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Dixie Valve Chatter Director's Message Bruce Kile

Hello Dixie Chapter folks

First of all, we would like to congratulate & thank the Tar Heel Chapter on hosting a successful S.E. Regional Meet. All the tours were well planned and the venues were most interesting and fun. We thank the Good Lord for providing us with gorgeous weather for the entire three days of touring too. More details & pictures can be found elsewhere in this issue of the DVC. The 2020 event will be hosted by the Gulf Coast, Florida Chapter Nov. 5-7. It's not too early to mark your calendars & plan to attend.

Our Nov. (10th) chapter meeting will take a little different format. We will meet at the Cobb Antique Mall 2800 Canton Rd. Marietta. They open at noon and our meeting will begin at 1:30 in the break room. This will give us an hour or so to browse/shop this antique mall prior to the meeting. Weather permitting we encourage you to drive your collector Buick for a "mini car show" display. Following the meeting, for those interested, we will adjourn to a near-by restaurant for lunch. Please go to <u>www.cobbantiques.com</u> to get a "sneak preview" of this magnificent place.

Please _plan to attend this important (& fun) meeting/outing. This will be our final activity this year & we need your input as we plan activities for 2020.

Go (Tour in a) Buick

Bruce "Ole 3013"

Sonomatic Sounds, an Editorial

Tom Lynde

Hi Folks,

I hope this finds everyone well. I am fresh from returning from the Atlanta

Cocours d'Elegance and am basking in the afterglow of seeing some truly spectacular horseless carriages and full classics. From custom-bodied Duesenbergs and Cords to Thomas Flyers and blower Bentleys, there was something to whet the any enthusiasts appetite. There were a number of beautiful Buicks there, too, from a senior series 1932 Opera Coupe, to a bevy of 1950 three-holers, to a '53 Skylark and a 1960 Invicta. Yes, our marque was well represented.

I am also happy to report that a number of our chapter members had a wonderful time touring with the South East Regional. Look for a write-up and pictures in this issue.

Also in this issue is an invitation to the next Chapter meeting at the Cobb Antique Mall on November 10th. There will be an opportunity to browse and shop, the chapter meeting, and then an optional lunch at Johnny's Pizza. The management of the antique mall is letting us use their meeting room in exchange for us displaying our collector cars together in their parking lot. It is not a formal show, but a chance to show off our Buicks, maybe the last time before bad fall and winter weather kicks in.

We are already looking into the Chapter Holiday gathering at Ippolito's in Suwanee in January and the Bowl-a-rama in February These are always a great time. More details are on the way, please make plans to attend.

Happy Buicking!

Tom

Quotable Quotations









SOUTHEAST REGIONAL TOUR

Atlantic Beach, N.C.

By Bruce Kile. Photos by Bob Stone, Jack and Pat Horvath, and J.D. Westfall

Nine Buicks from Georgia made the trip to the beautiful east coast of N.C. for the annual S.E. Regional Meet, a touring event, this year hosted by the Tar Heel Chapter. Representing the Dixie Chapter, were Susie & Ernie Grant (63 Skylark Convt.), Roxanne & J.D. Westfall (67 Wildcat Convt.), Shar & Bruce Kile (70 Skylark), Jean & Jerry Richstein (90 Reatta Cpe.) Lucianna & Bob Stone along with "Maria", Lucianna's mom (98 Riviera), Nancy & Bill Hansen (16 Enclave), Pat & Jack Horvath (17 Encore), Sarah & James Thomas (17 Regal GS). The 9th Buick (90 Reatta Convt.) was driven by new BCA members Martha & Frank Senkbeil from Cleveland, Ga. We truly hope the Seinkbeil's will "officially" be joining the ranks of the Dixie Chapter soon. We really enjoyed having them as part of our "Georgia Contingent" as we were joined with about a dozen or so other Buicks and two "non-Buicks" from elsewhere. Besides our Dixie Buicks and the cars from the hosts. Tar Heel Chapter, there were two cars from the Music City Chapter and one from Kalamazoo, Mich. Tons of fun was had by all, as we visited some very interesting venues. Certainly J.D.'s least favorite place might have the Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores where he offered his arm as a tasty lunch to a gator (see pic). For the Richstein's, Horvath's and maybe Shar, their "fun" existed in the hospitality room as they worked frantically each evening to finish a 1000 piece jig-saw puzzle before closing time. It was obvious that our former military men, James Thomas, Ernie Grant & Jack Horvath found old Ft. Macon to be the highlight of the tour. For the Stone's & Maria it was probably Tryon Palace & the history center there. Personally, my favorite was lunch each day and the refreshments in the hospitality room. The point is, there was something for everyone at this event, and you didn't even have to drive a Buick to appreciate the camaraderie, although meeting up with "Buick buds" is the real highlight for "ole 3013". Don't forget, Nov. 5-7th 2020 the event will be in S.W. Florida. Save the dates.





