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The Dixie Chapter is one of over 60 Chapters of the Buick Club of America, "a non-profit membership corporation dedicated to the preservation and restoration of those vehicles built by the Buick Motor Division of General Motors Corporation".

The current elected and appointed officers effective January 8th are:

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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



Seasons Greetings to Dixie Chapter Members:

Baby, it's cold outside! We have been singing this for a month and it is actually "Cold Outside"! Predicting snow tomorrow night here in the mountains. I have several car projects, but that garage is cold!

The Dixie Chapter Holiday party is coming up January 14th at Ippolito's Italian Restaurant, 350 Town Center Avenue, Suwanee GA 30024. We will be in the downstairs room and plan to meet at 1:30 pm. We will order off the menu and eat first. Then it is Dirty Santa time. Men bring a men's gift and women bring a women's gift. Please limit \$25 max/gift. Here's where Dirty Santa comes in. Once a gift is selected, it can be stolen 3 times and the third time the gift is retired/secured. When your number is called, you can either select a gift or steal a gift from someone who already has a gift. If your gift is stolen, you will select a new gift. We have this discussion every year, so here it is in writing. Please RSVP to me, JDW on email Pharmboyjd@gmail.com, or cell/text 913-638-7849.

We are still looking for an Assist Director. It pays extremely well! The Assist Director fills in for the Director at monthly meetings if the Director is unavailable (or forgets about the meeting! 😊), and helps to organize future monthly functions. This is an easy job for 2024-25 as the Dixie Chapter is not running the BPOC or SE Regional Tour (I got that done last year!). Mark your calendars for the Annual Buick Bowl-a-rama on February 25th at AMF Woodstock Lanes, 108 Woodpark Blvd, Woodstock GA 30188. This is one Sunday after the Super Bowl, right Bruce?

Have a wonderful New Year's celebration and wishing everyone a Great 2024 as we tour in our beautiful Buicks!

J D Westfall

A Friendly Reminder: Membership Renewal Notices were mailed last month, and 2024 Dixie Chapter dues were due by the end of December 2023. Those who have prepaid for 2024 or beyond don't need to pay any additional dues at this time. However, please return the membership form that was mailed to you last month so we can verify your correct address, phone number(s), email address, BCA Number, etc.

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

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

Jerry Richstein, Membership Chairman

Save the Date!

Annual Dixie Chapter the Holidays Party

Sunday, January 14, 2024

Ippolito's in Suwanee

Make plans to share some of the Holiday Spirit with your Buick Club family at the annual Dixie Chapter After the Holidays Party, coming up on Sunday January 14th at 1:30 pm at Ippolito's 350 Town Center Avenue in Suwanee. Remember, there will be a gift exchange, so men need to bring a men's gift and ladies need to bring a ladies' gift of about \$20 value. No gag gifts, please. We will order from the menu and enjoy a great time together. Don't miss this annual event! RSVP to J.D. Westfall, on email Pharmboyjd@gmail.com, or cell/text 913-638-7849.



Help Wanted

The Dixie Chapter, BCA is seeking an Assistant Director to fill the unexpired term of Glenn Novak, thru Dec 31. 2024. Duties of the Assistant Director include performing the duties of the director, should the director be absent from a meeting or unable to fulfill the duties of director. The Assistant Director is also responsible for heading a committee to plan meeting locations and chapter social activities.

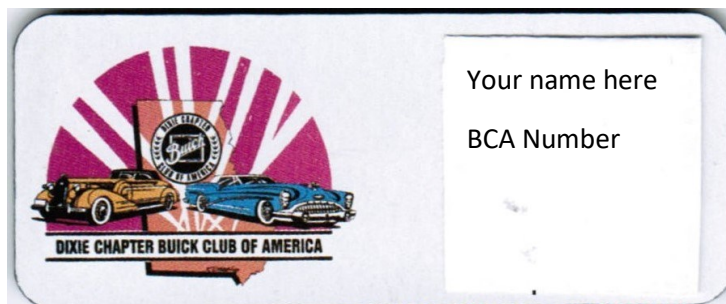
For more information or to volunteer for this position please contact J.D. Westfall at (913) 638-7849 or pharmboyjd@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE:
 Saturday, May 4, 2024
43rd Annual Peach Blossom B.O.P.C. Show
PIEDMONT CHURCH
 570 Piedmont Road,
 Marietta, GA
**CAR SHOW, SWAP MEET,
 CAR CORRAL**
8AM to 3PM
 Benefitting St. Jude
"May the Fourth Be With You"
 www.SEGTOA.org



DIXIE CHAPTER NAME TAGS

Get your free Dixie Chapter name tag! It is what the best dressed DC/BCA members are wearing this year. Available with either magnetic or pin back, these stylish tags boast the attractive Dixie Chapter logo and your name and BCA number. To get yours you need to contact Shar Kile at 770-977-7924 or sbkile58@aol.com. There is no charge for your first name tag, if you receive it at a chapter meeting or event and only a nominal charge for a replacement name tag. Order yours today!



