighborhood.

There is also time to get your registration in for the Southeast Regional. The registration forms are once again published in this issue.

There was a great turn out for the August meeting. A fine meal was enjoyed by all, the management comped us several appetizers to share, and the service was excellent. Lots of business was discussed and the nominating committee got to work to find a slate of officers to present to the membership in November. Elections will be in December. Please consider serving if called upon. This is your club.

Happy Buicking,

Tom



Grit in the Gearbox

Quotable Quotations

Fall entrepreneur...



By all these lovely
tokens September
days are here,
With summer's best
of weather
And autumn's best
of cheer.

Helen Hunt Jackson

www.TheSilverPen.com

DON'T MISS THE CHAPTER PICNIC !

The Dixie Chapter picnic will be held at the home of JD Westfall in Roswell on September 9th. JD has graciously offered his home and will be cooking up some great things as always on his grill. You will need to RSVP to JD by September 1st. You can email JD at jdw52@comcast.net or give him a call at 913-638-7849. If your last name begins with A thru M bring a side dish. If your last name begins with N thru Z bring a dessert. Soft drinks and the meat will be provided by the club. If you would like anything else to drink, you can bring it.

Address: JD Westfall
13127 Overlook Pass
Roswell, GA 30075

Directions: Route 92 West from Highway 40 or
Route 92 East from I-595

Then: In Roswell, North on King Road 1 Mile
West on Cox Road ½ Mile
North on Bucksport Road ¼ Mile
East on Lackey Road 200 Yards.
Turn North at the gate on Overlook Pass.
Pass code is **#1975**
Look for the Wildcat!



Great food and fellowship!!



Games of skill!!!



Beautiful Buicks!!!!

Cars of the Month

Drive your Buick to chapter events and it may be featured in the Valve Chatter as a Car of the Month.



This month we are featuring street rods owned by the Gallaghers and the Richsteins.

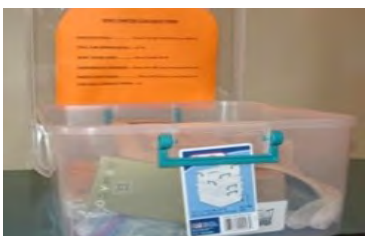
From the Sunshine Committee

Roddy Pearce is in the Cardiac ICU in Emory Medical Center. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers for a full recovery.

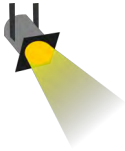
If you know of a member who is ill, injured, recovering, or just in need of a special thought and bit of hope sent their way, please let Jean Richstein know about them as soon as possible. She is making certain that cards and well wishes are sent from the Dixie Chapter BCA. To enable Jean to share the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

grayfoxconsulting@gmail.com

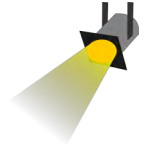
Club Sales



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!!**



MEMBER NEWS



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 ensure inclusion in the next ***Dixie Valve Chatter***.

Member News

Jack and Pat Horvath recently attended the Vietnam Truckers' Reunion in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee and they file this report.

We had a great time in August at a Pigeon Forge, TN, reunion, with about a hundred truckers and guntruckers and their families. We were again able to take USO snacks for our hospitality room with our 76 Buick. B

Our Transportation Truck Group was the first unit to build these guntrucks using 60 of our 720 cargo trucks. This took place after the first enemy ambush on 2 Sep 1967 killed nine truckers and other soldiers. It was clear that over our 110 mile mountainous route we needed to protect ourselves. During the next five years, about 300 of these guntrucks were built by many units throughout Vietnam.



The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA and Chapter Events

September 9, 2018

Chapter Picnic at the home of J.D. Westfall in Roswell . Details in this issue!

April 27-28, 2019

38th Annual Peach Blossom BOP&C. Hosted by the Dixie Chapter BCA. Piedmont Church, Marietta.

November 1-3, 2018:

New Bern, NC.

The Tarheel Chapter hosts the Southeast Regional Tour. Driving tours will include Tryon Palace, Fort Macon, and historic Beaufort, N.C. More information at www.TarheelBuick.org,

June 12-15, 2019

Buick Cub of America Annual Meet. Midwest City, Oklahoma. www.buickclub.org

June 15-18, 2020

Buick Cub of America Annual Meet. Stongsville, Ohio. Hosted by Northeast Ohio Chapter. www.buickclub.org

