



Gateway Gazette

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Director's Letter – May 2018

Well folks, it's official, Kristina is off on her new adventure; a new job, back to college and definitely a whole new life schedule. I know we all wish her well, and I also feel a big "**THANK YOU**" is in order for everything she has done for the club. Kristina joined the club shortly after our 2012 Regional event and immediately became involved. In 2013 John Lasinski appointed her to the newly created position of Activities Director. In her first year, not only did she start right off with a full calendar of events, she also planned and organized our first Shriners Car Show. In the five years running this show, she put in endless hours obtaining sponsors and creating numerous baskets for door prizes and raffles. Thanks to her leadership and guidance, the club donated a total of \$17,350.00 to Shriners Hospital for Children. As Director, one of Kristina's key initiatives has been "growing the club" constantly looking for ways to make sure everyone in the Buick community knows who we are and how to find us. With that, we recently started development of a new website, and thanks to the efforts of Kristina, Bill Landers and Ted Becker, this project is almost ready to go live. No; Kristina is not leaving us, she is just taking a break. She is still an active club member, a member of the Board and as time permits, she will continue to assist with our activities. So again, Kristina, I say "Thank You!"

For me; I simply plan to take it slow and ease into my new role and see where that leads us. I feel my focus has always been a little more club centered and I would like to redirect the club back to the origins of why the club was formed. Last fall, in one of our board meetings, I asked each member to share with the group why they joined the Buick club. And in each case, it was because they owned a Buick and wanted to meet and socialize with like people and share information about their cars. After that board meeting, we added the "check-in" to club meetings to allow everyone an opportunity to share what was going on in their lives, and to update us on anything they were doing with their cars. I also feel that the primary purpose of our new website and the Gazette is to showcase the club, club activities, our members, and their cars. I know that focus has added additional work to Ted, who recently brought back the "Member Profile" to each issue of the Gazette. Thanks Ted.

So as we focus on the club, our biggest event for this year will be our 40th Anniversary Celebration, July 8th, at Love Park. I will be sending invitations to all past members and hope each of you will be there to celebrate this historic milestone.

All for now... Enjoy! *Chet*

Member Spotlight

Damien Flaherty

Damien Flaherty is a new member of the club having joined this past year. About a year ago he got the old car bug and found this 1957 Roadmaster 75 over in Indiana. He looked on the internet to see if there was a local Buick club and was able to contact John Lasinski to get some information and knowledge. John forwarded the request to Ted Becker, to advise him on all things 57 Buick. The picture below is of the car sitting in Adam Martin's driveway when it was brought home from its former resting spot.



Damien began life in Waterbury, Connecticut, the son of a school teacher and one of 6 siblings. Though he attended and graduated from high school in Waterbury, he had the wonderful experience of living in Spain for one year while his dad was on a teaching sabbatical. Learning to speak the language, he became interested enough in languages to later receive a degree in French and Spanish language from the University of Connecticut.

Damien grew up interested in cars, as were most boys of that era. Being of a large family, he had to be resourceful in creating his own spending money, so he toiled through many projects and part time jobs during his school years. He had a paper route that included the “Auto Row” in Waterbury that gave him the opportunity to regularly look in showroom windows and dream of one day owning one of these masterpieces. His dad, being an academic, had little interest or knowledge of cars or anything mechanical. His fascination with these new cars, however, created a desire in Damien to learn how they work and fix them. That eventually lead to a job in a gas station where he was able to do oil changes and minor repairs. The more he did, the better he got and was able to advance to more challenging projects.

Infused with his new knowledge, he bought a 1962 Willys wagon. On a trip to Vermont, the engine expired and he had to tow the car home behind a U-Haul truck. That is quite a story that only Damien can do justice to retell. He got it repaired and sold that car. That lead to another “fix and sell”, which lead to another, and another, etc. Over the years, he estimates that he has owned over 35 cars and 7 motorcycles.



Perhaps his most interesting car was a 1955 Citroen 2CV that he bought while in Europe with his family. Those cars are amazingly simple and very cleverly created. There is no gas gauge, but rather a leather dipstick that sits in the gas tank. The windshield wipers are driven off the speedometer cable causing the wiper speed to be equivalent to vehicle speed. Not much use when sitting at a stoplight, but — whatever!!! The engine is a mere 425cc producing roughly 15HP and a top speed of 50MPH. Though anemic performance by any measure, it did get him all over Europe on various sightseeing adventures.



