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Hello Buick Enthusiasts:

It is car cruising time of the year! There seems to be a Cruise-in every weekend up here in the mountains.

I finally got the Boat Tail put back together with new engine compartment paint, belts, hoses, electrical, water pump, timing chain and gear, and carburetor. It is purring! If you want a polishing tip, try Turtle Wax "Ice". It does not chalk up. You can even put it on trim and black plastic on the newer cars.

The BCA Nationals is 2 months away. Even if you don't want to drive your car to Charlotte, attend in a newer car (preferably a Buick), and see all the beautiful Buicks on display. Drive up to Blue Ridge and ride with us!

Bruce is working on a couple locations for our meeting coming up on June 8th. You will see this meeting announcement later in this newsletter.

Shine 'Em up and get 'em out on the road.

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If you have not done so, **now** is the time to make your reservations and register for the 2025 Buick Club of America Nationals in Concord, North Carolina, July 23 –26. **Register on line today!** [2025 BCA National Meet | 2025 BCA National Meet](#)

# Sonomatic Sounds

## Tom Lynde, DVC Editor



Hi, everyone ,

It is done! I have registered for my first Buick Nationals! I used the on-line registration option and completed the process in a matter of minutes. I am registration 104, so it appears that attendance is building in. Time is getting tight, so get those registrations and hotel reservations in asap!

With the registration duties done, now my attention is turning to getting the Electra ready. I am entered in the display only category, but I want it to look its best. It still needs a little touch-up here and there, air conditioning tune-up, and a good going over mechanically to make sure it is up to the task to drive to Concord, NC. While the car has a little over eighty thousand miles on the clock, this will be the longest trip it has ever made under its own power. After being delivered to the selling dealer, it had never been outside of its native Cape Cod until being trailered to Georgia a dozen years ago. Well, the great American road belongs to Buick and I am looking forward to allowing this one to stretch its leg on the Interstate highways.

If going to Nationals is not enough to quiet your traveling jones, check out the information on the Buick Driving Enthusiasts fall tour, Buicks in the Bluegrass trip to Kentucky this September. Info and registration materials are included in this newsletter.

Happy Fathers' Day to all of the dads out there. Enjoy your day! See you at the June chapter meeting, with details in this newsletter.

Happy Buicking and register for Nationals!

Tom Lynde

BCA 46614

## On the News Stands

The August 2025 issue of Collectible Automobile will be hitting the news stands soon and it features a look at American cars of 1931. To billboard this, the editors of CA chose to feature a beautiful 1931 Buick Series 90 on the cover.



## June Meeting.

Bruce Kile

Our June Meeting, Sunday, the 8th will return to the site B.C. (before covid) that we knew as "Mazzy's". The new owners now call it "Corners". We will meet at Corners, 7160 Jimmy Carter Blvd, Peachtree Corners at 1:00 pm. It is located behind Spanky's Chicken and Seafood. We will have a private area for our meeting, order from the menu & separate checks. We will try to have a separate parking area for our Buicks. Please park in the lot on the left side of the building. Following the meeting, some lucky member will receive a copy of the Krause Publications of "*Standard Catalog of American Cars*" (second edition). Each membership # will receive 1 ticket, another ticket will be given for driving a Buick, and additional tickets according to distance traveled, (for example, if you drive from Kathleen, Ga. you could receive 6 additional tickets, Hayesville, N.C. would get 5 additional tickets'. Also, since the BCA National is next month, we can have a "mini" BCA judging seminar for those interested in sticking around, (weather permitting, of course). If you would like your car to be the "subject", it just needs to be 12 yrs (or older) in the 400 pt. category, or 25 yrs+ in the archival (unrestored) class, please call or email Bruce. (678) 662-6072, sbkile58@aol.com or if you have any questions regarding most anything BCA.





