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Hello "Dixie Chapter Folks"

I am honored to have been elected as your chapter director once again. Thank you for your vote of confidence. First item on the agenda is a "BIG" thank you to Don McClair for his strong leadership during the past two years. His dedication and knowledge is an example of what a chapter director should be. The next "thank you" is to Bill McGowen for serving as our assistant director for two years and for coming back as our secretary for the next two. And kudos to Bill and his wife Yvonne for making arrangements for our "after the holidays party". It is always great fun for all who attend. Thanks to Jack Horvath for the outstanding recording of "the minutes" as our secretary these past two years. Jack has agreed to continue in his appointed position as club chaplain, however. Thank you Jerry Richstein for continuing on as the chapter treasurer as well as membership chairman, and for the outstanding job he always does in both offices. And thank you to Bob Stone for accepting the nomination for director and now agreeing to become our club "sales guru" (a/k/a "store keeper"). As for the upcoming year WE have lots on the calendar for 2019. First on the agenda is our annual "Bowl-A-Rama" and monthly meeting on February 17th. Then, of course the next really BIG event will be the 38th annual "Peach Blossom B.O.P.C." show April 26th and 27th. We will need the support and participation of every member to make this a success. You will find more information on this event elsewhere in this and upcoming issues of the "DVC". The BCA National meet June 12-15 in Oklahoma will find several of our chapter members in attendance, and we always encourage attending this Buick "family reunion". These are just a few of the main events for the first half of 2019. Our assistant director, J.D., has plans for interesting venue(s) for the March and April meetings. Of course, all these interesting and fun activities can't be done without the planning and input from the general membership, in other words we NEED you! Apologies for the "long winded" director's message, I'll try to be a tad less verbose in the future here and in our meeting

Peace, God Bless and Go (tour in a) Buick

Bruce "Old 3013"

Sonomatic Sounds, an editorial

Tom Lynde

Hi Folks,



We are in the dead of winter and many of our Buicks are slumbering the cold weather away, safe and snug under cover and in our garages. An unusually warm early January day prompted me to crack open the garage and free up the Electra for a drive through the neighborhood, putting a big ol' smile on my face.

But, now she is back in the garage waiting for spring under her cover. Car show season is just a few short months away, and there are lots of great American roads to be explored along the way, too.

For now, there are plenty of activities with the Dixie Chapter to keep busy. Make plans to attend the annual Bowl-a-rama at Woodstock Lanes in February. If the weather is cooperative, drive that Buick and give it some mid-winter exercise. Don't forget to wear your name tag!

See y'all at the lanes

Happy Buicking,

Tom



Grit in the Gearbox

Quotable Quotations

Let no one
who loves be
unhappy...
even love
unreturned
has its
rainbow.

William Shakespeare

Dixie Chapter Holiday Party at Ippolito's

A couple of dozen Dixie Chapter members turned out for the annual post-holiday party at Ippolito's in Suwanee. A great meal and good time of jovial fellowship were enjoyed by all, and the annual gift exchange was a rousing success. Many thanks to Bill and Yvonne McGowen for planning the event. Please make plans to attend next year's gathering and join in the festivities,



Don McClair Passes the gavel to incoming Dixie Chapter director Bruce Kile











Dixie Chapter Holiday Party at Ippolito's

















Car of the Month

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



John-Paul Glenkey was recognized for driving his LeSabre to the Holiday Party.

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

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 Bob Stone for pricing or questions (770) 480-4179.

Email: bobstone826@gmail.com.

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

WHEN: Sunday February 17th
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.

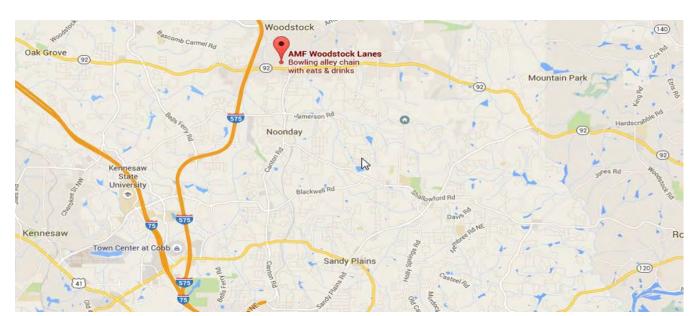
Weather permitting, be sure to drive those Buicks, There will be ample parking in "car show" fashion.

