



The Porthole



July/August 2019

Newsletter of the Mason-Dixon Chapter of the BCA

UPCOMING EVENTS -- MARK YOUR CALENDER

Mason-Dixon chapter items are in red

2019

July 16-21 – Pontiac-Oakland Club Annual Meet in Gettysburg

July 18-20 – Central Penn Antique Auto Auction, Lock Haven, PA

Sunday July 21 - Mason-Dixon Chapter picnic 3:00 P.M. – Mr. & Mrs. Tom Bush will be hosting a picnic at their home. Covered dish supper. The club will cover the cost of the meat. Please contact them at 717-938-8931 as to what you are bringing by July 17th. (So as not to have an over-abundance of bean dishes etc.) Also RSVP by the 12th so they can order the meat. Directions to the Bush home: Exit 39A off I 83 (Lewisberry Road). Turn left onto Route 114 (Lewisberry Road). Follow to Route 382 turn right onto King Street (just after Mt. Zion Church). Then left onto Paul Avenue, follow road .7 miles to the end of the road, turn right onto 575 Paul Ave. They are at the top of the hill. Again RSVP by July 17th - tbusch575@comcast.net or call 717-938-8931. This picnic replaces our regular meeting at Hoss's.

July 31-August 3 – Mecum Auction in Harrisburg.

August 2 - 4, 2019 - Das Awkscht Fescht - Antique & Classic Car Show. Macungie Memorial Park, Macungie, PA 18062

Sunday September 8 – Radnor Hunt Concours d'Elegance – Buick is a featured marque this year. For more information, see www.radnorconcours.org.

Sunday September 22 - Chapter meeting, 3:00 p.m. - C&D Bar & Grill, New Oxford PA

Sunday September 22 – VFR-CLC show at Lahaska (Peddler's Village) – starts at 9 a.m. - all GM cars welcome

October 2-6 – Fall Carlisle

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

Friday November 1 – Autos & Ales at AACA Museum

Sunday November 24 - Chapter meeting, 3:00 p.m., Hoss's Restaurant, Gettysburg Pike, Mechanicsburg, PA.

2020

July 15-18 – BCA National Meet, host hotel is Holiday Inn in Strongsville, Ohio (Cleveland area), hosted by the Northeast Ohio Chapter.

Friday July 17 - Buick Heritage Alliance Annual Awards Banquet at Michaud's Catering and Event Center, 16808 Pearl Road, Strongsville, Ohio. (1 mile from the BCA 2020 Annual Meet Host Hotel). 5-10 pm. Buffet Dinner with a Cash Bar. West Peterson, Editor-In-Chief of the AACA will be our guest speaker. \$50 a person; \$90 a couple. For additional information, contact Jeff Brashares at Jeff.Brashares@sunteckts.com.

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

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.

Directors Message

Your Buicks should be accumulating some summer miles. I have the 1925 “Beulah” back on the road also gathering some miles. Buick buddy Larry Schramm brought his diagnostics scope to trouble shoot. We found some ignition problems and Beulah is running happily now! All the semi-finished parts that have been strewn about the house, basement and garage have finally come back together. Joan is so happy to have her “uncluttered” spaces back! She also is happy to be able to take a drive after a year and a half.



Here is where I was going to share some photos from the Midwest City National trip. Unfortunately some of those became corrupted and I can't retrieve them. We were planning on caravanning with my BCA friend, Dave Blaufarb, with his 1941-47. We were to meet up with Dave at Strasburg VA. Monday the 12th. Unfortunately he had a breakdown (fuel pump) 22 miles from his home in Silver Spring MD. and had to be towed back. We had to make time to get to Oklahoma City (1,400 miles) to pick him up at the Will Rogers Airport by Wednesday afternoon the 14th. So, Dave, Joan and I got to spend the meet together with our other Buick buddies. The high point was a dinner at “**The Cattleman**” Steak house in the old Stockyard district of Oklahoma City. We had a party of 18, mostly from the **Pre-War Division**. And it was a party! The total trip was about 2,900 miles and our little Kia is tired.



Dave in his 1941 Special Model 47 in front of our house.

