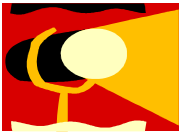


# Gateway Gazette

Monthly Newsletter of the St. Louis Chapter  
**BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA**

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## Member Spotlight By Steve Dodson



### Spotlight on Mike Driscoll



This month's "Member Spotlight" focuses on Mike Driscoll. Mike currently owns a 1939 Buick Special 4 Dr. Sedan, 1949 Ford 2 Dr. modified Custom Sedan, and 1986 Buick Regal T-Type, with T-Tops.

When asked which was his all time favorite car, he said it was his third 1965 Riviera, which he owned for 10 years. When asked why, he said he just liked the design. Mike put it up for sale on EBay with a high price just to see how much it would bring. To his surprise someone from Belgium bought it on the second day of the listing. So Mike's favorite 65 Riviera now resides in Belgium!

Mike has been a member of this club when it was first formed back when he bought his first 65 Riviera. Shortly after he sold his Buick, he dropped out of the club. 15 years later he rejoined the club and has been a member ever since.

Mike and his wife, Judy, like boating and have been doing it for the past 25 years. They started out with a small runabout and through the years have worked their way up to their current 40 foot house boat which they keep on the river at Louisiana, MO.

Mike has owned his own business, Driscoll Pest Control, for the past 20 years, so don't be "bugging" Mike, he knows what to do! Before that

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## Upcoming Events

**CLUB DUES FOR THE 2010/2011 YEAR ARE PAST DUE**

**Next Regular Meeting, Monday, June 21, Fuddrucker's, 7:30**

**Museum of Transport All-Buick Show, Sunday, June 27, 9 am-3pm**

**See Page 4 for Details of Upcoming Events**

## Director's Letter

Hi Everyone:

.WOW!!! Summer is finally here and the antique car season is in full swing.

In review, our April 25 lunch at the Missouri Botanical Gardens was a good day trip, but very few members turned out because of the cold and rainy weather. The display at Sinclair Buick on May 1 had a fair attendance, but again the skies were cloudy and looked like rain. Our regular May meeting saw 38 members (counting children) come out. Fuddrucker's will rebate approximately \$50 to our Club for the amount of food purchased. The picnic at Love Park on May 22 was well attended and everyone had a great time soaking up the summer sun. It is always a good time hanging out with Buick friends.

We have an action packed month planned for June. Please check your Gazette calendar, so you don't miss some exciting events.

Please support your Club by attending as many outings as you can. It is nice to see our members come out to display their fine-looking vehicles.

Thanks!  
Herb Morris

## Meeting Minutes, May 17, 2010

- Location: The May 2010 meeting was held on Monday, May 17, at Fuddrucker's. . A total of 38 members (including four children) attended the meeting.

## Meeting Minutes, May 17, 2010 (Continued)

- The Club meeting was facilitated by Herb Morris, director.
- Welcome to new members: Jerry Wilson and T. J. Rinn
- No one had any information on members that are ill.
- Minutes from the April 2010 meeting were accepted as printed in the *Gateway Gazette*.
- Pete Nathan gave his Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's report was approved as given.  
  
Pete asked that all food receipts be given to him after the meeting, so the Club will be able to get its rebate from Fuddrucker's.
- Performance Division – Adam Martin informed the Club that the GS National has been moved to October 2010 because of flooding.
- Buick National – Ten members indicated that they would be attending the Buick National in Ames, Iowa July 27-31.
- Regional Meet – It was noted that the Great Lakes Regional will be held in Columbus, Ohio, on August 26-28, 2010. Our Club was asked for any assistance that we can give them. If we assist, we would share in any profits made

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## **June Birthdays**

Ralph Bauer	Bill Bicknell
Gene Bossaler	Mike Driscoll
Doris Hall	Mike Lotz
Paul Meyer	Angie Midkiff
John Midkiff	Karen Nolte
Franco Palmeri	Tom Ralston
Joseph Walchshauser	

## **June Anniversaries**

Jimmy & Rachel Gehm	Dennis & Helene Mcdonough
Paul & Mary Ann Meyer	Pete & Wendy Nathan
Tom & Martha Ralston	Dave & Louise Smith
Joseph & Janet Walchshauser	

