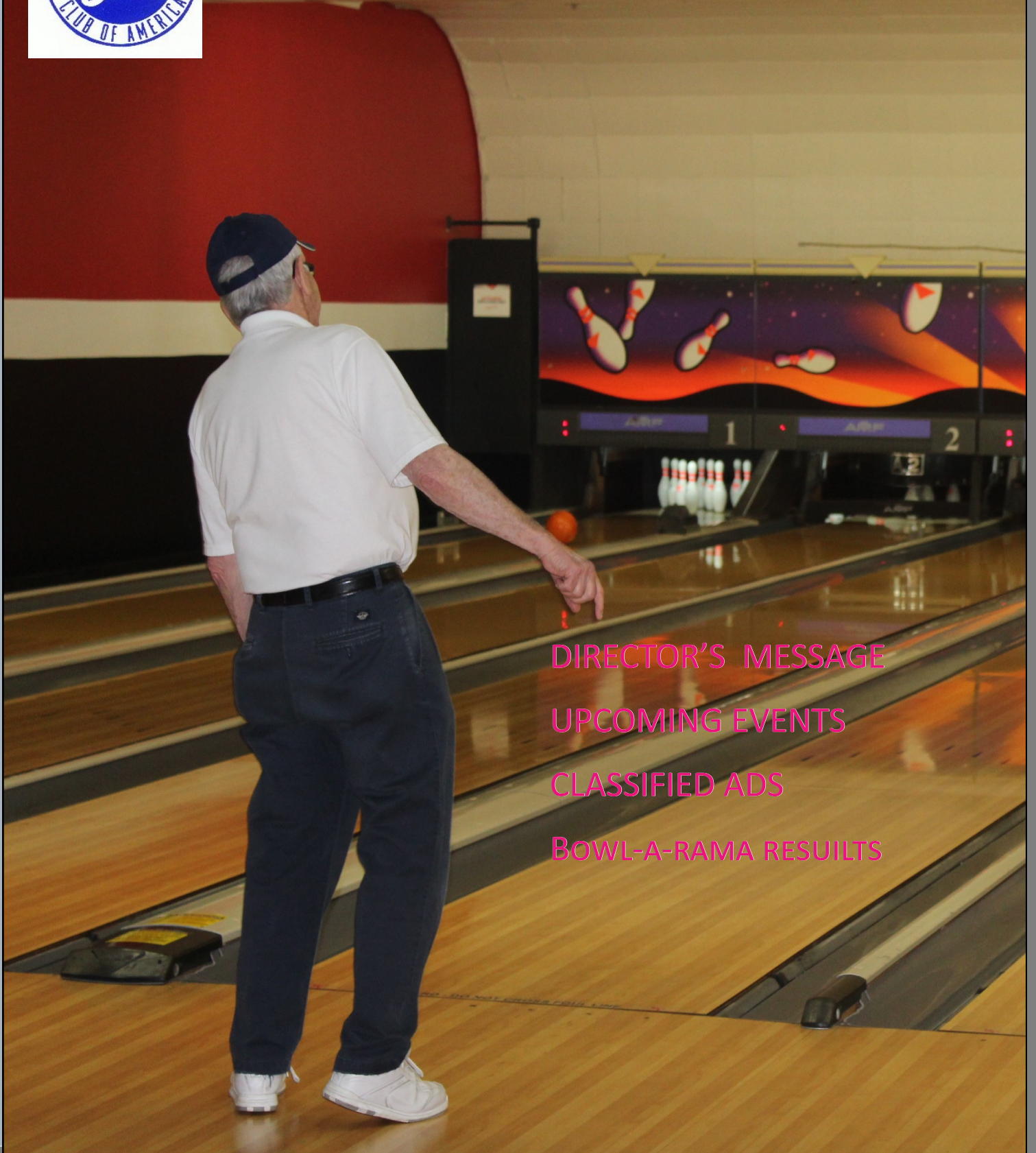




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On the cover: Bruce shows off his bowling form.