We did participate in a few local cruise events so far this summer.

A former student's family having a sit down in our 1937. This was at a Friday night cruise-in at our church.



Joan's Mom with the still unfinished “Beulah. At the “Hop Yard”.



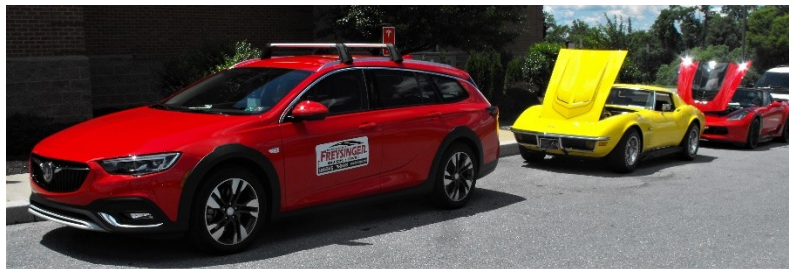


This was at the **GEAR HOUSE BREWERY** only a half mile from our house in their Hop Yard. We had about 20 pre-war cars as one of the owner's has 2 Model A Fords. The HUB CITY Model A club was out in force with about 15 "A"s.

Our 1937 next to a 1939 Packard 120. Next a 1940 Plymouth. A 1929 Ford Pickup and Beulah.

There will be information elsewhere about the winners at our AACA show on June 22nd. But it was the most perfect day we had been blessed with in a while. I would like to thank Dick Beckley for doing all the arrangements with Freysingers, the Werner Family Band and procuring the awards. Richard Sills for the Museum arrangements. Their staff is tops and looked forward to working with us again. Dave Hare for all the work for registration. Chuck Hoffman for setup and photos. Others to help park were Jim Smith, Jack Ulrich and Pete Rambis came early to lend a hand. Joan and Karen took care of the 50/50. With Gwen Miller they also sold T shirts. Barry McClair drove up in a Red **2019 TourX** to be on display from Freysingers. The only disappointment was the the **GOOD HUMOR MAN** had a conflict so none of their delicious ice cream. If I missed anyone who worked hard to make this show a success I apologize. I hope to see you at the July 21st Picnic at the Busch residence!

2019 TourX



Best of Show 1912 Buick Model 35



Mason-Dixon Chapter BCA Hosts 11th Annual Show At AACA Museum

The Mason-Dixon Chapter held its 11th annual car show on the grounds of the AACA Museum in Hershey, PA on June 22, 2019. The weather was ideal, and about 50 cars attended, despite competition from other major shows held the same weekend. The show was sponsored, as it has been in the past, by Freysinger's Buick-GMC of Mechanicsburg, PA.

The oldest car on display, and the winner of the "Best of Show Buick" award, was a 1912 Buick Touring Model 35 owned by T. W. Scott. The newest was a bright red 2019 Buick Regal Tour-X, displayed by Freysinger's.

Breakfast and lunch were provided by Bev Forman, our food vendor. Musical entertainment was provided by our DJ, Jay Mattson, and the Werner Family Band with its repertoire of bluegrass music. Show attendees enjoyed visiting the AACA Museum, with its current exhibits featuring Studebaker, Pontiac, and Harley-Davidson.

All award recipients were chosen by peer judging. As in the past, Best of Show Winners did not also receive an award in their respective classes. One class, Class 9 (Other Makes, 1949 and older), had no entries.

The award winners were as follows:

Class 1 – Buicks 1903-1939

1st place	1938 Special 4-door sedan, owned by Don Rising
2nd place	1936 Century convertible coupe, owned by John & Fran Shore
3rd place (tie)	1927 Roadster, owned by Susie Manherz (all original)
	1933 Series 97 owned by Ralph Fredericks

Class 2 – Buicks 1940-1959

1st place	1954 Skylark owned by Dick Beckley
2nd place	1955 Roadmaster Riviera coupe owned by Bruce Swayze
3rd place	1949 Roadmaster sedan owned by Matt Hans

Class 3 – Buicks 1960-1969 (excluding Riviera)