After graduation from college, he decided to seek employment in the area of industrial sales. He landed a job with Anaconda Metal Hose Company. They make that flexible hose that can be used in many, mostly high temperature, applications such as the external exhaust piping on Cord automobiles. While on his training program, he was required to learn to TIG weld the flexible portion to a fitting for use in the final application.



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After a few years of that, he moved to Denver to work for Gates Rubber Co. in international sales, thus using his foreign language skills. While in Denver, he went on a company ski club vacation where he met his future wife, Amy. Damien and Amy now have 3 children, 2 girls and a boy. Their oldest daughter has one son and another due to enter the world in the next few weeks.

After 7 years with Gates, he was coerced to join a startup company with an assignment in St Louis. The plan was to do that for a few years and then head back to Denver. Well, 26 years later, he is still here, so it looks like he'll stay.

His current employment is with a company that leases equipment for environmental testing. The equipment is pretty expensive to purchase and not used regularly, so it behooves the users to lease for short term projects and not have to deal with calibration and maintenance.

A few years back, he decided to get a car that brought him back to the days of his youth. Remembering the 2CV, he wanted to buy a 1955 car. Buick's caught his eye, so that was his main focus. Scouring Ebay and Craigslist for a few years, he finally found his current 1957 Roadmaster 75 on a farm in Indiana. Not a 1955, but close enough. Negotiations with the owner and hearing details of the car, lead him to borrow a trailer from Adam Martin and trek over to Indiana to buy the car if it met his expectations. The car, as is usually the case, was not exactly as described, but still worth purchasing. The car came back to Adam's place and enough work was performed on the car to make it somewhat roadworthy. The engine runs well (of course it does, it's a Nailhead!), the brakes work and it steers straight. He put on the new hood that came with the car and bought a rear window from a salvage yard that cost him more to ship than to buy. Exhaust system is next on the list and, now that decent weather is finally upon us, will be completed in the near future.

Welcome to Buick Land, Damien. We're happy to have you among us now!

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes, April 2nd, 2018

- The meeting was held at the Sport's Café, in Bridgeton, MO, and was facilitated by John Midkiff, Assistant Director.
- John opened the meeting with **The Pledge of Allegiance** of the United States and thanked everyone for attending.
- The March Meeting Minutes were approved as printed in the Gazette. Motion made by Dave Smith, second by Jim Hall, approved by all.
- 21 members and guests were in attendance.

Member "Check In" Highlights...

- Dave Smith is selling his '85 Riviera if anyone is interested.
- Pete Nathan; the disc brake conversion on his '35 Buick is complete, the power steering system has been rebuilt and his running boards have been recovered. Car drives great.
- Bob Windal put gas in his "1935 GS."
- Bill Landers needs the headliner and carpet replaced in his '62 Electra.
- Bob Merrick; '71 GS needs an electric fuel pump, and his '86 GN has a broken turbo.
- Scott Keller, has plans to put a new motor in his '87 Regal Turbo-T.
- Ted Becker replaced the plugs in Dave Smith's Riviera. Original plugs with 51,000 miles. Ted's next project is rebuilding the dual quad 425 nailhead from Dave Pollmann's 1965 Riviera.
- John Lasinski, 1971 GS convertible, needs a little TLC to get it ready for the Easter Show.
- Richard Self continues to work on his '57 Buicks.
- Monica Ledwon thanked Ted for changing her oil at the oil spill, putting grease in all 11 fittings and showing her how to put air in her tires.

Member News:

- Sheree Yeager's father passed away. A Sympathy card was signed and sent by the members present.
- New member; Fred Dockins, Farmington, MO, owns a 1968 Buick LeSabre.

Treasurer's Report: (Pete Nathan)

- **Club Account: \$965.03**
- Key expenses for the month included;
 - ◊ \$350.00 Website Development fees
 - ◊ \$150.00 New Club Banner
 - ◊ \$150.00 40th Anniversary Decorations
- **Regional Account: \$1,673.37**
- Motion made by Steve Dodson to accept the Treasurer's Report, second by Ted Becker, approved by all.

