



# Buicktown Crier

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## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Paul Marchi

Greeting and Salutations! The New Year is upon us and so is the snow (yes I know it is a four letter word and I am sorry for such profanity). I hope that everyone's New Year went well and you rang it in with friends and loved ones. I hope that this year will bring us great things as a club. Last year we lost a great group of people, but also added a number of new and exciting members.

As always there are, even with the inclement weather, things to do coming up! The North American Auto Show is this month, and rumor has it that GM has some very interesting things coming up (though I am waiting for 2014 as there are supposed to be some HUGE things from Buick).

There are some other things coming up like Autorama (which is in March). Of Course there is the get together for a game night again this year at the Marchi house. I am hoping for a great turn out and playing a little more "Garbage" with a great group of people. If you haven't been you need to come it's a great time!

So now that the fun stuff is over, normally January is the "State of the Whatever" address, and so here is mine (may sound fairly repetitive):

Overall the club has seen a number of stabilizing events over the last 2-3 years. With the formation of the IRS tax exemption and the things that followed our overall expenditures have stabilized and we are now showing only a small next loss to continue in our current operating profile. While not great we are slowly beginning to balance that out and once again becoming fiscally responsible. The most concerning issue is the slow decrease in membership due to natural causes. While we have had a number of new people join the club it is not overcoming the losses. We have had some great new people join and they are becoming involved, but we will always need more. There are a number of outreach efforts going out, and some are working others we seem to be "spinning our wheels" a little. My hope is that this year the person who brings the most people to the club would be a member with strong ties to a number of different groups because while we are a Buick club it is a greater love of automobiles that brings us all together.

With that being done, happy motoring, stay warm and I hope to see you at the house this month for the get together, and like always (and especially when it is slick out) "Let's keep it between the lies out there".



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# CALENDAR 2013

## January 24

### Detroit Auto Showl

Date: Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013

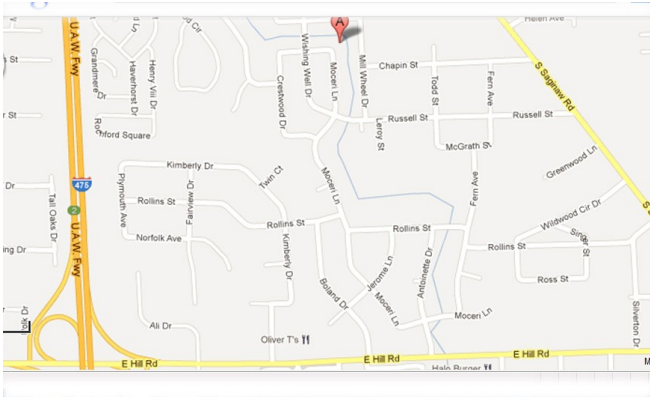
Cost: \$30.00 per person (Early Bird rate - by 12/31/12) \$38.00 per person after 1/1/13

Departure: Clio K-mart @ 10:00 a.m.

The North American International Auto Show will be held at Cobo Hall in Detroit in January. You will have about 4 hours to explore the Auto Show. We will leave at 3:30 p.m. for the trip home with a supper stop on the way which will be on your own. Your payment will reserve your seat. The cost includes the motorcoach and the admission ticket for the auto show. Contact Ann's Adventures 810-686-6669

## January 26

Buicktown Fun Night/Pizza Party at the Marchi's  
5159 Mocer Ln, Grand Blanc  
Bring your drinks, snacks and games. 5PM-?



## February 27

Regular Membership Meeting

## Autorama 2013

Last year I was asked to offer a bus trip to this annual Hot Rod Show at Cobo Hall in Detroit. Unfortunately by the time I advertised the trip, it was too close to the date. This year the show will be held the weekend of **March 8-10, 2013**. So, I'm getting it my schedule earlier this year. Please let me know if this is something you are interested in attending. It was offered at \$40.00 per person last year and I would hope we could keep it at that just to give you an idea. I will get more information if there is enough interest! Contact Ann's Adventures 810-686-6669

## March 27

Regular Membership Meeting

## April 24

Regular Membership Meeting

## April 26-28

Buick Race Day 2013, Norwalk, OH

## May ? Ladies Night

Due to BDE National Meet TBD

Call or email Paul with ideas for Ladies Night, Men?