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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



Hello Dixie Chapter Folks

I was trying to recall how many years we have been doing the "Bowl-A-Rama", our records go back 25 years but I'm thinking there may have been 1 or 2 years beyond that. We always seem to have a fun time, regardless of the bowling scores and this year was no exception. For the first time we invited our Oldsmobile, Pontiac & Cadillac friends. We were honored with three attendees from the Southeastern GTO Association. Newsletter editor Tom Lynde will have some up close and personal reporting on the event elsewhere in this edition of the Dixie Valve Chatter. As a note of interest, it was our good friend and long time member, Roddy Pearce, who actually coined the name "Bowl-A-Rama". Henceforth in his honor I'm suggesting we refer to this annual event as "The Roddy Pearce Memorial Bowl-A-Rama".

In BCA matters, in light of some recent letters to the Bugle editor, may I say, as a 45 plus years active member of the BCA I am not concerned or disturbed about the financial health of the club, nor of the system of check & balances which were put into place in recent years. Having attended all of the BCA National meets since 1973 and nearly all of the Board of Director's and general membership meetings at the BCA Nationals in that time frame, I feel confident that our club is definitely alive & well and there is no cause for alarm. As your chapter director I am always willing to discuss conditions at the national, or local level with our members. Please do not hesitate to call me or see me after a meeting if you have any concerns, comments or suggestions. I say after a meeting because I would prefer not to take up our chapter meeting time discussing the concerns or personal agendas of BCA members outside of the Dixie Chapter, Once again I'd like to assure you that, in my opinion, everything is just fine in the Buick Club of America, world-wide as a result of our involvement in the BCA. To us the BCA is like a family and like most families we may have differences of opinion from time to time, but these can usually be settled with an amiable meeting of the minds.

I'd like to take this opportunity to urge, request, ask (okay, "beg") you to register for and attend your club's event, "The Peach Blossom B.O.P.C." April 26-27. It would be great to see a good representation from our membership for the Friday night reception plus we have a room block especially to accommodate those coming in from outside the area. Details are on the registration form.

We are also still looking for financial sponsors as well as door prize donors. Contact J.D. Westfall or Dave Gareau. See details elsewhere in this issue. A big thank you to those who have already stepped up by getting sponsors &/or door prize donations. We need many more however. One final appeal for this month, PLEASE make an extra effort to attend the March & April chapter meetings, we need your input.

Peace, God Bless & "Go (touring in a) Buick"

Bruce "Ole 3013"

Sonomatic Sounds, an editorial

Tom Lynde

Hi Folks,

It is hard to believe that we are already entering into the third month of the year. So much has happened already with the annual holiday party and the Bowl-a-rama already in the rearview mirror, and the BOPC quickly approaching. Information about the Southeast Regional is beginning to trickle in and monthly chapter meetings are being scheduled. This looks like a great year in the making for the Dixie Chapter. Be sure to make plans to attend the March chapter meeting at the Olive Garden on Holcomb Bridge Road in Roswell on March 10th. With the BOPC coming up in just a couple of months, there is a lot to be discussed. Remember to get those Peach Blossom registrations in to Jerry Richstein as soon as possible.

For me personally, along with anticipating another fun show season with the Electra, I am anxiously awaiting the arrival of a new, future Buick driver in our family with my first grand child set to make her appearance in just a few weeks. Exciting times around the Lynde household for sure.

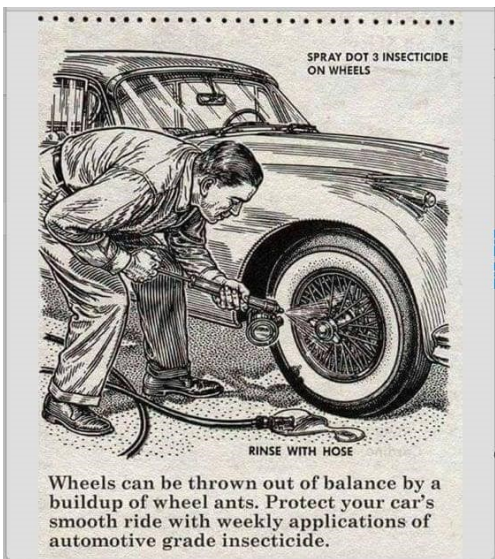
Looking forward to seeing all at the meeting in March.