BCA Club News:

- **National News:**
 - ◊ **2018 National Meet, Denver Colorado June 19-23, 2018**
 - ◊ Contact Person, Roy Faries -- BuickNationals@verizon.net
- **Regional News:**
 - ◊ **2018 Regional Meet, Cedar Rapids, Iowa July 19-21, 2018**
 - ◊ The Iowa Hawkeye Chapter is hosting the Heartland Regional for three days in July. Additional information will be added to the Bugle Coming Events announcement and chapter web site at www.iowahawkeyebuickclub.com
 - ◊ They are requesting volunteers/workers for this event. If you are going please contact Kristina.
 - ◊ Anyone interested in joining a caravan to this event, please contact Bill Landers.
- **Performance Division:** (no report)
- **Modified News:** (no report)

Meeting Minutes—Cont.

Old Business:

- **April 1st – Easter Car Show**
 - ◇ John Midkiff passed on a “Thank You” from Kristina to everyone who came out to support the group in the cold weather, with special thanks to Ted Becker, Bill Landers, Steve Dodson, Damien Flaherty, and Patrick Bulfin for their work on the display.
 - ◇ Chet thanked John and Angie Midkiff for transporting the new Buicks supplied by Laura Buick GMC in Collinsville, IL.
 - ◇ The Gateway Buick club won the “Participation Award” for their display, having the most cars displayed, and for staying until the end of the show.
- **March 18th, “Paul Meyer Memorial Oil Spill”** – Thanks to PUR Performance for hosting this year’s event. A “Thank You” card was sent to PUR Performance and signed by all in attendance. Ted Becker created a video of the members sharing their stories of past oil spills, how it got its name, and memories of Paul Meyer. Ted posted the video on the club’s Facebook page for all to enjoy.
- **March 18th, Ladies Luncheon**, The ladies enjoyed great food at MagPies in downtown St. Charles.

New Business:

- **Proposed Bylaws Changes:** (Page 4 of 12, ARTICLE III, Section 3-- Quorum) Request to increase Expenditure approval from \$100.00 to \$200.00. Motion made by Ted Becker to approve the Bylaw changes as published in the April Gazette, second by Monica Ledwon, approved by all.
- **Directors selected from the members at-large:** Three members; Richard Self, Bill Landers and Dave Smith accepted nominations for the three open positions. John Midkiff called for a vote to close the nominations and accept the three members nominated. All approved, with new terms beginning in May.
- **Website Status:**
 - ◇ The development of the website with Dennis Berkholder, of Mad Moose Marketing is underway.
 - ◇ Additional funds are needed to pay for the transfer our domain name from Doteasy to GoDaddy, and to pay for annual hosting fees. The transfer fee is \$28.00 and the standard annual hosting fee is \$209.86 per year. GoDaddy offers a discounted beginners rate of \$103.55 per year and allows us to pre-pay or lock in that rate for the first three years. Motion made by Chet Palumbo to pay the \$28.00 transfer fee and purchase a three year contract with GoDaddy to lock in the discounted hosting fees, total \$338.65. Second by Bill Landers and approved by all.
 - ◇ Concerns were raised about the club’s original website www.gatewaybca.org managed by Adam Martin. This website contains outdated information and needs to be shut down, and the club would like to maintain ownership of the domain name. Chet Palumbo will discuss with Adam.
- **2018 Club Dues increased from \$15.00 to \$25.00:** following the treasurer’s report, a discussion was held to review the concerns related to the current club balance; the expenses incurred this year to cover website development, a new club banner and the 40th Anniversary celebration, along with the upcoming financial needs of the 2020 Regional event. Recommendations were also offered on where we could minimize expenses. Chet Palumbo made a motion to increase the 2018 membership dues from \$15.00 to \$25.00. Dave Smith seconded the motion, and it was approved by a 15 to 1 vote. It was also agreed that if you had already paid your dues for 2018, that we would leave it up to each individual member to decide if they wanted to pay the additional \$10.00.
- **2018 Membership Dues:** Due May 1st - \$25.00, see Pete Nathan
- **Directors Position, Chet Palumbo replaces Kristina Richards as Director:** Bill Landers reported that Chet Palumbo was the only person nominated for the Director’s position, and no other candidates volunteered or were nominated. Under the guidelines of our bylaws; any permanent vacancy which may occur shall be filled for the remaining term by nomination at the next Chapter business meeting following the notice, and unchallenged nominees are automatically elected.

