



Gateway Gazette



1971 GS 455 Convertible owned by John Lasinski

Monthly Newsletter of the St Louis Chapter

Buick Club of America

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Director's Letter



Happy Summer! I hope everyone is getting their cars out and enjoying the weather. I'm so excited that June is finally here!

June is full of events! The Hot Rod Power Tour will be coming through St. Louis on June 14th at the Gateway Motorsports Park in Madison, Illinois. If you have a few days, consider joining the tour in St. Louis and ending in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The annual Hazelwood Baptist Car Show is for cars 30 years and older, and is on June 17th. The next day, June 18th is the annual Father's Day Car Show at the Museum of Transportation. On

June 25th we will cruise to Lotawata Creek Grill in Fairview Heights, Illinois. The deadline for RSVPs is June 18th.

A little something for everyone this month.

Pete and I have a lot of Shiners Hospital Car Show flyers, if you are going to a car show, please hand out some flyers. Everyone's help is needed to pull this event together; your help is greatly appreciated. September will be here before we know it! I will have the flyers at the June meeting.

The BCA Regional /National Show is right around the corner!! On July 5th – 8th in Brookfield, Wisconsin. We need volunteers for this event. Thank you to those going and representing our chapter. It's a great way to see cars from all over the country and to raise funds for our club. Make this a mini-vacation and see the sights of Wisconsin. Please consider volunteering as a judge or parking assistant. An email was sent out with all the information.

Thanks for being a part of our Buick family,
Kristina

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes, May 1st, 2017

- The meeting was held at the Sport's Café, in Bridgeton, MO, and was facilitated by Kristina Richards, Director.
- Kristina opened the meeting with **The Pledge of Allegiance** of the United States and welcomed everyone who attended.
- The March Meeting Minutes were approved as printed in the Gazette. Motion made by Steve Dodson, second by Bob Windal, approved by all.
- 18 members and guests were in attendance.

Member News:

- Doug Bremer is having hernia surgery
- Carl Ballinger is recovering from pneumonia

Treasurer's Report: (Pete Nathan)

- Shriners: **\$1,494.11**
- Club Account: **\$1,954.57**
- Motion made by Dave Smith to accept the Treasurer's Report, second by Jim Hall, approved by all.

BCA Club News:

- **National News:** (Kristina)
 - **2017 National Meet, Brookfield, WI, July 5-8, 2017**
 - This will be a combined Regional/National event
 - They are requesting volunteers/workers for this event. If you are going please contact Kristina.
 - Jerry Wilson said this is a great place for a National event, hosting hotel has experience in hosting car events. Local area has lots to see and do; Harley Davidson, Al Capone Drive, Hideaway Subdivision to see Al Capone's house, and the Volo Museum, and Union Grove Dragstrip are close by.
- **Regional News:** (no report)
- **Performance Division:** (no report)
- **Modified News:** (no report)

Old Business: (Kristina Richards)

Recap of events:

- April 9, "Paul Meyer Memorial Oil Spill"
 - Special Thanks to PUR Performance for letting us use their shop.
 - A Thank You card signed by all and sent to PUR Performance, in appreciation for using their facility.

- A Thank You card was also signed by all and sent to Paul Perez, in appreciation for his time to open PUR Performance and assist us with the event.
 - In addition; Motion made by Dave Smith, Second by Ted Becker to provide Paul with \$50.00 for his time and support. Approved by All.
- April 9, Ladies Luncheon at Miss Aimee B's Tea Room. Miss Aimee B's not what it used to be, did not measure up, next year we may consider combining lunch with the guys at PUR Performance.
- April 16th, Forest Park Easter Car Show; good between the intermittent rain, next year we will be able to receive group pricing. Due to liability, no canopies are allowed.
- April 29, Pere Marquette Lunch & Winery Cruise. Rainy day, 20 registered and only eight attended. The group enjoyed a family style chicken dinner, plan to do it again next year.

39th Anniversary – St. Louis Gateway Chapter, BCA (no updates)

- *It was decided that we would begin planning a 40th Anniversary celebration for 2018. The annual Love Park picnic was considered as a venue for the event, with plans to invite past and present members.*

New Business:

Shriners Hospital Car Show – 2017

- 6,000 copies of the new 2017 Flyer will be available at the Laura Buick Show. Please get a “stack” and hand them out.
- Kristina has posted the Shriners Show on six main websites.
- Trio Graphics is providing us with “FREE” printing again this year.
- Office Depot will provide us with 2,000 copies for the price of the paper.
- Trophy Sales:
 - 11 of the 32 classes have been either reserved or paid for.
 - Please let Chet Palumbo know as soon as you sell a class so he can update the list.

2017 Club Dues: Due May 1st - See Pete Nathan

Website Status – (New name: St. Louis Buick Club)

- Still under construction

Events Coordinator: Still open

Gateway Gazette: Steve Dodson recognized Ted Becker for doing an excellent job with the newsletter.

Upcoming Events: (Club Events)

- **May 20th – Laura Buick, Collinsville, IL** 11:00 am – 3:00 pm.
 - Kristina said we received two registrations from our website
 - **NOTE:** Please do not arrive before 11:00 a.m.
 - To caravan; meet at 777 New Ballas at Hwy 40.