Happy Buicking,

Tom



Grit in the Gearbox



Quotable Quotations

**MARCH
IS A MONTH
OF EXPECTATION**

EMILY DICKINSON

Dixie Chapter Bowl-a-rama

The annual Dixie Chapter Bowl-a-rama was a rousing success. This year, invitations to participate were extended to the local Oldsmobile, Cadillac and Pontiac clubs. We were pleased to have three representatives from the Southeastern GTO Association. Our guests included SEGTOA President Ernie Stevens and his wife Stephanie and SEGTOA member Paul Sorrells, BCA/BDE member from Wisconsin Frank Cwikla, and Jim and Vangie Haley who are friends of the Horvath's. Following the tournament, all enjoyed a pizza lunch, the award ceremony and a brief business meeting. Be sure to make plans to attend the 2020 Roddy Pierce Memorial Bowl-a-rama!



Left to right. Pat Horvath (Top Female), Stephanie Stevens (Top Female Guest), Ron Bergeron (Lowest Score), Nancy Hanson (Secret Score), Connie Bergeron (Oops Award), Bill McGowen (Top Male), Jim Haley (Top Male Guest) Not pictured Luciana Stone, Best Rookie,

Dixie Chapter Bowl-a-rama Pictures



Dixie Chapter Bowl-a-rama Pictures



**Many thanks to
Connie Bergeron for
providing great
photographs of the
Bowl-a-rama for this
publication!**



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.



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From the Sunshine Committee

Your good thoughts and prayers are requested for Glenda Haggard who was injured in January when she was struck by a car while picking up litter along side of the road. She is healing from her injuries, but a long recovery period is anticipated. And for Jan Blizzard who is recovering from heart by-pass surgery on January 29th. The Sunshine Committee sent get well cards to both Glenda and Jan.

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.

MARCH CHAPTER MEETING

MARCH 10TH

Make plans to attend the Dixie Chapter monthly chapter meeting at the Olive Garden, 905 Holcomb Bridge Road in Roswell. We will enjoy lunch at 1:00 pm and the business meeting will begin around two. The upcoming BOP&C show will be a major topic of discussion, along with other proposed activities and outings, This is your chapter, so come be a part of the discussions and planning for these fun events! The weather should be improving, so give that classic Buick some exercise and drive it to the meeting, Let's all park together and make a good showing!



905 Holcomb Bridge Road in Roswell. 770-642-0395. www.olivegarden.com.



The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA and Chapter Events

March 10, 2019

Join us for the monthly Chapter meeting at Olive Garden 905 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell. Lunch at 1 pm

April 7, 2019

Chapter Meeting; Cherokee Cattle Co. 2710 Canton Rd. Marietta 1:00 pm

April 26-27, 2019

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

MARCH 2019						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

Download & Print Free Calendars From www.wiki-calendar.com

October 17-19, 2019

Atlantic Beach, 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,

September 8-12

BDE Fall Tour, Cartersville, Georgia. Details coming soon!

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.

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

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

CALL FOR DETAILS... 770-422-2566 OR 404-202-0070
PIEDMONT CHURCH
570 PIEDMONT ROAD, MARIETTA, GA 30066

Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association
3rd Annual RIDE 4 LIFE

Open Car and Bike Show - June 15, 2019

Speotators Free!
Dash plaques to first 100,
Peoples Choice up to \$500 in cash and prizes,
Chance to win \$100 drawing to pre-registrations received prior to 5/11/19,
Show registration closes at 11:00 AM, Show is from 12:00 to 5:00PM
Door prizes ** Vendors ** Entertainment ** Food ** Drinks
**** All Proceeds go to support local veterans and to Healing 4 Heroes ****
Call or email for information: Chevy90E3553057 or jeff229@yahoo.com

Mail to: Or Email to:
Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association 25-8 1538 Ember Oaks Circle Powder Springs, GA 30127 CombatVets258@gmail.com

Name: Club:
Address: Phone:
City: State: Zip:
Make & Model of Car/Bike: Year:
Email:
Entry Fee Per Car/Bike: \$20.00 (Make checks payable to CVMA 25-8) Cash Check Credit

Entrants and participants by execution of the entry form, release and discharge CVMA 25-8 and anyone else connected to the management or presentation of this show from any and all known and unknown damage, injuries, losses, and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by an entrant or participant to his person or property.