SOUTHEAST REGIONAL TOUR















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Our friends at Peach State Cadillac LaSalle have extended an invitation for Dixie Chapter members to attend this show.

Saturday, November 16, 2019 8am - 3pm | Piedmont Church, Marietta, GA



Saluting Navy Seals, Local Law Enforcement, and Cobb Youth Programs





ENTER YOUR VEHICLE! Or just come to support the cause.

Benefit Car Show for Seal Vets,

IOCAL CODS & YOUTH Join Our Annual Car Show for Fun, Food & Trophies! We're raising awareness for Navy Seal families, local law enforcement, and Cobb youth programs. Come and be a part of the ACTION! Cars, trucks and motorcycles of all types are welcome. Bring Money! YOUR vehicle is the main attraction! We will have trophies for vehicles earning the MOST BUCKS! Bring a donations bucket for your car. Everybody votes with their dollars and every penny goes to Navy Seal families, local law enforcement and Cobb youth programs. STUFF THE BALLOT BOX WITH BUCKS!

Pre-registration is \$20 donation per vehicle, \$25 at the gate. Pedestrians free, but we encourage you to VOTE with YOUR BUCKS!

Scan this code with your smartphone for event details & registration form.



Visit http://www.peachstateclc.org/nov-16-navy-seal-benefit-event.html for show details & registration

Shop Recommendations

A proposal was made at the August chapter meeting that members share the names of repair shops and mechanics in their locale that they would like to pass on to other members. This month we have recommendations from Bruce Kile

Lug Nutz. This place is especially good on AC Installation, Wiring/Electrical Repairs, and Performance upgrades. They are reasonable. At the recent BDE Fall tour they effectively repaired A.C.s on 64 Wildcat and a 90 Reatta.

401-A Old Mill Road Cartersville, Ga. 30120 (404) 372-5069 Matt Saghy Owner www.lugnutzautomotive.net

Graham Paint & Body. They were referred by another "body man", Brandon Harkness, who had done several jobs for members of the club. Brandon had closed his shop and said Teigh" was honest, reliable and did quality work at reasonable prices. They are good for smaller jobs, collision work & repaints. Personally I had some collision repairs done on my 2001 GMC & was very pleased with quality & pricing. May not be set up to do complete restorations however. Grahampaintandbodv@gmail.com

Cartersville, Ga. (678) 767-1230

Teigh Graham Owner

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 ac-count" does include Visa/MasterCard. If you have any questions call Bruce Kile (770) 977-7924.

Save the Date!

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2020 Buick Club National Meet -Strongsville, Ohio - July 15-19, 2020.

Strongsville is a suburb of Cleveland.

Hosted by the Northeast Ohio Chapter, BCA



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



You can buy these beautiful ornaments from the club store at the monthly chapter meetings. Join the conversations! Participate in the forums on the Buick Club of America website. <u>www.buickclub.org</u>





Have fun with us! Attend chapter meetings and activities!

Buicks spotted at the Atlanta Concours d'Elegance

The Atlanta Concours d'Elegance was held in October at Tyler Perry Studios in Atlanta. Thomas Flyer and Bentley were the feature marques, but there were several beautiful Buicks on hand, too. Here are a few if the stand-outs.