50/50 Drawing:

- **\$56.00 total, with \$28.00 going to Bob Windal.**

Next Meeting: June 5th, Sport's Café, Bridgeton, MO

- Address: 3579 Pennridge Drive, Bridgeton 63044 (314) 298-1631
- Dinner at 6:30, meeting at 7:30



Grafton Winery Tour

Well, it seemed like a good idea. Actually, it was a good idea and enjoyable time to get together. Unfortunately, the Piasa Bird Indian lore mural along the River Road in Alton had overdone his “rain dance” and treated us to a very nasty and dangerous storm. Our original reservation for 20 people, turned out to be only 8. It rained early in the morning to discourage many from attending and then treated us to a real “gully washer” in the afternoon.

We all met at the Pit Stop gas station in West Alton to caravan over to the Illinois side of the river. Passing over the beautiful Lewis and Clark Bridge, we drove through Alton, past the Piasa Bird then up the river to the Pere Marquette State Park and lunch in the lodge. This is a magnificent structure built in the 1930’s by the Civilian Conservation Corps. The large cathedral ceiling is the centerpiece of the lodge with a large functioning fireplace (converted to gas) and a standing chess set with 3 foot tall figures.

Lunch was delicious! Fried chicken with all the fixings and finished off with rhubarb pie left us rolling out with full tummies and a smile on our faces. Our waitress was very efficient and served us our family style meal literally as we sat down.

Then it was down the River Road 5 miles to the Grafton Winery. They had a live band playing Johnny Cash songs and did a pretty impressive rendition of Johnny’s signature style. The ladies went downstairs to view the wine making operation while the guys sat upstairs nursing a beer. Speaking of beer, your author is a beer fan and likes trying out new offerings. Seeing the menu of available brews, there was one called “Colweizen”. Weitzen (German for “wheat) is a wheat beer such as Shocktop or Blue Moon and is a fruity or citrusy tasting beer. The “Col” added to the name was not obvious. The beer came in a traditional beer glass and was a kind of pale brown color. It had a very unusual taste not like anything experienced previously. The first couple of sips were exploratory as the beer was evaluated. As the consumption progressed and the beer level in the glass began to recede, it became a most unpleasant experience that could not be finished. The bartender was then consulted as to what it was, to which he replied that it was wheat beer mixed with Coca Cola. To each his own, but that is the last time I will ever try that again!!!

As we were enjoying our libations (at least everyone else was) the rains began to come down in earnest. We were sitting along the perimeter next to a glass garage door which opened up to an outdoor patio. The rain came and the wind blew and the chairs and tables on the patio began to walk across the floor. All in all, it was pretty scary especially since we were unwittingly sitting next to large glass windows.

Finally, the rain stopped and the wind died down. It was time to call it a day and head back home. Actually, that is when the real fun began. We got about 7 miles down the road and the road was closed. Apparently, a small tornado had come through and blew the roof off a building, torn down some signs and knocked down a power line. The live power line was sitting on the road and police set up a barricade to prevent adventurous souls to drive over them and test their tolerance to 20,000 volts of electricity. They directed us back to Grafton to circle around back to Godfrey. Following their directions, we all ended up back on the River Road just south of the mayhem we had just avoided.

All's well that ends well! It was a shame that the weather deterred a larger turnout. It was a shame that we got caught up in that nasty storm. But, it was, as always, a good time to get together with our Buick family and enjoy the day.

Hopefully the weather will be more favorable next year and we can have a more relaxed time with a larger attendance. Look for the schedule in the Gazette next year put it on your calendar and plan to attend. You will be glad you did!



**Chug-a-lug, chug-a-lug
Make you want to holler hi-de-ho**

Buick Used Car Lot

For Sale – 1985 Riviera

Dave Smith is downsizing his collection of cars and would very much like to sell this really nice 1985 Riviera. The car is maroon with a maroon vinyl top and matching maroon velour interior. Car is fully loaded, including a sunroof. Powering the car is a four-barrel carbureted Oldsmobile 307 V-8 and rated at 140 horsepower and 240 pound-feet of torque. Dave is only the second owner of the car and has only 51,000 miles. Car needs nothing and has a new batteries and set of tires. This is a very nice car that can be used for just about anything you would want to use it for (well maybe not a quarter mile at a time). Doubt that any '85 Riv is any nicer than this one. Price has been reduced to \$6000 for club members only. Contact: Dave Smith 314-895-3416



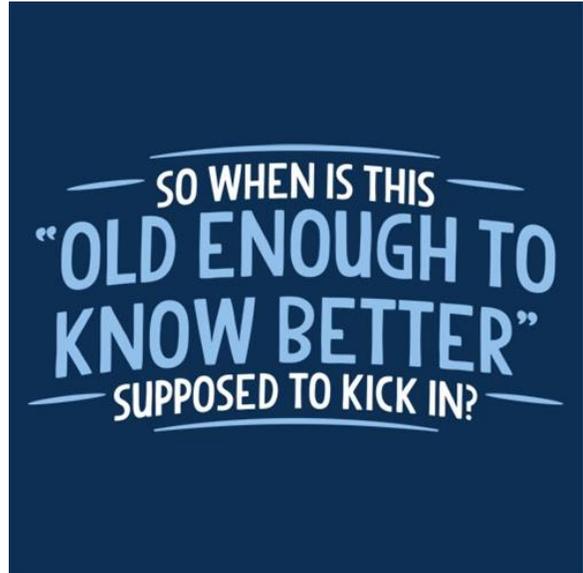
Gateway Gazette Centerfold

OK Folks, here is a new treat for you. What good is a car publication without a really nice car with a scantily clad young lady draped all over the car? The temptation to follow this theme has been overwhelming and the time is now to succumb to this desire.