1st place	1962 Special Sedan owned by Peter Berkin
2nd place	1965 Gran Sport convertible owned by Jim Chandler
3rd place	1967 Wildcat coupe owned by Jim McMullan

Class 4 – Buicks 1970-1989 (excluding Riviera)

1st place	1970 Gran Sport owned by Chris Calabrese
2nd place	1970 GS-455 owned by Gwen Miller
3rd place	1971 Gran Sport Stage I owned by Fred Wonn

Class 5 – Buicks 1990-present (excluding Riviera)

1st place (tie)	1990 Reatta owned by Ralph & Gladys Kepner
	2013 Regal GS owned by Edward Doyle
2nd place (tie)	1990 Reatta owned by Bob Sommer
	2007 Lucerne owned by Rich Murray

Class 6 – Buick Rivas

1st place	1968 owned by Tony Krick
2nd place	1968 owned by Michael Sumrell

3rd place (tie) 1971 owned by Fred Wonn
1995 owned by Tim Hann

Class 7 – Modified Cars

1st place 1937 Chevrolet 2-door owned by Charles Roberts
2nd place 1939 Chevrolet 2-door owned by George Milakovic

Class 8 – Trucks

1st place 1955 Chevrolet Cameo pick-up owned by Bob Hake

Class 10 – Other Makes 1950-1969 (excluding modified vehicles and trucks)

1st place (tie) 1963 Studebaker Avanti owned by Jeff King
1965 Chevrolet Impala coupe owned by Ron Savidge
2nd place 1968 Chevrolet Corvette owned by Dave Emeigh

Class 11 – Other Makes 1970-present (excluding modified vehicles and trucks)

1st place 1975 Cadillac Eldorado Cabriolet Coupe owned by Richard Sills
2nd place 1974 Chevrolet Laguna S-3 owned by Bart Frey
3rd place 2011 Chevrolet Corvette Z-06 owned by Jon Laman

Best of Show - Buick

1912 Buick Touring Model 35 owned by T. W. Scott

Best of Show – Other Makes

1949 Chevrolet 3100 pick-up owned by Levi Sloop

Oldest Car in the Show

1912 Buick Touring Model 35 owned by T. W. Scott

Long Distance Award

1990 Buick Reatta owned by Bob Sommer – driven 458 miles from Troy, Ohio

The Chapter thanks all of the people who brought cars, the AACA Museum for providing an outstanding venue for our show, Jay Mattson and the Werner Family Band for their musical entertainment, and our food vendor. And, a special thank you to our sponsor, Freysinger's Buick-GMC, for its continuing support, including covering the cost of the trophies and other expenses of the show.





A LITERARY AWARD for me??

At the Oklahoma meet on Friday (after I was set free from my BOD obligations) I was talking to Pete Philips. We discussed a bit of what had transpired at the BOD meeting and the makeup of the new BOD. Also showing him my Service Appreciation plaque. He asked if I was going to be at the banquet on Saturday. I said that after my judging obligations were done on Saturday afternoon Joan and I had be starting for home. Pete said “then you better come with me”. Pete took me to a storeroom near the banquet facilities. He dug through some boxes and then presented me with this. **A LITERARY AWARD** for my Bugle article...

“Rocker Shaft Renewal for My 1925 Standard”



I am sure my Elementary and High School English teachers would be having problems with this award being presented to **me**! It means much more to me than my BOD service plaque!

My sincere thanks to Pete Philips and Cindy Livingston of the Bugle editorial staff for feeling that I was deserving.

Larry DiBarry

Miscellaneous

.Thought you would be interested to see a 1926 Buick Master 6 Brougham that has been donated to the AACA Museum.

The donor's husband had been working on the car until he fell ill and passed away. The chassis and engine were restored and the wood was either repaired or replaced. He also found NOS front fenders and splash aprons for the car.

We are arranging for the car to go to the Pennsylvania College of Technology in Williamsport to be assembled and finished by the students who are studying automotive restoration. In the meantime, it is on display to show Museum visitors how much wood is used in the structure of the cars of that era.

