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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".

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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



Hello Dixie Chapter Members,

Well, we hit 70 degrees here in the mountains. Trees are blooming and Spring is almost here. Do you have the itch (like me) to get your beautiful Buicks out for a drive? Time to get them in shape. On the Boat Tail, I have changed the air shock air lines, changed the oil and filters, put some transmission medic in, and adjusted the tire air pressure. Only needs washed and polished. Next to the Wildcat. It needs oil change, new front brake pads, adjust rear brakes and replace the turn signal mechanism in the steering column. If anyone needs a steering wheel puller, I have one. Time to "Get R Done".

Sorry I could not attend the Bowlarama. I had to attend a wedding in Ohio. We had 3 inches of snow, but my GMC in 4-wheel drive was a champ! I hear everyone had a lot of fun at the Bowlarama and I'm sure there will be a recap of all the winners elsewhere in this newsletter.

The Spring 2024 BDE Tour in BLUE RIDGE, GEORGIA is coming up April 28-May 2nd. This tour is in our back yard and a great opportunity to participate in a Buick tour even if you are not a BDE member (first timers are welcome as guests). The BDE Spring Tour Registration form is included in this newsletter.

And the BOPC Show will be May 3-4 at the Piedmont Church in Marietta GA. Get your Buicks registered so we can show the OPC boys who has the most beautiful cars.

See you at the Dairy Queen,

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Quotable Quotations



Grit in the Gearbox



Bowl-a-rama 2024 Bruce Kile, Photos by William Lula

The 27th Annual "Roddy Pearce Memorial Bowl-A-Rama"

The weather outside was perfect for driving a collector Buick and the atmosphere inside the AMF Woodstock Lanes was just right for the annual event affectionately known as "The Bowl-A-Rama", the name given by our long time member, past director/officer and beloved friend, the late Roddy Pearce.

It was Roddy who searched the internet for "just the right (vintage) awards" for the top ladies and men's winners and donated them to be rotated each year. This year's recipients of those awards were Rochelle Ziglin for the ladies and Bill McGowen for the men.

Another ("coveted") rotating award is "the hubcap" (from a 36 Buick) given annually to the person (male or female) who just happens to score the lowest overall score (including handicap) <u>but</u> also demonstrates having the most fun at this event. This year's winner was Kenny O'Hara.

In addition to the various bowling awards, collector car calendars were presented to those who drove their "pride and joy", Jerry and Jean Richstein (34), *Danny Finkelstein (68 GS), and John, William & Joseph Lula (67 Sky.) Joseph was also awarded a collector car calendar for being the youngest bowler. Following the usual 3 games of bowling, lunch was served to the 21 hungry attendees, Including guests Paul and Hope Sorrells and Mike Dickinson from the GT0 Association. Half of those in attendance participated in the bowling fun, while the others provided cheering & encouragement.

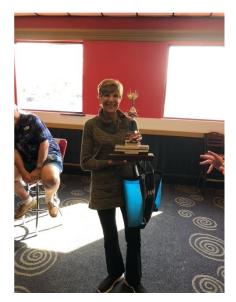
The other bowlers and attendees (not previously mentioned) were David and Barbara Lee, Pat Horvath, Alan Ziglin, Bill and Nancy Hansen, and Bruce and Shar Kile. Special thanks and recognition to William Lula for providing most of the pictures. We love our young members, the future of our organization. We sure hope to see more members at next year's event, even if you don't (or can't) participate in the bowling or even drive a Buick. Just bring the kids, grandkids or guests because we are a "family organization".



Top Men's Bowler: Bill McGowen



Lowest Score: Kenny O'Hara



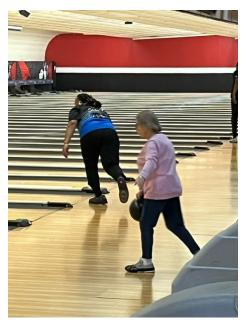
Top Women's Bowler: Rochelle Ziglin

















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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**.



The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA and Chapter Events

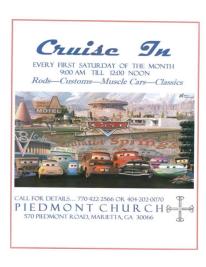
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April 28-May 2, 2024

BDE Spring Tour, Blue Ridge Mountains. Details in this issue

May 4, 2024.

