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Cruise to Bobby's Custard

While the weather was rather hot when the group arrived at Bobby's, it cooled off later and became quite a nice evening. There were 6 members of our club and 5 or 6 members of the Gateway City Chapter of the AACA. The first order of business was dinner at the Red Apple. The food was good and the restaurant was able to arrange one large table which accommodated everyone, making conversation easier.

The group was able to park on Bobby's lot next to the bank and arrange their chairs in front of the cars. After dinner, it was time to relax and listen to the music. The band for the evening played a wide variety of music, most of which was enjoyable, although a few of the more-modern numbers probably appealed only to the younger crowd.

A number of other older cars, including a couple of Buicks showed up later in the evening, so there were more old cars to check out and owners to talk to. Of course there was the delicious custard for dessert (unfortunately this year we had to pay for it.)

By 8:30 or 9:00, most of the group had headed home from another nice visit to Bobby's.



Upcoming Events

BCA National Meet, July 1-5, Colorado Springs, CO

Next Regular Meeting

Fenton Bar & Grill, 701 Rudder Road, July 9, 7:30 p.m.

(Note the change from our regular schedule!!!)

Director's Message

Hi All,

As I write this, we are getting ready to head to the National in Colorado. Just to make things fun, we are taking the '55 to the Alton antique boat show on Saturday followed by the Museum of Transport show on Sunday. We will be heading out to the National Sunday after the MOT show!

Don't forget, we have a Regional coming up. It is in Appleton, Wisconsin which is not far from Green Bay. So if we have any football fans, the Packers Hall of fame is close by. There is also a great railway museum in the area for those interested in trains.

Pete Nathan has offered to coordinate getting members to outings and meetings when they have a lack of transportation. If you should be unable to reach Pete, give me a call and we will get someone to help get you to club events.

THANKS for your help PETE and in bringing up this need!

On a personal note, the wedding is over! Now on to the rest of the car show season!

Hope to see everyone at the July Meeting..

Bob

Meeting Minutes, June 4, 2009

The June 2009 meeting was held on Thursday, June 4th, at Fenton Bar & Grill. We had a fair turnout with no guests.

The Club meeting was facilitated by Bob Brasses, Director.

The minutes of the May 2009 meeting were approved as printed in the Gazette after noting that one of our guest's name was actually Rick and not Bill. Sorry.

Pete Nathan was present to give the Treasurer's Report for both May & June.

June Birthdays

Ralph Bauer	Paul Meyer
Bill Bicknell	Franco Palmeri
Gene Bossaller	John Midkiff
Mike Driscoll	Angie Midkiff
Doris Hall	Joseph Walchshouser

June Anniversaries

Phil and Mary Berger
 Paul and Mary Ann Meyer
 Pete and Wendy Nathan
 Dave and Louise Smith
 Joseph and Janet Walchshouser

Upcoming Events

June

- 4 Regular Monthly Meeting - Fenton Bar & Grill
- 5 Fenton Cruise - Life Christian Church
- 6 Bobby's Custard Cruise

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July Birthdays

James Bain	Ina Bicknell
Steve Kramarczyk	Monica Ledwon
Adam Martin	Anna Marie Meyer
Herb Morris	Pete Nathan
Gail Simon	Bill Seibel
Bob Windal	

July Anniversaries

James & Marcia Bain
 Avis & Anna Marie Meyer

Meeting Minutes, June 4, 2009 (Continued)

June (Continued)

- 5-7 Olds Club Tan Tar A Show
- 20 Hazelwood Baptist Church Free Car Show.
Meet at Steak & Shake on Howdershell, 8 am
- 27 Antique Boat Show – Alton, IL
- 28 Museum of Transportation Show – 9:00, \$5.00
Donation

July

- 1-5 National Meet - Colorado Springs, CO
- 3 Fenton Cruise - Life Christian Church
- 9 Regular Monthly Meeting - Fenton Bar & Grill
- 12 Lion's Club Show - McNair Park

November

12-14 Southeast Regional Meet – Murphysboro, TN
– Any Interest?