Here for your viewing pleasure, the Gazette proudly introduces Miss June.



Gazette Giggles of the Month



A recent interpretation of the Riviera Silver Arrow

No Way!!!!



Safety First!!

Future winner of a Darwin Award – Real soon!!

HOW MANY LOWES COULD ROB
LOWE ROB IF ROB LOWE COULD
ROB LOWES?



1952 Buick Skylark

The internet in general and Facebook in particular have brought a whole new world of information to us that we could never have imagined years ago. In keeping with that thought, Facebook has many Buick groups and old photograph groups that are a treasure trove of material for the Gazette. Much of what is published in the Gazette is taken from these Facebook groups.

Recently a picture showed up of a 1952 Buick Skylark. As you are all aware, the Skylark was introduced in 1953 as a limited edition, 50th anniversary of Buick Motor Co. This 1952 Skylark was thus a pilot concept of the car that would be introduced the following year.

Our resident Buick historian, Bill Bicknell, was then consulted for any knowledge he has on this car. Not unexpectedly, Bill came up with the full story on this car. The following pictures and article are from a Popular Science issue in Bill's literature collection.

Bill's note reads as follows:

There was indeed a 1952 Skylark, actually two of them depending on how you want to count. The attached 1952 Popular Science article describes the inspiration for the car which was built/modified by an individual. Then Buick made a 1952 prototype before going into production with the 1953 Skylark. I believe the '52 prototype no longer exists. I was on its trail for a while about 30 years ago and spoke with someone in Kansas who had some parts from it. When I win the lottery I plan to make a 1952 Skylark.



1952 ROADMASTER



WHEEL-SIZE FENDER OPENINGS TAPERED DOORS, CUT-DOWN SEATS SLENDERIZED CHROME TRIM DIFFERENT WHEELS "FASTER" SLOPE LOWER, SMALLER TRUNK HANDLE



1953 SKYLARK

IT WAS FASCINATING TO ME to see how simply, and yet effectively, the 1952 Roadmaster body design was altered to give the pilot-model Sky-

lark its sports-car look. Lowering the body an inch and a half was one of the important changes. Arrows above point out a few others.

head-valve Fireball eight. What it will have if it goes into production is still a well kept secret. I'm going to make a guess or two—but later on.

Only a few changes have been made in the original Roadmaster body design. But what a whale of a difference those few changes make!

The change that first catches your eye is in the doors. They have been cut down

three inches, and their tops follow the slope of the fender line. This single change gives the car European dash. It also makes the rear end look slightly hunched forward, like the rear of a racing car.

Next you notice the wheels—for two reasons. One, they are Rudge wire wheels, which all sports-car fans are nuts about. Two, the fenders have been cut out to show them off fully.

These particular wheels came from a little old shop up a back alley in Italy. They cost \$150 apiece and took six and a half months to get.

If the Skylark goes into production, it will almost certainly have American-made wire wheels. They have larger, much shorter spokes than those on the Italian wheels, but they are good-looking, and they are more rugged and a lot less expensive than the imports.

Comfortable Cockpit

The backs of the Skylark's front seats are shorter than those in a conventional convertible. Their tops are flush with the tops of the doors. I liked this as soon as I slid under the steering wheel. My seat gave me all the support I wanted where I needed it, but left me with a good, free-and-easy feeling about my shoulders.

The Skylark has a chummy little cockpit. For once you feel as if the people in the front seats and the people in the back seat are in the same car. The back seat, though lower than normal, is a little higher than the front ones. Whoever is sitting back there has a clear view of the instrument panel which is chrome-plated all the way across. He can also easily talk to the people in front without having to lean forward and hang over their shoulders.

I felt right at home with the bright red, narrow-pleated cowhide that covers the seats and side panels. I had the same kind of upholstery in my racing car in 1937, and I still think it's beautiful. The carpeting is red, too. It's a special needlepoint vulcanized to a sponge-rubber base.

What Would a More Powerful Engine Do?

The whole car has been lowered an inch and a half below the 1952 level. That's all to the good. Actually, there is no real point in having cars as high as they are. The Skylark was let down by shortening its springs. That makes it look racier. It also lets you feel the expansion joints in the road as you cross them. But that's intentional. This is no old matron's automobile. There's a continental crispness in the ride it gives you. That's what the sports-car boys love.

