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On the cover, Beautiful Buicks at the picnic. Photo by Cliff Dillingham

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Director's Message

Don McClair



Our annual summer picnic was a success with (I believe) 39 members present. Our gracious host JD Westfall grilled wings and ribs and everyone really enjoyed them. Also, the side dishes that everyone brought were consumed with much enthusiasm. If you were not able to attend you were missed, and you missed some truly wonderful food and fellowship.

Our October meeting will be held October 14th at the Olive Garden on Holcomb Bridge Road, located a half mile west of GA 400. Our Nominating Committee will announce the people who are running for office and we will vote for them at the November meeting. If you are interested in running for office, please let Jerry Richstein, Bruce Kile or Jack Horvath know.

Lastly, please keep Roddy Pearce in your thoughts and prayers. Roddy is doing some better but is facing a long recovery time. He is currently in room E529 at Emory Hospital in Decatur. Roddy is a long time member and supporter of our chapter and the BCA, and was always present at any function we had going on.

I look forward to seeing you in October,

Don

Southeast Regional Tour Cancelled.

Registrants to the Southeast Regional Tour should have received this email from Anne Gibson of the Tarheel Chapter.

I am sorry to inform you that the Tarheel Chapter is cancelling the SE Regional tour for this year. Our Hotel in New Bern is closed for a minimum of 60 days due to flooding and it is too late to find another venue. We hope to have this tour in the Fall of 2019. I spoke to several of you this morning and left messages with others. Please remember to call the hotel if you have made reservations to cancel them. The number is (252)638-3585 press 1. Our treasurer will be sending you a refund. Thank you for registering and we hope to see you next year. If you have any questions, you may respond to this email or give me a call at (336)599-9589.

Let us continue to keep the people of the Carolinas in our thoughts and prayers as they continue to recover from Hurricane Florence.

Sonomatic Sounds, an editorial

Tom Lynde

Greetings,

Hoping that this finds all of you well. I am nursing my sore feet after hosting a local car show at my church this morning. We had about forty cars turn out and a great time was had by all, and it reminded me that the Peach Blossom show will be upon us before we know it.

For now, I am making plans to attend about three or four local Fall car shows and am beginning my winter punch list of things that need to be done on the Electra before the BOPC and next Spring's activities. There is always something to clean up, fix up or improve on an old car.

And I am sending a big thank you out to Cliff, Jerry, and Jack for their reporting on the club Picnic.

Please don't forget, we have the monthly chapter meeting at the Olive Garden on Holcomb Bridge coming up on October 14th. Hope to see you there.

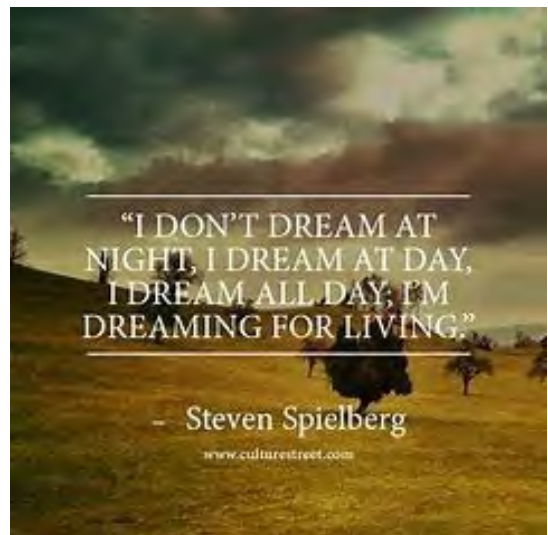
Happy Buicking,

Tom



Grit in the Gearbox

Quotable Quotations



Chapter Picnic Review

Jack Horvath

The picnic was well attended with about 30 Dixie Chapter Buick folks on hand, and sparkling Buicks were parked on an angle in front of the house.

We laughed, because most of us were in the first half of the alphabet and brought side dishes, and only two were from the last part of the alphabet and brought desserts.

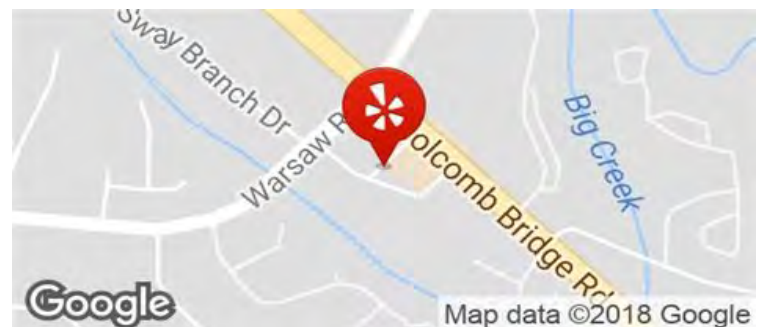
JD's ribs and wings were delicious and plentiful, with his personal mix of rub spices and BBQ sauce. The cooking area gave off such a wonderful aroma, we were all convinced that the neighbors would soon be heading down the driveway to join us.

There was a spirited competition which took place at the Bruce and Shar Kile ring toss court.