<b>2009-2010 BALANCE SHEET</b>			
<b>REVENUE</b>		<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Dues	\$780.00	Newsletter	\$371.03
Belt Buckles	\$357.00	HCCM ( easter show)	\$315.00
50-50	\$274.00	Ladies luncheon	\$261.38
Easter show	\$300.00	Holiday dinner	\$250.00
Sinclair Buick	\$150.00	Kids for Cars trading cards	\$194.40
Holiday dinner	\$105.00	Food for oil change	\$129.94
Wagner Buick	\$100.00	Waltman trophy - dash plaques	\$122.05
Fuddruckers	\$84.63	Wheels in motion	\$100.00
Museum of Transportation show	\$55.00	Stamps for Gazette mailing	\$84.00
Horsless Carriage club	\$50.00	Reserve Pavillion	\$75.00
Trophy sales	\$45.00	Ed Keil (lunch at the plantation)	\$72.77
Book Auction	\$35.00	Funeral flowers	\$69.18
Sno-cone sales	\$28.48	Treasurer expenses	\$65.91
Ad Steve Dotson	\$25.00	Christmas giveaways	\$62.86
Ad Mike Driscoll	\$25.00	Belt Buckle mailing costs	\$42.67
Donated Parts	\$20.00	Plaques	\$22.86
Car duster	\$15.00	Invitations for Ladies luncheon	\$22.09
		M.O.T. trophy plates	\$9.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,449.11</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,270.14</b>
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<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$2,449.11</b>		
<b>Revenue less Expenses</b>	<b>\$178.97</b>		
<b>Year End Balances</b>	<b>\$2,635.71</b>		
<b>Year end CD balance</b>			
1 year deposit \$2825.97	\$2,922.92		
<b>Total year end balances</b>	<b>\$5,558.63</b>	Pete Nathan, Treasurer	

### **Servant of Mankind Award for Delia Greer**

Wings of Hope honored our own Delia Greer with the "Servant of Mankind" award at their annual Volunteer Luncheon. To quote Wings Chairman, Larry Lemke, "Delia has been tireless in her work at Wings of Hope. The last sentence in the award that she received says it all. 'On behalf of the millions of poor that we assist worldwide, all of us at Wings of Hope extend our heartfelt thanks for all you do.'"

Wings of Hope is the largest volunteer charity in the Midwest. It is a diverse world-wide charity, a complex organization that serves interests ranging

from air medical transportation for a child in need of immediate medical attention, to a start-up operation in health care for an African country recovering from years of war and oppression, to a commitment to a sustainable food program for selected villages in the Amazon jungle. All of this is done in over 40 countries, including here in our own backyard. Delia has contributed her nursing expertise not only to the Medical Air Transport here in the Midwest but also to several of the Wings of Hope missions around the world.

Congratulations, Delia, and thank you.

## Upcoming Events

**Monday, June 21, Regular Monthly Meeting.** Fuddrucker's, South Lindbergh and Watson road, plan to arrive by 6:30 and enjoy dinner prior to the 7:30 meeting. The club receives a rebate on food purchased.

**Sunday, June 27, Museum of Transport All-Buick Show.** In the front parking lot at the MOT, 3015 Barrett Station Road. Take I-270 to Dougherty Ferry Road west then approximately 0.5 to a left (south) on Barrett Station Road at the light. Follow the signs to the show.

This is our show at the MOT. It is important that we have a successful show, so put this on your must-do list and bring your Buick out to support our club and the MOT.



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## 2010 CALENDAR

### June

19 Hazelwood Baptist Church Free Show  
 20 MOT Show, Any Marque  
 21 Regular Monthly Meeting - Fuddrucker's,  
 Watson Road & S. Lindburgh, 7:30 pm  
 27 MOT All-Buick Show

### July

2 Fenton Cruise - Life Christian Church  
 11 Lion's Club Car Show, St. Charles  
 16 MOT Cruise with Buick as featured Marque  
 19 Regular Monthly Meeting - Fuddrucker's,  
 Watson Road & S. Lindburgh, 7:30 pm  
 24 Smithton Parade ??  
 27-31 BCA National Show - Ames, IA

### August

6 Fenton Cruise - Life Christian Church  
 7 \*\*Lunch at Dreamland Palace, Schorr Lake  
 winery  
 14 \*\*BBQ at Schmiehausens  
 16 Regular Monthly Meeting - Fuddrucker's,  
 Watson Road & S. Lindburgh  
 21-22 \*\*Overnight or daytrip to St. Genevieve - Visit  
 Crown and Cave wineries  
 ?? Skyview Drive-In Theater  
 26-28 Great Lakes Regional, Columbus, OH

\*\* Need a headcount for these events

### September

3 Fenton Cruise - Life Christian Church  
 12 Wheels in Motion Show, West Port Plaza  
 19 \*\*Lunch at Fast Eddie's, cruise to winery in Grafton  
 20 Regular Monthly Meeting - Fuddrucker's,  
 Watson Road & S. Lindburgh  
 26 St Charles Octoberfest Show  
 24-26 \*\*Route 66 Festival - Springfield, IL

### October

?? \*\*Chile, etc at the Kunz Plantation  
 8 Fenton Cruise - Life Christian Church  
 18 Regular Monthly Meeting - Fuddrucker's,  
 Watson Road & S. Lindburgh  
 30 \*\*Fall oil change / Ladies luncheon at Blue Owl

### November

4 Regular Monthly Meeting - ??

### December

4 \*\*Lunch at Spaghetti Factory, Toys for Tots  
 11 \*\*Cruise to Our Lady of the Snows for holiday party  
 ??? Possible shows at Veterans Homes at  
 Jefferson Barracks, North County

### Spotlight on Mike Driscoll (Continued)

Mike worked as a policemen for the City of St. Louis for 12 years. His last duty on the force was with the Bomb and Arson Squad; glad to see you made it out of there all in one piece Mike!

