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**Director’s Message—Al Jones 810-625-2713**

My fellow Buicktowners,

August was a very busy month if you like "old car stuff". For Buicktowners, we had many opportunities to show off our wheels. First, let me thank Roger Tyyska for taking the lead again this year for our Water street show "Buicks on the Bricks". It was another successful day for all attendees and volunteers. Speaking of volunteers, Thank You for your efforts, big and small, and your commitment to our club. Frank Grace deserves a big "pat on the back" for organizing and leading a great cruise from Water street to Patsy Lou’s on Monday, August 15. It was quite a thrill to have a police escort and have traffic stopped at all intersections for the Buicks. 25 cars this year, led by the convertibles, took that great ride. Karyn Miller, Flint Township supervisor, rode with Bobby Jones in the lead convertible. Lots of fun! Speaking of Bobby Jones, he is leading our effort to get 30 Buicks to Frankenmuth Autofest this year on Friday, September 9. The leader of the show has invited us to park on Main Street all weekend. If you haven't already done so, go to frankenmuthautofest.net and register and then call Debbie Jones at 810-625-2712 with your name and registration number so you can be added to Bobby’s list. If you are not on his list, you will not have a parking spot in Frankenmuth. Let me encourage all of you that are considering going to regionals the same weekend as Frankenmuth. That should be your first choice, but if that’s not in your plans, please join us in Frankenmuth. September is also our time to meet at Sloan. I know Roger and Gil are working on some specials things to happen this year, so let’s keep our fingers crossed and you will be notified if it gets approved, otherwise the meeting that Millie and Larry planned will be very enjoyable as well. Have a great Labor Day holiday and put some miles on those cars. See you down the road.

Best Regards, Al
2016 was the year of the Green Shirts worn by volunteers for our Buicktown sponsored activities. It was also the year of threatening rains. However, most activities were completed OK for the “most part”. At exactly 2:25 PM on Friday, heavy rain hit the Mott Estate. Unfortunately one red Reatta convertible was inundated with the top down. On Saturday the Flint police began clearing out Saginaw Street about 3:30 PM due to a forecast for bad weather coming in soon. We noticed early departures from Water Street between 1:00 and 2:00 PM on Saturday. Even considering the weather, this was another good year for Back to the Bricks and Buicks on the Bricks.

Our overall impression was spectator traffic over the foot bridge was less than last year. Arrowhead and the Durant-Dort museum concurred having lesser counts. The official Buick car count was at 88 because of goodie bags given away. Surprise, quite a few cars politely declined a bag! Could be that goodie bags are no longer in demand? So, unofficially, the car count was over 100. We saw license plates from Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin. Word is getting out and travelers are coming to Flint!

The results are many. We gained some new members and other folks took membership applications along for consideration. Reatta owners will be pleased to know there is a source near Owosso, Mi who stocks parts and will service your Reatta. We sold some 2008 Buick items along with some newly acquired literature (thank you Rita). Photos of the cars are found at buicksonthebricks.com. Enter the password buick. Our activity on Water Street went very smooth only because of our dedicated volunteers. Again, a “Big Thank You” to all of you. And, most important, we gave good service to our Buick friends and spectators and our day on Water Street was enjoyable!

Looking ahead, 2017 will be a totally new situation on Water Street with the opening of GM’s Factory One. Buicks on the Bricks activity on Water Street will be but one opportunity for the club. We don’t, as of now, know what GM has planned for this facility. Let’s put forth our ideas and work with the Durant-Dort and Factory One organizations to promote activities for Buick enthusiasts in the other 364 days of the year. If we can do good things, maybe ole Billy Durant will give us a smile.

Roger, Al and Dave

www.buicktown.buickclub.org/
September 9-11  Frankenmuth Autofest
The Buicktown chapter has been invited to
display our member’s cars on Main Street
Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. We will
have room for 30 cars on Friday night for
the street party. We will have room for
many more on Saturday and Sunday. The
Autofest staff will pick 2 Buicks on Satur-
day to receive an award on Sunday. This
show is not judged with points so come
out and bring that “sweet” looking Buick
and have some fun. The award is a cool
beer stein and is given out in the park at
1:00 on Sunday. PLEASE BE ADVISED
THAT THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL
BUICKS REGARDLESS OF THE YEAR.
Normally, Frankenmuth is open to cars
from 1978 and older. So, whatever the
year of your Buick, it is welcome in Fran-
kenmuth for Autofest. In order to attend,
you must register. The fee is $20 and
100% of it goes to charities in the Fran-
kenmuth area.