I took the Skylark up to 85 without any trouble, and that got me to wondering what it would be capable of with a more powerful engine. I feel sure it's going to have one. Buicks have had valve-in-head engines for 50 years, and their straight eights have been

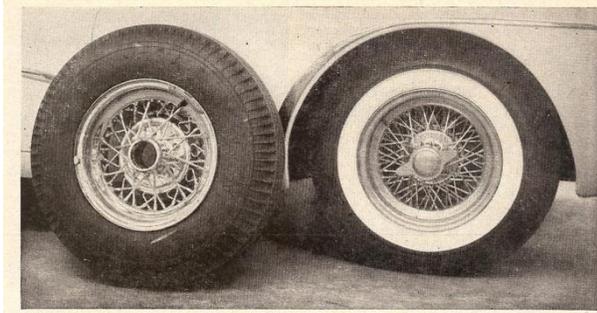


"BUICK WAS THE FIRST American car to 'marry' the front fender to the back one," Ivan Wiles told me. "Our taper-through fender line made its debut in 1942." That's the model at top above. "Now we're the first to divorce the convertible from the two-door sedan," he continued. "Except for the tops, they've had the same contours up to now, you know."

Lower picture above is another view of the Skylark. Note how natural it was to taper the doors and thus parallel that fender line.

EXPERIMENTAL BUICKS have a way of developing into production-line models. The top picture below is of a "dream car" that Buick built in 1939. Today's Roadmasters nearly duplicate it in all details except the fender line. The bottom picture below shows the ultra-modern front end of Buick's XP-300, built as an experiment in 1950. If the company uses its flatter, shorter V-8 engine in the 1953 line, the Skylark may go into production as almost a dead ringer for the XP-300.





ITALIAN-MADE WIRE WHEELS now on the Skylark will probably be replaced by American-

built type shown leaning against the car above. It looks better in motion and costs a lot less.

developed to such a high degree that the Buick people probably hate to give them up. But their engineers for four years have been showing what outstanding V-8 engines they can produce. The one they built for the XP-300, for instance, has a compression ratio of 10 to 1 and was designed to develop 300 horsepower. Actually, it pulled as much as 335 on the dynamometer.

The more powerful an engine is, the more power it loses internally, unless at the same time it is made shorter and stiffer. This calls for a V-8 engine, which has the additional advantage of being flatter.

So I'll bet you that Buick will modify its experimental V-8 engine for the Skylark, relieving the pressures and cutting back the horsepower to around 180.

Then, with a flatter, shorter engine, the Skylark could be made to look even more unconventional. It would show a closer resemblance to the experimental XP-300.

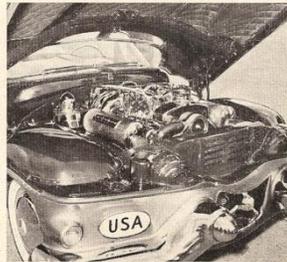
Shorter Wheelbase with V-8 Engine

Because the V-8 engine is shorter than a straight eight, the Skylark's seats could be moved forward, or its wheelbase shortened, or both. A shorter wheelbase would make the car lighter and easier to park. Moving the seats forward would make the car more comfortable, because passengers would be sitting nearer to the center.

I told you that I guessed there was a sports-car bug at the bottom of the Skylark. He turned out to be Ned F. Nickles,

the big, rangy, Wisconsin-born head of Buick's design studio. Ned has owned three MGs—two of the TD series and one TC—and a Siata. The Siata nearly gave him sciatica. He drove 600 miles in it once, all the while sitting in a pool of rain water, and had to stop at 17 garages in the course of the trip. That, as much as anything, convinced him that foreign cars are better to look at than to drive. He's still wild about their lines, though, and feels strongly that lots of Americans would love to own a car that com-

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I'LL BET BUICK'S ENGINEERS will modify the 90-degree V-8, 300-horsepower engine they built for the XP-300 and Le Sabre (above) and use it in the Skylark, hinging the hood like this.

"This modern furniture worth \$490 cost only \$187*

I saved \$303 with my SKIL Home Shop Saw!



Everyone asks where we bought our beautiful new living room furniture. Buy it nothing! I built it in spare time, with my SKIL Home Shop Saw doing the work. And there's no trick to it if you just follow the simple directions—what to do, and how to do it—in SKIL Chart No. 110.

You'd be surprised how much fun it is, how easy it is to miter and rip up to 2-inch lumber with a SKIL Home Shop Saw. All adjustments are so simple and quick that even amateurs do professional-looking work! And there's no end of ways your SKIL Home Shop Saw will pay for itself in building an extra room, a garage, and doing odd jobs around the house. Why don't you begin with this swell modern furniture? Send coupon and 10¢ for plans!



SKIL Deluxe Home Shop Saw—Model 286—\$59.50. 4" saw. SKIL Saw table and accessories easily convert this saw to fitting order bench/saw, sander and shaper.



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I enclose 10¢. Please send SKIL-Chart No. 110 showing how to build the above modern furniture.

Name _____
 Street _____
 City _____ State _____

264 POPULAR SCIENCE

Buick Sets New Style for 1953

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bined the foreign sports-car look with the comfort they are used to in their own production models.