Peach Blossom BOPC Show, Piedmont Church in Marietta., Hosted by Southeastern GTO Assn. For more information visit www.segtoa.org.



Non-Chapter Events



June 24, 2024

BOPC Night at Summit in McDonough. 6 - 8 PM

July 15-19, 2024

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

July 23-26, 2025

Buick Cub of America Annual Meet. Concord, North Carolina.



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

CAR OF THE MONTH



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

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 Bruce Kile for pricing or questions (770) 977-7924

Email: sbkile58@aol.com.

Mile Markers

Celebrating Life's Events



ANNIVERSARIES

3/21 Charles & Jana Hunter

Come join us on Facebook!





BIRTHDAYS

3//3/56	Rita Brown
3/8	Mike Bashaw
3/10	Sylvia Baker
3/10	Tammy Lynde
3/11	Jean Richstein
3/14/34	Bill Eisenhart
3/17/43	Don Winebarger
3/20/44	Penny Van Nortwick
3/28	Chris Strong

Do you need replacement wheels or hubcaps?

Bianca at <u>Hubcaps.com</u> and <u>OriginalWheels.com</u> offers car club members a discount on the factory hubcaps and wheels that they show on their websites. They currently have over one million hubcaps and 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.



Deals on Wheels



<u>Car for sale:</u> 1972 Buick GS 350. Rebuilt engine and transmission. FITECH fuel injection. (have original carburator), original interior, Have GM factory shop manuals and a good history of the car, Additional pictures upon request. Located in Forsyth, GA. Asking \$26,000. Contact Timbrown_57@yahoo.com.

<u>Car for sale:</u> 191 B-25 Tourer. One family since new. All original, never restored and never weathered. Paint, top, and tires 60+ uears ago. Complete.

Contact Joe Jones. 678-860-3735. packard526@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



The Parts Authority Auto Parts

Stores: Offers members of the Buick Club/Dixie Chapter a discount on all auto parts, not just A.C Delco items. There are 9 "full service" stores in metro Atlanta and 1 in Columbus and nationally in 22 states. Check the website http://www.partsauthority.com for the store nearest you. To take advantage of great savings simply phone the call center (770) 448-3896, and tell them you are a member of the Buick Club, account #47225. They will give you availablity and price of the item you need and if the store of your choice has it in stock otherwise it will be sent immediately to that location. If you have any questions call Bruce Kile (770) 977-7924

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.



Deals on Wheels



<u>Cars for Sale</u>: 1950 52R Good tour car. 3 speed straight shift. \$18,000. Includes fender skirts, California car cover, plus pick up truck load of spare parts.

1970 LeSabre Coupe. 60,000 miles. Cold a/c, p.s., p.b., automatic transmission, 350 –4bbl. Runs real well. Includes spare parts. \$16,000.00

Hershel Goff BCA 13828, BDE 155. New Castle, VA . 540-553-5224





<u>Car for Sale</u>: 1975 LeSabre Convertibe. 5.7/350. Great runner. Rebuilt motor and transmission. Newer top, dual exhaust added. Very clean underside. New tires. Shows 15K miles. Insured 26K. \$22,500. Elise, BCA 8516. 706-216-4389. Photos: sincerejohnf@gmail.com.



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

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2024 Buick Driving Enthusiasts Tour "Beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains"

"April 28 - May 2, 2024"

HOST HOTEL: \$125 Single or Double Occupancy includes breakfast. Call hotel directly and ask for Buick Club block rate. Maximum 35 Registrations/35 cars for the tour. Hotel details furnished upon receipt of . registration forms.

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Passengers.						
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REGISTRATION FEE: \$30	(BDE Member & S	Spouse/Guest) 1 Da	sh plaque/tou	r packet/Ho	sp Room	\$
Single member \$20 for	tour package, p	laque and Hospi	tality Room	1		\$
Additional Guests (Childr	en/Grandchildren	/Friends/etc. ridin	ig in membei	r's car. #	x \$10 =	\$
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Lunch on your own at Ocoee Dam "Dam Jam". Tour of Chief Vann House, 19 th Ce		64, Ocoee TN 37361), home o
Thursday, May 2 nd : Train ride on Bl Lunch on your own in McCaysville Burra, Habanero's, The Copper Gr BBQ.	ue Ridge Scenic Railway e at 2 Hour train stop. Suggestions	#x \$52.00= \$ s: Twisted Tomato, Burra
Thursday Evening Banquet Dinner: Blue Ridge GA. This is located adj Dinner includes mashed potatoes, so Fried Chicken Catfish Short Ribs	acent from Blue Ridge Railway Lo	comotive. No barBYOB.
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DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF REGISTRATION IS March 28, 2024

J D Westfall, 724 Sowers Road, Blue Ridge GA 30513

NOTE: The amount of any refund for this event may depend on cancellation date by the venue or supplier & whether or not a deadline has passed to said supplier/venue.

