

# Orange County Chapter Buick Club of America The Buick Running Board

February 2023

#### Director's Message

Hello OCCBCA members,

We are seeing lots of positive activity already in 2023. Msg. Doug hosted the annual Christmas party and several members attended the POCI event on Saturday (Norm/Lori Kredit, Richard Brewbaker, Irene Martinez, Alan Clark, Robert/Patricia Winters) and talked to several potential new Buick club members.

We also had our monthly Buick luncheon at Zito's, 2036 N. Tustin St., Orange, CA 92865.

Starting this month we are have a new section in the newsletters. A "Guest Corner" where each month a new member shares some info on themselves and their family, their perspective on club life, and be as creative as you like. This month we start with Secretary Irene Martinez.

If you know of anyone owning a Buick or NOT or any other Antiques, classic car, etc.. please ask them to join our wonderful club. A membership form is attached to hand out.

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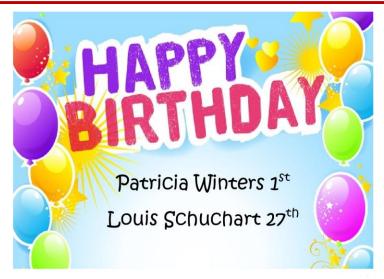
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Art Broadhurst in Long Beach is selling his car. A project that needs lot of work. 1931 Model 57 Four Door Sedan. \$4,000 to a good home. ArtBroadhurst@Yahoo.com.



Our February meeting this month will be on Saturday, February 18, 2023 at 11:00 am at **Zito's Pizza** in Orange Villa Shopping Center, 2036 N. Tustin St., Orange, CA 92865 (between Tustin and Meats)



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A Texan goes to a car dealership. He sees a car he likes and say "Gee that's a byoot!" The Dealer responds, "That's not a Buick that's a Honda!"

People think "icy" is the easiest word to spell. Come to think of it, I see why.

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### January 28th Show & Shine Recap

For two decades, the Southern California chapter of the Pontiac Oakland Club International (POCI) has hosted a winter "show & shine" event (no points judging). To get critical mass participation, the Pontiac folks opened the event to all GM brands except Chevrolet. Why do they discriminate against Chevy? 1) If the event were open to Chevrolets, it would be twice as large and a new location would be needed. 2) Among the GM passenger car brands, Pontiac and Chevrolet historically have been rivals.

To motivate participation from the non-Pontiac brands, the local POCI board approved a perpetual plaque to recognize the club with the greatest number of cars at the show. We hope that this will create competition among these clubs: Buick Club of America, Cadillac & LaSalle Club, Oldsmobile Club of America. This year, the score was Oldsmobile 7, Buick 6, Cadillac 5.

Elsewhere in this newsletter you may see a picture of me in front of a Pontiac. What kind of heresy is this - the BCA treasurer bringing a non-Buick to the show? As the sponsor of the award (and the guy who counted the cars), I needed to be agnostic for this award. But that does not prevent me from encouraging my fellow BCA members from coming out next year to take the award from Oldsmobile.

Norm Kredit defended the honor of our club by winning the "Most likely to appear in a movie" award with his 1937 Model 61. Other Buicks participating in the show included cars owned by former and future OCC BCA members. One



bonus of participating in this show is breakfast or lunch at the airport restaurant which is surprisingly good. Who goes to a small private airport just to eat? Apparently, lots of people from Fullerton and the surrounding area do, as Wings Café does a booming business every weekend, with or without a car show in their parking lot.

~Alan Clark

#### Members Corner Secretary's Message

Hi Everyone,

I am happy to be your secretary for another year. I will do my best to remind members of our monthly meetings by phone calls, emails or text.

Most of you know me but here is a little info regarding when my husband Tony and I joined the Buick Club of Orange County.

My husband and I have been married for 54 yrs. We have always had classic cars since then. We joined the Buick Club of Orange County in 1985. At that time our 1st Buick was a 49' Roadmaster 4 door Sedan and then a 41' Century Sedan. We lived in Santa Ana with our 3 children. We went to monthly meetings, had car shows at the park, went to National's and sold car parts at the swap meets. Our club had parties which we also had a couple of Halloween parties at our house. We had Progressive Dinners, which we would start at one house with appetizers, the next house with dinner and the last house with dessert and a white elephant exchange. Our club was a family club since we all were young and had children, so our children grew up in the club. It was like one big family.

We have had a 56'Century, 62' Skylark and our last was a 63' Skylark. In 1996, Northrop Grumman bought Westinghouse Electronics in Baltimore, MD and Tony and I moved there for our jobs, we only took our 63' Skylark with us and sold the others. We took it to a car show in Baltimore and a car show at Northrop Grumman. We never joined any Buick Clubs there because they weren't the same. We both

retired from our jobs in 2009, Tony and I came back to California to be close to our family. Tony retired in 2008 and I in 2009. At that time we sold our 63' Buick Skylark and it is now in Sweden.

Since we were gone from the Buick Club for so long and a lot of our members were getting up in age. In 2012, we started an annual reunion of the Orange County Chapter to get the members back together and since then we have had it yearly. Now we have invited all our new members to join us in our yearly reunion. This year it will be on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 11:00 am until about 1:00 pm, (location to be determined later). Please try to come.



#### Outgoing Directors Message

I would like to thank all of you for putting up with me as your director for many years. Nominations for our 2023 board went as follows: our Director Robert was nominated by Fred Ralwings and seconded by Sandy Baren; Assistant Director Sheridan Bishop nominated by Robert Winters and seconded by Sandy Baren; Treasurer Alan Clark nominated by Sandy Baren and seconded by Robert Winters; Secretary Irene Martinez nominated by Sandy Baren and seconded by Robert Winters; our editor is Cathy Simmons; Larry Minery nominated for Membership by Alan Clark and seconded by Irene Martinez; MSGR. Doug Cook will be our Historian and was nominated by Robert Winters and seconded by Alan Clark. I have enjoyed serving as your director and am looking forward to helping Robert as his assistant.

~Sheridan Bishop, Retiring Director

### Fullerton Airport Show





Here is a picture of Norm Kredit's car.





This car belongs to a former Buick member, Sid Munger







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