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On the Cover: Buick Magazine Christmas Cover 1936

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Hello and Merry Christmas Buick Folks

I'll admit that I'm old and, yes maybe "old fashion" too. I believe in things like wishing everyone "Merry Christmas" rather than "Happy Holidays" this time of year. So sorry, but that's just the way I was raised and what I truly believe in. I truly do wish YOU & yours a very Merry Christmas.

My director's message will be rather short (for me) and in the form of a request. The request is simple and directed more to those of you whom we have never met. We would love to meet you at a meeting or club outing in the coming months. Won't you please make an extra effort to attend.....something? Even if you can't physically attend a meeting, activity or outing, perhaps you could drop us an email and tell us a little about yourself? Maybe let us know a little about your family, your Buick and how you developed an interest in it? Maybe let us know what we could do to make you feel more comfortable in your membership? When can we meet you? We need your help to build a more "inviting" club. Please take a look at the "coming events" and consider the possibilities. My phone number is (770) 977-7924 and my email address is sbkile58@aol.com (FYI "58" is not the year of birth, it's the year of marriage) I welcome your communication anytime.

Peace & God Bless

Bruce (ole 3013)

Membership Renewal Time

By Jerry Richstein, Membership Chairman

Membership Renewal Notices will be mailed out this week. Those that have prepaid for 2020 or beyond do not need to pay any additional dues at this time. However, please return the Membership Form so we can verify that we have your correct address, phone number(s), email address, National BCA Number, etc.

Those that do owe dues at this time can pay for up to 3 years at \$20 per year.

Past winners of the Meritorious Award pay just \$10 per year, and current Elected Chapter Officers don't pay Chapter dues while in office.

Sonomatic Sounds, an Editorial

Tom Lynde

Hi Folks,

'Tis a month before Christmas and my Buicks are all nestled snug in their beds, with visions of ethanol-free gasoline dancing in their cylinder heads. Yes, the merriest of seasons is upon us and I pray for you love and peace this holiday season, with plenty of time with family and friends, good food, and maybe a little more good weather so that we can sneak our Tri-shields out for another cruise or two.

I am going to dove-tail on a request that Bruce made in his director's message. Please share the story of your Buicks with us. I do feature a quick photo of The Car of the Month, with a photo taken at our monthly meetings or outings. But, I would also love to run a "Me and My Buick" featuring your story with your car and photographs. This is for folks who have just joined us, have been members for some time but have not made meetings because of geography or time concerns, as well as for veteran members. Let's see those beautiful Buicks! Please email me at lynde2375@charter.net

And please make plans to attend our annual **Holiday Party** in January! Details are in this issue.

Well, I am off to the Christmas tree farm so that I can begin decorating. Have a safe and wonderful Holiday Season, all. See you at Ippolito's in January!

Happy Buicking!

Tom



Quotable Quotations



Grit in the Gearbox



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.

Please send your recommendations to editor Tom Lynde at

Lynde2375@charter.net.



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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>.

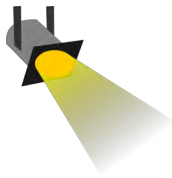
Simply phone the call center at (770) 448-3896 and tell them that you are with the Buick Club account #47225, and place your order. You will also need to tell them which of the 8 distribution warehouses you would like to pick it up & pay at. Distribution centers are in Woodstock, Marietta, Norcross, Emery, Snellville, Turner Field, Roswell, & Columbus. A "cash account" does include Visa/MasterCard. If you have any questions call **Bruce Kile** (770) 977-7924.

Save the Date!

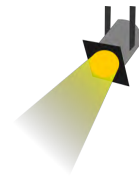
**2020 Buick Club National Meet -
Strongsville, Ohio - July 15-19, 2020.**

Strongsville is a suburb of Cleveland.

Hosted by the Northeast Ohio
Chapter, BCA



MEMBER NEWS



NOVEMBER 3, 2019 ♦ MDJONLINE.COM ♦ \$1 **SUNDAY**

Officer Sarah O'Hara of the Cobb Police Department scoping out the cool cars. For more photos, see **Page A8**.

Rolling out

By **Ross Williams**
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For some, Halloween lasted just a little bit longer this year. On Saturday, the Cobb County Police Department and the West Cobb Business Association held the second annual Cool Cars and Cops festival. Families took their costumes for one last spin as they walked the parking lot at Lost Mountain Baptist Church in west Cobb to see dozens of classic cars. The festivities on Saturday also included trunk-or-treating, as well as a touch-a-truck event, and all proceeds from the show will benefit Christmas programs hosted by Cobb PD's Community Affairs Unit.

