



Orange County Chapter
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Happy Holidays!!

December 2025

Happy Holidays Buick Enthusiasts!

I hope all of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday! The year has certainly passed by quickly and it seems like yesterday when I accepted the role of director. I recall stating my goals for the club at our last holiday party and am pleased with how far we have come. We increased membership, generated an electronic footprint and improved our activity calendar. After learning about the 50+ year history of our chapter, it was my desire to bring back the glory years of past decades and I believe we are well on our way to doing so in 2026.

Last month We welcomed two new members to the OCC BCA family: Marty Supple and Jessica Chandler (Dino). Juan Rendon started an Instagram page for the club. Please follow us at [instagram.com/buick_cluboc](https://www.instagram.com/buick_cluboc) (link below) and let's start building content wherever possible.

Through a collective effort of chapter members, our article featuring Dianne Reidy's "Shirley Temple" 1940 Buick Limited Convertible Phaeton Model 81C was submitted for publication in an upcoming edition of the Bugle. This will be our second article in the Bugle in less than a year and it would be wonderful if we can continue to share stories like this on a regular basis to increase awareness of our chapter.

As a reminder, we will not be holding our regular meeting this month and instead will celebrate together at our annual holiday party on December 27th . All of you should have received an invitation to the event from Msgr. Doug Cook



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but just in case you can find the details enclosed in the Running Board and on our website calendar.

Finally, let's start 2026 off in grand fashion and once again have a great showing at the 25th annual Show & Shine Car Show event put on by the SoCal Chapter of the Pontiac-Oakland Club. This has been a well attended event by the OCC BCA and as always, will be held at the Fullerton Airport. Event will be on Saturday, January 31st. Details can be found at <https://socalpoci.com/> and expect further details from Sam soon. There is limited space so pre-registration is encouraged.

See you December 27th!

Jeff

The OCC BCA Board Message from November:

Greetings Buick Enthusiasts,

As Thanksgiving approaches, the Board of Directors would like to extend our warmest wishes to each of you. We hope this season finds you well, and our thoughts are especially with those who may be facing challenges or difficult moments. You are part of our Orange County Chapter of the BCA family, and we care about each of you.



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This time of year reminds us to pause and appreciate the blessings in our lives. As you gather with family and friends, please know that we on the Board are truly thankful for all of you—your enthusiasm, your support, and the unique spirit you bring to our club. You are the reason our Chapter continues to thrive and remain such a special community.

As the year winds down, we are grateful for the memories we've made together and the many good times shared throughout 2025. We look forward to many more in the year ahead.

Wishing you and your loved ones a safe, joyful, and very Happy Thanksgiving.

Warm regards,

The OCC BCA Board

Greetings, Buick Fans!

*I am happy to invite you again to the **Holiday Dinner and White Elephant!***

*We gather on **Saturday, December 27th**, at our usual location, Mt. Carmel Church at 1441 West Balboa Blvd in Newport Beach.*

Happy Hour starts at 6:15, and Dinner at 7pm. Roast beef, mashed potatoes and vegetables will be served.



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Please feel free to bring friends or family, and something to share by way of a beverage, appetizer or dessert.

Those who wish to take part in the White Elephant should bring a gift to share in a fun exchange.

Kindly RSVP by replying to this email, or you can call or text me at 714-488-1664.

It has been a fun event for many years now, and I look forward to seeing you all here! In the meantime, my prayers and good wishes for all your celebrations ahead,

Msgr. Doug Cook

Don't forget you can also post and read upcoming events on our Buick Facebook and Instagram pages (a link is also integrated with our website)

[Facebook page- Orange County Chapter Buick Club America](#)

[Instagram page for Buick_cluboc](#)

November 2025 BCA OC Chapter Meeting

11/15/25 Marie Callendar's Orange, CA

Meeting started at 11:10am

Attendance

23 including 4 new members (Marty S, Jessica C, Dino C, Oscar B). The heavy rains did not stop us from having a great meeting.

Treasurer's report – Jeff for Alan



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The club sold the 1962 Buick for 3k and received \$100 for door magnets. Balance is \$6,283.35

Old business -

Club picnic was a great success with 24 members and family in attendance.

The photo shoot for Diane's 1940 Buick Limited series 80 took place with Alan as photographer and Sam as the driver to get all the amazing pictures.

New Business

Jeff introduced Sam Mandlin as the 2026 Assistant Director. Sam is taking over for Michael Kanter (Thanks Michael for all your work)

Sam's motto for 2026 is "Making our Presence Known" and is putting together a mix of club events for the new year starting with the POCI show January 31st.

Jessica C. volunteered to take on the newsletter position and will work with Robert to make the transition.

Ruthie T. Volunteered to take on the membership position. Duties include keeping up the member list and helping with other related tasks.

Juan R. is continuing to take care of the social media position. He announced the new Instagram page for our club. Name of the page is Buick_Club OC. Juan and Neil and others brought up many good ideas to grow the club's presence through local and regional shows, swap meets, and visiting other clubs and more.

Each of these members were voting into their new positions by those in attendance.

Tony M. donated Buick manuals to the club.

Jeff announced that the Golden West Regional Director Anne Gibson is still looking for an BCA Regional Coordinator. If interested let Jeff know. Anne promises help from her staff.

Jeff announced that the article on Dianne's Shirley Temple Buick is progressing and will be submitted to the Bugle in time for the double issue at the beginning of 2026.