New Business

Wagner Update

Bill Siebels '56 for sale on eBay

50/50 drawing – Herb Morris

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July 9 Fenton Bar & Grill, 7:30

2009 Calendar

July

- 1-5 National Meet - Colorado Springs, CO
- 3 Fenton Cruise - Life Christian Church
- 9 Regular Monthly Meeting - Fenton Bar & Grill
- 12 Lion's Club Show - McNair Park

October

- 1 Regular Monthly Meeting - ?
- 2 Fenton Cruise - Life Christian Church
- 4? St. Charles Octoberfest Show
- ? Cruise to Bill Bicknell's
- ? St. Genevieve Overnight Tour

August

- 6 Regular Monthly Meeting - Fenton Bar & Grill
- 7 Fenton Cruise - Life Christian Church
- 13-16 BCA Heartland Regional Show, Appleton, WI
- 29 Skyview Drive-In

November

- 5 Regular Monthly Meeting - ?
- 7 Fall Oil Change
- 12-14 Southeastern Regional Show, Murfreesboro, TN

September

- 3 Regular Monthly Meeting - Fenton Bar & Grill
- 4 Fenton Cruise - Life Christian Church
- 6 Wheels In Motion - Westport Plaza
- 12 Wagner Buick Show
- 26-28 Route 66 Festival - Springfield, IL

December

- ? Luncheon Get-Together?

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Steve Vander Pluyim

Annual Balance Sheet Pete Nathan, Treasurer

BALANCE SHEET May 2008 - April 2009

REVENUE

50-50	\$212.00
Belt Buckles	\$450.00
Dues	\$840.00
Dusters	\$15.00
Ad Steve Dodson	\$25.00
Manor Grove nursing home	\$100.00
Easter show	\$225.00
Sinclair Buick	\$250.00
Wagner Buick	\$100.00
Regional/national Meet donations	\$169.17
Smithton car parade	\$160.00
Schriners Hospital--cash donations	\$200.00
Christmas Dinner (\$5.00/person)	\$120.00
sno-cone sales	\$157.00
Trophy sales	\$37.77
Trophy sales	\$180.00
Total Revenue	\$3,215.94

EXPENSES

Ed Keil (lunch at the plantation)	\$215.02
Ed Keil (lunch oil change)	\$102.89
Newsletter	\$418.95
Business cards (Adam Martin)	\$61.39
Bob Brasses repair sno-cone m	\$5.52
Steve Dodson sno-cone supplies	\$48.90
wheels in motion	\$100.00
Schriners hospital	\$455.00
HCCM (easter show)	\$240.00
womans Food for oil change	\$121.00
Bob Brasses-Christmas presents	\$82.76
tent clips (Bob Brasses	\$10.00
Cristmas Dinner	\$678.79
Hoover's Manufacturing (buckles)	\$228.34
Trophy World (Ed Keil)	\$9.00
John Waltz award (Bob B)	\$68.96
belt buckle supplies	\$28.39
Total Expenses	\$2,874.91

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Total Revenue \$3,215.94

Revenue less Expenses \$341.03

Year End Balances \$2,460.35

Year end CD balance
1 year deposit \$2825.97 \$2,825.97

Total year end balances \$5,286.32

Bill Bicknell has pointed out that the web site 1954Buick.com has lots of interesting information on 1954s for those with interest in that model.

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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

More pictures from Bobby's Contributed by 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 next-to-last Thursday 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 \$40 per year, payable to: Buick Club of America, P.O. Box 360775, Columbus, OH 43236-0775.

The Gateway Chapter meets monthly on the FIRST THURSDAY of the month. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM and guests are welcome to attend. During the warmer months, May through October, we meet at Fenton Bar & Grill, 701 Rudder Road, Fenton, MO. During the winter months, November through April, we move indoors to various restaurants around St. Louis.

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