



The Porthole



September/October 2018

Newsletter of the Mason-Dixon Chapter of the BCA

UPCOMING EVENTS -- MARK YOUR CALENDER

Mason-Dixon chapter items are in red

2018

Monday September 3 – Historical Car Club of Pennsylvania car show at Ludwig’s Corner, PA – car show is held in conjunction with horse show and dog show–great variety of interesting cars – non-judged show. For more information, see website at <http://historicalcarclub.org>.

September 7-9 - Radnor Hunt Concours d’Élegance in Radnor, PA. See website at “radnorconcours.org” for more details.

Saturday September 15 - Neffsville Car Show, Lancaster County, PA

Sunday September 16 - Hagley Museum Car Show

September 20-22 Northeastern Regional BCA meet Leighton, PA. See detailed flyer elsewhere in Porthole

Sunday September 23rd - Mason-Dixon Chapter meeting 3:00 P.M. Infinito’s 2144 South Queen St. York, PA. Off Route 83 exit 16B. Come for dinner first. Meeting to follow.

September 30 - B.O.O.M. All-GM Show in Abingdon, MD - Sponsored by Buick Owners of Maryland – all GM cars welcome. Show is held at Boyle Buick, 3015 Emmorton Rd., Abingdon, MD. Show is from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm, awards at 2:30. All cars must be on the show field by 12 noon, with a fire extinguisher. It is a peer-judged show. Advance registration: \$12; after Sept. 1, \$15. Checks payable to Buick Owners of Maryland, 20 Spring Glen Ct., Cockeysville, MD 21030. For questions, contact Craig Bober at 443 904 4200 or Raymond Price at 410-666-3905.

Upcoming Events (continued)

October 3-7 – Fall Carlisle

October 10-13 AACA Eastern Division Fall meet Hershey,

Sunday October 14 – Historical Car Club of Pennsylvania car show at Delaware County Community College. For more information, see website at <http://historicalcarclub.org>.

Thursday October 18 – Central Penn Membership meeting at Gilligan's Bar & Grille, 987 Eisenhower Boulevard, Harrisburg, PA 17111. Plan to arrive at 6:00 for dinner, and the business portion of the meeting will follow.

Saturday October 27 - Cars & Coffee event at Capitol Cadillac, sponsored by Potomac Region CLC

Friday November 2 – Autos & Ales at the AACA Museum, Hershey

Sunday November 16th Mason-Dixon Chapter meeting 3:00 P.M. Hoss's Gettysburg Pike, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Sunday December 2nd Mason Dixon Christmas party. To be held at The Brownstone Café, Middletown, PA. Full details in the November/December Porthole.

2019

April 24-28 – Spring Carlisle

June 12-15 - BCA National Meet in , Midwest City, Oklahoma (suburb of Oklahoma City)

October 2-6 – Fall Carlisle

October 9-12 – AACA Eastern Division Fall meet Hershey, PA.

2020

July 15-18 – BCA National Meet, host hotel is Holiday Inn in Strongsville, Ohio (Cleveland area)

Support your Buick Club events! There are many car shows, but no others that focus specifically on our favorite marque.

Directors Message

Rain, Rain, Go Away Work on the Buicks is going very slow with all the rain and high humidity we have experienced in August. Joan and I picked up the engine for our 1925 Standard on August 4. It is about a 5 hour drive up to Cazanovia NY. So leaving around 8:15 AM and returning 10:00 P.M. made for a long day. It had been getting close on time to getting the engine. Joan was due to have knee replacement surgery on the 9th. Then we would have had to put off getting the engine for several more weeks. I had the engine in the rear of my 87 S-10 covered with plastic covers waiting for a dry day to paint the engine. I finally thought to set up one of the spare “easy ups” I used for the car show. This gave me some shade and protection from the quick storms.



Michael and Patrick Reeve in the shop.

