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The Director's Headlight



We had an awesome Heartland Regional! Buicks were driven and trailered from 11 different states. We had 60 cars registered but, unfortunately several never made it to the meet because of breakdowns or the rain on Saturday.

Thursday afternoon we had a wonderful group of workers from our club who helped set up two large tents, signs, preparing goodie bags, and marking show field parking spots. We can't thank you enough for all the help!

On Friday, registration opened and the Buicks started rolling in. In the afternoon, several attendees joined in on a short cruise to Red Robin. The restaurant staff and manager, Roberto, managed to seat 40 people quickly and kept the french fries coming! Families were treated with a free appetizer or dessert. A special thank you to the Red Robin crew for taking care of such a large group and allowing us to bring our classics.

Saturday was car show day with morning rain and several downpours with some sun mixed in. Most people were able to pick their Top 25 choices from the grand variety of Buick cars. We gathered everyone in the hotel lobby at 3 p.m. for special awards and Top 25. We also did a 50/50 pot, giveaways, and silent auction. When all that was done, the sun was shining and led into a beautiful evening. We decided to get two of our five cars home. We returned to the hotel around 9:30 p.m. just in time for bed. We were absolutely exhausted from the long day and week.

One of the goals of the regional was to gain a few new local members. One of our newest members, Tom Rowe, has invited us to tour his Buick collection at his home. Thanks, Tom, for wanting to share your collection and setting us up for lunch and a meeting! This truly will be a fun event to attend as I understand that his collection is quite impressive.

Our July 20th club meeting will be at Conroy's Public House at 5285 W. 95th Street, Overland Park, KS 66207. This will be at a special time of **noon** for the meeting and lunch followed by Tom's home tour. To top this off, club members will receive leftover goodie bags and Sonic poker chips for free cherry limeades. Mark your calendars now!

For the love of Buicks,



Ricky

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Let's celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries of our club members!

July	August	September
<p>8th – Pam Pirch's BD 17th – Kim Short's BD</p> 	<p>1st - Steven Davis 16th - Dave & Dana Madden's anniv. 19th - Tom & Peggy Rowe's anniv. 20th - Bob Speiser;s BD 28th - Stephanie Mellott's BD 29th - Joe & Stephanie Mellott's anniv. 30th - Steve Smock's BD</p>	<p>3rd - Marla Eschbacher's BD 8th - Matt Gordon's BD 10th - Tracey Davis's BD 11th - Sharon Smock's BD 22nd - Kevin Dvorak's BD</p> 

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Mid-America Chapter Buick Club Meeting Minutes May 2, 2025



The meeting was called to order at Pam and Ricky Pirch's home in Holden, MO at 3:23 p.m. by Director Ricky Pirch. 13 people were in attendance.

Member news:

Alana's Speiser's mother attended as a guest

Secretary notes:

Kevin read Secretary notes.

Jim motion to accept, Pam seconded

Treasury report:

No Treasury report in Don Allen's absence.

News:

Activities: Turbo Bob

- May 10th – Clinton Car Cruise from 4pm – 7pm – The actor who played Eddie Munster will be there.
- May 14th – 17th - GS Nationals in Bowling Green, KY.
- July 18-19th – Chillicothe Car Show.

2025 Heartland Regional Meet:

We have received \$625 in registrations, minus expenses.

26 have registered thus far, totaling 30 cars.

Reserved room numbers are looking good.

On Saturday afternoon of the meet, the award ceremony will be around 3 p.m.

Bob Tracy reached out to a couple companies about a 20x20 tent. \$500 from one company. The other company has not got back with Bob.

Steven and Tracey Davis to check on a 20x10 tent they have. Corey may also have a similar sized tent.

Ricky and Bob Tracy showed metal signs we could use for a giveaway or use for the silent auction.

Ricky talked about the contents of the traveling trailer.

Other news:

- The next club meeting is July 20th . We will be meeting at Pegah's in Lee's Summit.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40pm. Becky Tracy motion to adjourn, Steven seconded.

Editor's Note: Our May 2nd driving tour found our club members driving modern cars because of the threat of rain. It did rain that evening.

Some Upcoming Cruise Night & Car Show Dates

Pleasant Hill Cruise Nights 2025:

July – Cass County Fair (no cruise night)
August 15th
September 19th
October 17th

Holden, MO Cruise Nights 2025:

August 1st
September 5th
October 3rd

Car Cruise Central in Raymore, MO:

Every Saturday evening from 4-8 p.m. thru September 27th

Cruise Night at the Fishing Dock, 101 SW Outer Road, Archie, MO

First Mondays starting in May. Cruise starts at 6 p.m. Dinner & drink specials.

UA & Chill Cars & Coffee the first Saturday of every month at 8 a.m. beginning May 3, 2025 through November at River of Refuge, 5155 Raytown Rd, Raytown, MO

Chillicothe, MO Car Show: July 18th and 19th



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You might have noticed that our Facebook page for Mid-America Buicks got hacked. It was appearing as Texsol Operating Company but with our photos and logo. We were unable to secure the page or change the name back. We decided to start a new page (thanks Kevin, for getting it going!) and encourage you to like the page at facebook.com/61577891403684.