Meeting Minutes—Cont.

- **Secretary Position open;** Pete Nathan nominates Bob Brasses.
- **New Club Banner:** A discussion was held about the new club banner displayed at the Easter Show. There was a difference of opinion on the type of club banner we should have. The new banner was designed to be displayed outdoors at car shows, and was sized to fit a canopy. A second club banner is also needed to be displayed indoors at Regional and National events. Pete Nathan will review options for a more formal looking banner.
- **40th Anniversary – St. Louis Gateway Chapter, BCA (no update)**
 - ◇ The 40th Anniversary celebration for 2018 will be held with the annual Love Park picnic.
 - ◇ Chet Palumbo created a mailing list to invite past members and will verify that his list includes all living charter members.

Upcoming Club Events:

- **April 22nd – Deadline for Winery Cruise / Pere Marquette RSVP's NEEDED for this event**
- **April 29th – Lunch & Winery Cruise -- 1:00pm.**
 - ◇ 12:15pm, we will meet at the Pit Stop gas station, 14000 US Highway 67, West Alton, MO. Leaving at 12:30 to cruise together to Pere Marquette Lodge for lunch.
 - ◇ After lunch, we will cruise down the Illinois River Road to the Grafton Winery.
 - ◇ Address for Park Lodge: 13112 Visitor Center Lane, Grafton, IL 62037
 - ◇ Address for Winery: 300 West Main, Grafton, IL 62037 www.thegrafftonwinery.com

Upcoming Events (Other):

50/50 Drawing:

- \$54.00 total, with \$27.00 going to Jeanne Palumbo

Next Meeting:

- **May 7th, Sport's Café, Bridgeton, MO**
 - ◇ Address: 3579 Pennridge Drive, Bridgeton 63044 (314) 298-1631
 - ◇ Dinner at 6:00, meeting at 7:00pm

BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA



GATEWAY CHAPTER



Club By Law Change Request

Ed Note: Please read this over and be prepared to vote on this proposal at the May meeting

Requesting Bylaw Change - increase Expenditure approval from \$100.00 to \$200.00

We are not sure when the \$100.00 limit was included in the bylaws, but Pete Nathan thinks it was shortly before he became Treasurer, so maybe as long as 15 years ago. The problem is; there is not too much we can purchase any more for less than a \$100.00, and we know we have exceeded this limitation on several occasions. We would like to keep the amount as low as we can, but increase it enough so we do not have to wait to a monthly meeting to approve small expenses.

BY-LAWS

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ARTICLE III, continued

*Section 3-- Quorum. A sum of the named and household members equal to one-fourth the number of named members from the membership roster shall constitute a quorum at chapter business meetings. The count of the named members in good standing to determine a quorum shall be established from the most recent roster available at the time of voting. A quorum is required for the election of officers, election of Board of Director at-large positions, expenditure of funds for any purpose in excess of **\$200.00**, approval of a bid to host a National Meet and an agreement to host the Heartland Regional Meet. If a quorum is not present, voting shall be postponed to subsequent Chapter meetings until a quorum is present. Current officers or Board of Director members shall continue to serve if the vote to determine their successor(s) is postponed. The transaction of all other business shall proceed with those present at the chapter business meetings, provided that notice and location is given prior to each meeting.*

Pere Marquette Luncheon and Grafton Winery Tour

Finally, we had a weekend that was nice weather and, boy howdy, did we take advantage of it!! April 29 was the date, Sunday was the day. Last year was an absolutely miserable weather day and we even encountered a tornado on our way home. This year, however, the weather could not have been more beautiful. We all met at the Pitstop gas station in West Alton to begin our day. We were graced with 5 Buicks—Steve Dodson’s ‘68 Electra, Bob Windal’s ‘70 GS455, John Lasinski’s ‘71 GS455, John Midkiff’s ‘66 GS and Geoff Lockett’s ‘49 Super. We were joined by Howard Hesketh as the guest of Steve Dodson with his really nice ‘75 Bricklin.

Heading up the River Road, we were in a veritable traffic jam of motorcycles and various vintage cars on their way up to Grafton for a day of outdoor enjoyment. Speedometers hit 70 at one point, but Geoff’s ‘49 kept up with the pack in impressive fashion.