On Thursday Aug. 16th. Mason-Dixon Buick Buddy, Pete Rambis came down to help with the installation. 90+ degrees and 90% humidity we were soaked to the skin trying to wrestle the engine back in place. I owe a big thank you to Pete for his help!! Since then I have been getting the sub-assemblies in order to re-attach and hopefully will have it running by September.



Right side of engine. Starter Generator and water Pump installed.

Our annual picnic was well attended at Tom and Shirl Bush's home on July 15th. Again fabulous food and fabulous friends are always a winning combination. We are very grateful to have them host this event.



We are still in need of an assistant director since Tim Spigelmyer has stepped down. I sure can use the help so, someone please help me!

Please see upcoming events in the newsletter.

Larry

Denver or Bust
Larry DiBarry
Part 2

Trying to get through the remainder of Nebraska took about 3 hours as Minden is about bottom center of the state. Thunder showers were popping up and then we got caught in a hailstorm and had to stop for a while. We reached the town of McCook on Rt. 34 around supper time and stopped to eat at a local brewery, "Loop's" (they seemed to have the best food). The town looked to be somewhat prosperous. It was not the mostly abandoned shells with grain silos that we had seen on most of our trip through Nebraska. While at dinner fellow diners commented on the approaching storm. Our server asked if we planned on getting into Colorado by dark and when we said yes he replied "uh, uh, no way" and pointed at a TV screen with a weather report showing. We had never seen that shade of red on the storm tracker before! Tornado warnings were also posted. He suggested a new motel just a few miles away. It turned out to be a "Dark and Stormy Night". Our drive through the remainder of Nebraska and dropping down into Kansas to catch RT.36 had us witness to many wash outs and tree branches on the road. Driving through Benkelman NE. I discovered it to be the birth place of one of my favorite actors, Ward Bond. Once on Kansas route 36 we saw even more damage from the storm at the town of Saint Francis. The streets were green as all the leaves had been stripped from the trees because of the previous night's hail storm. The final 3 hour drive to Denver was somewhat uneventful. We did see some antelope and Buffalo as well as many windmills. We arrived at the Denver meet around 3:00 on the 21st. I was greeted by the lineup of some of my favorite Pre War cars.

Recent "Barn Find" 1913 model 25 Touring. Notice. 1913 Chalk mark on the pavement



Bill Sullivan's 1927-51 DRIVEN from New Mexico.

A 1914-24 Roadster from California. 54 Skylark along side

This was how the PreWar Division laid out the parking in Chronological order. It was repeated on the south side of the motel for Saturdays show.

Next Issue: "The Rambler Ranch" and remainder of the trip.

Please Note....if you'd like to submit any information, articles, cars for sale...whatever....contact newsletter editor John Hess at (717) 757-7666 or via email at: hocusfocus@verizon.net or via snail mail at 1285 Christensen Rd., York, Pa. 17402.

Congratulations to Jim Smith for having his historical article published in the September Bugle. At our meeting at C&D back in June, Jim brought a faded York newspaper from 1910. On the front page there was a large photo of a 1908 Model 10 Buick and a story of a race to Philadelphia and back to York.

THE GAZETTE, YORK, PA. MONDAY MORNING, MAY 23, 1910

BABY BUICK

Driven by J. W. Richley

WINS RACE

And smashes all Records Ever Made by any Car

To Philadelphia and Return in One Continuous Run

Most remarkable, daring run ever made by any Car, at any price, by any driver out of York.

To say that I was excited was an understatement. Jim made some scans for me with a transcript of the article. A better representation is what is in the September Bugle. Thank you Jim!

Sympathy

Delores E. (Lori) Ensminger, 88, of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania passed away August 11, 2018 at home with her husband Barry by her side.

Back in March I had asked for get well wishes for Lori and Jack (Barry) who was providing care for her during her decline. Jack is a longtime member of the Mason-Dixon chapter. Cards may be sent to...