With this in mind, he sat down one day in the late spring of 1951 to do what most American automobile designers do when they buy a new model—figure out how it can be altered to look different from everybody else's. Ned had just acquired a Buick Roadmaster convertible. He picked up a pencil and began to sketch a Roadmaster that, with minor changes in contour, took on a continental appearance. The changes had to be minor because he was going to have to pay for them himself when he had them made in a body shop, and he wasn't feeling flush.

Makes Hit With Brass

The next day, Ivan L. Wiles, the Phi Beta Kappa who is general manager of Buick, dropped in. He spotted the sketches and walked over to stare at them.

"Say," he exclaimed, "I want one of these cars!"

Nickles, a bit chagrined at having somebody else pick up and start carrying the ball he had in play, nevertheless was gratified at high-brass approval of his ideas. He was even more pleased when Wiles had a car built to the specifications of the sketches he had drawn.

This was the pilot-model Skylark that I drove.

Fewer Die Changes Necessary

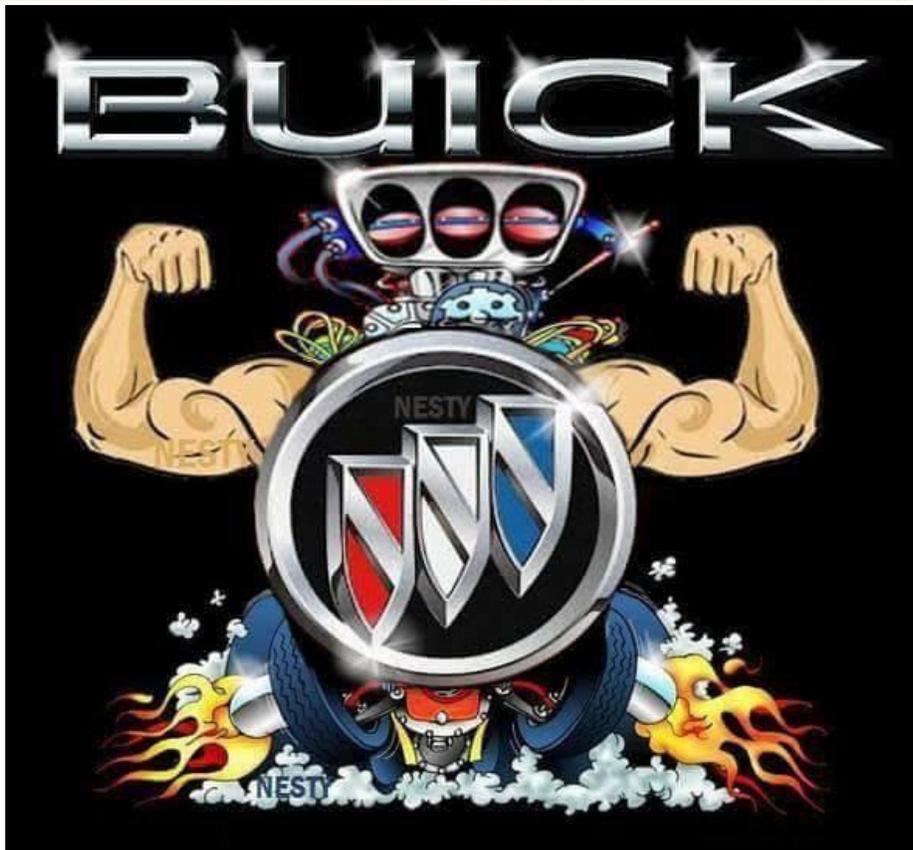
Wiles decided to announce the Skylark to the press, and probably to produce it in very limited quantities as a premium car in 1953. Fewer die changes will be required than are usual in building a new model, because of the lucky circumstance that Ned Nickles tailored the design changes to fit his own pocketbook.

I am completely confident that the demand for this beautiful new car will far exceed expectations. I'm also sure that it will set off fireworks in every design studio in the industry.

END

Choose Your Weapons

"You could have knocked me over with a feather," said the pedestrian, getting up from in front of the truck, "and I wish you had."—Clues.





June Birthdays

Bill Bicknell
Gene Bossaller
Mike Driscoll
Doris Hall
Joseph Walchshauser
Angie Midkiff
John Midkiff
Karen Nolte