September 9-10
Great Lakes Regional, Holland, MI hosted
by the West Michigan Chapter-BCA see
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September 16-17
Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race
Mid-Michigan Motorplex, Stanton, MI

September 17
Byron Fireworks Friends Car Show
Byron, MI

September 28  Regular Meeting - Sloan
Museum Please RSVP by Sept. 23 call
Larry and Millie @ 810-728-3133

October 3-6, 2016
Peoria, ILLNOIS
“Will it Play in Peoria?” is the 2016 Buick Driving En-
thusiasts’ fall tour. Illinois does have hills, curving
roads and high bluffs. We will visit the John Deere
Homestead with an entertaining blacksmith demon-
stration, Starved Rock Park and Lodge, Tanner Or-
chard, and Wheels of Time Museum. You will enjoy
visiting the Route 66 Museum, the Pontiac Car Mu-
seum, and other surprises. There will be some early
bird self-tours available on Sunday. BCA members
may attend one BDE event without joining. Come try
us out. For more information call Bruce Norgard, 309-
383-2461 or email
Registration Form

October 26  Regular Meeting 6:00 PM
Brick Street, Grand Blanc

November 16  Regular Meeting TBD

December 10
Christmas Party-IMA Brookwood
1PM-4PM Must pre-paid! See Larry and
Millie.

2017
July 5-8, 2017
2017 BCA National Meet
Brookfield, Wisconsin

REGISTRATION
2017 BCA Registration Form
2017 BCA Volunteer Form

HOTELS
HOST HOTEL: Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel
375 S. Moorland Rd • Brookfield, WI • 262-364-1100 • $114
Embassy Suites By Hilton Milwaukee Brookfield
1200 S Moorland Rd. • Brookfield, WI • 262-782-2900 • $164
and up
Hello All, Can't believe how quickly summer has gone by again, why can't winter pass that quickly?? Thank you Jennie and Jim for a great (but hot) evening for our last picnic this year. And also want to thank all of the volunteers who helped us at the information booth on Water Street! Next month is our annual Meeting at the Sloan museum and the 53 Buick that many of you worked on will be on display. We will have sack lunches consisting of either a ham or turkey sandwich, bag of chips, fruit cup and a bottle of water, and all condiments, catered by the Chatterbox Deli. The cost for the sack lunch is $6.50 per person and must be prepaid by Friday September 23rd deadline. You may send checks to Larry Lutz, 3573 Crestwood Dr., Lapeer MI. 48446 payable to Buicktown. Our October 26th meeting will be at Brick Street, 1223 East Grand Blanc Road, starting at 6:00 pm. God Bless and drive safely. Larry and Millie Lutz


The discount is good Thursday night through Saturday night.

We'll have a hospitality room ready. There's a terrific Tour planned with pie along the way. Stay tuned for more info on that.

Your car will be judged by your peers. But there are awards and bragging rights. The banquet is catered by the hotel and will run $20 per person. Menu is Fried Chicken and Pulled Pork, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Chips, Potato Salad, Cookies and Soft Drinks.

Everyone gets a goodie bag with restaurant coupons and whatever we can find that's fun and interesting. Registration will run $25 per car. We've got it figured that this will cover signs, goodie bags, awards and a hospitality room.

Crown Buick will be sharing some 2017 Models at the event.

Event T-shirts are available online for Men, Women, and Youth. Order before August 17 and we will have it ready at the event. https://www.customink.com/g/fsqo-00ak-qrnz

We'd love an RSVP as soon as you can. Email your Name, Address, Phone. Let us know Year and Model of your car(s). Tell us how many people will attend a catered awards dinner.

greatlakesregional2016@gmail.com

Questions? Call Tim Postma, Chapter Director. 616-291-5612
BUICKS FOR SALE

1940 Buick Super convertible. Sequoia Cream / brown leather interior. Twin Spotlights- skirts -radio -heater. $42,500 OBO drive anywhere 3.4 rear end,Roadmaster brakes, 263 engine. original drive line and parts included

1937 Buick Special coupe. 455 Buick engine TH 400 turbo trans, Camaro rear end, mustang 2 front end ,6 way power lumbar seats, AC, power windows steering and brakes, remote Keyless entry $41 500 OBO Joe buick joet@ahc123.com 810-655-8988

1967 Buick GS400 convertible, red, red interior, white top, very solid rare car, auto, AC, Bucket seats, 117K miles, $25,000 and

1987 Buick Regal Turbo T, T-tops, cream beige, tan cloth bucket seats, vacuum brake conversion, runs good, very rusty, 147K miles, clean interior, Grand National wheels, for parts or restore $4500 For more info or pictures call Roberta 810-655-8277 listed for friend, not mine.