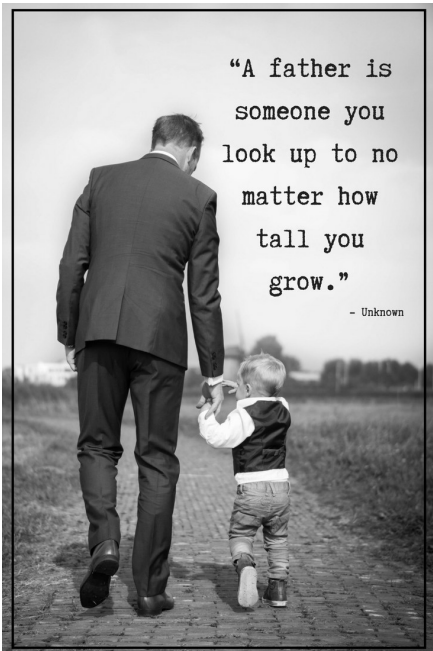
# MEMBER NEWS



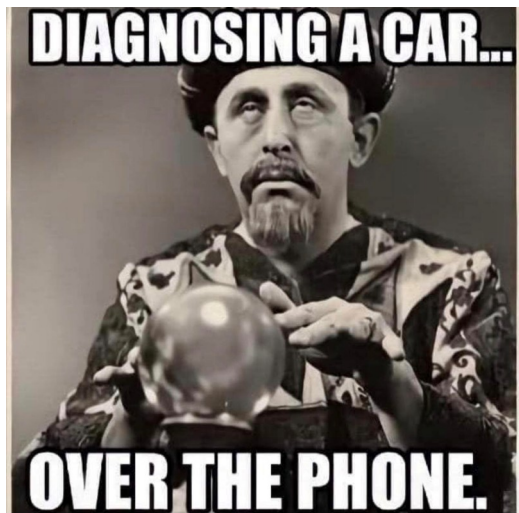
NOTE: If you know of members winning awards or touring to interesting places, or have an idea for an article of interest to our members, please let **Tom Lynde** know at least two weeks before the end of the month to ensure inclusion in the next ***Dixie Valve Chatter***.

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

### Quotable Quotations



### Grit in the Gearbox



**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](mailto: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



# Buick Trivia

Do you know for whom this one-off 1952 Series 70 Roadmaster was constructed? What were some of its special features?



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## Are you changing your e-mail address?

If you have a **NEW** e-mail address,  
please notify Jerry Richstein at [jerry.richstein@gmail.com](mailto:jerry.richstein@gmail.com) ,  
so you can continue to receive the *Dixie Valve Chatter* via e-mail

**The Parts Authority Auto Parts Stores** offer 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

# 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.

[grayfoxconsulting@gmail.com](mailto:grayfoxconsulting@gmail.com)

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

**Original Keepsake Buick Holiday Ornaments**  
 24K Gold Finish Brass.  
 3-Dimensional, Laser cut.  
 Individually boxed.  
 Only \$9 each, 2 or more \$8 each!  
 (U.S. Funds)

Send your name & address with check or money order made payable to:  
**BUICK DRIVING ENTHUSIASTS**  
 2492 Lorrie Drive  
 Marietta GA 30066-5720  
 A limited number of previous editions are available. Write for details.

**CHAPTERS:**  
 Write for discount case pricing.  
 Pre-Production Image - Not-to-Size  
 A Buick Driving Enthusiasts Division Project

 Five small, square-shaped ornaments are arranged in two columns. Each ornament features a different Buick model from various eras, including the Wildcat, Buick Wildcat, Buick Wildcat, Buick Wildcat, and Buick Wildcat.

# Mile Markers

## Celebrating Life's Events



### ANNIVERSARIES

- 6/1 Roy & Janet Bass
- 6/1/18 Jerry & Lynn Wilson
- 6/10 Lisa Richards & Mike Bashaw
- 6/14/70 Alan & Rochelle Ziglin
- 6/18 Dave & Kerri Dutton
- 6/19 Walt & Julie Ehrenfeutcher
- 6/28 David & Janet Brani



### BIRTHDAYS

- 6/2 Ken Barrett
- 6/3 Roy Bass
- 6/3 Julie Ehrenfeutcher
- 6/9/59 Steve Nunan
- 6/10/74 Stacey Lula
- 6/13 Dave Berquist
- 6/16 Howard Baker
- 6/17 Ken Green
- 6/19/38 Hersel Goff
- 6/21 Kerri Dutton
- 6/21 Nancy Hansen
- 6/24 Mac Mackensen
- 6/29 Coleman Rigby

**Do you need replacement wheels or hubcaps?**

Bianca at [Hubcaps.com](http://Hubcaps.com) and [OriginalWheels.com](http://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.



# The Timing Chain

## June 8, 2025

Chapter Meeting  
Corners Sports Bar  
7160 Jimmy Carter Blvd  
Peachtree Corners.

470-657-2488  
1:00pm.

## July 23-26, 2025

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**BCA and Chapter Events**

## JUNE 2025

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

www.GrabCalendar.com

## September 28-October 2 2025

Somerset, Kentucky  
"Buicks in the Bluegrass" BDE  
Fall Tour. For registration  
information contact Bruce and  
Shar Kile 678-642-6672.  
sbkile58@aol.com.