RSVP: Please RSVP by February 13th 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 Wood -park 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

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA and Chapter Events

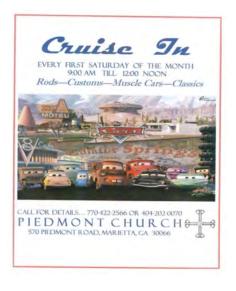
February 17, 2019

Bowl-a-rama! And Monthly Chapter Meeting. AMF Woodstock Lanes108 Woodpark Blvd. Woodstock. 12:30 PM, bowling. 2:30 PM, lunch.

April 26-27, 2019

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

Non-Chapter Events



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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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,

Coffee and Cars at Gateway Classic Cars in Alpharetta the last Saturday of every month from 9am to noon.

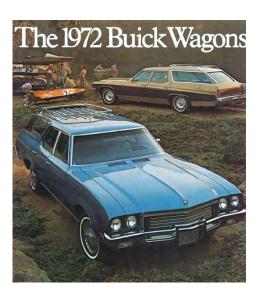
Caffeine and Classics Streetside Classics. 213 Thornton Road Lithia Springs. Last Saturday of every month. 9 am.

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



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

CAR QUIZ

What business did General Motors founder William Durant establish after his time in the auto industry was finished?

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

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

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**.

Mile Markers

Celebrating Life's Events

Dixie Chapter Buick Club of America

Come join us on Facebook!





BIRTHDAYS



2/2/65	Steve Zigler
2/10	Charles Hunter
2/15	Bruce Kile
2/18	Danny Bryant
2/18	Joyce Flaaen
2/24	Maureen Bryant
2/24	Gail Anderson
2/28	Bob McNichols
2/29	Brad Flaaen

Membership Renewal Time has PAST:

2019 Dixie Chapter dues were due by 12/31/18. If you are one of the 7 that have not yet paid your 2019 Chapter dues, please send \$20 to Jerry Richstein A.S.A.P.





Deals on Wheels



Wheels for Sale

Car for Sale



1950 Buick Special 4 dr for sale. It is not running and probably needs a motor rebuild. Asking \$2,500. or b.o. 770-856-1562. Doug Hattersley



You can buy these beautiful ornaments from the club store at the monthly chapter meetings.

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.

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

Car Wanted.

Seeking 1963 Buick Special Deluxe Station Wagon. Good solid original sought. Tom Lynde BCA 44614.

770-827-5357

lynde2375@charter.net



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

Your Ad could be here!

Do you have a Buick or "Car Stuff" for sale?

All Dixie Chapter members can advertise for sale cars and car related stuff for up to six months, longer if requested. In addition, non members can advertise cars and parts for up to three months, space permitting. This is a courtesy to the sellers and a service to our members.

Please send your ads to Tom at least one week before the end of the month to ensure your ad is included in the next **Dixie Valve**



CAR QUIZ ANSWER

William Durant ran a bowling alley, North Flint Recreation, on North Saginaw Street near Hamilton Avenue, not far from the Buick complex he had created decades earlier. He even added Flint's first drive-in restaurant, the Horseshoe Bar, to the facility. While obviously heartsick over his financial reversals, he seemed enthusiastic about his new business and planned to create a nationwide string of bowling alleys. Unfortunately, he died before bringing his plans to fruition.

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!

PEACH BLOSSOM BOP&C UPDATE

J.D. Westfall

"Hello Dixie Chapter Buick Enthusiasts:

The 2019 BOPC is coming up soon. It is our year to host it, and planning is well underway. It will be April 26-27 at the Piedmont Church in Marietta. We need volunteers to fill the goodies bag, set up the parking lot Friday afternoon, enjoy the Friday night festivities that Bruce and Shar are putting together, and for registering and routing participants Saturday morning. Please let Bruce and/or J D know how you can help.

