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Hello to all our Chapter members as well as friends and lovers of Buicks everywhere

Well, despite the continued "disruptions" caused by this madness known as COVID-19, a few of the activities in our hobby have been able to continue. For many of us, the most recent was the 39th annual "Peach Blossom" B.O.P.C. show. Although our editor, Tom Lynde, was not in attendance due to his daughter's wedding in Savannah, he will, nevertheless, have pictures and coverage of the show in this issue of the "DVC", thanks to our "on the spot reporters". Therefore I'll defer the coverage of the show to Tom's expertise, except to say how nice it was to see everyone & their beautiful Buicks. As far as I was concerned every Buick there was an award winner. Thanks to everyone for bringing them out.

I heard that some of our members might have received another of those email scams "from me" requesting gift cards for my "niece" or some such malarkey. Once again I want to assure you that I will NEVER (ever) make such a request! Some of these scammers have gotten so slick they will even show my correct email address as "from", however if you happen to hit "reply", (DO NOT ACTUALLY SEND A REPLY) you will note a different address. By the way, if I ever do need "a favor" from you I will call you & properly introduce myself & confirm something in "Buick language" just so you will know it really is me.

Finally...Since our chapter has typically dispensed with a business meeting in December (due to holiday preparations etc.) followed by our traditional "After the holidays party" in January (details elsewhere in this DVC) I would like to encourage, invite and request that you join us via Zoom for the November 8th meeting. Please mark your calendars, i-pads, smart phones or "sticky notes on the fridge" to "attend". We have several important items that we would like the input of the general membership. November is not only "Election month" in our great country but this November should also have been our chapter elections. With all the "new norms" this year I completely forgot to appoint a nominating committee in Sept to present a slate of officers at the October meeting to be voted on at this November meeting. Shame on me! With some input and majority vote by those in attendance at the November meeting, I think we can delay or circumvent our election process for this year, especially since 4 (of our 5) elected officers are eligible for another two year term. That's just one of several important items to be discussed on November 8th. As usual Jerry will send out the simple instructions to attend via Zoom.

So that's it for now Buick folks. Kindest Regards and Happy Thanksgiving (we still have soooo much to be thankful for).

Bruce (ole 3013)

Sonomatic Sounds, an Editorial

Tom Lynde



Hi Everyone,

Thank you to all who kept me up to speed on the Peach Blossom B.O.P.C.! The Novaks, the Horvaths, and the Kiles all contributed photos and information that made the coverage of this year's event possible. Enjoy!

Me? On the 17th I was with my family in Savannah at my daughter Bethany's wedding. Even there, the old car hobby could not escape my attention. Parked along Lafayette Square I spied a beautiful mid-sixties Caddy and an Imperial convertible. And while we were making our way to the reception, another bride and groom motored by us in the back seat of a '54 Packard Convertible. My wife says that old cars, like stray dogs and cats, just find me out. She may be right. Anyway, the wedding was beautiful and we all had a great time. When I got home I could not wait to go to the garage and take the Electra for a spin. Looking towards 2021, I am looking forward to a full and uninterrupted season next year of cruise-ins, shows, and tours. Maybe?

There are important Dixie Chapter events still to come, like the next Zoom meeting in November where we will discuss officers and elections and plans are in the works for the After the Holidays Party and the Bowl-a-Rama! Watch for information on these not to be missed happenings. With 2021 just around the corner, Dixie Chapter will be on the move! Come ride along with us!

Happy Buicking folks!

Tom



Peach Blossom BOPC

The pandemic-delayed Peach Blossom BOPC show hosted by the Southeastern GTO Association was held at Piedmont Church on October 17th. Blue skies and a hunger for a car show prompted one hundred twenty-eight vehicles to come on out and show and shine. There were a total of fifty-five Pontiacs and twenty-four Oldsmobiles, twentyfour Cadillacs, and twenty-four Buicks. There was also one Ford Thunderbird that flew its way onto the show field. I hope I do not miss anyone, but I noticed cars from the Bergerons, the Kiles, the Horvaths, J.D. Westfall, Bill McGowen, and Bill Eisenhardt, to name a few. A great time was had by all. Many thanks to Glen and Debbie Novak and Jack and Pat Horvath for all of the great photos!