Our first stop of the day was at the Pere Marquette Lodge. If you have never been there, it is an extremely impressive structure, having been built by the Civilian Conservation Corp (CCC) during the Great Depression. It is all stone block with a high ceiling great room and a chess board with 3 foot high chess pieces. We were escorted to the dining area for a delicious family style fried chicken meal. There were 20 seated with us, which is the largest turnout for this event in recent memory.



Look at those gorgeous Buicks in the Parking Lot



Grafton Winery

We then capped off our day with a trip to the Grafton Winery for some fine beverages to satisfy our taste buds. We all sat out of the deck enjoying our beverages and the fellowship of our car club friends.

All in all, a very nice day that left everyone with a smile on their face at the end of the day.



Recognition



Director, Kristina Richards, presents Mark Kistner with a plaque in recognition of his outstanding work on behalf of the club over the past year. Mark got out and hustled up 11 class sponsorships and 8 raffle donation sponsors for the Shriner's Show. Thank you, Mark, you really stepped up for the club.

Members in the News

Congratulations to Bob Brasses on his election as an Alderman for the city of Fenton. The following article from the Times newspaper gives the details of Bob's election.

Thank you Bob for this example of your dedication to the community!!

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Brasses Wins Write-In Race For Ward 3 Seat On Fenton Board Of Aldermen

by Julie Brown Patton

April 20, 2018

A semi-retired, information technology analyst turned dog trainer has won a Ward 3 board of aldermen seat in Fenton. Official results of the write-in candidate race were released by the St. Louis County Election Board on April 13.

Robert "Bob" Brasses emerged victorious with 94 write-in votes over the other write-in candidate, Darlys Preslar with 60 votes.

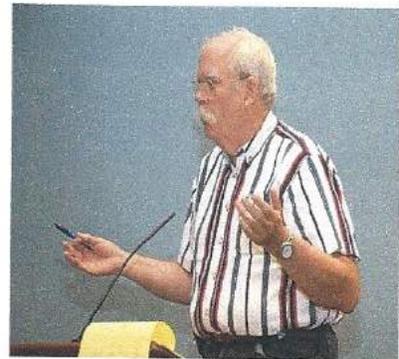
"I ran because I want to do what's best for the city as a whole, help my neighbors, and do something for the betterment of our community. It's all about the people," said first-time elected official Brasses.

He said the board opportunity reminded him of seventh-grade civic classes, which emphasized "serving people and doing the right thing.

"I'm looking forward to listening and learning, and talking to my neighbors about decisions that impact their lives," said the South St. Louis County native and Fenton resident for the past 28 years.

As owner of The Pawsitive K-9, Brasses rescues Greyhounds and assists with training in the Missouri Department of Corrections' Puppies For Parole program in cooperation with partnering animal shelters.

Brasses, 62, will be sworn into office on April 26. He replaces Ward 3 alderman Dan Borgard, who served for the past 6 1/2 years. Brasses joins fellow board member, Chris Clauss, to represent Ward 3 constituents.



Robert Brasses photo by Julie Brown Patton.

Gazette Giggles



"Well I don't know why you thought genealogy would be a relaxing hobby – You're a rabbit for Pete's sake!"



Forest Park Easter Car Show 2018

The annual Horseless Carriage Easter Car show was held on Sunday, April 1 at Forest Park. Fitting that the show was on April Fool's Day as the temperature was a highly unseasonably cold day in the mid 30's. From looking at the following pictures, it looks more like a tailgate party at a Green Bay Packer's game in November than a car show.

Nonetheless, the Gateway Buick club was well represented with 9 club member cars on the show field. Laura Buick graciously loaned a new Buick Enclave and an Envision for display. In recognition of the club's 40th anniversary, we were chosen to be the featured car club. A very nice display of club history and general information was constructed and presented on a vertical display board. A table display featuring balloons and a "Cheers to 40 Years" themed layout attracted a lot of attention from the hearty souls who spend the day in the cold weather.



