



# Gateway Gazette

Monthly Newsletter of the St. Louis Chapter

## BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA

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### Wheels In Motion Show

Fourteen members with 9 cars made it to our primary charitable event of the year at the usual parking lot in Westport Plaza on Sunday, September 11. In addition to the usual entertainment, there was a tribute to 9/11 as the show occurred on the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

In addition to the cumulative \$180 we paid in registration fees, we were able to donate \$345 from contributions made in return for sno-cones plus our usual club donation of \$100.

The weather was great for being outside, but maybe not quite warm enough to get people lined up for sno-cones. Also, the overall crowd seemed smaller than usual.

We had plenty of help making sno-cones, including Paul & MaryAnn's granddaughter, Peyton, who worked longer than many of us.

Photos and text by editor.



### Upcoming Events

**Fall Color Cruise & Lunch at Big Chief Dakota, Sunday, October 16**

**Next Regular Meeting, Monday, October 17, Sports Cafe, 7:30 pm**

**Overnight or Daytrip to St. Genevieve, Winery Visits, 23-24 October**

**Fall Oil Change, Saturday, October 29, Paul Meyer's Garage, 10 am**

**See Page 3 for Details**

## Director's Letter

Hi Everyone!

Our members that attended the BOP Display at Wagner Buick and the Wheels in Motion Show told me that everyone had a great time. The Club was able to donate \$345 to the Children's Cancer Fund from snow cone sales. In addition the Club made a donation of \$100 for a total of \$445.

Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make this possible.

The Club Cruise to Fast Eddie's Bon Aire and the Grafton Winery along the Great River Road was an enjoyable event. Even though the day looked iffy, it turned out there were only a few sprinkles, so the cruise was fantastic – what a beautiful part of our bi-state region. A lot of us had never been to Fast Eddie's before. With the tasty, cheap food and ice cold beer on the nice covered patio area, fun was had by all.

For our fall color tour, we'll meet at the Museum of Transportation's upper parking lot at 9 a.m. October 16. After the tour we'll have lunch at Big Chief's (the burgers were great last year!).

I still need to know how many room nights to book for our Ste. Genevieve Winery Tour the weekend of October 22-23. We'll depart from the Holiday Inn at I-55 and Butler Hill Road in South County at 10:30 a.m. on October 22. Please join us on either day.

Thanks!

*Herb*

## Meeting Minutes, September 19, 2011

The September 2011 meeting was held Monday, September 19th, at The Sports Café, our new winter location. We had a good turnout with 28 members and three guests: Don & Pat Pfitzinger and Lynn Holloway.

The Club meeting was facilitated by Paul Meyer, Asst. Director.

The minutes of the August 2011 meeting were approved as printed in the Gazette.

Treasurer's Report: \$1867.22 Club Account, \$1550.76 Regional Account

**September Birthdays & Anniversaries** – see Gazette

**Members Ill** – Herb Morris had shoulder surgery.

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **September**

- 10 Wagner Buick Show. We had 8 Buicks, 3 Oldsmobiles and one Pontiac
- 11 Wheels In Motion - Westport Plaza, Donated \$435
- 17 Fast Eddies/Winery Cruise, 11 members participated
- 18 Horseless Carriage Club show at Queeny Park – Rained out
- 23-25 Route 66 Festival - Springfield, IL

#### **October**

- 16 Fall Color Tour and lunch at Big Chief, Pond, MO
- 17 Regular Monthly Meeting, Sports Café
- 22-23 St. Genevieve Overnight
- 29 Fall Oil Change, Paul Meyer's Shop

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## October Birthdays

Bob Brasses  
Joe Horvath, Sr  
Sharon Morris  
Susan Roth

Sherri Dodson  
Cindy Lotz  
Wendy Nathan  
Jenna Smythe

Rich Horst  
Helene Mcdonough  
John Pegg  
Maggi Wester

## October Anniversaries

Gene & Ina Hughes  
Marty & Judy Hughes  
Bill & Ginny Landers

## 2011 CALENDAR

### October

- 16 Fall Color Tour, Lunch at Big Chief  
17 Regular Monthly Meeting - Sports Café  
3579 Pennridge Dr., Bridgeton, MO 63044  
22-23 Overnight or daytrip to St. Genevieve - Visit  
Crown and other wineries  
29 Fall oil change, Paul Meyer's garage