## June 7-14

Back to the Bricks Lakeshore to Lakeshore Promo tour

## June 26

Regular Membership Meeting

## July 14-16, 2013, Michigan

2013 Great Lakes Regional Tour

## July 17-20, 2013 South Bend, IN

2013 BCA National Meet

## July 24

Regular Membership Meeting

## August 5-10

Back to the Bricks Tune Up Party week

## August 13-17

Back to the Bricks

## August 28

Regular Membership Meeting

## September 7

Michigan Buick Bash—sponsored by West Michigan

## September 13-14

Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race  
Mid-Michigan Motorplex, Stanton, MI

## September 25

Regular Membership Meeting

## October 23

Regular Membership Meeting

## November 13

Regular Membership Meeting

## December ?

Christmas Party

## 2014 BCA National Meet

July 23-26, 2014 Portland, OR

## 2015 BCA National Meet

June 10-14, 2015 Springfield, MO

**Buicktown Christmas Party  
December 9, 2012  
Zehnder's Frankenmuth, MI**



**Assistant Director: Roberta Vasilow**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!**

Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and are ready for the new year. We already have some things planned and have much more to work on. Please let us know if you have any new ideas for places to go for meetings or tours, etc.

Thanks again to all who participated as officers, chairpersons and those who volunteered to host a tour or a picnic meeting, without you it would be no fun!

Thanks to all who attended the Christmas Party and even more to those who brought donations for Toys for Tots, they were very appreciative, see the certificate on page 8.

I've heard several ideas for tours, so lets get them planned. Be sure to start the new year out by marking your calendars for all our meetings and events, right now, so you don't miss anything!

The unveiling of the David Buick statue was well attended by Buicktown Members, it was a very nice ceremony. Doug Boes, David's great-grandson donated a canon that was used by Buick to start the yacht races in Detroit, way back in the day. It is one of the few artifacts that have been found. Jeremy Dimick, Curator, Sloan Museum was the recipient for the museum, and he tells me it will soon be on display in the Buick Gallery along with a few other items that belonged to David. Check it out next time you are the Gallery!



Next up Buicktown Fun Night/Pizza Party at the Marchi's, on January 26, bring your drinks, snacks and games. See you there! Roberta

**Back to the Bricks—Automotive Pioneers Statue Fund**

The annual Back to the Bricks event has grown from a local 1-day car show in 2005 to one of the nation's premiere week-long automotive events. To celebrate its success and heritage, the Back to the Bricks organization created an Automotive Pioneers Statue Fund 501(c)(3) honoring the individuals who shaped an industry, a community and our nation. This group's goal is to organize events that inspire the next generation of leadership while educating the public on the legacy of the automotive industry especially in Genesee County and Flint.

Your purchase is tax deductible, and proceeds will raise money for a series of life-size bronze statues commemorating the automotive pioneers whose careers took hold in Flint. The statues will be placed throughout the city of Flint, with Louis Chevrolet as the first pioneer to be recognized and now David Buick has arrived. Other candidates will include , Charles Nash, C.S. Mott, Walter Reuther, Albert Champion, Charles F. Kettering and more.

Flint's automotive legacy is extremely rich and one that all of us can take pride. You can show your support and be a part of history with a personalized and permanent contribution to this effort. Etch your message, a loved one's name, or simply take this opportunity to honor the automotive pioneer in your family with a memorial brick placed near each statue.

Yes, I want to support the Back to the Bricks Automotive Pioneers Statue Fund.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Small 4" x 8" brick (up to 3 lines of text with 12 characters per line) — \$75.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Medium 8" x 8" brick (up to 5 lines of text with 12 characters per line) — \$150.00
- \_\_\_\_\_ Large 12" x 12" brick (up to 7 lines of text with 17 characters per line) or optional corporate logo — \$275.00

Please complete the order information and send to:

Back to the Bricks, Inc.  
7377 New Hampshire Drive  
Davison, MI 48423

The next statue will be Walter Chrysler then, Billy Durant, order your bricks now and they will be installed near the Buick statue if you mention near Buick on your order.

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<http://www.backtothebricks.org/StatueProject.htm>



# 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. \$52,000 OBO drive anywhere 3.4 rear end,Roadmaster brakes, 263 engine. original drive line and parts included

**1969 Sport Wagon** 350 CI 4 barrel , dual Exhaust, 200-4R overdrive trans, power steering and brakes, cruise control , AC converted to 134A, Tennessee car, no rust ,paint and interior very nice. drive anywhere

\$ 15,000 OBO 810-655-8988

Joe [buickjoet@comcast.net](mailto:buickjoet@comcast.net)  
810-655-8988

**1958 Buick Special** 2 door Hardtop, blue & white 41,000 miles Call Ed Franks 989-723-5966

**1982 Buick Riviera** 64,049 original miles. V6, Gold on Gold. Please contact Michael Besant (Grandson) at 810-577-1330 for appointment to view this car. Asking \$4100 or best offer