Jack Ensminger
268 Woodvale Drive
Chambersburg, PA. 17201

New Mason-Dixon T shirt Logo Design

Here is what was approved for the new T shirts. I thank Dick Beckley for providing the inspiration and art work for the new design.



The new shirts sold briskly at the June 30th car show. \$15.00 each.

REGARDING THE FREYSINGER SHOW

As Chairman of our 2018 Mason-Dixon Chapter Buick Show, I'd like to thank all attendees, members who worked on the show, and especially Freysinger's for sponsoring our show again for the 10th year. Gary has offered to again sponsor us in 2019. I'd also like to thank the Museum and staff for their hospitality and for their help with staging this year's show. We hope to be there again next year.
Dick

For Sale

Parts For Sale

Set of 1969 Electra tail lights. Used condition. \$50.00
1969 Electra 4 dr. Rocker stainless. \$20.00
1949 Buick radio with nice chrome grill. \$100.00
1969 Le Sabre Convertible deck lid. \$50
1937 series 40 headlight pods and misc. pieces from Jack Frank's estate.
If someone needs it I may have it.
Larry DiBarry 717-263-3804

For Sale

1955 Buick Super Convertible **Submitted by Dick Beckley** This car is a very nice AACA Senior car that has been owned by the owner since 1989 and they are the 3rd owners. I have personally known the Weidenmeyer's for many years as well as this car. Rodney died in early 2017 and his widow is 83 and needs to sell the car. It's a great driver and shows very well and I'd add it to my collection if my garage was not already full.

Description is as follows:

One of 21 registered and never trailered. All books go with the car.

322 CI nailhead, 236 HP

Cherokee Red/w red leather

Variable pitch Dynaflo, 0-60 in 11.2 seconds

800-15 Wide Whites with Kelsey-Hayes Wire Wheels

Asking \$55,000

Connie Weidenmeyer, 206 Lincoln Dr., Reading, PA 19606-3629 Phone: 610-372-0264

For Sale

1974 Buick LeSabre Luxus Convertible V8 Red with white top, red interior.
Approximately 76,000 original miles. Excellent condition. \$15,000 OBO. Car is located West Chester/Exton PA.
Contact Nicholas at 610-692-7777

Wanted

old signs, automobilia, petroliana, old gas pumps, barber shop collectables, etc.
Contact Dick Beckley at dbeckley@epix.net , phone 717-395-7128. PO Box 128, Lewisberry, PA 17339.

For Sale

1971 455 CID Engine with (2) cylinder heads. (2) valve covers. Intake manifold. (1) 4 BBL Carb. (1) Air cleaner from a 1971 GS. \$600 for All. Fred White 717-767-8903