Signature: Date:

www.combatvets25-8.org/ or like us on facebook www.facebook.com/cvmacrazyeights/

The car show will be held at Southern Devil Harley-Davidson in Cartersville.

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

CAR QUIZ



Can you identify these four Buick Electras by year of manufacture?

Answers on page 13.



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 ,

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



ANNIVERSARIES

3/21 Charles and Jana Hunter



[Dixie Chapter Buick Club of America](#)

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BIRTHDAYS

- 3/1/56 Rita Brown
- 3/10/62 Tammy Lynde
- 3/11/50 Jean Richstein
- 3/14/34 Bill Eisenhardt
- 3/20/44 Penny VanNortwick
- 3/28 Chris Strong
- 3/28 Tria Palmer
- 3/29 Hugh Hughes





Car for Sale



1968 Buick GS 400 Convertible. Near original survivor. Top replaced 2006, Suspension upgraded tp Rallye Ride control by Then and Now using Buick parts. 15" Rallye wheels. Original 400 ci, 345HP and turbo 400 transmission. Original Bench seat interior. Original Arctic White paint with black top and interior. Extra interior parts, radio, K&N Filter, car cover with bag, Much more. Call for details.

John Watkins 404-216-9241. Asking \$16,000

Also for sale 4 14" Buick Rallye wheels. \$200. for all four.

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.

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 repainted last fall. Bob Haggard, Lake Sinclair, GA. 478-968-0329.

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



Wheels for Sale



Four refurbished Skylark Rallye 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

Car Wanted.

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

770-827-5357

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

Original Keepsake Buick Holiday Ornaments
 24K Gold Finish Brass.
 3-Dimensional, Laser cut.
 Individually boxed.
 Only \$9 each, 2 or more \$8 each!
 (U.S. Funds)
 Send your name & address with check or money order made payable to:
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 Marietta GA 30066-5720
 A limited number of previous editions are available. Write for details.
 CHAPTERS:
 Write for discount case pricing.
 Pre-Production Image: 1964-66 Buick
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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 Chatter**.

CAR QUIZ ANSWER



1968



1966



1970



1967

Do you need replacement wheels or hub-caps?

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 salons
- Massage Parlors (yes, us mature people like massages!)
- Others
- Others



We need this Sponsor activity wrapped up ASAP so we can get the Meet T-Shirts ordered.

Make checks payable to Dixie Chapter BCA.



38th Annual *"Peach Blossom"*

BOPC Car Show and Swap Meet

Hosted by Dixie Chapter, Buick Club of America,

www.buickclub.org/dixie

April 26th & 27th, 2019

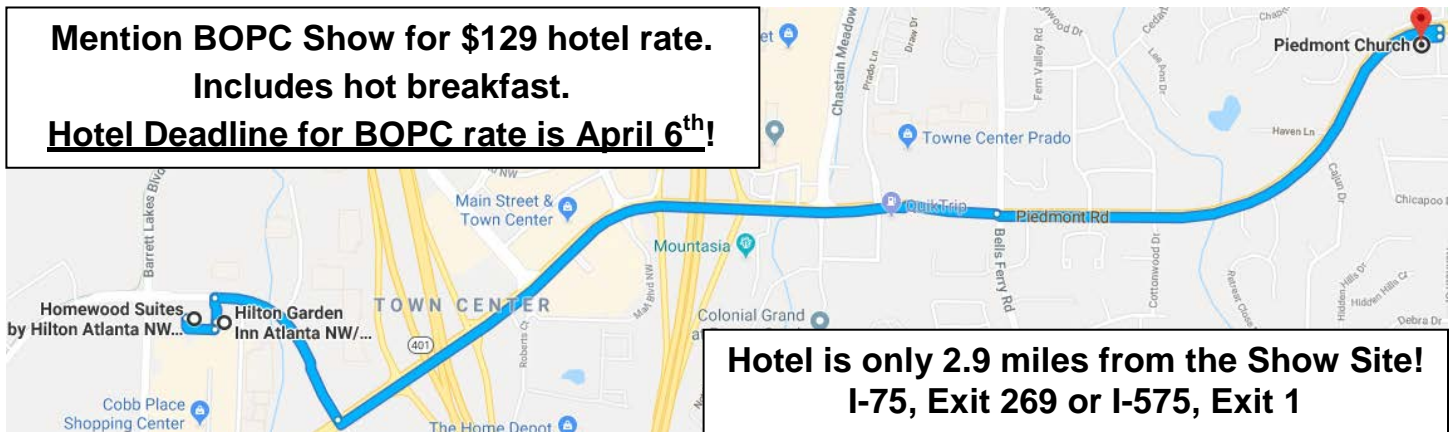
Host Hotel:

