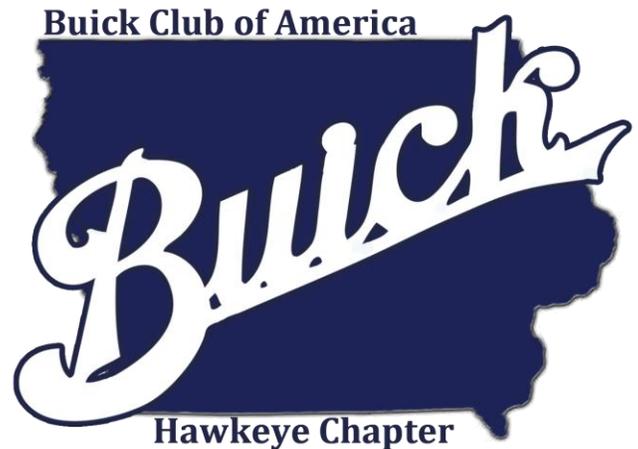


Iowa Hawkeye Buick Club Newsletter

September 2016

Director's message

I'm writing this after the Labor Day weekend, I've started to see changes in the weather. We have had cool temp days and now it is hot again. One of our trees is starting to drop its leaves. It won't be long and the combines will be moving in the fields and the Buicks will go into hibernation. Personally I like this time of year, so don't put the Buick away yet. We have two more events planned for this calendar year. The next event is on October 8th and November 5th so mark your calendars, more details later in this issue.



Allentown BCA Nationals:

Everything that I heard and read about Nicola Bulgari and his cars was true. Mr. Bulgari has a fantastic facility and his cars are awesome. The cars are probably not all pristine but I did not see one that I would not be proud to own. I know it was a long way to travel but it was worth it. The facility sits on approximately 20 acres with 11 buildings that are just a few years old. There are enough roadways on the property to exercise the cars without leaving the property. It was mentioned that Mr. Bulgari has 150 cars at this location, most of them from the pre-war years. The newest non-Buick vehicle I saw was a 1971 Chevrolet Nova SS, the newest Buick was a 1991 Park Avenue Ultra.

This year's event was attended by Alan and Joy Oldfield, Greg and Diane Nelson, Harold Werley, Ruth French, and Bill and Brenda Gorman. The Oldfield's drove their 1999 Riviera Silver Arrow; the Gorman's drove the 1969 Gran Sport. Each member that registered a car received a medallion celebrating the 50th anniversary of the BCA, these were handed out by Mr. Bulgari personally. There were 750 registered members and an estimated 600 Buicks in attendance.

Other vehicles on display was the 1938 Buick Y-Job, 1910 Buick Bug, Buick Avenir and the Buick Avista both concept cars. The Historic Vehicle Assn. had the first Camaro from 1967 and WWII Cadillac on display also. The Buick Y-Job was going being inducted as the 14th HVA car.

Congratulations to Alan Oldfield, if you check the September Buick Bugle it lists Alan as the newly elected Vice President of the BCA.

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Sioux City event:

August 27th 7 members gathered in the Sioux City area. Those attending were Gene Upstill, Bill Barquist, Greg Nelson, Bill Gorman, John McCarthy, Harold Werley and Ruth French. Harold arranged for the group to visit the Sergeant Bluff Historical Museum, The MidAmerican Museum of Aviation and Transportation, the Sergeant Floyd River Museum and of course the Palmer candy store.

All of the places visited had some very interesting displays and informative. I found out Bill Barquist really likes Palmer's candy store. Thank you Harold for arranging this event.

Future events:

October 8th 12:00 PM meet in Iowa Falls IA at the River Tap, 701 Railroad St.
641-316-1137

I have a room reserved; we will order from the menu and hold a meeting. Items for discussion, election of officers during November meeting and 2018 Heartland Regional.

At 1:30 PM we will depart for the Scenic City Express Riverboat at 1113 Union St. 641-648-9517. I have arranged for us to join the 2:00 PM public tour of the river on the boat. The tour will last approximately 1 ½ hours. The cost is \$7.00 per adult. They have open seating and enclosed seating on this river boat for all weather conditions.

I ask that you contact me by Sept 30 and let me know if you plan to attend this event. Seating is limited, if we have a large group, we may have to move the tour to later in the day. Please contact me at 515-290-6565 or bbgorman@huxcomm.net

November 5th Annual Holiday dinner

Place: Fairview Lodge, Story City, Iowa Directions: Exit I-35 at the Story City exit. West on Broad St. Turn right at Hillcrest Dr. Turn right at Story St. the Lodge is around the corner. You will be just north of the carousel and across the street from the high school.

Time: 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, Dinner about 12:00 PM

Cost: \$6.00 per person, maximum, club pays the balance

Gift exchange \$10.00 maximum. Man for Man, Woman for Woman

You must bring a gift to receive a gift

Agenda: Election of 2017 Officers and collection of 2017 dues.

Please RSVP to Bill Gorman by October 22nd. 515-290-6565 or bbgorman@huxcomm.net

Bill Gorman