### November

- 21 Regular Monthly Meeting - Sports Café  
3579 Pennridge Dr., Bridgeton, MO 63044

### December

- 3 Lunch on The Hill, Regular Monthly Meeting,  
Toys for Tots, Botanical Garden,

### January 2012

- 15 Holiday Party, 4 pm, C.J. Muggs, Webster  
Groves

### Meeting Minutes, September 19, 2011(Cont')

#### **Old Business**

At the Wheels in Motion Show, our Club donated \$345 from sno-cone "sales" plus \$100, for a total of \$445.

Chuck Kerls, from Kansas, was elected to the BCA Board of Directors.

#### **New Business**

Wings of Hope nominated for Nobel Peace Prize

#### **50/50 drawing**

Won by Joe Horvath III

#### **Next Regular Meeting**

October 17, Sports Cafe, 7:30pm

### Upcoming Events

**Fall Color Cruise with Lunch at Big Chief Dakota Grill.** Sunday, October 16. Meet at the Museum of Transportation upper parking lot for a 9:00 am departure. The route will be very similar to the one used by the Museum last year, following much of route 66. Lunch will be at Big Chief Dakota Grill in Pond, MO. Please call Pete Nathan at 314-413-2966 or e-mail him at [phnauto@aol.com](mailto:phnauto@aol.com) ASAP if you plan to attend.

**October Regular Meeting.** Monday, October, 17, Sports Café, 3579 Pennridge Dr., Bridgeton, MO 63044. To reach the Sports Café, take I-70 or I-270 to West on St. Charles Rock Road. After one block, turn left at the traffic light onto Boenker Rd., then after one block turn left onto Pennridge Dr. The restaurant is on the right. Plan to arrive by 6:30 and enjoy dinner prior to the 7:30 meeting.

**Overnight or Daytrip to St. Genevieve.** Saturday, October 22 and Sunday, October 23. Meet at the Holiday Inn, I-55 and Butler Hill Road at 10:30 am on Saturday. Overnight at the Microtel in St. Genevieve. Herb Morris needs to know who's going ASAP, so he can get the hotel rooms lined up. Call Herb at 314-221-8138 or e-mail at [reatta90@sbcglobal.net](mailto:reatta90@sbcglobal.net). Day trip participants (Saturday or Sunday) are welcome to join us. Winery Visits, etc.

**Fall Oil Change.** Saturday, October, 29, 10 am to 2 pm, at Paul Meyer's garage at Spectra Painting, 13573 St. Charles Rock Road (1.3 miles west of I-270, on the right as you drive west). Chili with all the toppings and soda will be provided.

**Input Needed.** I'm out of material for future newsletters. Please take some photos and/or write a few paragraphs about one of our summer events, your restoration project, or any other topic of interest to our club members.

Thanks, Editor

## **Other Events in the Area**

**North County Cruise Nites.** Second Friday of the month, April through October, 6:00 pm. Music and 50/50 drawing benefiting Friends of Kids with Cancer. At Behlmann Buick GMC, I-270 and McDonnell Blvd. Sponsored by Gateway GTO Association and Behlmann. E-mail [nctycruisenites@aol.com](mailto:nctycruisenites@aol.com) for additional information.

## **FOR SALE**

**1968 Riviera, price reduced to \$6200.** Very nice car with 38K original miles, has been in heated garage. Pictures available, Ray, 314-298-0604, anytime.

**1953 Roadmaster.** Recently rebuilt transmission, new ring gear, new radiator, plus more. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary model with first of the V-8s. Has P.S., P.B., P. seat, P. windows. Matching numbers. Shop manuals and other original documents. Gene Hughes, cell 314-504-4844. Pictured on cover of May 2007 Gazette.