Mike caught the "Old Car Bug" in 1969 when he traded in his wife's Mustang for his first Buick.

Mike and Judy have been married 41 years (even after trading in his wife's Mustang)! They have a son and daughter and three grandchildren.

Mike served our country for 4 years in the US Navy, most of the time aboard an Aircraft Carrier as a flight deck director. Thanks Mike for your service.

### Meeting Minutes, May 17, 2010 (Continued)

- For other upcoming events, please check the Club's calendar.
- Vehicle for Sale: 65 Electra Convertible with 140k miles; newer top and interior; a few hail dents in hood and trunk; asking \$5,000. Herb has additional information.

#### New Business:

There was a discussion about trophies for the All Buick MOT Show. It was decided that Pete Nathan would get the trophies.

Jerry Wilson won the 50-50 drawing.

## **FOR SALE/WANTED**

**1939 Special 4 door** The engine has been detailed, the valve seats hardened, the clutch rebuilt, carburetor rebuilt, mains replaced, oil pump rebuilt, rear end changed to 390, bumpers re-chromed, seat belts added, 6 volt electric fuel pump added for backup, and 6 volt push fan added for 90 degree weather. This dark green car is all original with no rust and is in very good condition inside and outside. Only \$11,000. Mike Driscoll, 314-846-2322.

**1973 Cadillac Coupe Deville, 2 Dr HT.** All options, 98,000 miles, all new brake system, front rotors, calipers, pads and hoses; rear brake shoes. Runs great, all new WW tires with front-end alignment. Always been garaged, everything works except AC not cold. Asking \$3,900. OBO. Steve Dodson, 314-846-5588

**1983 Riviera Conv.** White with red leather interior, 307 V-8, 106,000 miles, in good condition. \$10,900. Don & Barbara Roehl, Washington, MO, 314-723-0516.

**1965 Rivas (2), one blue, one gold.** The blue one has a 425 engine with 2-4 carb setup with chrome breather. Rare options include 4 note horns, chrome kleenex box holder, and sun visor mirror. Full rubber truck mat. The gold one has a 401 engine with 2-4 setup with factory chrome breather. Rare options rear window defroster, 4 note horns, and wood-grain trim interior. Has 1953 Buick wire wheels, but the rest of car is original. Both cars underwent total restoration about 12 years ago. Each has been driven less than 200 miles the past 9 years since my husband's death. Contact Betty Stewart, Decatur, IL, 217-423-3858

**1965 Riviera Wheel Covers** (not wheels) 5 with the Riviera center cap, 1 without. All 6 for \$75. Harold Wallis, [rahsill@aol.com](mailto:rahsill@aol.com).

**1970 Buick Electra Limited.** Just like a 225, only up scale. Two door, 455 engine, PS, PB, A/C, new top, tires and mufflers, engine overhauled, low miles. Not perfect but a good solid car. Just lost my garage space. Asking \$4250. 636-343-1507. Leave a message for Bob Brasses

**The following FOR SALE items are by Paul Meyer, 314-574-9853:**

**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.

**1958 Buick Special Station Wagon, 4 door hardtop.** Motor runs very well, needs brakes, has new windshield, upholstery, floors, tires. Some rust in rockers. \$5500

**Dual carb set-up for '41-'42 320 engine,** Complete with linkage, \$1000. Paul Meyer,

**1941 320 engine, trans and dual carb set-up.** Motor runs, but I haven't heard it run. Still in the car, \$1500.

**NOS Harrison radiator, '42-'49 Special and Super.** Still in box, \$250.

**Wanted:** Set of Buick rear rubber floor mats for 1970 Electra 225, dark brown. John Pegg, 314-739-1542.

**Registration forms for the National Show** in Ames, IA, July 27-31 and the **Great Lakes Regional Show** in Dublin (Columbus), OH, August 26-28, are available from the Editor. [walanders@sbcglobal.net](mailto:walanders@sbcglobal.net)

# *St. Louis Museum of Transport*



*All-Buick Show*

*Sunday*

*June 27, 2010*

*9:00 AM to 3:00 PM*



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**I-270 to Dougherty Ferry Rd. West to Barrett station Rd. South & follow the signs.**

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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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