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WAGNER BUICK • PONTIAC • GMC DISPLAY

SEPTEMBER 16, 2006

We enjoyed another fine day in Belleville, Illinois, at the Wagner dealership. The character of the event has changed the last few years as Wagner began selling Pontiac and GMC. At one point mid-day I counted 18 Buicks, 18 Pontiacs and one nice mid-fifties GMC pickup. Our chapter had nine Buicks there at the time, the GS club was represented with maybe four to six Buicks and the remainder of the Buicks were brought by individuals not Buick club affiliated. The Pontiacs were mostly performance cars — GTO's and Trans AMs. The oldest Pontiac was a beautiful '57 model that we have seen the last two or three years. So the display was mostly muscle cars. It was nice to see Mike Marx's '30 and Jim Poole's '37. Both are back on the road after engine rebuilds.

The Wagner people took good care of us with food, beverages, covered tables and nice hospitality. There was enough shade for our regulars to gather, set up lawn chairs and relax.

The Hank Deglman Dealer's Choice trophy was awarded to Scott Keller for his '87 Regal. The Regal has the T package and the LC2 engine option. It performs with the GN's. Scott not only shows a finely detailed car, but he makes some fast runs at the drag strip. The GS club has track time planned for Oct 3rd. If you want to join Scott and the GS guys for a taste of that action, call (314) 853-3747.

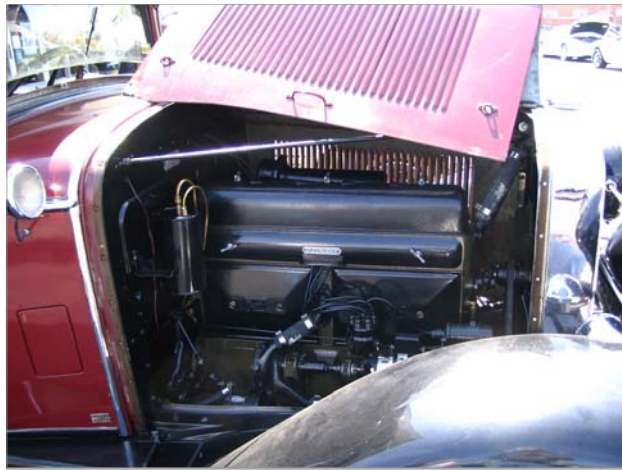
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Wing Smith, Sales Manager at Wagner, presents the Hank Deglman Dealer's Choice trophy to Scott Keller.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

October 5th	7:00 PM	Monthly Meeting, Chuck-A-Burger
October 7th	9:00 AM	Tour to St. Genevieve
October 14th	10:30 AM	Wally Berger Display, Alton, IL



Mike Marx's recently rebuilt engine 1930 Buick



Jim Poole's recently rebuilt engine 1937 Buick



SEPTEMBER 16, 2006 WAGNER BUICK PONTIAC GMC



WHEELS IN MOTION DAY

Contributed by Maggi Webster; Photos by Steve Dodson & Bill Landers

On Sunday, September 10, a perfect Fall Day, a choice collection of members of our Club enjoyed the Tenth Annual Wheels in Motion Day.

Lots of generous folks come out for the event benefiting the National Children's Cancer Society. The car show includes a fine assortment of entertainment and entertainers, donating their time and talents--always a variety to behold--music, singing and dancing, flooding the senses.

Our sno-cone sales contribution this year was \$275 and it was supplemented by sno-cone efforts at

Rochester in the amount of \$125. Along with this, we tossed in \$100 from our club funds for a grand total of \$500!!!

Apparently Bob Windal worked as a barker on Bourbon Street in another life because his cajoling, almost begging at times, brought in the most reluctant (and generous) donors.

While the crowd may have been light, who could be disappointed with a good time visiting with great friends!!



SKYVIEW DRIVE-IN

Belleville, Illinois
September 3, 2006

Well, the weather was perfect for a night at the drive-in, even had a beautiful sunset. This was the first time I have been in a drive-in for at least 30 years. Having worked at South Twin, Ronnie's and The 66 drive-ins while in high school, it felt very nostalgic. Sherrie & I walked through the concession stand and not much has changed in 30 years, same type food and drinks! I felt real dumb sitting there watching a cartoon for two hours but what can I say - it was a drive-in movie!!! I was more interested in the neat old cars that were there that night. It was a special night for the old car owners and their guests. If I'm not mistaken, the drive-in was a sell out. It was so neat seeing a drive-in full of so many old cars. I guess this is just another part of our lives that we hate to see go by the wayside and want to hang on to it for just a little longer (even if it was a cartoon!).

Steve Dodson



Thursday, October 5th
Gateway BCA Monthly Meeting
at

Chuck-A-Burger

9025 St. Charles Rock Road

THE MEETING BEGINS AT 7:00 PM

Remember to wear your name tag!



Come a little earlier than usual.
We will start at 7 PM, not 7:30.



The speaker will be demonstrating some detailing techniques.

GATEWAY CHAPTER CALENDAR 2006

October

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| 5 | 7:00 PM | Regular Monthly Meeting
Chuck-A-Burger |
| 7 | 9:00 AM | Tour to Ste. Genevieve, MO |
| 14 | 10:30 AM | Display at Wally Berger Buick
Alton, IL |

November

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| 2 | 7:30 PM | Regular Monthly Meeting
C J Muggs |
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December

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| 10 | 3:00 PM | Holiday Party (C J Muggs)
and monthly meeting |
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OCTOBER 14th CAR DISPLAY

The Gateway Chapter BCA will gather at

Wally Berger Buick

927 E. Broadway
Alton, Illinois

Food and Sodas will be provided.

Display Hours will be 10:30AM to 3:30PM.