Richard Sills

Just a short couple of items for the Porthole

First : All or most Rutters stations , sooner or later as the new pumps get installed will have available ethanol free 90 octane gas on at least one pump. All I've seen so far clearly have ethanol free logo in Red on the roof posts and you need to utilize the red nozzle to dispense the ethanol free gas.

They have it now at Strinestown, Hellam, and Newberrytown , and probably at a lot of other stations , as well. Please support Rutters so they continue to have this available so we don't have to travel far and wide to get it.

If the station you frequent has the credit card slot facing upward, they will have this now if they are going to have it. If the slot is facing sideways they have not upgraded the pumps as yet.

Also, I needed a pcv valve for my 69 Electra and also the rubber grommet that it sits in that plugs into the valve cover on the 430 engine and was told I probably would have to search for it all over. I stopped at the Camy Hill NAPA store this morning on State St. and they had the pcv value in stock and ordered the grommet for me and will be in on Thursday. These guys are extremely helpful to old car folks so if you need parts, a lot of times it's available no farther away than your local NAPA store.

Also, As Chairman of this year's show, a big thanks to all who helped on the show. Also an invite to those who did not, to participate next year. You missed a good time and a great chance to help your Chapter as this is our primary income source to operate the club. The only thing that could have made this show better was more entries. An even bigger thank you to Gary, Tom , Rich , Dave, and all the other folks at Freysinger's for all you do for this club , the museum and the old car hobby . You all are truly appreciated.

Dick Beckley

From Richard Sills

I echo Dick's thanks to all who participated in the show. The weather was about as close to perfect as anyone could hope for, and there were quite a few truly outstanding Buicks, including several remarkable early ones.

In the Lancaster area, you can obtain ethanol-free fuel at Barry's on Lititz Pike. If you are registered, you can buy gas there 24 hours a day.

I am also told that the Royal Farms convenience stores sell ethanol-free gas at their pumps.

Everything I learn about ethanol convinces me that the only benefit it produces is the economic benefit to the large agri-business companies that grow corn in huge quantities. (Maybe it also helps the smaller farmers, but I'm not sure to what extent it does.) It clearly does no favors to cars, new or old, and it can be especially harmful to the older cars. It's especially important to use ethanol-free fuel in cars where the gasoline may remain in the tank for prolonged periods, such as most of our antique cars.

For Sale

1955 Buick Century For Sale - Triple Chrome (Canada) outstanding color combination. Garaged. Zero rust (Texas Car) .Multiple show winner. Alliance wheels, new convertible top cylinders, new exhaust headers, not a #1 but, a good show car. My health and age play a big part in my selling this vehicle, Asking \$42,000 OBO. Black and white photo's do nothing for this car. Call and I will send you color photo's.

Call Chet @973.386.9442



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

1969 Buick Skylark

From: Kevin Keenan New Jersey Chapter



The owner told me the car was originally a 350 engine. The car currently has a 455 engine from a 1971 Buick Riviera. It is a local Jersey car. 1969 Buick Skylark, 455 Auto, 12 bolt rear, PS, PB, AC. Body and paint is exceptional. Interior is like new. No rust or cancer. Asking \$21,900.
Call Tom @ 908-238-0323 and leave message.

For Sale

1971 Buick Skylark GS 455 Convertible (clone) for sale

My name is Jim Osborne, a fellow Buick enthusiast. I am in the process of moving and must sell my Buick, so I'm contacting you to see if you may know someone who wants the pleasure of owning a/another Buick. My car is currently listed on Craigslist & Facebook Marketplace. A few photos to present this gem.

My contact info: cell - 201-694-9945, email - jlosborne6@gmail.com.

Thanks for your time.

Jim



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

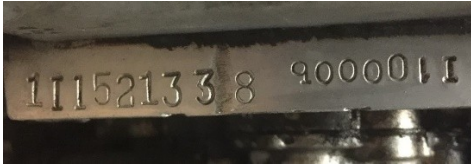
Asking \$55,000

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

For Sale

1963 Skylark 215 cu in engine? For Sale

My name is Carl Bessey and I live in Oakhurst NJ. The reason I'm contacting you is I have an ~~aluminum~~ ~~Buick~~ Buick V-8 engine for sale. Many moons ago I pulled it from what I remember as a 64 ~~Skylark~~ ~~be a 1961-1963 if~~ Skylark *aluminum block*. It has been stored indoors for over 35 years. Attached please find pictures and the serial # info for verification.