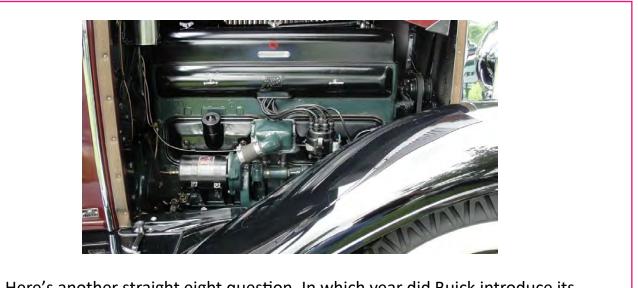


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NOVEMBER MEETING Sunday, November 10th

We're changing things up a bit for the November chapter meeting. We will meet at the Cobb Antique Mall, 2800 Canton Rd. Marietta The meeting will begin at 1:30, but all are invited to come earlier to browse or shop the huge mall. We will begin checking out the mall around noon, followed by the meeting. Then, for those who wish, we can go to Johnny's N.Y. Style Pizza for a late lunch. Please make plans to attend! Drive your Buick, as we will be displaying them together at the mall. Come and join in for a fun Sunday afternoon! www.cobbantiques.com

Car Quiz



Here's another straight eight question. In which year did Buick introduce its straight eight?

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

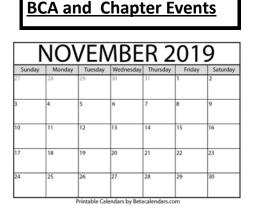
The Timing Chain UPCOMING EVENTS

November 10, 2019

Chapter Meeting: Cobb Antique Mall. 12:00pm shopping. Meeting at 1:30. Optional meal at Johnny's Pizza following, or continue shopping. Drive your Buick so that there will be a display of beautiful cars outside!

January 12, 2020 (tentative)

Holiday Party at Ippolito's in Suwanee. Details coming! Make plans to attend!!



February 9, 2020

Bowl-a-Rama. Woodstock Lanes 12:30 PM. Details to come.

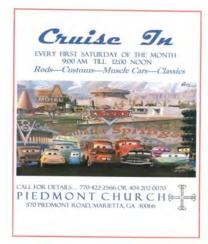
July 15-18, 2020

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

Friday, May 15 & Saturday May 16, 2020.

Peach Blossom B.O.P.C Piedmont Church, Marietta Hosts: Southeastern GTO Association

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 ANSWER



Buick introduced the straight eight in 1931, in two versions the 221. It boasted 220.7 cubic inches, or 3.7 liters. This was a one-year engine. They also produced the 273, or 272.6 cubic inch (4.5 Liters), that was offered from 1931 to 1933.

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.

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**.

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Car of the Month

Drive your Buick to chapter events and your car may be featured as a car of the month!



Are you changing your e-mail address?

If you have a **NEW** e-mail address, please notify Jerry Richstein at <u>jerry.richstein@gmail.com</u>, so you can continue to receive the *Dixie Valve Chatter* via e-mail

Mile Markers

Celebrating Life's Events



ANNIVERSARIES

- 11/10/.12 Rich & Kathleen Fink
- 11/15 Joe & Heidi Jerioski

Come join us on Facebook!

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BIRTHDAYS

- 11/9 Susie Grant
- 11/9 Lee Hurdelbrink
- 11/13 James Thomas, Jr
- 11/26 Stephanie Meeboer
- 11.28/42 Jane Blizzard





Deals on Wheels



<u>**Car for Sale:**</u> 1990 Buick Reatta convertible with just over 61k original miles. Never driven in bad weather since we have had it. I'm asking \$7,500 but would consider all offers. lenK@techtopind.com, 770-377-4514 or on the weekends at <u>LIKOZENY@YAHOO.COM</u>.

<u>**CAR FOR SALE</u>**: 1985 Riviera convertible. 2 owner car. All options including A/C. Archival Elite winner. Last year for the convertible. Asking \$9,500. Call Jerry at 404-769-6071 for more info.</u>





<u>Wheels Wanted</u>: 15" x 7" wheels to fit A-Body American Mags / Cragar Mags / Keystone Mags . Tell me what you have Paul Sorrells (404) 702-3398 <u>p.sorrells@comcast.net</u>

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**.

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.



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On the News Stands



There is some good reading material out there this month for Buick fans. Hemmings' Classic Car, December 2019 edition is their B.O.P. issue. Inside there is a photo feature on a beautiful 1934 Model 98 Victoria, and other articles with lots of Buick information. Collectible Automobile's December issue has a photo essay on the down-sized Buick offerings of 1977-79. It is a good write-up with the quality photography that C/A is noted for. Both magazines are worth a read.

Bowl-a-Rama is coming Don't miss it!!