This **1960 Buick** owned by Dixie Chapter members **Charles and Jana Hunter** was recently featured in the Marietta Daily Journal. Also, last month I featured this photo of **Bob Haggard's Skylark** at the final Summit Racing cruise-in for 2019. Bob received one of three trophies awarded that evening. Congratulations all!



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

Bowl-a-rama!!
February 9th!
Don't miss it!



Have fun with us! Attend chapter meetings and activities!

DIXIE CHAPTER 2018 HOLIDAY PARTY!!

Don't miss the annual Dixie Chapter Holiday Party, to be held Sunday, January 12th, at Ippolito's Italian Restaurant 350 Town Center Ave in Suwanee! 678-985-4377. www.ippolitos.net

We will be gathering in the Downstairs Meeting Room, (use the front door.) at 1 PM for meet and greet and drinks at the cash bar.

We will order from the menu and eat at 2 PM

The Gift Exchange will take place from 3- 4 PM. (men bring a man's gift, women bring a lady's gift. Bruce Kile's gift swapping rules will be in play!!)

RSVP to J D Westfall by Dec 27th (cell 913-638-7849)

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

NOVEMBER MEETING

Happenings: Charitable Giving

Members of the Dixie Chapter BCA gathered at the Cobb Antique Mall for the November 2016 meeting. Members present approved the chapter's charitable giving for 2019. A total of \$1,700 was allocated this year. \$500 each to Simple Needs of Georgia and Cure Childhood Cancer. \$750 was given to the U.S.O.

Remember to attend monthly meetings to have your voice heard on important chapter business!

Car Quiz



What was the first Buick to pace the Indy 500?

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

The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 12, 2020 Holiday Party at Ippolito's 350 Town Center Avenue in Suwanee., Sunday, January 12th. 678-985-4377

1 PM, Meet, Greet and Drinks at Cash Bar
Order from menu for 2 PM meal
3 - 4 PM Gift Exchange
RSVP to J D Westfall by December 27th
(cell 913-638-7849)

Make plans to attend!!

BCA and Chapter Events

DECEMBER 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	1	2	3	4

Printable Calendars by Betacalendars.com

February 9, 2020

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

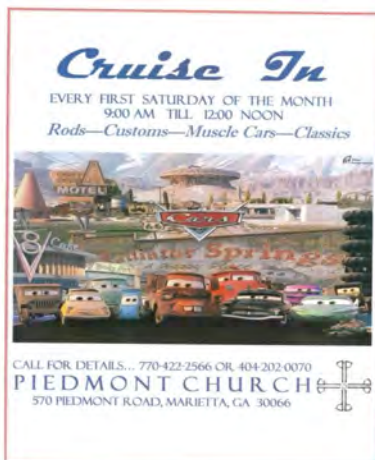
July 15-18, 2020

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

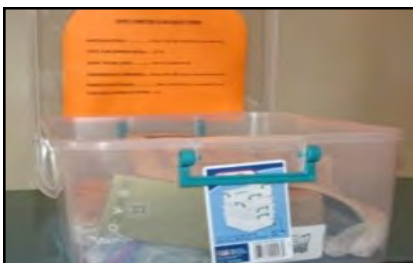


The first Buick to serve as a pace car for the Indianapolis 500 was this 1939 Buick Model 80.

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.

Car of the Month

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

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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

Mile Markers

Celebrating Life's Events



ANNIVERSARIES

- 12/18 Roy and Janet Bass
- 12/20/62 Paul and Penny VanNorthwick
- 12/31 Skip and Jane Petsch

BIRTHDAYS

- 12/1 John Sincere
- 12/18 Janet Bass
- 12/18 Maynard Cash
- 12/18 Dave Gareau
- 12/20/52 John-Paul Glenkey
- 12/27.43 Patricia Lisenby
- 12/28 Ron Bergeron
- 12/28 Chuck Dalton

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Dixie Chapter Buick Club of America





Deals on Wheels



Car for Sale: 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@techtopynd.com , 770-377-4514 or on the weekends at LJKOZENY@YAHOO.COM.



CAR FOR SALE: 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.



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

CAR FOR SALE: 1967 Buick Riviera. Verde Green. BCA Senior Survivor Award. 430 V8, rebuilt 200 miles ago. \$15,000. J.D. Westfall
913-638-7849.

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.

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**.