Questions? Call J D Westfall 913-638-7849













43rd ANNUAL PEACH BLOSSOM B.O.P.C.

Buick * Oldsmobile * Pontiac * Cadillac

Car Show, Swap Meet, & Car Corral Saturday May 4th, 2024, 9AM – 3PM

Friday, May 3rd, 6:00 PM - BBQ Meet & Greet

For Pre-Registered Attendees
Piedmont Church – 570 Piedmont Rd, Marietta, GA 30066

Saturday, May 4th - Car Show, Swap Meet, & Car Corral

Piedmont Church, 570 Piedmont Rd, Marietta, GA 30066 8:00 – 11:00 AM - Registration

Voting ends at 12:00 Noon - Awards at 2:00 PM

Hosted by the Southeastern GTO Association

JUDGING: Cars will be judged by popular vote. Each car registered will receive one ballot, which will entitle you to vote in two nearby classes for First and Second place. Club Presidents will choose **Best Buick**, **Oldsmobile**, **Pontiac**, **Cadillac**, **and Best of Show**. Classes will be determined by the cars registered by April 19, 2024, so please register early. This not only helps us, but also helps your car to be properly classified. A fire extinguisher is mandatory at every vehicle. Friday night parking after 5PM is available at your own risk as NO security will be provided. Limited trailer parking is available.

A special feature this year will be the **Gran Turismo Omologato Evolution Walk:** An exhibit of every year and special model of GTO produced.

DIRECTIONS TO THE SHOW: Take I-75 to Exit 269 (Barrett Parkway). Turn east, Barrett Parkway becomes Piedmont Road. The Church and Car Show are about 2 miles on the right. Barrett Parkway also crosses I-575 at Exit 1 and avoids some traffic. Exit I-575 at Exit 1, and head east, 1.8 miles on the right.

HOTELS: Hotels in the area (I-575 exit 1, I-75 exit 269): Hilton Garden Inn, 895 Cobb Pl Blvd NW, Kennesaw, GA 30144, 678-322-1140. Holiday Inn Express, 2485 George Busbee Pkwy NW, Kennesaw, GA 30144, 770-427-5210.

For additional show information and to download a registration form, please go to www.seqtoa.org or contact us at 2024BOPC@gmail.com. The Southeastern GTO Association is a Not for Profit organization registered in the state of Georgia, #17649109. Proceeds go to various charities including St. Jude's Childrens' Hospital.













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BUICK • OLDSMOBILE • PONTIAC • CADILLAC

43rd Annual "Peach Blossom" BOPC Show May 4th 2024

Presented by the Southeastern GTO Association

At Piedmont Church, 570 Piedmont Road, Marietta, GA 30066 Free Dash Plaques for the first 100 registrants

1st & 2nd Place Awards by Popular Vote plus Best of each Marque and Best of Show!

Food - Door Prizes - 50:50 Drawing

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Survivors must be pre	-1985 and have original pa	aint, interior, a	and no replacemen	ts other than re	gular maintenance items
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Car registrations are	\$30 for 1st first car, \$25	for 2 nd car			_@\$30 = \$
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Friday Meet & Greet for	r pre-registered guests – 6	PM at Williar	nson Bros. BBQ, 14	125 Rowell Rd.	Marietta 30062
	How Many?	(Food 8	drinks at your exper	nse)	
Fill out, print, and mail Jasper, GA 30143. Yo	your form with your check u can email your form to 2	made out to 024bopc@gr	SEGTOA to: Jim A	ndews/BOPC, our check, or y	224 Philadelphia Dr., ou can register at the

show with cash or a credit/debit card. Late fees above will apply. Questions? Email us at 2024bopc@gmail.com.

By the execution of this form, participants release the Southeastern GTO Association, Piedmont Church, and their agents from any and all known and unknown damages, injuries, losses, claims, or judgements from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by any entrant or participant to his/her person, family, or property.

A FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS MANDATORY IN EVERY VEHICLE.