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

**Mention BOPC Show for \$129 hotel rate.
Includes hot breakfast.
Hotel Deadline for BOPC rate is April 6th!**



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!

Participant Registration:

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Car Registration: PLEASE, NO FOR SALE SIGNS ON VEHICLES IN SHOW AREA
"For Sale" vehicles are to be parked in car corral.

1st Car: Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Body Style: _____ MODIFIED? Yes/No: _____ Class: _____

NOTE: Please see list of Classes on back of this form.

2nd Car: Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Body Style: _____ MODIFIED? Yes/No: _____ Class: _____

NOTE: Please attach 2nd sheet if registering more than 2 cars.

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 ()

Fees:

Registrations postmarked by April 6th are \$25 first car and _____ @\$25= _____

\$20 each additional car _____ @\$20= _____

Vendor spaces reserved by April 6th are \$25 first space and _____ @\$25= _____

\$15 each additional space _____ @\$15= _____

Car Corral spaces reserved by April 6th are \$20 for first space _____ @\$20= _____

\$15 each additional space _____ @\$15= _____

All fees are \$5 additional if postmarked after April 6, 2019, and on day of show.

2019 BOPC Commemorative Tee Shirts are \$15 each.

S: _____ M: _____ L: _____ XL: _____ XXL: _____ XXXL: _____

Total number of shirts: _____ @\$15= _____

Friday Meet & Greet (At Hilton Garden Inn, 895 Cobb Place Blvd. Kennesaw, GA 30144)

Includes full dinner buffet with cash bar (per person) _____ @\$30= _____

Total sent for the 2019 BOPC: \$ _____

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 employees 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.

Signed _____ Date _____ **A FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS MANDATORY IN EVERY VEHICLE.**

2019 B. O. P. C. Classes

A	PRE 1943 (PRE WW II) ALL
B	1946 – 1952 ALL
C	1953 – 1958 ALL
D	1959 – 1967 FULL SIZE ALL Including ELDORADO THRU 1966
E	1968 – 1970 FULL SIZE ALL
F	1963 – UP RIVIERA, TORONADO and 1967 & UP ELDORADO
G	1971 – 1979 FULL SIZE ALL OPEN
H	1971 – 1979 FULL SIZE ALL CLOSED
I	1980 – 2019 2 SEATER (Reatta, Allantè, Fiero) ALL
J	1967 – 1974 FIREBIRD & TRANS AM (Except Modified)
K	1975 – 2019 FIREBIRD & TRANS AM (Except Modified)
L	1961 – 1967 A-BODY PERFORMANCE ALL
N	1961 – 1967 A-BODY NON-PERFORMANCE ALL
O	1968 – 1972 A-BODY PERFORMANCE OPEN
P	1968 – 1972 A-BODY PERFORMANCE CLOSED
R	1968 – 1972 A-BODY NON-PERFORMANCE OPEN
S	1968 – 1972 A-BODY NON-PERFORMANCE CLOSED
T	1973 – 1979 A – H & X BODIES ALL
U	Pre-1986 SURVIVOR (Totally Unrestored)
V	1980 – 1989 NON-SPORT & NON-PERFORMANCE ALL
W	1980 – 1989 SPORT & PERFORMANCE ALL
X	1990 – 2019 NON-SPORT & NON-PERFORMANCE ALL
Y	1990 – 2019 SPORT & PERFORMANCE ALL
Z	ALL YEARS PROFESSIONAL CARS (Race, sedan delivery, hearse, ambulance, flower car, etc.) ALL
M-1	1952 & earlier ALL MODIFIED
M-2	1953 – 1980 ALL MODIFIED
M-3	1981 – 2019 ALL MODIFIED