**51 Buick** 2 dr sedan rough but runs call Rick :810-560-0078

**1983 Riv** for sale with 98K. It is really solid with no rust and only one blemish on left rear bumper that could probably be polished out. It has a V-8 and all the options except sunroof. A/C blows cold. Rear seat looks like no one has sat in it. \$4000 firm. Tires look next to new and It does have a new battery. Jim Williams 231-879-3118

Fife Lake, Michigan 49633

**1969 Buick Skylark**...white/black top 350, 200/4R Trans, mild cam, rebuilt motor, new shocks, new tires \$ wheels, T/A intake, 600 Edelbrock, etc.\$12,500

ALSO:

**1986 Buick Riviera** with 70,000 original miles...\$4,500

Bob Bombe 989-426-9813 (Gladwin)  
706-536-3396 (cell)

## BUICK STUFF FOR SALE

**1990 Reatta** parting out white coupe with gray interior. Al (810)744-2191

Two car storage spaces in my pole barn available....\$35. per month...call Jim Drury 989-770-4541

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

'80s Buick Riv 3.8 turbo motor, trans, cradle, \$3000 obo, brand new call Dave 810-691-6814

### Buick parts

gear selector shaft new in original box #1312989 19/32"x7-9/16 for

1940 Model 40-50 & 1941-42;1946-47-48-49- 50 \$40.00

2 transmissions for 1940 special parts only \$25.00 each

1940-41 Speedo & wire to trans: temp/charge gauge;

gas & battery gauge \$100.( all came from same car)

left front door (special) 1940 \$10.00

1-front bumper bracket 1940 \$5.00

2-front fenders (bad shape) \$20.00

defroster meter in box 1939-40-41-42-46-47 \$5.00

2 Denman wide WSW 650-16 \$20.00

1 Firestone wide WSW 650-16 \$10.00

1940 shop manual Buick original \$50.00

1939-40 **body** manual reprint Chev-Buick-Pontiac-Lasalle. Cadillac \$20.00

box of heater switches \$5.00

box - gear shift lever bushing , sun visor brackets chrome,

Bumper bolts \$5.00

1940 dashboard gauge inserts engine turned

various condition

call Bob Frye 989 - 893-1461

### 1976 Buick Electra Limited 2-door (Conservative BUICK)

455 engine, 115,800 miles, new tires, runs and drives just lovely...

\$2,000. OBO contact: 989-834-5927

**1972 Skylark** 2door, Red/white/white, new paint, with 350 A/C \$12k obo, car is in storage Call Shirley, 810-695-3364

'64 300 engine, '66 340 engine, 2-'71 455s and a '74 455 all Buick call Mike Marko at (810) 785-3614

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

## OTHER STUFF FOR SALE

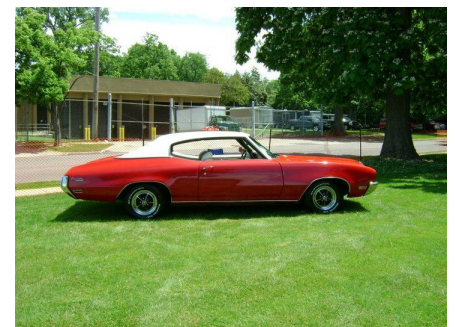
3 Choice burial plots in Flint Memorial Cemetary, \$900 plus registration fee. Call Harry 810-694-1694

1947 Wurlitzer JukeBox 1015, \$8500 or best offer Call Harry 810-694-1694

## Wanted

Michigan License Plates from 1910, 1911 and 1963 and 1964.Call Harry 810-694-1694

**Please let me know if your ads are outdated!!!**



# SOCIAL COMMITTEE

One thinking of you card was sent to Charlie Jones. One sympathy card was sent to the McClellan's regarding the death of Colleen's mother, Helen Fitzpatrick. Four Get well cards were sent: Dick Hubler, Jim Baliko, Bill Renico and Dave Langdon.

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

**Larry and Millie Lutz** [millielapeer@aol.com](mailto:millielapeer@aol.com)

**Social Committee Chairpersons (810) 245-2350**

## DUES ARE DUE!!!



Richard	Jobbagy	1/3
Al	Jones	1/4
Greg	Newhart	1/4
Ron	Woods	1/4
Charles	SeKrenes	1/7
Donald	Hartz	1/10
Gary	Kantrud	1/10
Chris	Taubitz	1/11
Ed	Martin	1/11
Nancy	Gorski	1/11
Deb	Jones	1/13
Ken	Ferguson	1/17
Tom	Cloutier	1/17
Shirley	Abbott	1/20
Valerie	Marchi	1/20
Gary	Minch	1/24
Penny	Mervis	1/24
Robert	Cushman	1/25
Doris	Jones	1/29
Dayna	Evert	1/29
Bill	Renico	1/31

## MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

We have 155 paid memberships as of August 19, 2012  
 There is a membership application on page 9 of this Crier!  
 And the following are paid through **2013**  
[Click here if you want to print a copy!](#)

Abbott	Drury	Hilliker	Pindur	Walker
Amman	Ferguson	Hubler	Powell	Williams J
Bonk	Gale	Jensen	Renico	Wilson
Briggs	Gardner	Jones C	Schramm	Wood
Burgess	Gorski	Kitchen	Sherman	Woods
Calhoun	Halka	Langdon	Specht	Zimmerman
Collie-Rippe	Hamilton	Lutz	Taubitz C	
Cook	Harkins	Manner	Taubitz J	
Cushman	Harris	Marchi	Tyyska	
Daily	Heiser	Matthies	Uban	
DeNicolò	Herold	Mervis	Vasilow	



Rich & Pat Shiedler 1/10



Looking forward to seeing you at  
 the Buicktown Chapter's Great Lakes Regional Tour

**July 13-16, 2013**

*(just before the National Meet in South Bend)*

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 & Visitors Bureau  
[mmurphy@thegrcc.org](mailto:mmurphy@thegrcc.org)  
 810.600.1453

In 2011 the Chapter's newsletter, the Crier, was modified to comply with IRS criteria due to advertising income. Simply stated, the IRS defines advertising income as unrelated to the purpose of the club. Their point being advertising receipts may provide member benefits by decreasing dues or increasing services. If total unrelated business income is in excess of a calculated value, based upon membership income for the fiscal year, then IRS form 990-T shall be filed.

*The club's goal should be to publish the club newsletter with the costs being underwritten solely by the membership.* However, the IRS does permit limited non-member income in support of club activity, including the newsletter, which is unique to the 501 C 7 classification. The club treasurer must monitor club receipts and advise the board of the situation. If non-member income exceeds limits, the club would lose its exempt status.

**Non-Member Advertising:**

- Advertising will be limited to "business card" style graphics.
- Advertising charge will be \$ 20 for a 12 month period.
- A copy of the newsletter, mailed, is included in the price.
- For-Profit businesses shall not receive free advertising.
- Non-profit organizations may receive free advertising if space is available.
- All advertising must have a purpose that is related to the club's activity.
- A club member must sponsor and vouch for each advertiser.

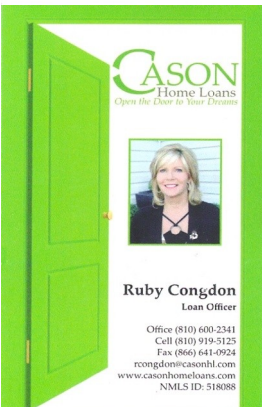
Please send paid advertising to  
 Charles Anderson, Buicktown Treasurer, 2318 Lost Creek Rd, Flushing, MI  
 48433

**Please patronize our advertisers**

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 P.O. Box 497  
 Grand Blanc MI 48480



**MILLINGTON - ARBELA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**






**BUICKTOWN CHAPTER, BCA**  
**2013 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_

His \_\_\_\_\_ Hers \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL address \_\_\_\_\_

BCA # \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Name \_\_\_\_\_

**BUICKS CURRENTLY OWNED** \_\_\_\_\_

Year	Model	Body Style
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Please send dues to:

R. A. Vasilow, Membership Chair

6186 Torrey Rd, Flint, MI 48507

Please make checks payable to:

**Buicktown Chapter, BCA**

Birthdays

Husband - Month/Day\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Wife – Month/Day\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary – Month/Day\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*\* YOU MUST BELONG TO THE BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA\*\*\*\***

**DUES ARE: \$20.00/Year Regular Family Membership**

**15.00/Year Seniors & Retirees Family Membership**

**NAME TAGS: \$6.00 EACH** Pin Style \_\_\_\_\_ Lanyard Style \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME TAGS REQUIRED AT ALL CHAPTER FUNCTIONS**

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ CK# \_\_\_\_\_




**SLOAN MUSEUM**  
*Holiday Trains*  
 Nov. 17, 2012 – Jan. 27, 2013  
 SloanLongway.org



# 31st ANNUAL SWAP MEET

McDONALD GMC-CADILLAC  
 5155 STATE ST. – SAGINAW, MI  
**JANUARY 27, 2013**

CAR PARTS FOR ALL MAKES & MODELS,  
 ANTIQUES & FLEA MARKET

VENDORS ARE REQUIRED TO STAY  
 UNTIL 2:00 P.M.

**PUBLIC: 8:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

**VENDOR DRAWING AT 2:00 P.M.**

**DONATION \$4.00**

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