## August 19-22, 2026

Buick Club of America Annual  
Meet. Albany, New York

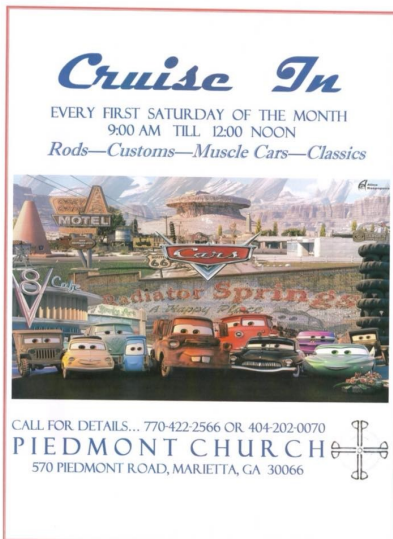
## Non-Chapter Events

### June 23, 2025

BOPC Night at Summit  
Racing in McDonough.  
6:00 –8:00 PM

### ATTENTION "DIXIE BUICK FOLKS":

**Especially in vicinity of Senoia, Kathleen, Gay, Forsyth or Bremen. We could consider having a meeting/outing in your area(s). We just need a phone call (or email) from one (or all) if you would like to see it happen? You need not do any of the planning, unless you want to. Call (or email) assist. director, Bruce (678) 662-6072, sbkile58@aol.com**



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

## Buick Trivia Answer



This 1952 Buick Series 70 Roadmaster was especially constructed for Buick Division chief Harlow Curtis. Most notably, it featured a custom sloping roofline with padded covering and a limousine-style rear window. Other special touches included hydraulic window lifts on all side windows, including the front vent windows which was a General Motors first. It also boasted a dark blue leather seat for the chauffeur while the rear compartment was comfortably upholstered in light blue broadcloth.

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

Join the conversations! Participate in the forums on the



## Deals on Wheels



**Car for sale:** 1972 GS 350. Rebuilt engine. FI Tech fuel injection ( have original carburetor). Original interior. Have GM shop manuals and a good history of the car. Located in Forsyth, Monroe County, Georgia. Asking \$22,000. More pictures are available on request.

Tim Brown, BCA 51812. Phone (478) 318-3030.



**FOR FREE** to any Dixie Chapter member. 1 good (used) AC Delco Alternator. Fits all 2002-04 Buick Regal & Century, 2002-05 Chev Impala, Lumina & Monte Carlo & (quite likely) several other GMs. Also have super charger & A/C-water pump belt tensioners with under 2K miles on them, great for spare, also free to a Chapter member. Call Bruce (678) 662-6072 sbkile58@aol.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.

## **BOOK YOUR ROOM NOW FOR THE 2025 BCA NATIONALS IN CONCORD, NORTH CAROLINA !!**

This information was sent to us from the Tarheel Chapter BCA, the host chapter for the 2025 National meet.

The Embassy Suites Concord is open for booking for our 2025 Buick National Meet July 23rd-26th.

You can book using the link below or by calling 704 455 8200 and using "The Buick Club of America" room block.

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/thebuickclubofamerica2025/>

If not booking for the whole week, you can use the "Edit Stay" feature to change the dates to the desired dates.

One last thing I will add is that we do not have the entire hotel available to us for this meet, so if you want to be at the host hotel instead of one of the many near-by hotels, please book your room ASAP.

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### **Nationals 2025 Hospitality Room**

The Dixie Chapter BCA has been tapped to host the BCA National Meet Hospitality Room at the Host Hotel, the Embassy Inn and Suites in Concord, North Carolina. Our chapter will be monetarily compensated for our service in the room and all of the money from the BCA will go to us unless members from other chapters are required to help fill the shifts. In that case the money will be split with other participating chapters. This is a great opportunity of the DCBCA to earn some money and have a great time with other National's attendees.

If you are planning on attending the meet, please contact Bruce and Shar Kile (**[sbkile58@aol.com](mailto:sbkile58@aol.com)**) or **(770)977-7924** to volunteer or for more information.



# BUICKS IN THE BLUEGRASS

2025 BDE FALL TOUR - SOMERSET, KENTUCKY -- SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 2, 2025

The host hotel for this event is located a couple of miles from historic downtown, one restaurant within walking distance & others within a mile. Amenities include breakfast buffet, guest laundry, fitness center, business center, unlimited wireless internet & a large meeting/hospitality/banquet room that easily accommodates us for all our needs, including the banquet.

Our BDE (negotiated) rates for 9/28/25-10/3/25 (check out) are \$129+tax for single or double.

**Hotel info will be sent immediately upon receipt of registration. Our Hotel Block expires (midnight) Aug. 28th**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_ BDE# \_\_\_\_\_ BCA# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Tel (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

First BDE Tour? Yes ( ) No ( ) Will Trailer Parking be needed? Yes ( ) No ( )

Buick Planning to Drive on this Tour: Year \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Body Style \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

Note: This info is for the arrangement of the tour groups. If you need to change cars please notify us ASAP.

Buicks only on BDE Tours.