I would love to see it find use in a restoration and back on the road again. Having recently retired I need all the garage space I can get. It's time to let it go.

I am asking \$ 275.00.

I can be reached at the above email or my Cell 732-556-7313.

Thank you in advance for any help you can provide in finding a buyer.

I wanted to give your club first crack at it.

Regards Carl

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.

For Sale

I have a 1970 Buick Wildcat, all original and stock, located in Ocean City, NJ. Considering selling to right buyer. Car needs body work due to rust, but has decent interior and 455-4 engine. would need to be towed. Here's a video that shows all ...https://youtu.be/aESicCtP_GM

If you know anyone who is interested, please let me know - Jerry 646-267-2014

REISTERSTOWN REGIONAL PARK

16TH ANNUAL ALL VEHICLE SHOW

YEARS 1900 to PRESENT == ALL MAKES, MODIFIEDS & ORIGINALS

401 Mitchell Dr., Reisterstown, MD 21136

Location offers a large covered Pavilion in the event of hot sun or rain and a Playground Area for kids!

Sunday July 28, 2019 10:00 AM to 3:00PM



A portion of your registration fee supports
the "Baltimore County Humane Society", Reisterstown, MD.

~~ TOP 35 AWARDS ~~

As determined by Judges plus ... "Reisterstown Park Choice Award"
"Best of Decade Awards: Teens/20s, 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s, 2000s, 2010s"
"Best Modified / Custom Awards (6)" * "Longest Distance Driven"

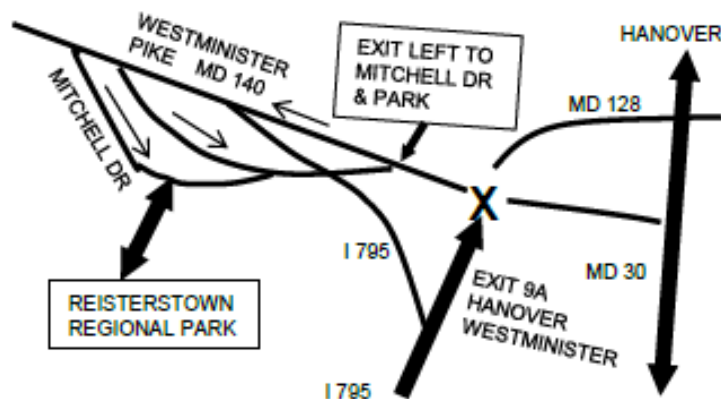
Dash Plaques to first 150 Registered * Door Prizes * 50/50 Raffle
Food available at the Concession Stand: Hot Dogs, Bratwurst, Snacks, Drinks

SHOW VEHICLE ENTRANCE: From I-795 going North,
Exit 9A to MD-30 / MD-140E Westminster / Hanover.
At traffic light turn left onto MD-140 towards
Westminster. Keep left and then immediately turn
left onto Mitchell Dr. Follow posted signs.

Advance Registration: \$10.00 by July 15th
Registration at Gate: \$15.00

For Advance Registration:
Complete the form below and Mail with check to:
Bill Scott, 14308 Robcaste Rd. Phoenix, MD 21131
Make Check Payable to: "Free State Region, VCCA"

Additional Information: Call Bill @ 410-527-0953
E-Mail: grand1917@comcast.net
Visit our Website www.freestateregionvcca.org



HOSTS: Free State Region, Vintage Chevrolet Club of America & Buick Owners of Maryland, B.C.A.

Show vehicles should have a Functional Fire Extinguisher.

All Vehicles Must be on the Show Field by 12 Noon to be judged. A RAIN or SHINE event.

Name: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Vehicle Make & Model: _____ Color: _____ Year: _____

Member of Club: _____ Vehicle: Modified: Original:

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____