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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 Buick Folks,

Wow! One hour north of Atlanta, we had Buicks gathered from the 30’s, 40’s, 50’s, 60’s, 70’s, 80’s, 90’s, 00’s, 10’s, and 20’s! All lined up at the Comfort Inn in Blue Ridge. Wow! This was a 5-day Buick Driving Enthusiasts Tour. We drove through the Blue Ridge Mountains to the North, to the East, to the South, and to the West. We had a total of 63 people at the banquet. Twice a year we have these tours and if you are not a member of the BDE, you can attend one tour as a guest. Check it out. Wow!

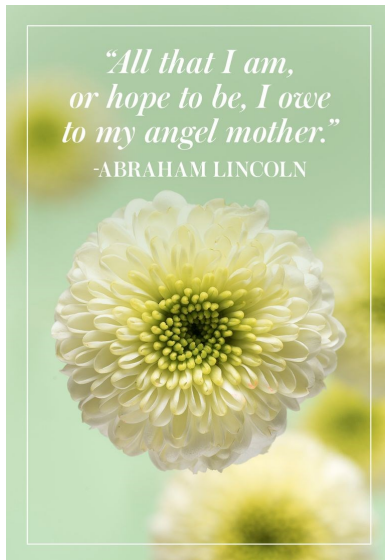
Also, Saturday, May 4th was the BOPC Show at Piedmont Church in Marietta. I drove 70 miles in the rain. 2 miles from the show, the rain stopped. Sun came out. We had a beautiful day. 102 cars in total. The Buicks were second highest in total numbers shown. We cleaned up in plaques presented. Tom will have winner details later.

Mother’s Day is next Sunday, May 12th. Therefore, we will have our monthly meeting Sunday, May 19th at the Olive Garden, 905 Holcomb Bridge Road, Roswell GA at 1 pm. As usual, let’s park on the side. Thank you Walt for lining this up.

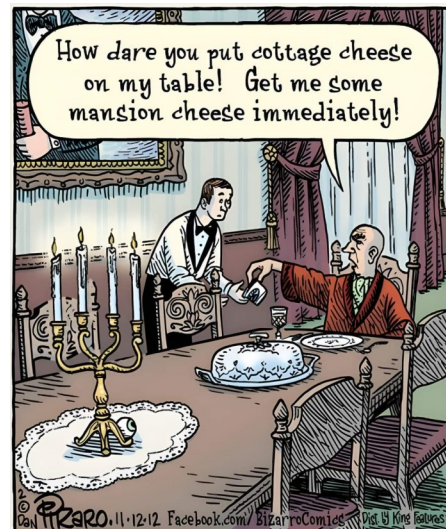
See you the 19th in your beautiful Buick,

J D”

Quotable Quotations



Grit in the Gearbox



Sonomatic Sounds

Tom Lynde, DVC Editor



Hey everyone!

The rain went away and the Sun came out and the weather was near perfect for the BOPC. Dixie Chapter was well represented and a good time was had by all. Look for more details and photos in this newsletter.

Plans have been made for the next Chapter meeting, Sunday May 19th at 1:00pm at the Olive Garden in Roswell. This is your chapter, come on out and join the crowd and help make plans for the Summer and beyond. Your voice is needed and your presence is most welcomed.

Enjoy this late Spring and early Summer weather. Get the Buick out and drive on down to the local ice cream stand or cruise-in. We have nothing if we don't have a little fun along the road of life, right? See you soon.

Happy Buicking,

Tom



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



MEMBER NEWS



Let's welcome new member!

Tim Phillips

BCA #53223

2284 Flippen Road

Stockbridge, GA 30281

404-557-0880

1969 Skylark Convertible (44467)

daisymayone@yahoo.com

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***.

MAY CHAPTER MEETING

Make your plans to attend the May meeting of the Dixie Chapter BCA, May 19th at 1 PM at the Olive Garden restaurant, 908 Holcomb Bridge Road in Roswell. Your Buick enjoyed its recent outing to the BOPC, so be sure to drive it to the meeting. If you did not attend the show, your car is overdue an outing! Come and participate in your chapter and enjoy good people and good food.

2024 Peach Blossom BOPC

The Southeastern GTO Association (SEGTOA) hosted the 43rd annual Peach Blossom BOPC car show at Piedmont Church in Marietta on Saturday May 4, 2024. In all, on a potentially rainy day 102 of Detroit and GM’s finest were on display: 71 Pontiacs, 16 Buicks, 13 Cadillacs and 3 Oldsmobiles. SEGTOA treated attendees with a display of every GTO model produced from 1964 to 1974 to celebrate the 60th anniversary of that fabled muscle car. There was a great BBQ lunch and entertaining DJ music to round out the day.

The Dixie Chapter BCA was well represented in the Buick field and brought home a great number of plaques and awards. Jerry and Jean Richstein placed first in 1948 or older with their 1934 Buick. J.D. Westfall took a first place with his 1971 Riviera in the E Body class 1970-79. Howard and Sylvia Baker brought home a second place award with their Reatta in the two seater class. Danny Finkelstein took first in 1968-72 A body, open with his 1968 GS 400 Convertible. Bruce and Shar Kile got first place in 1968-72 A body, closed models with their 1970 Skylark hardtop. Tom Lynde took a second place in 1990 and up miscellaneous with a 1990 Park Avenue sedan. Dixie Chapter member Alan Zigler took first, E body 1962-1969 with his Grand Prix. And finally, Dixie Chapter member Jerry Wilson earned best Buick with his 1972 GS 455 Stage 1.

