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BOPC Coverage June Meeting Information Upcoming Events





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Hello and Calling all (Dixie) Buick Folks

We could still use a few more cars for that "mini car show" we are doing at the senior living/nursing home in Alpharetta on June 18th. It's a very simple little gathering from 11:00-1:30. No (physical) awards will be given but there will be an abundance of "good feelings" and smiles for having brought some sunshine and memories into the lives of the residents there and I can almost guarantee you will have a greater feeling of satisfaction than winning a 1st place "trophy" at a car show. There will be food and refreshments for everyone too. Thanks to all those who responded, even if it was "regrets". And for those who still want to "be in that number when the Buicks go rolling in (to Alpharetta)". Call me, (678) 662-6072 (c) or email @ sbkile58@aol.com

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

Bruce (ole 3013)

June Meeting Reminder!

The Dixie Chapter BOPC will meet Sunday, June 12th at the Olive Garden Restaurant 905 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell GA (Phone 770-642-0395), at 1 pm.



Sonomatic Sounds

Greetings,



What a month! My daily driver Nissan has taken it's share of a beating of the past few weeks. It started when Tammy and I were driving home from church a couple of weeks ago and big ol' buzzard decided to take flight from the shoulder of the road and smacked dead into the hood of the car, stoving it in very well, thank you,

And as II was contemplating how to explain this incident to my insurance company, I took the mother of all pebbles right in the windshield, creating an enormous starburst. Lovely. And to add insult to injury, the windshield is back ordered. Supply chain issues. 'Nuff said.

On the positive:

I was just looking at "The Timing Chain", and am impressed by all of the activities taking place this month,. There are plenty of local and national events, shows, cruise-ins, meets and lunch meetings to help while away the time on a beautiful June day.

It ws good to see that there was a solid Buick representation at the BOPC. I am still tied to the work a day world and sometimes conflicts arise, as the did for me and the Peach Blossom show this year. I deeply thank all who gave me reports and pictures to help make the coverage in this issue possible. Just eleven months and some change until next year's show and Dixie Chapter has the reigns on it. I am sure it will be nothing less than spectacular.

In the meantime, I am continuing to attend local shows and cruise-ins. One event I did not note in "The Timing Chain" is the Hot Rod Power Tour returning to the Atlanta Motor Speewday on Friday, June 17th. I attended when it stopped there in 2018 and th turnout was nothing short of mind blowing. I am looking forward to attending again in a couple of weeks.

Bottom line, enjoy your cars, folks! It is great to see so many of them out and around. See you at Olive Garden.

Happy Buicking,

Tom



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41st Annual BOPC Hosted by Peach State Cadillac-LaSalle

Beautiful weather was the hallmark of a great day at Piedmont Church, with 103 cars in attendance. PSCL reports 32 Pontiacs, 28 Buicks, 22 Oldsmobiles and 21 Cadillacs. Buicks garnered 14 of the peer awards and two of the top six. Remember! Dixie Chapter BOPC will host the 42nd annua BOPC at Piedmont Church on May 6, 2023!







































A big thank you to Jerry Richstein for providing the photo coverage of this year's Peach Blossom BOPC!













JUNE MEETING

June 12, 2022

The Dixie Chapter BOPC will meet Sunday, June 12th at the Olive Garden Restaurant 905 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell GA (Phone 770-642-0395), at 1 pm. Please make plans to attend chapter activities.

Jack Horvath Memorial USO Car Show. May 28,2922

The Georgia Cool Crusiers held their annual USO fundraiser cars show, this year in memory of our friend Jack Horvath. The Cruisers reported a turn out of 140 cars. Several Dixie Chapter members and other Buicks were in attendance. Dixie Chapter member Walt Erhenfeuchter won "Best Classic" with his 1959 Invicta, Photo credit: Georgia Cool Cruisers









From the Sunshine Committee

The Sunshine Committee reached out and sent Jack a card. 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

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.

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



Join the conversations!