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. grayfoxconsulting@gmail.com

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.

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

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

Join the conversations!
Participate in the forums
on the Buick Club of
America website.

www.buickclub.org

The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 14, 2024

After the Holidays Party at Ippolito's 350 Town Center Avenue, Suwanee, GA.

1:30 PM. J.D. Westfall

Pharmboyjd@gmais.com

or cell/text 913-638-

February 25, 2024

Dixie Chapter annual Bowl-a-rama. Woodstock AMF Lanes. Bruce and Shar Kille skkile58@aol.com

770-977-7924

BCA, Chapter, and BDE Events

January 2024						
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			

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

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

May 4, 2024


41st Annual Peach Blossom BOPC. Piedmont Church, Marietta. Hosted by Southeastern GTO Association. Events & Cruise-Ins (segtoa.org)

July 10-13, 2024

BCA National Meet in Strongsville, Ohio, Refer to the Buick Bugle for registration information

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

DIXIE CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.dixie.buickclub.org

THE RODDY PEARCE MEMORIAL "BOWL-A- RAMA" Feb. 25th

Our annual winter activity is the Bowl-A-Rama. It is held at the AMF Lanes in Woodstock, followed by "awards" lunch and our monthly meeting.

BOWLING IS OPTIONAL, although with the (official) Buick club handicap system it favors the infrequent bowler rather than "regular bowlers".

Weather permitting, we encourage driving your "pride & joy". We always have reserved parking, "car show style" and (sometimes) awards for something car related.

Bowling & lunch is \$18, lunch only is \$9.00.

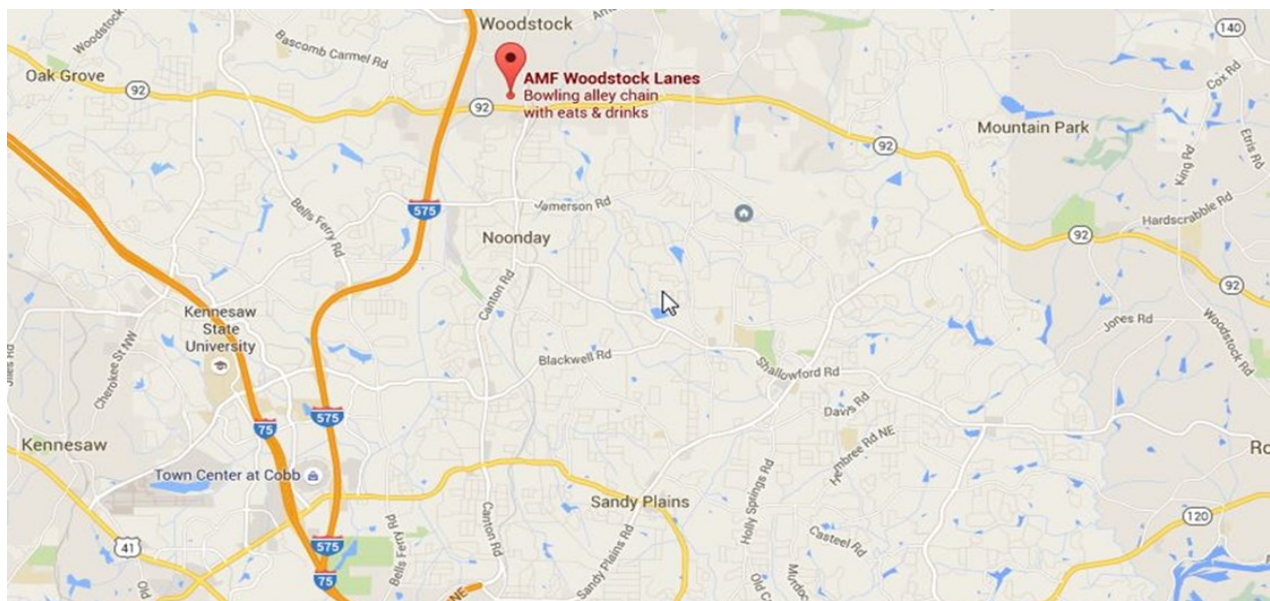
Bowlers need to be at the lanes and ready to bowl by 12:30.

We need an RSVP by Feb 21st for everyone coming for bowling or just lunch. There will be a sign-up sheet at the Holiday Party.

Please call Bruce or Shar (770) 977-7924 email sbkile58@aol.com for more information or to RSVP

DIRECTIONS: I-75 the circle around to AMF Woodstock Lanes.