Juan is working on club shirt ideas/designs to wear at shows and meetings to bring more attention to our club.

Tony created a motion to purchase a portable microphone/speaker system to use at our meetings and future shows. Motion passed by attendees with a \$200 max. spend.



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The club holiday party is scheduled for December 27th at 6:30pm. Look out for the email with all the details coming soon.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15pm.

Minutes prepared by Tony A. on 11/16/2025





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Patricia and Robert Winters attended two events this past month in their 1934 Buick Phaeton 68C

Las Vegas Veterans Day Parade (Miss Henderson Mariah Larronde)



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Lake Las Vegas Sports Club charity event: **St. Jude's Ranch for Children**





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Greetings from Lviv Ukraine UA (Larry Mustaller)

My Thanksgiving was excellent, provided by an American chef at his home here in Lviv a small gathering of 22 people from various countries

I took advantage of the holiday and I invited 9 local Ukrainian friends, three of which are instrumental in assisting me with a logistics company I am getting up and running in the coming months, Ukrainian Logistical Solutions (ULS).

Allowing them to participate in American culture other than cheese burgers and McDonald's all remarked it was amazing and enjoyed themselves.

ULS, a consulting company starting off with six offices and 9 Ukrainians teaching the western logistics terms and mannerisms being introduced to Ukraine prior to the reconstruction period after the war ends

Just dropping a note and expressing my missing participation in the activities of the club and close friends

A side note, my other projects continue for the past 3 years with the support of local orphanages with needed materials, now with winter ample heating devices generators clothing etc educational materials and equipment.

That said, in Fullerton my 55 Buick Riviera Special is parked in my garage and I would look forward if anyone is interested to continue with its life of excellence and remain in the club if possible

I haven't been proactive not knowing when this will end and how soon I will be able to return to my home as I continue with the pursuit of this life's journey.

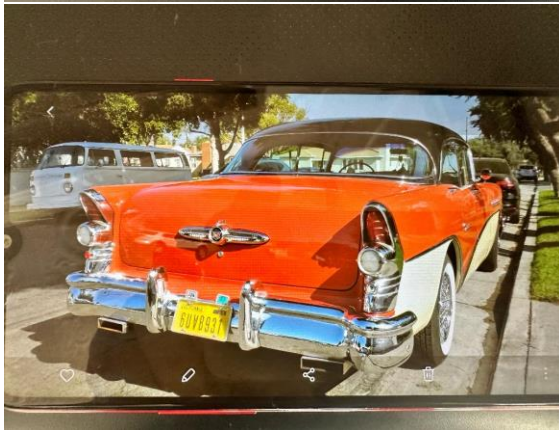
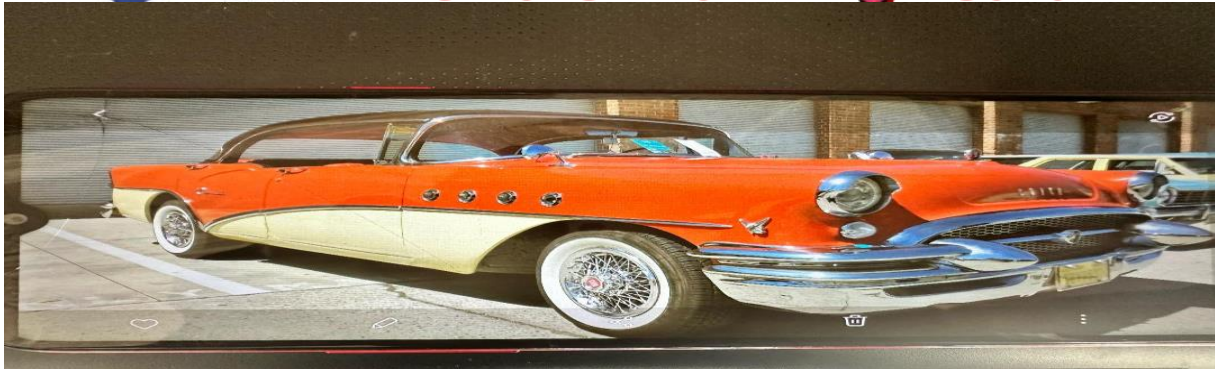
So if anyone is interested please reach out, my wife Elsie would be anxious to provide a viewing.

Best to all, and may the countries holiday spirit find all healthy and well,

Larry



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Alan Clark 12-1

Tony Martinez 12-31

JOKE CORNER

- **Q:** Why did the classic car go to therapy?
A: It had too many breakdowns.



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- For the last five years, you've had to settle for making "vroom, vroom" noises while in the driveway.





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Please stay current with yearly membership dues...

Dues due January, but can be paid any month prior !

Its greatly appreciated and helps club sponsor events and activities.



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Membership Registration – Required Information

Name: _____ New or Renewal (circle one)

Address: _____

Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____

Email: _____

National BCA Membership Number: _____

For insurance purposes, all members of the Orange County Chapter must be members of the national organization, the Buick Club of America. Chapter members are entitled to participate in all chapter activities and vote on all initiatives. Annual dues of \$20 include newsletter email communication. Please make checks payable to Orange County Chapter, BCA.

Optional Information

Spouse Name: _____

Birthdate(s) for you and spouse: _____

Ownership of a Buick or Opel is not required. If you own car(s), please list below:

Year _____ Model # _____ Model Name _____ Body Type _____

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Signature Date

Please return this form with payment to:

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