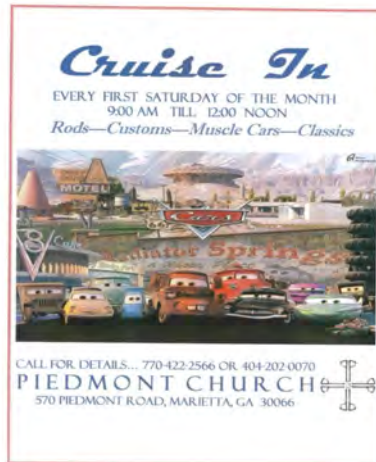
Non-Chapter Events



HOLY SMOKE FESTIVAL
CAR SHOW • LABOR DAY SEPT. 3

- CARS AND TRUCKS ONLY - 1980 AND OLDER.
- NO REGISTRATION FEE. REGISTER AT EVENT.
- CHECK IN AT 9 AM. REGISTER BY NOON FOR AWARDS. TROPHIES PRESENTED AT 1:45 PM.
- BENEFITS FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES OF EAST COBB. DONATIONS APPRECIATED.
- MORE INFO - 80 DINN. 404.218.8834. 80DINN96@GMAIL.COM

IN CASE OF RAIN, CAR SHOW WILL BE CANCELLED.
 Johnson Ferry Baptist Church • 805 Johnson Ferry Road Marietta, GA 30068 • johnsonferry.org



Cruise In
 EVERY FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
 9:00 AM TILL 12:00 NOON
Rods—Customs—Muscle Cars—Classics

PIEDMONT CHURCH
 570 PIEDMONT ROAD, MARIETTA, GA 30066



County Line Congregational Christian Church
 1012 Sawtooth Road, Marietta, Georgia 30066

County Line Church Annual Car Show
 September 22, 2018

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 Registration: \$15.00 per car.
 Club Special: \$10.00 per car, 5 car minimum roll-in.
 Mail in or day of show registration
 Awards: Top Ten, Pastor's Choice, and Best of Show.
 Dash plaques. Door prizes.
 Shaded and paved show area.
 All proceeds to benefit the ministries of County Line Congregational Christian Church.
 For more information contact Tom Lynde. 770-827-5357.
 Email dcarshow@yahoo.com
 Visit our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/CLCarShow>

Caffeine and Classics
Streetside Classics. 213
Thornton Road Lithia Springs.
Last Saturday of every month.
9 am.

Coffee and Cars at Gateway Classic Cars in
Alpharetta the last Saturday of every
month from 9am to noon.
www.gatewayclassiccars.com/cars-and-coffee

Please send notices of upcoming events to DVC editor Tom Lynde at lynde2375@charter.net

CAR QUIZ



What do these two every day items have to do with our favorite marque?

Do you know some interesting Buick trivia? Share it with *The Valve Chatter* !

OUTING OPPORTUNITY

Bruce Kile

In my 45 plus years in the old car hobby, some of my fondest memories are taking an old car to an assisted living/nursing home facility, sharing stories and visiting with the residents & their families. To that end, I've been asked to round up a few old cars (pre-1980) for a very special event to be held on Saturday., September 22nd. For the want of a better name we are calling it simply a "Car Show". Actually it's an event to bring a little sunshine to the residents and guests of *The Arbor at Bridgemill* (near the intersection of Sixes Rd & Bells Ferry, Canton.) I've surveyed the parking situation & figure probably a maximum of 25 cars. In exchange for our bringing our cars they will provide us lunch. That's it, no classes, no judging, no awards just that feeling you get bringing a smile to the faces of an appreciative audience. Time will be 1-4 PM. While we don't plan to have a formal registration, we would like to have a head count for parking and food. I'm sending this invite to my Buick Club friends as well as contacts in the Cadillac/LaSalle, Oldsmobile and GTO clubs first. Depending on the response we receive will determine if we reach out to other clubs. **Please respond via email or phone (770) 977-7924** if you (or any of your old car friends) will attend with your antique collector car. Sorry, but I feel we must put a deadline for response of **SEPTEMBER 7th** . That will allow us time to reach out to other clubs if necessary. Can we count you in?

Mile Markers
Celebrating Life's Events



BIRTHDAYS

- 9/1 Dave Dunton
- 9/2 Walt Erenfeuchter
- 9/5/61 Tom Lynde
- 9/6 Don McClair
- 9/7/40 Alan Lisenby
- 9/8 Maria Gaynor
- 9/14 Debbie Novak
- 9/15 Bill Hansen
- 9/25 Dan Gallagher
- 9/26 Rich Fink
- 9/26 Roxanne Westfall
- 9/27 Cindy Levelle
- 9/28 Laura Dalton

ANNIVERSARIES

- 9/5 Glenn & Debbie Novak
- 9/17 Ken & Sandy Green
- 9/23 Kip & Stephanie Meeboer
- 9/25 Ron & Connie Bergeron

Come join us on Facebook!

Dixie Chapter Buick Club of America





Deals on Wheels



Car for Sale

Car for Sale.

1968 Skylark. 2 door hard-top. Dark grey with black vinyl top and interior. 350 engine, automatic transmission, power steering, power brakes, factory air conditioning. General good condition. Ran well when parked, however won't start now. \$500. Located in Decatur. Call Roddy Pearce 404-371-1999 6am - 10pm.