So if you don't have a Buick, we will place you in one as passengers. Will you need a ride? Yes ( )

**DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF REGISTRATION IS AUGUST 28, 2025**

### REGISTRATION FEE:

**BDE Member-Spouse/Guest** (Tour Packet/DashPlaque/Hospitality).....\$30 \_\_\_\_\_

**BDE Member Only** (Tour Packet/DashPlaque/Hospitality).....\$20 \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Guests** (Family, Friends, etc.) Riding in Members Car.....# \_\_\_\_\_ @\$10 ea.= \_\_\_\_\_

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**SUNDAY, SEPT 28** - Early Bird Tour" Mill Creek Battle Field/Cemetery National Park.....  
# \_\_\_\_\_ Attending @ NO CHARGE

**MONDAY, SEPT 29** - Kentucky Music Hall of Fame/Entertainment & BBQ Buffet.....  
# \_\_\_\_\_ @\$25 ea.= \_\_\_\_\_

**TUESDAY, SEPT.30** - Factory Tour of Trifecta Houseboat Mfg.....  
# \_\_\_\_\_ Attending @ NO CHARGE

Lunch @ the Black Stallion Rest. (Order from menu/separate checks).....# \_\_\_\_\_ Dining

Super Interesting Wayne Co. Historical Museum.....# \_\_\_\_\_ @\$3 ea.= \_\_\_\_\_

**WEDNESDAY, OCT 1** -Big South Fork Scenic RR to Blue Herron, Kentucky Coal Mining Camp.....  
# \_\_\_\_\_ Riding @\$18 ea.= \_\_\_\_\_

Box Lunch - Sandwich (choices tbd later), Fruit, Cookie & Drink).....# \_\_\_\_\_ @\$15 ea.= \_\_\_\_\_

**THURSDAY, OCT 2** - Factory Tour of Superior Battery, Russell Springs.....# \_\_\_\_\_ Attending @ NO CHARGE

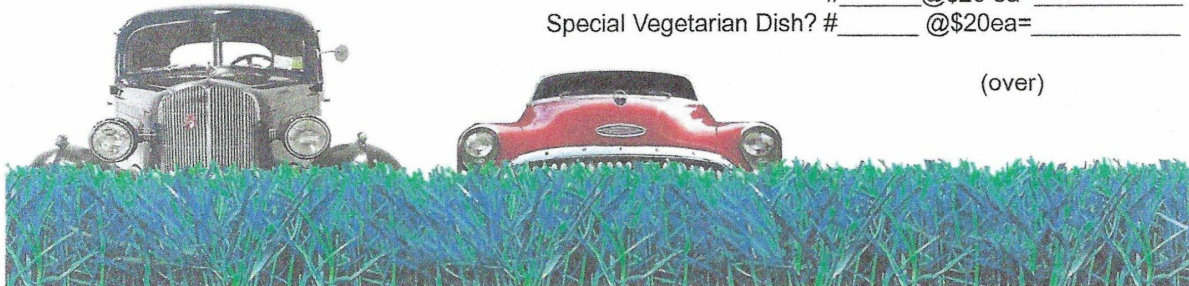
Lunch @ Coe's Steak House (Order from menu/separate checks).....# \_\_\_\_\_ Dining

Fabulous 100+Car Collection of Terry Stephens, Russell Springs.....# \_\_\_\_\_ Attending @ NO CHARGE

**CLOSING BANQUET:** Tasty Buffet featuring turkey, roast beef, veggies & Cobbler.....  
# \_\_\_\_\_ @\$20 ea.= \_\_\_\_\_

Special Vegetarian Dish? # \_\_\_\_\_ @\$20ea= \_\_\_\_\_

(over)



TOTAL COST PER COUPLE FOR ALL EVENTS & PRE-PAID MEALS IS \$192.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL COST FOR 1 PERSON FOR ALL EVENTS & PREPAID MEALS IS \$101.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED : \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**REFUNDS:** *Should it become necessary to cancel from this event every effort will be made to refund the full amount pre-paid unless the notice of cancellation is past having given a final (non-refundable) headcount to any venue, restaurant or caterer. Therefore that amount would not be refundable.*

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**PARTICIPANT CERTIFICATIONS (A BDE Requirement)**

*I certify that the Buick I will be driving on this tour is covered by (at least) the minimum bodily injury and property damage insurance required by the state or province in which the vehicle is registered.*

*All participating vehicles are to be properly licensed & insured. I further agree not to hold the Buick Driving Enthusiasts, the Buick Club of America, any officers, chairpersons or members responsible for any bodily injury, property damage, lost or stolen property.*

*I further understand that if my Buick should become disabled during the tour, the tour hosts &/or other BDE members will assist in securing a ride to any remaining activities for myself &/or my passengers.*

*I do also acknowledge & accept the BDE requirement to have a working CB radio in my Buick while touring & the BCA requirement to have a fully charged, operable fire extinguisher in my Buick while participating in this event.*

**SIGNED** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATED** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Make checks payable to BDE & mail to:**

**Shar Kile  
2492 Lorrie Drive  
Marietta, GA 30066**