For those coming from the North to 1-575 / Phillip M Landrum Memorial Hwy North toward Canton. Exit 7 right, GA 92 toward Woodstock. Turn right onto GA 92. Go approximately 3/4 mile and turn left at the Dairy Queen onto Woodpark Place. Follow e East take GA 92 West. Cross Canton Hwy. Go approximately 1,000





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

Bruce and Shar Kile Honored

Lamar Brown presented the “Domed Piston Award” to Bruce and Shar Kile at the Buick Gardens shindig during the recent Southeast Regional Tour. The awards read “In appreciation for your dedication to all things Buick. THANK YOU!!!

The piston on the left is from a 322, while the piston on the right is from a 264. Same blocks, just different size bores. Sorta like Bruce and Shar, but believe me: neither one of them is a bore!

Love you both!

Lamar



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

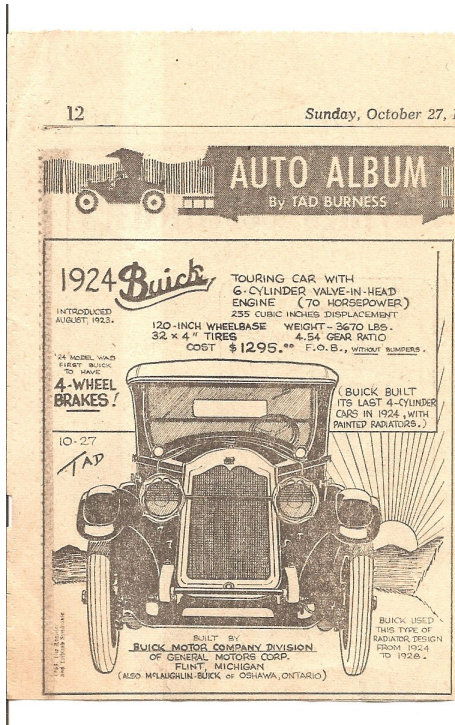
Do you need replacement hub caps or Wheels?

Bianca at Hubcaps.com & OriginalWheels.com offers Car Club Members a discount on the Factory Hub-caps & 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



BIRTHDAYS

- 1/08 Lew Engstrom
- 1/08 Nancy Knight
- 1/12 Jane Petsh
- 1/19 Jana Hunter
- 1/19 Hector Pages

Grit in the Gearbox



Quotable Quotations



DEALS ON WHEELS

1957 Buick Parts for sale: Used parts: bumpers, rear seat springs, front fenders (need repair), trunk lid, a few other parts. Call Raymond Collins for details 706.-865-4185.

Free! 10 years of Buick Bugles, (12/95-2/2005) Contact Stephen Sauer, 770/431-9724 Cell, 770/434-7930 landline

Request for assistance from Dixie Chapter member Paul VanNortwick.

My 90 Riviera is in the body shop to be repaired from hitting a deer. Had to wait its turn, but body shop is ready to start in on it. The attachment shows what I need. Have already come up with grille. Need the other three items. Hoopers Used Auto Parts in Dallas, NC has the whole bumper for a reasonable price which will give me the rest of what I need. They won't ship, or accept a customer pick up by common carrier. Has to be picked up in person by someone. At the present time, I can't go there in person due to my wife's health. My question to you is do you know of someone who might have these items and who will ship by UPS or whomever? Sure would appreciate any help you can give me. Please email **paul_v@venturebyproducts.com**

Photos of needed parts



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**.

Parts wanted: Seeking complete rear axel housing for 1969 Skylark with an automatic transmission,. Located in Stockbridge and will travel. Tim Philips. 404-557-0880l;m

2007 Buick Lacrosse: V/6, full power. Ice cold a/c. Runs great. 135,000 miles. \$3450. Call Jeff 404-538-7623

1972 Buick, GS 350: Rebuilt engine and transmission, FITECH fuel injection (have original carburetor), original interior. Have GM Factory Shop Manuals and a good history of car. Additional pictures available upon request. Located In Forsyth, GA. Asking \$26,000. Contact TimBrown_57@yahoo.com

For Sale: Remote Key Fob/Transmitter. New OEM remote #25602668. Originally for a 1992 Park Avenue but fits many 1990's Buicks. Please be sure it fits your needs. Two fresh batteries and programming instructions included. \$85 OBO includes US shipping. Alan Ziglin BCA #52492. 770-352-0801 or 19fury61@gmail.com



Car for Sale: 1914 Buick B-25 tourer. One family since new, all original never restored, never weathered. Paint and top and tires 60+ years ago. Complete. Contact Joe Jones at: 678-860-3735, or packard526@yahoo.com

Remember! Any member who desires a copy of the minutes of a Dixie Chapter Business Meeting may receive a copy after the minutes have been approved by the membership by contacting the club secretary