We all marveled at JD's two story flag pole arrangement to lift up his three bird feeders. This allowed birdwatchers to look out from his kitchen window and get a close up view of the constant action. This also keeps the squirrels at bay, but at one time in the past, a bear managed to pull the whole thing down.

October Chapter Meeting.

The October chapter meeting will be held October 14th at the Olive Garden, 905 Holcomb Bridge Road in Roswell. Plan to meet for lunch around 12:30 and the business meeting will begin around 2:00 pm.



Chapter Picnic Pictures

Cliff Dillingham and Jerry Richstein









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.



From the Sunshine Committee

Please continue to keep Roddy Pearce in your thoughts and prayers for a full recovery.

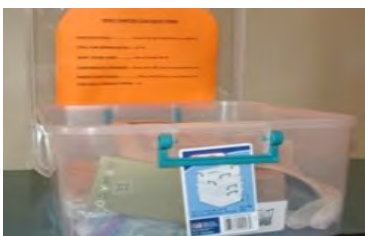
If you know of a member who is ill, injured, recovering, or just in need of a special thought and bit of hope sent their way, please let Jean Richstein know about them as soon as possible. She is making certain that cards and well wishes are sent from the Dixie Chapter BCA. To enable Jean to share the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

grayfoxconsulting@gmail.com

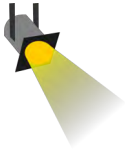
Are you changing your e-mail address?

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

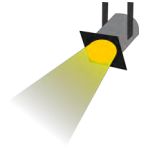
Club Sales



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!!**



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***.

During a recent trip to Cape Cod, I had the good fortune to attend a fund raiser event at one of my favorite auto museums, the Lilly Collection at Heritage Museum and Gardens in Sandwich, Massachusetts. The museum invited a number of local CCCA members to display their cars and had a couple of their own classics on the grounds at Cars and Cocktails for attendees to enjoy. Along with wonderful hors d'oeuvres and beverages, there were a number of tasty classics to feast the eyes upon from great marques in the order of Duesenberg, Cord, Packard, Bugatti, and Jaguar, to name a few. Their regular collection is not huge, but includes a fine, rare examples of some very desirable classic cars. Even though there are no Buicks, If you are ever in New England, I would highly recommend a visit.

Tom



Gary Cooper's 1930 Duesenberg J



1912 Packard 6 Landauette



1939 Bugatti Type 57

The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA and Chapter Events

October 14, 2018

Monthly Chapter Meeting at the Olive Garden, 905 Holcomb Bridge Road in Roswell. Eat around 12:30 pm, meeting starts around 2:00 pm.

April 27-28, 2019

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

October 2018

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Autumn 2019:

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,

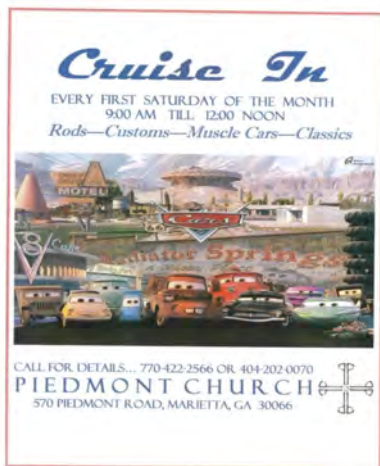
June 12-15, 2019

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



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

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



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

CAR QUIZ



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The Blitz is the insignia of what marque, owned by General Motors from 1929 to 2017 and was sold through Buick dealerships from the late 1950s through the early 1980s. Answer on page 15.

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

Mile Markers
Celebrating Life's Events



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

ANNIVERSARIES

- 10/16 Frank & Jan Blizzard
- 10/19 Ernie & Susie Grant
- 10/23 Alan & Chris Strong
- 10/24 Dan & Barbara Gallagher
- 10/24 Bob & Glenda Haggard
- 10/27 Ken & Lori Barrett
- 10/28 Brad & Joyce Flaaen

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Parts Wanted.

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

fifteezfan@hotmail.com

Car for Sale

1950 Buick Special 4 dr for sale. It is not running and probably needs a motor rebuild. Asking \$3,500. 770-856-1562. Doug Hattersley

Deals on Wheels

Car for Sale



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.

Car For Sale

1936 Special (Mod. 41) Same owner for 45 years, time to let someone else enjoy it, mostly original rust free (unrestored), 77K (original) miles, Very strong running engine, & Highly presentable inside and out. Asking \$11,900 and it comes with numerous spare parts/literature.



Call Bruce Kile (770) 977-7924 or email sbkile58@aol.com for more

Your Ad could be here!

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**.

CAR QUIZ ANSWER



The Blitz is the insignia for Opel. General Motors owned Adam Opel AG of Germany from 1929 until selling the division to PSC of France in 2017. GM marketed Opels through their network of Buick dealers from the 1950s through the mid 1970s. Buick then offered Japanese built Isuzus, rebadged as Opels into the early 1980s. Even though GM no longer owns Opel, the current Buick Cascada and Regal models are based on the Opel Cascada and Insignia.

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



**Have fun with us!
Attend chapter
meetings and
activities!**