There is another area we need your help. We need each and every one to solicit one sponsor for the show. A sponsor will get their name on the back of the meet T-shirt when they donate \$100 cash/check or \$100 of door prizes. Goodies to go in the bags (bags already sourced) are welcome here as well, but we need your help getting a \$100 sponsor. Think of companies that participate in our car hobby. Examples of potential sponsors can be:

- Auto Parts stores (NAPA, O'Reilly, AutoZone, etc.)
- Tire dealers
- Transmission shops
- Auto Repair shops
- Auto Insurance agencies
- Auto Restoration shops
- Body Shops
- Grocery stores
- Hair solons
- Massage Parlors (yes, us mature people like massages!)
- Others
- Others



We need this Sponsor activity wrapped up by Feb 28th so we can get the Meet T-Shirts ordered.









Piedmont Church C

38th Annual "Peach Blossom"

BOPC Car Show and Swap Meet

Hosted by Dixie Chapter, Buick Club of America,

www.buickclub.org/dixie

, 2019

Host Hotel:

Homewood Suites (by Hilton) 905 Cobb Place Blvd. Kennesaw, GA 30144 1-678-354-2800

Show Site:

Piedmont Church 570 Piedmont Road Marietta, GA, 30066

Towne Center Prado

Mention BOPC Show for \$129 hotel rate. Includes hot breakfast.

Hotel Deadline for BOPC rate is April 6th!



Hotel is only 2.9 miles from the Show Site! I-75, Exit 269 or I-575, Exit 1

Car Show Chairmen: Bruce Kile sbkile58@aol.com or call 770-977-7924

& JD Westfall jdw52@comcast.net

Registration Chairman: Jerry Richstein jerry.richstein@gmail.com

Friday, April 26th: At the Hilton Garden Inn (Connecting parking lot with Host Hotel) Meet & Greet Reception 7:00 PM to 10 PM

- Full dinner buffet with cash bar.
- Pre-registration IS required.

Saturday, April 27th: At the Show Site

- Registration 7:30 AM to 11 AM
- Mandatory Fire Extinguisher
- Vendors open at 9 AM
- Judging 11 AM 1:30 PM
- Peer judging.

- Awards at 4 PM.
- 1st, 2nd & 3rd places in each class
- Best Buick, Pontiac, Oldsmobile, Cadillac, and best Modified.
- Convertibles judged w/ tops up.











38th Annual "*Peach Blossom*" BOPC Show April 26-27, 2019 @ Piedmont Church Free Dash Plaque for the first 150 registrations!

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Club Affiliations (If any):					
If No Club Affiliation would you like more information on becoming a Member of one of the Clubs at this show? Please check (✓) all that apply. Buick () Oldsmobile () Pontiac () Cadillac (No Club Affiliation would you like	more information or	n becoming a Mem		
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Friday Meet & Greet (At Hilton Garden Inn, 895 Cobb Place Blvd. Kennesaw, GA 30144 Includes full dinner buffet with cash bar (per person)@\$30=	•			d. Kennesa ——	
Total sent for the 2019 BOPC: \$		Total sen	nt for the 2019	BOPC: \$	S
Please make checks payable Dixie Chapter BCA and mail to: Jerry Richstein, 4798 Grants Way NE, Marietta, GA 30066 By the execution of this form, participants release the Dixie Chapter, Buick Club of America, and its members, the Marriott NW, its employee	Jerry Richstein,	798 Grants Way	y NE, Marietta,	GA 30066	

and anyone connected with the presentation of the "Peach Blossom BOPC" from any and all known and unknown damages, injuries, losses, claims or judgments from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by an entrant or participant to his/her person, family or property.

Date _____ A FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS MANDATORY IN EVERY VEHICLE.

2019 B. O. P. C. Classes

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    1963 – UP
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    1971 – 1979
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                 ALL MODIFIED
M-3 1981 – 2019
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