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## The Director's Headlight



At our March 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, we had nine members and Corey's grandson, Ethan, was a guest.



Our May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at 2 p.m. at Pegah's Restaurant in Lee's Summit, MO. Please plan on joining us for great food and to discuss summer activities to do as a club.

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The GS Nationals in Bowling Green, Kentucky continues to be very popular with our members, national Buick Club members, and the Board of Directors. I was able to sneak away for a quick trip to Kentucky. I talked with five of the nine BCA Board members including current president, Jerry, and three past presidents, Sid, Alan, & Roberta. BCA Chief Judge, Adam Martin, also plays a large part of GS Club of America judging. The GSCA and BCA come together each year to celebrate the Buick spirit. Our Mid-America chapter folks in attendance included myself, Kevin & Anna Dvorak, Mark Macoubrie, and Bob Speiser. While I was there, I also met prospective new members Jim & Elaine Bowers from St. Joseph, Missouri and John Glass & Amanda from Lee's Summit, Missouri.

This year, I traveled by myself. It felt like a blast from the past just like my very first time attending in 1988. I drove my 1971 GS 350 with no cruise control and entered the Saturday car show. I drove back on Sunday and made it to Booneville, Missouri with only \$12, which was two hours from home. I made a collect phone call to my dad and told him I was not sure I'd make it without running out of gas. He might need to get the trailer ready. The \$12 was all I had after spending too much money at the swap meet and eating breakfast at Shoney's. That trip, I will never forget! I did make it home late that evening and got a lecture from my dad about being more responsible. I applied for an APCO credit card after that. This year I also stopped at a Shoney's for breakfast just like in 1988.

Other trips to the GS Nationals throughout the years I have driven a 1981 Riviera T-Type, a 1994 Regal, several Chevy trucks, and a GMC Jimmy. One year, I flew to Nashville and rented a car. Other times I've trailered our Grand National twice. Kentucky in the spring is just amazing! Put this event on your must-do list. All Buicks are welcome to attend. You don't have to own a GS or Grand National.

The Heartland Regional will be June 25-27 in Ames, Iowa. Please make plans to help out our neighbors to the north. This will be the closest all Buick judged car show for several years, so plan to attend. I have registered our 1972 SunCoupe and we're planning to help judge and man the hospitality room as needed. Head up north with us to show your Buick and show the Hawkeye Chapter some support.

For the love of Buicks,

*Ricky*

# Birthdays and Anniversaries

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

| May                                                                                                                                                                            | June                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | July                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <p>11<sup>th</sup> – Kevin &amp; Anna Dvorak anniv.<br/>21<sup>st</sup> – Bob Tracy's BD</p>  | <p>8<sup>th</sup> – Anna Dvorak's BD<br/>8<sup>th</sup> – Paul &amp; Marla Eschbacher anniv.<br/>20<sup>th</sup> – Paul Eschbacher's BD<br/>26<sup>th</sup> – Jim &amp; Martha Dillenschneider anniv.<br/>27<sup>th</sup> – Doug &amp; Kim Short anniv.<br/>29<sup>th</sup> – Tom Rowe's BD</p> | <p>8<sup>th</sup> – Pam Pirch's BD<br/>17<sup>th</sup> – Kim Short's BD<br/>24<sup>th</sup> – Kathy Littleton's BD</p>  |

## Our Club Officers

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## Mid-America Chapter Buick Club Meeting Minutes March 15, 2026



The meeting was called to order at Pizza Shoppe in Blue Springs, MO at 2:06pm by Director, Ricky Pirch. 10 people were in attendance.

### **Member news:**

- 17 paid members out of 27
- Turbo Bob and Alana presented certificates for perfect club meeting attendance during 2025

### **Secretary notes:**

- Kevin read secretary notes
- Motion to accept by all members

### **Treasury report:**

- Don Allen presented treasury report
- The club paid Nikki for processing the website renewal
- Corey motion to accept, Laura seconded

### **News/Activities:**

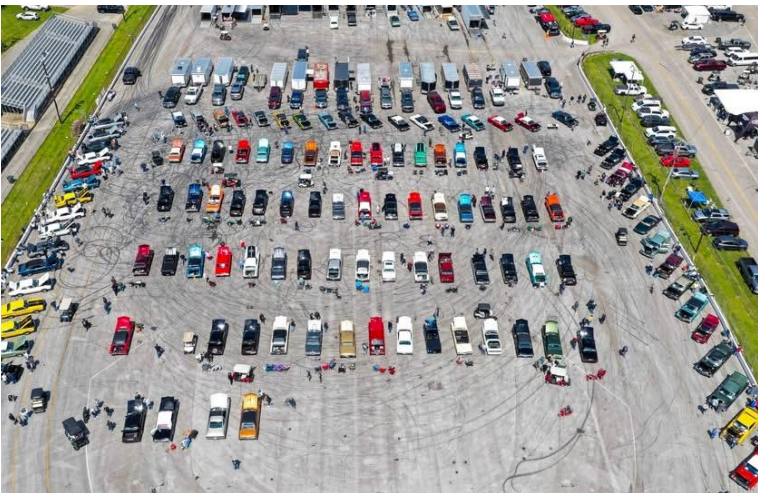
- Jackson Drive Cruise night every Saturday in Independence, MO (has now been cancelled)
- Swap meet March 27-28 at Frontier Village in Adrian, MO
- GS Nationals April 29 – May 2 in Bowling Green, KY
- Heartland Regional Meet June 25-27 in Ames, IA
- Rivera Nationals July 15-18 in Gettysburg, PA
- Buick National Meet August 19-22 in Albany, NY

### **Other news:**

- We talked about scheduling the driving tour to the Holden Car Cruise in June. We agreed to talk more at the May Meeting when hopefully more members will be present
- Next meeting is May 17. No location yet. July 19

Meeting adjourned 2:34pm at Kevin motion to adjourn, Pam seconded.

## GS Nationals





Mark Macoubrie's vintage t-shirt was spotted by the artist's son at the GS Nationals. It was designed in the 1980s.



## May Meeting

Pegah's Family Restaurant  
410 Route 291  
Lee's Summit, MO 64063

[See full menu](#)