AWARDS

- Class A 1. Robert Johns 1941 Cadillac Series 62
2. Doug Bailey 1958 Cadillac Series 62



- Class B 1. John Mullen 1969 Cadillac DeVille
2. Tom DiNucci 1861 Cadillac Series 62

- Class C 1. Chuck Dalton 1973 Buick Riviera
2. Mark Brown 1966 Oldsmobile Toronado

- Class D 1. John Mullen 1971 Oldsmobile 88 Royale
2. Donald Smalley 1977 Cadillac Fleetwood Brougham

- Class E 1. Steve White 1993 Cadillac Allante
2. Eli Capilonto 1988 Pontiac Fiero



- Class F 1. Bob Baitis 1970 Pontiac Trans Am
2. Scott Sicchitano 1967 Pontiac Firebird

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- Class G 1. Mike Landis 1967 Oldsmobile 442
2. John Glasgow 1965 Pontiac



- Class H 1. Kim Fowler 1967 Pontiac GTO
2. Frank Bramble 1961 Pontiac Sedan Delivery

- Class J 1. Bill Holtzclaw 2004 Oldsmobile Oldsmotruck

- Class k 1. Mike Patina 1967 Oldsmobile Cutlass
2. Ron Davis 1967 Oldsmobile Cutlass

- Class L. 1. Chip Peters 1971 Pontiac GTO
2. Kenny Simpson 1970 Pontiac GTO

- Class M 1. Steve Race 1970 Pontiac GTO Judge
2. Bob Snider 1968 Oldsmobile Hurst Olds

- Class N. 1. Jason Wild 1968 Pontiac Tempest Custom
2. Bruce and Char Kile 1970 Buick Skylark

- Class O. 1, John Fischer 1977 Oldsmobile Cutlass
2. Kelly Ott 1974 Pontiac Ventura

- Class P. 1. Stan Tucker 1956 Cadillac Fleetwood
2. Nathan Taylor 1960 Buick LeSabre



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Class R. 1. Adam Decker 1987 Buick Grand National

2. Terry Hicks 1987 Oldsmobile Cutlass Salon

Class S. 1. Lewis Kelly 1991 Cadillac Brougham

2. Daniel Villeneuve 1992 Pontiac Sunbird SE

Class T. 1. Steve White 1990 Cadillac Deville Limousine

Best Buick: Gene Walsh 1968 Skylark Convertible

Best Oldsmobile: Don MacIntosh 1966 442

Best Pontiac: Gary Jolly 1965 GTO

Best Cadillac: Barry Hawkins 1991 Allante

Best of Show: Jerry Wilson 1972 Buick GS Stage 1



Peach Blossom BOPC



The Riviera collection.

If you're an admirer of the fine art of car building and design, here are three exceptional works by Buick that you'll want to consider.

The luxurious Riviera. The performance-tuned Riviera T TYPE. And the new and very limited edition Riviera Convertible. Can't quite see buying Riviera

purely out of appreciation for the art? Then consider the incredible list of equipment you'll be acquiring. Even in standard form, Riviera ranks as one of the world's most completely outfitted cars.

The Rivieras. If you can't decide which one would be best to start your collection with, buy all three. After all, why break up the set?

BUICK
Wouldn't you rather have a Buick?

Grit in the Gearbox

"I told you singing 'Don't Be Cruel' wouldn't help."

Quotable Quotations

"Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all the others."

-MARCUS TULLIUS CICERO

CountryLiving

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on the Buick Club of
America website.

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Cars of the Month



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So, Ginger has left the building, the Kile family and the state of Georgia. She has returned to her previous owner, John Hannon, after being a part of the Kile Buick family for little more than 10 years. Above is the last family picture of the four posed together. We will miss Ginger, but will no doubt see her from time to time on Buick/ BDE events. The next Buick family member scheduled to re-locate will be our '36, affectionately known for many years as Old Smokey due to his reaction to appearing in parades. Strangely it was the only time he belched clouds of smoke. Old Smokey is not totally leaving the Kile family however, he's just relocating to Dawsonville to the home of our son Scott. The remaining two Buicks, will be our next oldest, Barb, the 70 Skylark, and our most recent addition: Miss Ruby, a 2014 Regal. There are no plans to part with or to relocate Barb.....at least not while we're still alive. She has been a part of the family for 44 years, and we're hoping she can hang out with us for another 44. (lol) Although too soon to tell, but Miss Ruby just might be a "keeper" too.....considering our ages.

Peace and God Bless,

Shar & Bruce

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

The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA and Chapter Events

November 8, 2020

Chapter meeting via Zoom. Time and log-on information will be emailed soon.

NOVEMBER 2020						
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	1	2	3	4	5

Printable Calendars From 123Calendars.Com

2021 Dual National Meets

2021 Dual Meet Dates:
 Concord NC Meet:
 June 30th- July 3rd
 Strongsville OH Meet:
 July 7th – July 10th

January 10, 2021

After Holidays Party at Ippolito's in Suwanee. Meet at 1:00pm, Dinner from the menu at 1:30 . The gift exchange will follow!

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

February 14, 2021

Tentative

Annual Bowl-a-Rama
 Woodstock Lanes,
 Woodstock. Come and bowl, enjoy lunch and a brief meeting. Details to come!

