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Roger Tyyska

Whoa! The start of Winter has not been kind to Genesee County. First, the ice storm and lack of electrical power. Then, came the big snow which added three more days of school shutdown. I wonder, were the distant snowbirds concerned for their Michigan properties? It has been a stressful situation for us all.



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Your BOD held their first meeting, on schedule, the second Wednesday at the Back to the Bricks office on Saginaw Street. The location worked out well so we will continue there. First, we looked at the "paid up" memberships for 2014 and find many have yet to renew. Please do so soon. It's important as a new roster will be published this year and you will want to be included.

The budget is always top priority for the new officers. We pretty much have all the regular events for 2014 mapped out. Spending is patterned on the previous years activities and our guess for this years membership count. The budget should be finalized and approved soon and will be detailed at a future regular meeting.

Our Crier is very important to the successful functioning of Buicktown. Communication keeps us informed and together on the club's projects, events and schedule. We now use the computer and internet methods for publication and distribution. Why? It's really about money. It's the "**cost to publish**" versus "**price the members are will-ing to pay**". Electronic publishing reduces the editor's work load plus gives a savings in printing and mailing costs. Not all members are comfortable with e-mail nor have a computer or printer at home. Hard copies will continue to be sent for those members who require such. Look for more developments down the road. The editor's work load will be significantly less when the distribution is 100% electronic.

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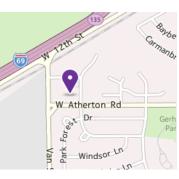
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February 26 From 6-8 pm will be at the UAW Hall Region 1-C, 1940 W Atherton Rd. in Flint. We will have a speaker and a film on the GM sit down strike.



March 7-9 Detroit Autorama

March 26 6 pm. at Bruce Blevins building on Remell st. in Flint. Bill Gross will be our speaker and will speak about the restoration of the Buick Hellcat Tank.

April 2? Conflict Roger Warning TBD

April 25-27 Buick Race Day, Norwalk, OH

May 12-14 BDE National Tour, NY

May Ladies Night Dinner at Buddies Pizza with Car Show and play at Meadowbrook in Rochester

June 20-24 Back to the Bricks Michiana Tour

June 25 Picnic hosts Millie and Larry

June 26 Fence install Sloan Auto Fair

June 28-29 Sloan Auto Fair

July 23-26 BCA National Meet Portland, OR

August 4-9 Back to the Bricks Tune Up Parties

August 12-16 10th Annual Back to the Bricks

August 26 Picnic hosts Bernice and Joe Taubitz

September 6 Michigan Buick Bash, Turkeyville, MI

September 12-13 <u>Pure Stock Muscle Car</u> <u>Drag Race</u>, Mid-Michigan Motorplex, Stanton, MI

September 24 Buick Gallery—Sloan Museum Regular Meeting

October 22 Regular Meeting-TBD

November 19 Regular Meeting—TBD

December 13 Christmas Party-Zehnder's 12N-3PM

2015 BCA National Meet June 10-14, 2015 Springfield, MO

2016 BCA National Meet July 27-30, 2016 Allentown, PA

July 23 Picnic hosts John and Mary Root

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Be sure to read our Assistant Director's column for new winter routines! A couple of meetings will include beverages, snacks and a speaker. A Saturday is planned and includes beverages, lunch and a speaker. It's different, be sure to check it out. Guests are welcome! I look forward to meeting and greeting and for everyone to have a good time.

Looking far forward, there are plans to be made and work to be done. We have the usual tours, car displays for charity, Summer Fair, "B-2-Bricks" and etc.. That's all routine but, is there anything special you want to do? Speak up and lets talk about it. Does anyone need help on a garage project? What is your thought on a tour destination? Oh yeah, and what about long range planning for Buicktown's 50th anniversary celebration?

Lastly, I must make a comment on our diminishing membership counts. As I look at our group, I see many long time friends, some going back to 1972 when this all began. Hey gang, we definitely have changed in appearance compared to those early photos. And, looking at today's club photos, I don't see enough new faces. Continuing to operate, "Status Quo", won't secure our future. We must change to appeal to younger people with newer cars. They don't own "400 point" cars and they don't have wads of cash to spend. They have pride in their car in whatever its condition. Some like modifications for appearance, speed or handling. Dare I say, "Originality" is not in their minds. Their idea of competition may not be on a show car judging field. If they love Buicks, we might work out a deal.

Buicktown's heritage and legacy stand proud. Let's continue to build forward! Roger



Assistant Directors –Millie and Larry Lutz

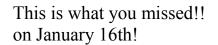
Hello everyone! And it wasn't just Genesee Co. that had the ice and snow, we got hit really hard here in Lapeer co. no power from Sun. thru Thur. Larry cooked Christmas dinner on one burner, and we made lots of good memories, I thought it was beautiful especially when the sun glistened on the ice, it looked like crystals. We are looking forward to our Feb.26th meeting at the UAW Region 1-C at 1940 W. Atherton Rd. Flint. 6-8 pm. we will have a short film on THE GREAT SIT DOWN STRIKE of 1936-1937, where the UAW speaker will be either was started. Our Steve Dawes [assistant director] or Scott Kincaid. There is a monument at the rear of the building that we can view and also a



mini labor museum that we can visit ,we will have coffee and donuts. Larry is especially looking forward to this presentation as his Grandfather was in the sit down strike and he heard many stories concerning this, one of them being about his Grandmother throwing sandwiches through the windows to the strikers. Hope to see you all there. Stay warm, Millie and Larry



The group that went to Fashion & the Automobile-An Exhibit In 10 Eras / LaFontaine They were so glad to see us!





CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

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.

BUICKS FOR SALE

1940 Buick Super convertible.

Sequoia Cream / brown leather interior. Twin Spotlights- skirts -radio heater. \$49,000 OBO drive anywhere 3.4 rear end,Roadmaster brakes, 263 engine. original drive line and parts included Joe <u>buickjoet@comcast.net</u> 810-655-8988

1938 Special 4 dr. 20,000 actual miles. \$25,000 1940 Special 4 dr. 4,000 actual miles. \$30,000 1941 Special 4 dr. 8,000 actual miles. \$30,000 1941 Special 2 dr. 20,000 actual miles. \$25,000 1941 Super conv. 68,000 actual miles. \$60,000 1942 Super 4 dr. 40,000 actual miles. \$35,000 All cars are National AACA & BCA winners. For information, call Dr. Don Gale at 248-514-6200

1966 LeSabre, 2 door, maroon, 45K miles, no a/c, just power steering, Call Edna or Leonard, 810-724-1158 Imlay City.



1938 Buick Special four door, 59K miles \$10,000 Call Dale 810-358-1275

1974 Buick Electra 225. 127,K, all power, air, cruise, 455-4 Family owned since 1975. \$3,500.00

1985 Buick Riviera. 106K, all power, air, cruise, 305- V8 \$4,500.00 Steve: 269-341-4534 269-568-2181

69 Wildcat 2 door, apart, no engine or trans lots of all body parts go \$700 Call Eric 8104234501



1972 Skylark 2door, Red/ white/white,

new paint, with 350 A/C \$12k obo, car is in storage Call Shirley, 810-695-3364



FOR SALE - 1965 Buick Special Convertible one of 12 registered in the BCA. Completely rebuilt in 2006, about 12,000 miles since rebuild, aking \$13,500 Call Charlie Jones 810-845-4779



1988 Buick Park Ave 4door, red, red leather, 103k miles, \$3500 obo call Arden 810-742-5220

1956 Buick Century 4 door hardtop, Lots of new parts, needs engine work, body good, \$2500 Call Bill 810-429-2483

BUICK STUFF FOR SALE

Lots of Buick Stuff for sale. Call Norbert 810-659-3682

Miscellaneous '37-38 and '48-49 Buick Parts, call Marvin 517-484-5188

For Sale Buick chassis shop manuals 1953, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, and 1962. Best offer call Ronald Schor CELL PHONE 810.513.7658



Call Tony 734-353-9159 \$40

OTHER STUFF FOR SALE

Outdoor Storage in Flint, Call Larry Schramm 248-505-3883

Wanted

Buick 2003 Centennial wrist watch, men's. Like given to Buicktown Chapter National Meet committee. Never worn, or like new. Call Bob @ 810-577-2636

Looking for parts and help for '34 Buick Model 47 needs fenders Please call Lou at 734-7887-1988

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Gail

Bob

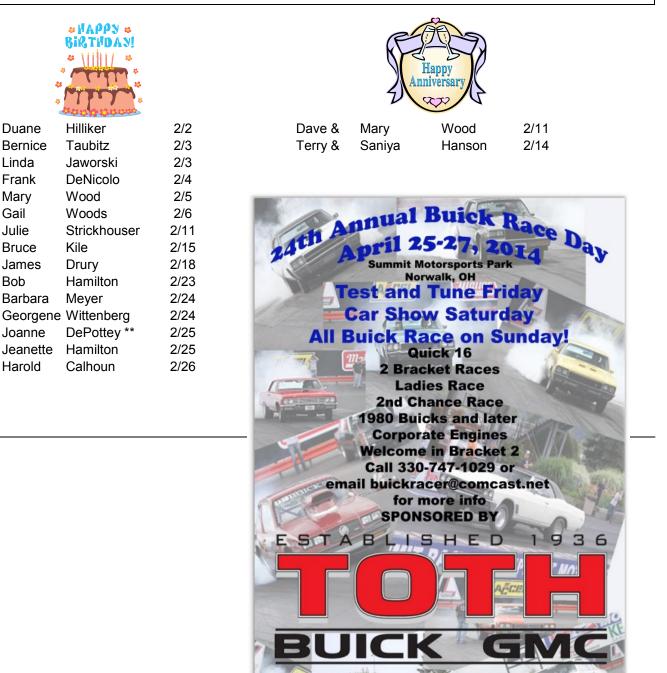
Cards sent in January mostly thinking of you, to Mary Wood, Bill Renico, Lois Jensen, Roger Matthies, Howard Zimmerman and Ken McClellan. Condolences to Charles and Jan Anderson on the death of his mother in December.

Please notify the Social Committee if you are aware of any situation needing our consideration. Thank you.

Larry and Millie Lutz millielapeer@aol.com

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE Welcome Back Frank and Sherlock!

We have **124** paid memberships for 2013 and only 62 for 2014. Dues will be due in December, pay for one year only, please.





BUICKTOWN CHAPTER, BCA

2014 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

RENEWAL 2014

Last Name	
First Name	Please send dues to:
His Hers	R A Vasilow, Membership
Address	6186 Torrey Rd, Flint, MI 48507
CityStateZip	Please make checks payable to:
Telephone()BCA#	Buicktown Chapter, BCA
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BUICKS CURRENTLY OWNED	
Year Model Body Style	Anniversary – Month/Day/
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**** YOU MUST BELONG TO THE BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA****	
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25.00/Year Additional Postage – Outside North America	
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