1990 Buick Reatta convertible, White, Blue interior. Always garaged. Excellent condition, 31,300 miles. I'm 2nd Owner have original Craft log, car cover, with extra accessories. $16,000. Ph. 810-287-2505

1955 Buick Special 61,000 Org Miles AllOriginal SolidCar $18,000. or B.O. Call : Mike 989 494 9851

FOR SALE: 1967 Buick Wildcat convertible.Aquamarine/black, 430-4, 60K miles on odo, factory air, sport wheels, console/tach.$17,500. Ric McNally, 810 767 5550

Classified Ads are free to members of the Buicktown Chapter and run for 3 consecutive months. Ads must be to the Editor by the 25th of the month prior to the month in which the ad will run.

BUICK STUFF FOR SALE

1952 263cu.in. Engine,block needs sleeve, 2 pistons, two valves, crank is turned .10-10 other parts seem to be pretty good. Gene Bennett 810-798-3570 wheelmen2@hotmail.com. $275

Part #1328857 Group #8.131 LH Front Fender Extension Panel, (on Front Door) to fit a 1946-1948 Super Sedanet (56S).

Part #1328854 Group #8.131 RH Front Fender Extension Panel (on Front Door) to fit a 1946-1948; Super Convertible (56C).

Part #1330028 Group #8.203 RH Rear Fender to fit 1946-1948 Super & Roadmaster Convertibles & Sedanet (56C-56S-76C-76S). All NOS Call Jim 810-516-0673

OTHER STUFF FOR SALE

Storage spaces in my pole barn at my home....$35.00 a piece/mo...Reserve now!...Jim ...9897704541

Outdoor Storage in Flint, $200/ yr Call Larry Schramm 248-505-3883

New in the box never used lightweight “Drive” wheelchair, $100 Call Roberta 810-655-8277
Social Committee
Thinking of You cards:
Faith Aseltine-Hospital stay and failing health
Jim Brayton-Undergoing treatments for cancer in Florida
Norbert Burwell-Admitted to Living Joy Assisted Living Memory Care Facility

Get Well cards:
Rita Collie-Surgery-spinal/neck
Charlie Jones-Surgery-gall bladder

Sympathy cards:
Elaine Amman-passing of her son

Please keep all of these members in your thoughts and prayers.

Please keep the social committee informed of any members or situations that may need our attention.

Thank You!
Perry & Jane
Perry (810) 342-8132 or Jane (810)875-3592.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE
133 for 2015. Dues are due for 2016 and remember you must be a BCA member to participate as a Buicktown member. 104 have paid dues for 2016.
Welcome new members David & Connie Blaine, Russell and Olga Heimforth, and Bill Mawbey.
BUICKTOWN CHAPTER
BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA
Membership Application

Today’s Date __________________________
E-mail address _________________________
Your Name _______________________________
Home phone # ___________________________
Address _________________________________
Cell phone # _____________________________
City ___________________________ State ________ Zip ___________

About your Buicks:

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Your occupation __________________________
Member’s birthday: _________________________
Your family: Co-members name: ______________
Co-member’s B’day: _________________________
Children: _________________________________
Anniversary: _____________________________
Names/Ages ________________________________
(Give month and day)

Your interests:

- [ ] One day tours
- [ ] Overnight & weekend tours
- [ ] Visits to restoration or collector facilities
- [ ] Technical sessions
- [ ] Car shows

Your needs:

- [ ] Repair tips/advise
- [ ] Parts locating
- [ ] Restoration advise/help
- [ ] Technical/owners data
- [ ] Club news and fellowship

Can you offer the club members help in any of the following:

- [ ] Newsletter reporter
- [ ] Technical assistance
- [ ] Photography at events
- [ ] Mechanical/body repair assistance
- [ ] Car shows

Membership assistance
Help to set up a meeting
Help to set up a tour
Interested in a leadership role

BCA Membership is required for membership in the Buicktown Chapter of the BCA. Applications will not be processed without current BCA membership. Please check one of the following options:

- [ ] I am currently a BCA member, # __________, and my membership expires __________.
- [ ] Enclosed is an application and payment for BCA membership in addition to the Buicktown application.

Membership in the BCA includes participation in national and regional events, the Buick Bugle Magazine and liability insurance coverage at chapter meetings and events.

Dues are:  
- [ ] $20 per year for Family membership by US mail
- [ ] $15 per year for Senior membership by US mail or for Family membership by E-mail
- [ ] $15 BCA members outside of USA -- Available by E-mail only.

Chapter dues are due each January. The following year is included if you join after August 31.

Make checks payable to: Buicktown Chapter, BCA Notice: Name tags are required at all meetings
Mail to: R. A. Vasilow Purchase price: [ ] $6 Lanyard style
6186 Torrey Rd. Date ________ Check # __________
Flint, MI 48507-5954

Total Amount: ________ Revised: 1/1/2016