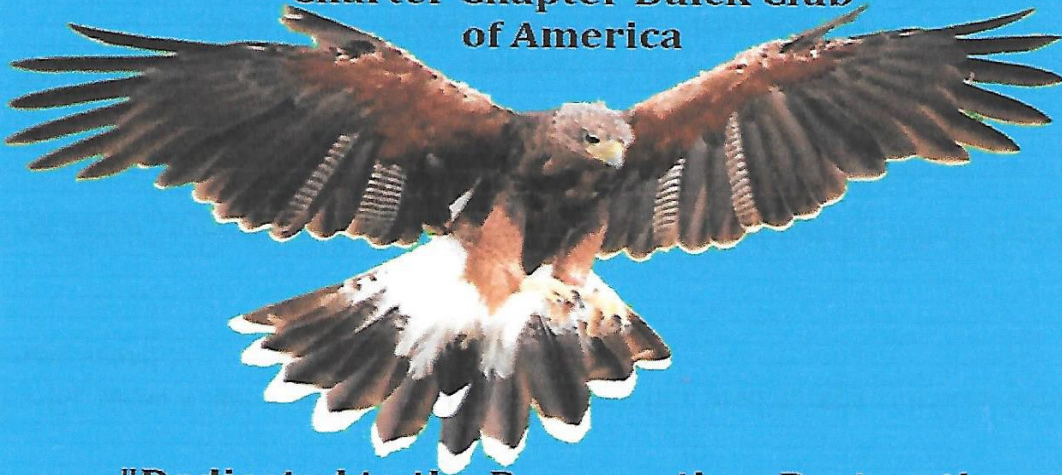
For Sale

2009 BUICK LUCERNE CXL-3. White Diamond with Titanium leather interior, one local owner, 13,700 actual miles, like new inside and out. Very well equipped including chrome wheels, heated seats, power seats and lumbar controls, rear parking sensors, blind spot warning lights, plus much more. If you wished you could buy a new Buick Lucerne for about 1/3 of the original list price, this is the right car. \$12,500. Paul Sevag, 610-496-4246.

"FREE SPIRIT"

CHAPTER OF PA

**Charter Chapter Buick Club
of America**



**"Dedicated to the Preservation, Restoration
and enjoyment of all automobiles
manufactured by the Buick Motor Car Co."**

CALLING ALL BUICK ENTHUSIASTS!!

NORTH EAST PENNSYLVANIA ALL BUICK REGIONAL

SEPTEMBER 20 - 21 - 22, 2018

PHIFER'S ICE DAMS, 880 MAIN RD., LEHIGHTON, PA 18235

Host: "FREE SPIRIT" CHAPTER, BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA

Hotels: Mention the CODE = "FREE SPIRIT"

HAMPTON INN, 877 Interchange Rd. Lehigh, Pa 18235 (0.5 mi)

610-377-3400

COUNTRY INN & STE. 1619 Interchange Rd. Lehigh, Pa (1 mi)

610-379-5066

BOOK ROOM(S) BEFORE AUGUST 20, 2018

Show & Tours = Thursday & Friday

Show w/ Peer Judging, Awards, & Informal Dinner = Saturday

Please visit our web site, www.buickfreespirit.org

Buick Owners of Maryland
32nd Annual

**ALL GM
SHOW**

September 30, 2018



In 2017, the Dealer's Choice Award as well as first place in its class went to Mark Johnson's 1961 Impala.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION: \$12 DEADLINE: September 1, 2018
REGISTRATION AT GATE: \$15 Judged or not judged
GENERAL ADMISSION FREE

SHOW SITE: Boyle Buick-GMC Truck 3015 Emmorton Rd Abingdon, MD
Registration: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. **Peer Judging:** Noon to 2:00 p.m. **Awards:** 2:30 p.m.

NAME _____ BCA# _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL _____ ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE BUICK OWNERS OF MD? _____

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF MILES DRIVEN TO BOOM SHOW _____

All cars must be on the show field by Noon, Sunday, September 30.
Show will be held rain or shine. All vehicles to be judged MUST have a fire extinguisher.

CAR#1 _____ \$ _____

Year Model Name Color Class

CAR#2 _____ \$ _____

Year Model Name Color Class

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Buick Owners of Maryland
Mail Check and registration form to: Buick Owners of Maryland
c/o Raymond Price
2 0 Spring Glen Ct.
Co ckeysville, MD 21030

For Information Contact: Raymond Price (410) 666-3905
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Craig Bober (443) 904-4200

Directions from I-95:
Take exit 77B towards Belair. At the first traffic light, turn right onto RT924 (Emmorton Rd)
Dealership is about 1 mile up Emmorton Rd on the right.

Class 1: Stock 1900 to 1948
Class 2: Stock 1949 to 1964
Class 3: Stock 1965 to 1969
Class 4: Stock 1970 to 1979
Class 5: Stock 1980 to present
Class 6: Performance prior ro 1968
Class 7: Performance 1968-1972
Class 8: Performance 1973 to present
Class 9: Highly modified

For more information about the Buick Owners of Maryland see our website @www.bcaboom.org