**Two 1963 Buick Specials.** Car #1 is a convertible, 215 V8, 3 speed trans, factory air conditioning. Car #2 is a 2 door coupe, 215 V8, 4 speed trans. Both cars have bucket seats, both cars need right rear quarters, both engines turn over (not stuck), both seem to be complete. Sell as a pair, \$2000. Paul Meyer, 314-574-9853

**Huge Quantity of 1964 Buick Riviera parts For Sale.** Donated to our chapter by a Buick enthusiast, proceeds will be used to fund chapter activities, including the 2012 Heartland Regional Show. Call Paul Meyer, 314-574-9853, ASAP for the Rivi parts you need.

**1962 Special.** Extra engine and transmission, various parts and books, pictures available. Best offer. Steve, 314-393-0996, 314-487-8586 or [swarringin@hotmail.com](mailto:swarringin@hotmail.com).

**1978 Skylark 4-Door.** Very good condition with automatic, PB, PS, A/C, new battery, lots of factory chrome trim. Has 46,XXX actual miles. Pictures available. Recently passed state safety test. Marilyn, 618-975-6316 or [rubato@htc.net](mailto:rubato@htc.net).

**The latest version of the club roster is included in this issue.** Please look at your own information and let me know if there are any corrections are needed. Bill Landers, 636-916-3310 or e-mail [walanders@sbcglobal.net](mailto:walanders@sbcglobal.net).

**Attention Attention Attention**

Any club members who is having any type of difficulty attending club meetings or functions, please contact

**Pete Nathan 314-413-2966**

Transportation will be arranged for you

Conserve fuel – carpool

God Bless America and Buick club members



At Fast Eddie's, September 17  
By editor

At Grafton Winery, September 17  
By editor



Paul Meyer's '63 Wildcat, damaged in the tornado, being driven in a Bridgeton parade.  
From Steve Dodson

Paul Meyer's '63 Wildcat, damaged in the tornado being driven in a Bridgeton parade.  
From Steve Dodson



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### Wagner BOP, GMC Show

There were a few showers on the MO side on the morning of September 10, but the weather was dry in Belleville. A disappointingly small crowd showed up at Wagner Buick GMC, but those who did saw some different cars and were treated to hot dogs and brats expertly grilled by Rusty Wagner. Everyone also left with an attendance prize.

Perhaps the low attendance was partly a function of the threat of rain or perhaps because we scheduled the show late in the year and didn't properly publicize it. Also the show hadn't been held for a couple of years because of the issue with GM. We plan to schedule early next year and publicize the show better.



Buicks at the Wagner Show



More Buicks at the Wagner Show



Oldsmobiles at the Wagner Show

Text and photos by editor.

More photos from the Wagner Show, by editor.



09-10-2011 12:30

The only Pontiac present.



09-10-2011 12:39

Buicks



09-10-2011 12:40

Buicks



A nice Chevy rod was present.



Another photo from Wheels In Motion, by editor



Paul Meyer's '63 Convertible, from Steve Dodson.

The *GATEWAY GAZETTE* is a monthly newsletter, free to paid members of the St. Louis Gateway Chapter of the Buick Club of America. Articles, technical information, For Sale and Want Ads, photos, restoration sagas and coming events are welcomed, but must be submitted by the first Monday of the month to assure inclusion in the next issue.

Our membership year runs from May 1 to April 30. Membership is renewable on May 1. Members joining between January 1 and April 30 are paid up through the next April. Dues are \$15 per year for the local chapter. Contact Pete Nathan, Treasurer. See address below. Current dues for the national club are \$50 per year, payable to: Buick Club of America, P.O. Box 360775, Columbus, OH 43236-0775.

The Gateway Chapter meets monthly on the THIRD MONDAY of the month. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM and guests are welcome to attend. We meet at various restaurants around St. Louis and most members and guests try to arrive by 6:30 or earlier to have dinner before the meeting.

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