1976 Buick Century for sale. Asking \$9,950 or best offer. Rebuilt engine, a long list of parts have been replaced and it was repainted last fall. Bob Haggard, Lake Sinclair, 478-968-0329.

Wheels for Sale



Four refurbished Skylark Rally Wheels with caps and beauty rings for sale . 14"x7". I bought them at a swap meet. I thought they were 15", but I was wrong. Asking \$100.00 or best offer for the wheels. Bob Haggard. Lake Sinclair. 478-968-0329



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.

Parts Wanted.

Robust aftermarket front sway bar about 1 inch diameter for 1955 Roadmaster. Glenn Novak, BCA #3670, 770-832-6353,

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

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



TARHEEL CHAPTER TO HOST 2018 SOUTH EAST REGIONAL TOUR

FROM THE TARHEEL CHAPTER NEWS LETTER

The Tarheel Chapter will be hosting the 2018 South East Regional Tour to New Bern, NC on **November 1-3, 2018**. The host hotel will be the New Bern Double Tree Hotel in the center of the downtown business district. The hotel has abundant parking and will provide a car wash station as well. The Tarheel Chapter will provide a hospitality room on site and will host day trips to area attractions that will be announced in detail shortly. New Bern, NC is a very historic town and the home of the Colonial Governor's residence, The Tryon Palace. It has a very nice business district with distinct shopping and dining opportunities all within a short walking distance from the host hotel. Mark your calendars now! .



Tryon Palace



Downtown New Bern



New Bern Doubletree Hotel

**2018 BCA SE REGIONAL TOUR
November 1-3, 2018
New Bern, NC**

Hotel: Double Tree
100 Middle St
New Bern, NC 28560
Phone: (252) 638-3585
Rates: \$139 + tax/night
Includes breakfast and wi-fi
Request Buick Tour rate

QUESTIONS:
Anne Gibson
phone: 336-599-9589
email: agibson36@gmail.com



Owner _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____ Owner Cell Phone _____
 email _____
 Car Year _____ Model _____
 Guest Name _____
 Guest Cell Phone _____

Registration Fee ----- \$ 25.00
 (per car)

Thursday, Nov 1

Tryon Palace (10am start) _____ X \$17.00 each \$ _____
 Lunch on your own: (list provided).
 NC History Center Tour (price included in Tryon Palace)
 Dinner on your own: suggestions will be supplied.

Friday, Nov 2

Caravan to Beaufort, NC (9am)
 Maritime Museum (10:30am) _____ X free \$ 0.00
 Lunch- Sanitary Seafood Restaurant _____ X \$18.00 \$ _____
 Tour of Fort Macon (2pm) _____ X free \$ 0.00
 Dinner on your own: (list provided).

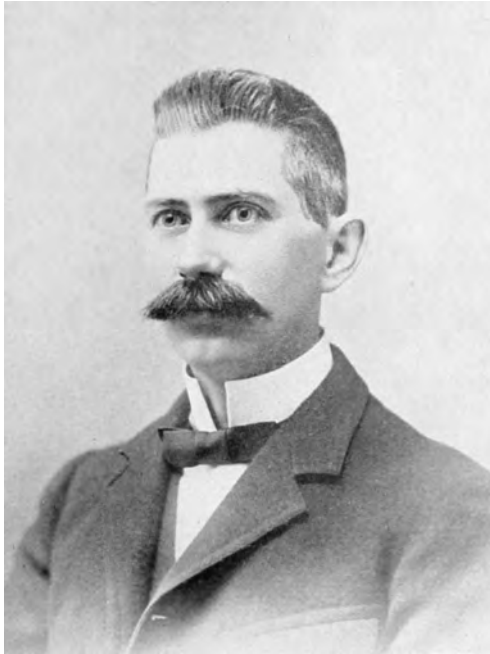
Saturday, Nov 3

Things of Yesteryear (Toaster Museum) _____ X \$ 5.00 per car \$ _____
 Lunch pre-arranged; separate checks
 Firemen's Museum Tour _____ X \$7.00 \$ _____
 Birthplace of Pepsi Tour (optional) _____ X free \$ 0.00
 Banquet @ Hotel _____ X \$35.00 \$ _____
 (per person)

TOTAL \$ _____

Registration requested by **September 30, 2018**.
 Please make checks payable to: **Tarheel Chapter-BCA**.
 Mail form and check to:
Anne Gibson, 387 North Ridge Circle, Roxboro, NC 27574

CAR QUIZ ANSWER



Along with Founding the motor car company that bears his name, David Dunbar Buick is credited with inventing a type lawn sprinkler as well as the process of laminating porcelain to cast iron for use on bathtubs and other bathroom fixtures. That process is still used today.

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.



Join the conversations! Participate in the forums on the Buick Club of America website. www.buickclub.org



Next month's Dixie Valve Chatter will feature coverage of the Chapter Picnic!