June Anniversaries

Jimmy & Rachel Gehm

Greg & Angela Key

Pete & Wendy Nathan

Dave & Louise Smith



Car Shows on TV

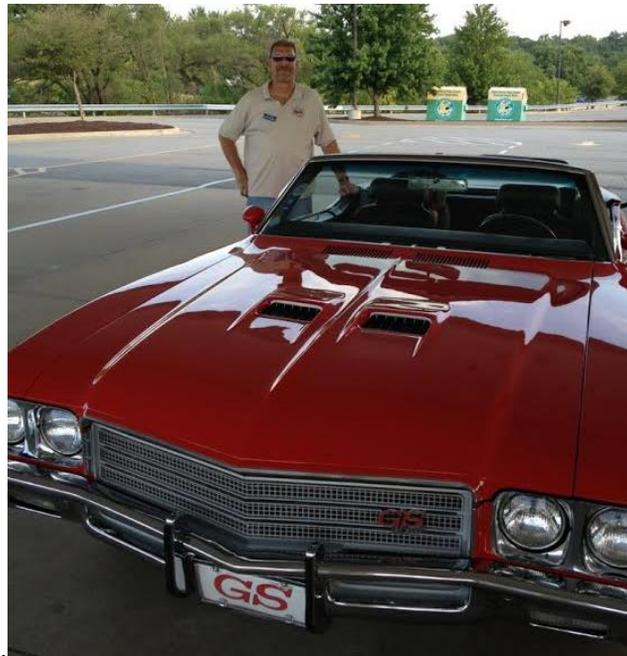
Have you ever done some serious daydreaming about your perfect and ideal job? How about a night watchman in a mattress factory? Maybe a taste tester for Breyer's Ice Cream would fit the bill. Maybe even the official scorecard keeper for the Cardinals would suit your fancy.

Well, if you are a car guy, and a serious guy at that, no better job than to switch jobs with Dennis Gage doing "My Classic Car". Generally considered the granddaddy of TV car shows, it is in its 21st year of production with no end in sight. Dennis visits car shows in exotic and beautiful places, visits museums, goes to Europe, goes to the Caribbean, meets with very well healed collectors to inspect and drive their masterpieces. Dennis even visits Jay Leno several times a season at his shop to look at some of Jay's eclectic collection of all things that combust fuel to produce power.

Dennis is ever decked out in his signature flat top driving hat and handlebar mustache. In fact, his production company is named "Mad Stache Productions" in honor of his impressive stache. Looking on the internet yields numerous stories that he invented Pringles potato chips and sold the company to finance his free and easy lifestyle. Whether this is true or not is left to speculation.

The main feature that car guys would find appealing is that he is able to convince these owners to let him drive their car. Whether it is gas, diesel, steam or electric, Dennis tries them all out.

In keeping with the theme of visiting car shows, Dennis traveled to Bowling Green, Ky for the GS Nationals back in 2010. Low and behold, who should he run into but our own John Lasinski. There is a 3 minute segment with his interview of John and a "look around" at this gorgeous 71 GS 455 convertible. If the reader is interested in seeing this clip, it can be found on YouTube by google searching "my classic car season 10 episode 3"



Though this is an enjoyable program to watch, it, like all TV car shows, is rife with advertisements. Not only are there the typical commercial breaks, but they also have a segment featuring some product in detail. Common advertisers in this fashion are: Paul's Chrome, Original Parts Group, Steele Rubber Products, Race

Deck Flooring, Custom Autosound and Dustless Blasting. Some of these “infomercials” are pretty interesting as they show samples of their offerings along with new products on the market. For the viewer not interested in these distractions, a DVR comes in mighty handy.

My Classic Car comes on at 7:30AM on the Velocity Channel. Check it out!!



June 5 – Monthly Meeting -- Sports Café in Bridgeton – Starts at 7:30 pm
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June 10-17 – Hot Rod Power Tour

June 11 – Joint show with Thunderbird Club at Jack Anderson’s Farm (see separate mailing for directions and further details)

June 17 – Hazelwood Baptist Church Car Show (Open to cars 30 yrs & older) – Time 10:00 to 4:00 pm
*****DON'T MISS THIS ONE!! **** FREE FOOD, MUSIC, & Trophies!
Special Trophy for Car Club with the MOST members in attendance -- Cars can start arriving as early as 8:00 am
Address: 6161 Howdershell Road, Hazelwood 63042

June 18 – Father’s Day Car Show (Open to ALL Cars) – Time 11:00 to 3:30 pm
Museum of Transportation – 314-615-8MOT
Address: 3015 Barrett Station Road, St Louis 63122
******* Park your car, then head inside to check out the collection and *Air Conditioning*
Admission: Adults \$8, Children (3-12) \$6

June 18 – Deadline for Lotawata Creek Cruise
RSVP’s NEEDED for this event, Thanks

June 25 – Car Cruise & Lunch to Lotawata Creek Grill
10:15 -- We will meet at 777 North Ballas Road
Leaving promptly at 10:30 to cruise together to Lotawata Creek for lunch at 11 am
Address for Lotawata Creek: 311 Salem Pl, Fairview Heights, IL 62208
PLEASE RSVP for this event by June 18th

July 5-8 – BCA Regional & National Show
Brookfield, WI

July 16 – Club BBQ & Monthly Meeting at Love Park (Muffin Pavilion) – Starts at 11:00
Club will provide meat, Members should bring a side dish or dessert, drinks & chairs
Yard games are welcome and there is a park close by for youngsters
Address: 2248 Mason Lane, Ballwin, MO 63021

August 5 – Memories on Main Car Show / Judging – Arrive by 9:30, judging starts at 10 am
Like last year, our club will help judge for this car show. Lunch and Dinner will be provided.
Judges are welcome to enter their cars.
Address: Downtown, Troy 63379

August 7 – Monthly Meeting -- Sports Café in Bridgeton – Starts at 7:30 pm
Address: 3579 Pennridge Drive, Bridgeton 63044 • (314) 298-1631