Forest Park Easter Car Show 2018



Forest Park Easter Car Show 2018



Gazette Centerfolds





<p><u>May Birthdays</u></p>	<p><u>May Anniversaries</u></p>
<p>Cathleen Horst Damien Flaherty Jimmy Gehm Mark Kistner Rachel Gehm</p>	<p>Steve & Sherri Dotson Vic & Patricia Panus Chet & Jeanne Palumbo John & Kitty Lasinski Damien and Amy Flaherty</p>



Kustom Korner

Believe it or not, this is a 1947 Buick Roadmaster. It is owned by Bob Vergin of Avoca, Wisconsin. The car was built by Larry Kramer (AKA King of the Mercs) and represents over 3000 hours of labor to construct.

The car has been chopped 2 1/2 inches and sectioned 5 inches. It sits on hydraulics as seen by how low the car is to the ground.

Like it or hate it, here it is for your viewing.





2018 Full Year Event Details::

May 1 – Club Dues are Due

May 7 – Monthly Meeting -- Sports Café in Bridgeton – Starts at 7:00 pm
Address: 3579 Pennridge Drive, Bridgeton 63044 • (314) 298-1631

May ____ – Laura Buick Picnic, at Anderson Family Farm -- 11:00 am to 3:00 pm
Meet at 10:30 at 777 New Ballas Road (270/40) to cruise to Collinsville together
Laura Buick Address: 903 North Bluff Road, Collinsville, IL 62234
We will need RSVPs on this event, as lunch will be provided.

June 4 – Monthly Meeting -- Sports Café in Bridgeton – Starts at 7:00 pm
Address: 3579 Pennridge Drive, Bridgeton 63044 • (314) 298-1631

June 9-15 – Hot Rod Power Tour

June 16 – 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 17 – 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 17 – Deadline for Lotawata Creek Cruise
RSVP's NEEDED for this event, Thanks

June 19 – 23rd – BCA National Show in Denver, Colorado

June 24 – 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 17th

July 8 – 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

July 19 – 21st – BCA Regional Show in Cedar Rapids, Iowa

August 6 – Monthly Meeting -- Sports Café in Bridgeton – Starts at 7:00 pm
Address: 3579 Pennridge Drive, Bridgeton 63044 • (314) 298-1631

August 11 – 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



2018 Full Year Event Details::

September 1 - Sky View Drive-In (Classic Car night)

Everyone who drives a classic car gets in free! ! !

*** Passengers pay regular admission of \$10, children 12 & under are free.

We will meet and drive together, more details as date approaches

They choose two of the top selling movies from the summer and show those.

Address: 5700 North Belt West, Belleville, IL 62226 www.skyview-drive-in.com

September 8 – BBQ at Chet’s House -- Starts at 11:00 am, Eating at Noon

Pot Luck Style – Club will provide meats, Members should bring a side or dessert

*** THIS WILL ALSO BE THE MONTHLY MEETING ****

September 9 --- Wheels in Motion Car Show – West Port Plaza 9am - 4pm

Proceeds from the event benefit The National Children’s Cancer Society

Car registration: \$20 per car, first 150 cars receive a commemorative dash plaque

Our club sets-up and runs the snow cone tent

October 1 – Monthly Meeting -- Sports Café in Bridgeton – Starts at 7:00 pm

Address: 3579 Pennridge Drive, Bridgeton 63044 • (314) 298-1631

October 13 – Country Classic Cars Day Trip – RSVPs Due Date

October 20 – Country Classic Cars Day Trip – Staunton, IL

We will be having lunch at Diamond Mineral Springs in Highland, IL, known for their mile high pies

More Details as the event gets closer

November 5 – Monthly Meeting / Salute to Veterans / Can Food Drive

Meeting starts at 7:00 but arrive early to eat dinner and enjoy our Salute to Veterans,

FREE CAKE ! YUM !

Bring canned or box foods for our Annual Food Drive – Thanksgiving is coming, perfect time to think of those in need

December 2 – Monthly Meeting / Toys for Tots Drive – Starts at 11:30 am

Christmas Party !!! We made it another year !! Whooo hooo !