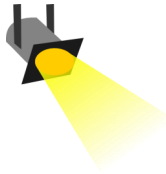
Please send notices of upcoming events to DVC editor Tom Lynde at lynde2375@charter.net

From the Sunshine Committee

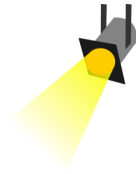
If you know of a member who is ill, injured, recovering, or just in need of a special thought and bit of hope sent their way, please let Jean Richstein know about them as soon as possible. She is making certain that cards and well wishes are sent from the Dixie Chapter BCA. To enable Jean to share the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

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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***.

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.



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

Do you need replacement hub caps or Wheels?

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.

BUICK TRIVIA

What could this compact Skylark have in common with this Kaiser Jeep or this British Rover?



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

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Mile Markers

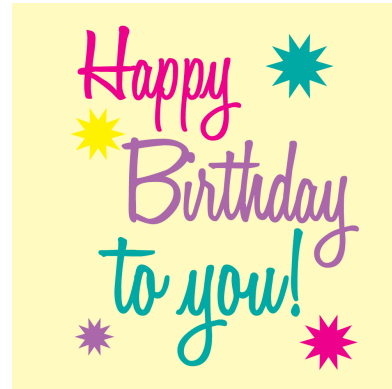
Celebrating Life's Events



ANNIVERSARIES

11/10/12 Rich and Kathleen Fink

You can buy these beautiful ornaments from the club store during a monthly chapter meeting.



BIRTHDAYS

- 11/9 Susie Grant
- 11/9 Lee Hurdelbrink
- 11/13 James Thomas, Jr,
- 11/28/42 Jan Blizzard

Come join us on Facebook!



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Original Keepsake Buick Ornaments

24K Gold Finish Brass
3-Dimensional, Laser Cut
Approximately 3" x 2.25" - Individually Boxed

\$6 each - includes shipping
Indicate ornament (# and car)
and quantity
Check or money order payable to
BUICK DRIVING ENTHUSIASTS
c/o B. Kile,
2492 Lorrie Drive, Marietta GA 30066
Info: sbkile@comcast.net



#1 1963 Riviera



#7 1990 Reatta
Convertible



#2 1930 Roadster



#6 1959 Electra
Convertible



#3 1970 GS Convertible



#4 Special Convertible



#5 1987 Grand National

Buick Trivia Answer



The 1961 –63 Buick Special and Skylark could have been powered by either Buick's venerable 3.8 liter V/6 engine or the 215 cubic inch V/8 with aluminum block and heads. In 1967 Buick sold the tooling for the V/6 to Kaiser for use in their Jeep Vehicles. When AMC purchased Kaiser, they got the engine, too. Buick purchased the V/6 back in the 1970s . Buick sold the tooling for their aluminum 215 CI V/8 to Rover in 1967 and it remained in production through the 2006 model year. Rover improved the cooling and oiling systems over the original Buick systems. Later model Rover engines with factory fuel injection are sometimes swapped into '61 to '63 Specials and Skylarks.

Shop Recommendations

If you have a repair shop, body shop, upholsterer, or detailer that you feel does an exceptional job, please share it with us! Please share the names of repair shops and mechanics in your locale that you would like to pass on to other members. We will publish the information here.

Please send your recommendations to editor Tom Lynde at

Lynde2375@charter.net.



Deals on Wheels



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. 1985 LeSabre Limited with only 14K miles original miles. For all intents and purposes this is a new car. Can be a show car, tour car or even a "daily driver". Located in Charleston, S.C. it's entire life. Second elderly owner asking \$12,000. Call Tom Jameson (843) 571-2264



Want to Buy Looking for poor condition parts for a 1936 Buick Roadmaster. Stainless trim, trunk ornament, tail lights. Also need unserviceable 16" rims and old period correct tires. Rims to be 5 on 5.5" with min 3 3/4 " hub hole. Let me know what you might have. Thanks, Lamar 1954buick@gmail.com 706.201.8555

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**.

AFTER THE HOLIDAYS PARTY!

The annual Dixie Chapter after the holidays party will be held at Ippolitto's in Suwannee. It will be Sunday January 10th at 1 pm with lunch at 1:30 from the menu. We will in the lower room, same as last year. Remember! Men need bring a Men's gift, and women need to bring a Women's gift for the gift exchange. A thoughtful gift in the \$15 to \$25 range. Please RSVP to J.D. Westfall.





A Message from the BCA President:

Awhile back our Bugle Art Director Shannon Olson fell and broke her right ankle and suffered a serious sprain on her left ankle. She is recuperating at home after surgery.

Due to her accident the November and December issues of the Bugle will be a week or two late.

I appreciate your patience and understanding while we work through this and ask that you keep Shannon in your thoughts and prayers.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at ja.steed@yahoo.com.

John Steed, President Buick Club of America