August 14 – Deadline for House of Cars RSVP

August 19 – Group Car Show & Lunch – At the Overstreet Collection “House of Cars”
Come spend the day at one of our areas best kept secrets! We will be having a car show on the parking lot, and lunch at the 1950s diner nestled in the middle of an amazing collection of cars. Bring your chairs and drinks.
Lunch will be in the diner and cost \$6.00 per person. Address: 10623 Baur Blvd, Creve Coeur, MO 63132



GATEWAY CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND PROFILE SHEET

Membership with Newsletter via Email \$15
Membership with Newsletter via Mail \$25
Membership is Renewed in May each year
(BCA Membership required also for club liability insurance)

Family & Personal Information:

Name: _____ Birth Month: _____
Spouse's Name: _____ Birth Month: _____ Wedding: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City, State, Zip Code _____
Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone (optional) _____
Email or other information: _____
Profession: _____ Employer: _____ years _____
Spouse's Profession: _____ Employer: _____ years _____

Buick Club of America Information:

You are required to be a BCA member. BCA # _____
Buicks now owned: _____
(Model & Body Style)

About your other car interests:

Collector cars now owned, other than Buicks: _____
Member of other car clubs: _____
Other auto related interests: _____
(automobilia, models, toys, etc.) _____
Annual car events you currently attend: _____

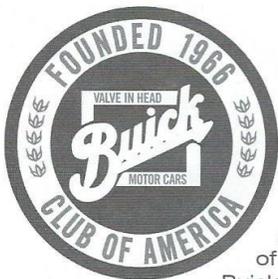
About your other interests:

Hobbies, Collections other than cars: _____
(antiques, gardening, golf, etc) _____

Please mail your application and / or chapter dues to our treasurer:

Pete Nathan, # 1 Huntleigh Trails Lane, St. Louis, MO 63131 – Phone: 314-413-2966

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
City, State, Zip Code _____
Home Phone: _____ Work Phone (optional) _____
Email: _____



Buick Club of America

Application for Membership

www.buickclub.org

The Buick Club of America is a non-profit membership corporation dedicated to the preservation and restoration of those vehicles built by Buick Motor Division of General Motors Corporation. BCA membership (includes spouse and minor children only) offers you the following:

- Monthly issue of *The Buick Bugle* published by the BCA.
- Advertising privilege in *The Buick Bugle* for Buick-related items.
- Participation in all club events and opportunity to join local chapters and divisions.
- Membership card, and as a new member, one BCA decal. (Additional decals can be purchased from San Gabriel Valley Chapter.)

BCA MEMBERSHIP DUES SCHEDULE

Membership is on an annual basis beginning with the month following receipt of application. Membership is available in increments as follows:

	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years
U.S. Periodical Class Mail	\$ 50	\$ 95.....	\$130
U.S. 1st Class Mail.....	\$ 70.....	\$105	\$155
Canada & Mexico Periodical	\$ 68.....	\$106.....	\$155
Canada & Mexico Priority.....	\$ 93.....	\$154.....	\$230
International Surface.....	\$ 68.....	\$106.....	\$155
International Air.....	\$ 98.....	\$164.....	\$245
E-Membership	\$ 35	<i>(E-Membership is an online Bugle only; no hard copy — email required)</i>	

NOTE: Fee Prices Effective February 2016
Without right of transfer or survivorships. Dues are non-refundable.

All foreign countries note: Membership dues and all other financial transactions with the BCA must be a bank draft, drawn on a U.S.A. bank and payable in U.S.A. currency, MasterCard, VISA or Discover charge cards. Make all checks payable to The Buick Club of America. The U.S.A. annual membership is \$50

Name: _____

Spouse (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Country: _____

Phone: _____ Check here if you do not want your phone number printed in the roster.

E-mail Address: _____

Sponsoring Member (not required): _____

New or Renewal: BCA # _____
If you are a renewing member, please include your current mailing label.

How did you hear about the BCA? _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Check/Money Order

Visa Mastercard Discover

Date Processed: _____

Expire Date: _____

We occasionally make the membership list available to carefully screened companies whose product or services might interest you. If you would prefer to have your name withheld, place a mark in this box.

*Buicks Currently Owned (Buick Ownership is not a pre-requisite for membership in the BCA)

Year	Model Number or Type	Body Style (4 dr./2 dr.)	Vehicle ID Number (VIN Number on Registration)

**Please list additional Buicks on back of application.*

Check or Money Order made payable to Buick Club of America. Foreign country applicants must use bank draft, money order drawn on USA bank and payable in USA currency.) OR

Mastercard Visa Discover **(Check One)**

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Amount

\$ _____

Credit card expiration date Month/Year. Must have this information to process.