Please continue to support the Annual BOPC show with your attendance. it will be our turn to host before you know it! Many heartfelt thanks to the good folks at SEGTO for putting on such a wonderful show!

No photo available for Howard and Silvia Baker. Award accepted by J.D Westfall.



Jerry Wilson, Best Buick



J.D Westfall



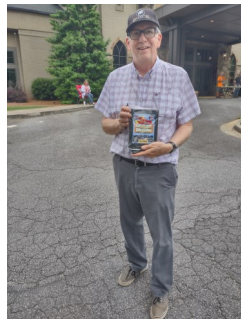
Bruce Kile



Jerry and Jean Richstein



Danny Finkelstein



Tom Lynde



Alan Zigler



The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA and Chapter Events

MAY 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	

May 19, 2024, 1:00 pm

Chapter Meeting:
Olive Garden 908 Holcomb
Bridge Road, Roswell.

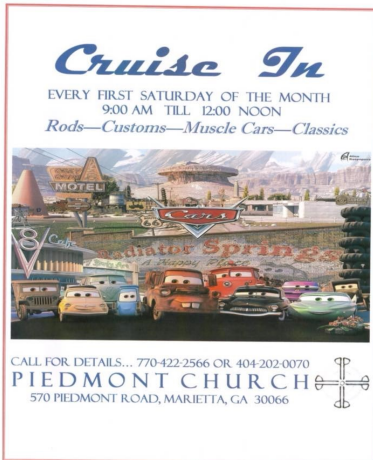
July 15-19, 2024

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

June 24, 2024

BOPC Night at Summit in
McDonough. 6 - 8 PM

Non-Chapter Events



Cruise In
EVERY FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
9:00 AM TILL 12:00 NOON
Rods—Customs—Muscle Cars—Classics

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570 PIEDMONT ROAD, MARIETTA, GA 30066



Free Event
Southern Cars & Coffee
"All Cars & Motorcycles Welcome"

BLACK SMOKE
coffee

2914 Macon RD Griffin, GA 30224
On The 2nd Saturday Every Month
April - October
8am-11am

Held By: **Atlanta**
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GA STREET ROD ASSOCIATION COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY

The Georgia Street Rod Association (CSRA) in conjunction with the Georgia Sheriffs' Youth Homes (CSYH) presents the second annual National Collector Car Appreciation Day (NCCAD) cruise.

All Makes and Models of Cars & Trucks are Welcome!
Sam Mahdavi is the Grand Marshal, and the event will be filmed for airing on Sam's Garage & Lokar TV programs.

Proceeds will go to the Georgia Sheriffs' Youth Homes.

Date: Friday 7/12/24 * This is a Rain or Shine Event*

The event is from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, including sign-in, the cruise, lunch, and closing ceremonies.

The event is limited to the first 150 registered/paid cars

Location: The cruise will start at the Sheriffs' Association HQ located at 1000 Sheriffs Way, Madison, Ga 30650, followed by a police escorted cruise to The Dogwood Barn located at 691 Stenbridge Rd., SE, Milledgeville, Ga 31061.

Cost: Registration/payment prior to 4/20/24 is \$40 per car, and \$55 per car if registered/paid between 4/20/24 and the deadline of 6/2/24.

Each paid registration includes an official NCCAD decal, one Event T-shirt, one lunch ticket, and one goody bag. Additional T-shirts and lunch tickets are available for purchase through registration. Doughnuts and coffee will be provided at sign-in at no charge.

Pre-registration and payment is required and can be made through the CSRA website via PayPal or credit card. If you have questions, or prefer to pay by check, please contact David Riser at vicepresident@gstra.com.

For more information, and to register, click on <https://gstra.com/nccad2024/> or scan the following QR code:





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

Auto Trivia

In what model year was the “Twilight Sentinel” automatic headlight system introduced by Buick?

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.

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

- 5/2/55 Hersel & Glenna Goff
- 5/25 Dave & Marie Berquist
- 5/25/63 Roy & Sharon Newby
- 5/27 Chuck & Laura Dalton
- 5/29/82 Lamar & Rita Brown



BIRTHDAYS

- 5/3 Sharon Newby
- 5/6 Tim Brown
- 5/12 Joe Jeziorski
- 5/19 Alan Strong
- 5/23 Roy Newby

Come join us on Facebook!



Do you need replacement wheels or hubcaps?

Bianca at Hubcaps.com and OriginalWheels.com 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.

Auto Trivia Answer

Sometimes its origins are fodder for debate, the Twilight Sentinel, which automatically turned on the headlights at dusk and off at dawn was introduced in the 1960 model year by Buick. It was an option available across model lines. The 1960 Electra also had an option called "Guide-matic", which was an automatic headlamp dimmer.



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

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



Deals on Wheels



Car for sale: 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 the car, Additional pictures upon request. Located in Forsyth, GA. Asking \$26,000. Contact Timbrown_57@yahoo.com.



Car for sale: 1914 B-25 Tourer. One family since new. All original, never restored and never weathered. Paint, top, and tires 60+ years ago. Complete.

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

Car for Sale: 2007 Buick lacrosse. Maroon with tan cloth interior, power drivers seat, power windows door locks. 135 K, 3.8 V6. Special price for Buick club members: \$3400.00. Jeff Loewenberg 404 538 7623



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 availability 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



Deals on Wheels



Cars for Sale: 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



Car for Sale: 1975 LeSabre Convertible. 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.

Car for Sale 1962 Electra 225 convertible. Asking \$35k but will negotiate. Gregory Cross, BCA 28374 35 Glasgow Drive Pinehurst, NC . Mobile: (315) 427-4622
Email: gtcsyr@gmail.com



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**.