Heartland Regional: Red Robin Cruise Night



Heartland Regional: Special Awards



Hotel Pick: Harold Werley's 1986 LeSabre Funeral Coach



Chris K. Award: Jim & Martha D's 1977 LeSabre



Rich Gibbs Award: Tom & Peggy Rowe's 1967 Sportwagon



JDub Award: Casca Hunter's 1970 GS Stage I



Longest Distance Driven Award: Sid & Belva Meyer's 1999 Riviera Silver Arrow



Longest Distance Trailered: Jerry & Cyndi Ray's 1987 Regal Turbo Limited



Hard Luck Award: Harold Werley Thanks, Doug Short for making the award!



People's Choice Unrestored Original: Mark Macoubrie's 1970 GSX



People's Choice Unrestored Original: Jerry & Joan Bodden's 1987 GN



People's Choice Unrestored Original: Brent Hunter's 1971 GSX



People's Choice Modified: Jerry & Cyndi Ray's 1987 Regal Turbo Limited



People's Choice Modified: Chet & Jeanne Palumbo's 1968 Skylark

Heartland Regional: Awards (Continued)



People's Choice Convertible: Bill & Brenda Gorman's 1969 GS Convertible



Veterans Choice: Gary & Debbie Milstead's 1984 Riviera T-Type



Veterans Choice: John & Joey McCarthy's 1968 Wildcat



Veterans Choice: Daniel & Tammi Christensen's 1948 Roadmaster Conv.



Veterans Choice: Corey Hinrichs' 1955 Century



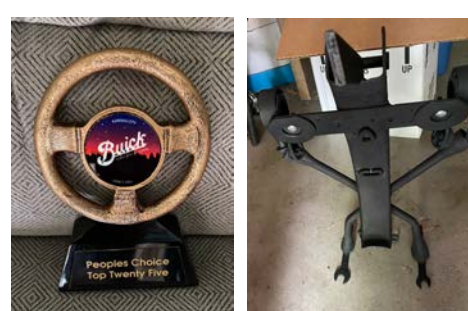
Veterans Choice: Ricky & Pam Pirch's 1972 Skylark SunCoupe



Veterans Choice: Tom & Peggy Rowe's 1966 Skylark Convertible



Porthole Ride: Pete Phillips' 1951 Special



Top 25 award, left. Hard Luck Award made by club member, Doug Short, right.

Top 25 Awards

1942 Special (48S) | Tom Imig & Dianne Harrell

1948 Roadmaster Convertible | Daniel & Tammi Christensen

1953 Special | Bob & Becky Tracy

1957 Century | Corey Hinrichs

1966 Skylark Convertible | Tom & Peggy Rowe

1969 Skylark Convertible | Steve Sterthman

1968 Wildcat | John & Joey McCarthy

1969 GS 400 Convertible | Bill & Brenda Gorman

1970 GSX | Dave Madden

1972 Skylark SunCoupe | Ricky & Pam Pirch

1986 LeSabre Funeral Coach | Harold Werley

1986 Regal T-Type | Larry & Nancy Longworth

1987 Regal Turbo Limited | Jerry & Cyndi Ray

1987 Grand National | Steve & Tracey Davis

1987 GNX | Mark Bertini

1991 Reatta | Alan & Joy Oldfield

1984 Riviera T-Type | Gary & Debbie Milstead

1999 Riviera Silver Arrow | Sid & Belva Meyer

2015 Regal GS | James Oerichbauer



**You all made me proud to be a
Mid-America Chapter member!!**



Our July 20th Meeting

Our next meeting is coming up on Sunday, July 20th at **noon** (time change). Club member Tom Rowe has arranged for us to meet at Conroy's Public House, 5285 W. 95th Street, Overland Park, KS. The restaurant is located on 95th Street between Roe and Nall.

We will have our meeting, enjoy lunch, and caravan to Tom's house to view his collection of Buick memorabilia. Tom's address is 9605 Meadow Lane, Leawood, KS 66206.

PLEASE RSVP to Ricky by Monday, July 14th at (816) 565-3193. The restaurant would like a count of those planning to attend.

Laura Bullock

Dylan Cain (Hilton Garden Inn)

Corner Café

Steven & Tracey Davis

Jim & Martha Dillenschneider

Kevin Dvorak

Paul & Marla Eschbacher

Steve Flick

The Rich Gibbs family

Matt & Sarah Gordon

Corey Hinrichs & Tela Gough

Greg Hansen

Bob & Becky Harris

Don Allen & Mary Ann Holdmeyer

Brent & Casca Hunter family

Independence Hilton Garden Inn

Chris Kovachevich's family

Mark Macoubrie

Dave Madden

Keith Marsee

Nikki Pirch

Pam Pirch

Red Robin & Roberto

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Steve Smock

Bob & Alana Speiser

Bob & Becky Tracy

Steve Ward

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