Print full name on credit card if different than name on application

Authorized Signature _____

Phone Number _____

Return Application to:
Buick Club of America
P.O. Box 360775
Columbus, Ohio 43236-0775

Questions?
E-mail:
buickcluboffice@aol.com
Phone 614-472-3939



Buick Club of America 2017 National Meet Brookfield, Wisconsin July 5 - 8, 2017



Name: _____ Spouse/Guest _____ BCA# _____ Date: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____
 Country: USA/ _____ Phone: _____ Cell: _____
 E-Mail: _____ Home Chapter Affiliation _____

Buick Club of America National Meet Registration:

**** BCA Members Registration Fee to Attend the 2017 BCA Nationals in Brookfield, WI** \$35 ea = _____
 Includes: Member/Spouse/Guest Participation, Dash Plaque, Program, Hospitality, etc.

*** Non-BCA Member at Large Registration (Display Only)** \$60 ea = _____
 Includes: Non-BCA Member at Large and Guest Participation, Dash Plaque, Program, Hospitality, etc.

Additional Non-Immediate Family Guests Name _____ # _____ @ \$20 ea = _____
Late Registration Fee if Received or Postmarked after June 1, 2017 @ \$15 = _____

Buick Car Registration: Deadline for Judged Car Registration June 23, 2017 Formal Judging is on Saturday, July 8, 2017

_____ Judged (2005 or older): *Circle one* ~ **400 Point / Professional-Special / Race Car** # _____ @ \$35 ea = _____
 _____ Archival Judged ~ Un-restored 1992 models & older # _____ @ \$35 ea = _____
 _____ Modified: *Circle one* ~ **Mild / Resto Rod / Radical / Driven** # _____ @ \$35 ea = _____
 _____ Display only ~ Non Judged - all years to current # _____ @ \$20 ea = _____
 _____ Driven Class ~ Non Judged Class - 1992 models & older - not trailered # _____ @ \$25 ea = _____

Buick Car Information: Please note that Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) is **Mandatory** for all judged cars

Car Registration: Year _____ Model# _____ Model Name _____ VIN: _____

BCA Senior Award Car? *Circle one* **Yes/No** What Yr.? _____ Sr. Preservation award rec'd? *Circle one* **Yes/No** What Yr.? _____

Are you available to serve on a judging or administration team? *Circle one* **Yes/No** (If yes, complete Judges Volunteer form on back)

Do you need car trailer parking? *Circle one* **Yes/No** How many spots? _____ Sorry, there is No RV parking available.

Vendor Registration:

Outdoor Space 10'x18' (Paved) # _____ @ \$25 ea = _____
 Indoor Space 8'x8' (tables not provided, rental available) # _____ @ \$30 ea = _____
 Car Corral (Buicks for sale) # _____ @ \$25 ea = _____

Tours & Activities: Tours subject to availability-first come/first served basis. Lunch is served on all tours ☺ and departs from Host Hotel

Tues, July 4 3:00 - 7:00pm Registrations pick-up opens at Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel
 Wed-Fri 8:00 - 5:00 pm Registration pick-up opens at Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel
 Wed, July 5 8:30 - 3:00pm EAA-The Spirit of Aviation Museum Tour # _____ @ \$45 ea = _____
 8:30 - 4:00pm Harley Davidson Museum Tour and Miller Brewery Tour # _____ @ \$50 ea = _____
 4:00 - 10:00pm Car Cruise to Waukesha, WI # _____ @ **FREE** = _____
 Thur, July 6 8:30 - 3:00pm EAA-The Spirit of Aviation Museum Tour # _____ @ \$45 ea = _____
 8:30 - 4:00pm Harley Davidson Museum Tour and Miller Brewery Tour # _____ @ \$50 ea = _____
 Fri, July 7 8:30 - 3:00pm EAA-The Spirit of Aviation Museum Tour # _____ @ \$45 ea = _____
 8:30 - 4:00pm Harley Davidson Museum Tour and Miller Brewery Tour # _____ @ \$50 ea = _____
 6:00 - 10:00pm Buick Heritage Alliance Gala # _____ @ \$50 ea = _____
Indicate # Beef _____ Chicken _____ Fish _____
 Sat, July 8 7:00 - 10:00am Registration pick-up open
 9:00 - 3:00pm Judging of beautiful BUICKS
 9:00 - 2:30pm Milwaukee Art Museum Tour # _____ @ \$50 ea = _____
 6:00 - 6:30pm Social Time with Cash Bar
 6:30 - 10:00pm 51st Annual BCA Banquet & Awards # _____ @ \$50 ea = _____
Indicate # Beef _____ Chicken _____ Fish _____

Other Offerings: Iola Swap Meet and Great Lakes Dragaway (maps provided for self-tours)

Payment: Checks/Money Orders (USD only) made payable to: 2017 Buick Club of America National Meet

MC/Visa# _____ Exp Date _____ Code _____ TOTAL = _____

Mail Forms & Payment to: 2017 BCA National Meet • PO Box 467 • Coppel, TX 75019 • or email to BuickNationals@verizon.net • 214-354-1348

2017 BCA National Meet & Host Hotel is the Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel • Ask for Buick Club of America 2017 Meet

Host: Sheraton Milwaukee Brookfield Hotel • 575 S. Moorland Rd • Brookfield, WI • 262-364-1100 • \$114

Alternate Hotels: Embassy Suites • 1200 S Moorland Rd. • Brookfield, WI • 262-782-2900 • \$164 and up