Participate in the forums

on the Buick Club of

America website.

www.buickclub.org

The Timing Chain

June 12, 2022

Chapter Meeting at the Olive Garden 905 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell. 1PM

June 22-25, 2022

2022 BCA National Meet. Lisle, Illinois. Hosted by the Chicagoland Chapter, BCA.

June 26-30, 2022

BDE National Tour

Fenton, MI

UPCOMING EVENTS

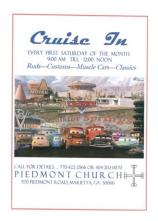
BCA, Chapter, and BDE Events

| June 2022 | | | | | | |
|------------------|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------------------------|
| 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 | | © Blank Calendar Fages.com |

Have fun with us! Attend chapter meetings and activities!

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





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June 18, 2022

"Car Show" at assisted living home in Alpharetta. Contact Bruce Kile for details (678) 662-6072 (c) or email @ sbkile58@aol.com

June 27, 2022

BOPC Night . Summit Racing Monday Night Cruise-in

King Mill Road, McDonough

6-8 pm

May 5-6. 2023

Peach Blossom BOPC at Piedmont Church.

570 piedmont Road, Marietta

Hosted by Dixie Chapter BCA. Save the date!



BUICK TRIVIA



What was the last year that the 455 cubic in V/8 was available in any Buick?

Answer on page 15

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

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Car of the Month



Drive your Buick to Chapter events and it may be Car of the Month

The Parts Authority is more than your source for genuine ACDelco parts such as batteries (including 6 volt) ignition parts etc., at discount pricing. Call on them for great prices on your auto parts needs. The Dixie Chapter BCA has established a "cash account" with The Parts Authority http://www.partsauthority.com/. 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, Roswell, and Columbus. A "cash account" does include Visa/MasterCard. If you have any questions call Bruce Kile (770) 977-7924.

MEMBER NEWS





Congratulations to Dixie Chapter member Jerry Wilson for having his article on the restoration of his 1972 Stage 1 GS published in the June Buick Bugle!

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.

Mile Markers

Celebrating Life's Events

ANNIVERSARIES

6/1 Roy & Janet Bass 6/1/18 Jerry & Lynn Wilson 6/10 Lisa Richards & Mike Bashaw 6/18 Dave & Kerri Dutton 6/29 Walt & Julie Ehrenfeuchter 6/23 Pat & Cindy Levelle 6/28 David & Janet Brani



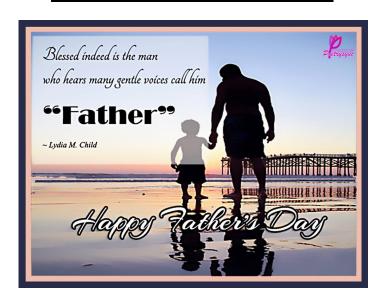
Grit in the Gearbox



BIRTHDAYS

| 6/2 | Ken Barrett |
|---------|---------------------|
| 6/3 | Roy Bass |
| 6/3 | Julie Ehrenfeuchter |
| 6/13 | Dave Berquist |
| 6/13 | Marie Berquist |
| 6/16 | Howard Baker |
| 6/17 | Ken Green |
| 6/19/38 | Hersel Goff |
| 6/21 | Kerri Duttom |
| 6/21 | Nancy Hansen |
| 6/29 | Coleman Rigby |

Quotable Quotations



BUICK TRIVIA ANSWER



The torquey 455 cubic inch Buick engine took it's final bow at the close of the 1976 model year. General Motor's downsizing program began with the 1977 model year. At that time. the largest engine available in full sized buicks being the 403 cubic inch V/8 sourced from its corporate cousin, Oldsmobile. Although at one time, Buick, Oldsmobile, and Pontiac all offered a 455 cubic engine, each was unique in design to its corporate division.

1953 Super parts car for sale: The 322 was converted to propane when new and was used as a propane gas company company car. Decent steering wheel and side window shades. Wheels not included. \$450 Also have several '54,55 and 56 parts cars from \$100 to \$300 ea. Also welcome to come pull what you need. Text 706 201 8555 or email 1954buick@gmail.com.







1962 Buick LeSabre for sale: V8 auto trans 401 wildcat. P.S., P.B. Mostly original/no modifications. Tight & sound. Only 39k miles! Original paint: Marlin Blue. Never been in an accident/always garage kept. No restoration needed. Runs well. 3rd owner. Has been used as a special event car and as a daily driver. \$14,500 Phone 678-549-1447



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**.