Spaghetti Factory, Chesterfield 636-536-9522

17384 Chesterfield Airport Rd - Chesterfield MO 63005

*** Don’t Forget to bring a toy for Toys For Tots

Buick Club of America
2018 Heartland Regional Meet Registration
July 19-21, 2018 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa



Members Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Cell # _____
 Your email _____
 What names should be printed on the name tags?
 Member _____ Spouse/guest _____
 Your Chapter Affiliation (if any) _____
 BCA # _____

For further information contact:

Bill Gorman, Meet Chair
 e-mail bbgorman35@gmail.com
 Cell 515-290-6565

Mail to:

Heartland Region 2018
 308 E 5th St
 Huxley, IA 50124
(checks made out to Heartland Region 2018)

Meet Registration Choices

Registration cutoff – postmarked by 6/25/2018 – after this date, display only

BCA Member/Member-at-Large (Member and guest without a car) _____ \$20.00 _____
 Non BCA Member (must complete Member-at-Large application) _____ \$ 5.00 _____
 BCA Member/Member-at-Large Judged Car 400 point (1st car, member and guest) _____ \$35.00 _____
 BCA Member/Member-at-Large Displayed Car (1st car, member and guest) _____ \$20.00 _____
 Additional cars (judged or displayed) _____ (#) _____ @ \$20.00 ea _____
 Swap Meet registration (approximately 18' x 18', outdoors) _____ (#) _____ @ \$25.00 ea _____
 Swap Meet registration (6' table, indoors, Rosewood room, must be out by 2:00 PM Sat) (#) _____ @ \$20.00 ea _____
 Car corral registration _____ (#) _____ @ \$20.00 ea _____
 Vehicle 1: Class _____ Judged _____ Displayed _____ Year _____ Model _____ Body Style _____
 Vehicle 2: Class _____ Judged _____ Displayed _____ Year _____ Model _____ Body Style _____
 I will need parking for my trailer (yes/no) _____ (no RV's)
 I am willing to be a judge (yes/no) _____ Preferred class _____ 2nd choice _____

Show Event

Thursday, July 19 10 AM – 3 PM (estimate) Driving Tour (No Charge) _____ # attending _____
 Friday, July 20 10 AM – 3 PM (estimate) Driving Tour (No Charge) _____ # attending _____
 Saturday, July 21 7 AM – 8:30 AM Judges Breakfast
 Saturday, July 21 9 AM 400 point judging and tabulation
 Saturday, July 21 1 PM – 2:30 PM Regional Meeting
 Saturday, July 21 6 PM – 7 PM Cocktail hour – cash bar
 Saturday, July 21 7 PM - ? Banquet—Pork loin (#) _____ Chicken Breast (#) _____ Vegetarian (#) _____ @ \$42.00 ea _____

Please list any dietary restrictions (Example Sodium, Gluten) _____

Total Amount includes Registration Banquet, _____ \$ _____

Host Hotel

Marriott Cedar Rapids

1200 Collins Rd NE
 Cedar Rapids, IA 52402
 1-800-396-2153 Key word 2018 BCA Heartland
 Rooms: Std \$99.00 + 12% tax + 1.00 Rate does not include breakfast
 Rooms King suite \$109.00 + 12% tax + 1.00 Rate does not include breakfast
 Rate applies 2 days before and after event
 Hotel Check in at 4:00 PM Check out 12:00 PM noon
 Reservations available starting August 9, 2017
 Reservations close June 25, 2018

Buick Class Description

A 1903 – 1913	L 1968 – 2005 A, G, J, N, W, X Bodies
B 1914 – 1935	M 1961 – 1966 B & C Bodies
C 1936 – 1939	Mod Modified Buicks
D 1940 – 1941	N 1967 – 2005 B, C, H Bodies
E 1942 – 1948 & 1949 Specials	O Riviera 1963 – 1999
F 1949 – 1953 Straight 8's	P 1965 – 1987 Gran Sport
G 1953 – 1954 Skylarks	Q GN, GNX, Turbo Regal
H 1953 – 1956 V8's	R 1988 – 1991 Reatta
I 1957 – 1958	S Professional – Special Vehicles
J 1959 – 1960	T Race Car (Must have documented history)
K 1961 – 1967 A Bodies	U Archival (Un-restored through 1992)



GATEWAY CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND PROFILE SHEET

**Annual Dues: \$25.00 to the Gateway Chapter,
Renewed: May of each year**

(BCA Membership also required 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 _____
 Email (required): _____
 Profession: _____ Employer: _____ years _____
 Spouse's Profession: _____ Employer: _____ years _____

Buick Club of America Information: <http://www.buickclub.org/join/>

You are required to be a BCA member. BCA # _____ (required)

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: _____

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:

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