



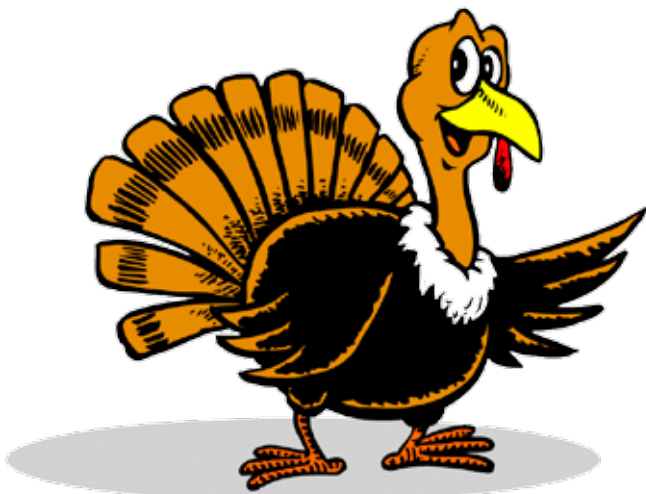
Central Ohio Chapter of the  
Buick Club of America

# THE HORN

Land of the Free



Home of the Brave



# Happy Thanksgiving

*The year has turned its circle,  
The seasons come and go.  
The harvest all is gathered in  
And chilly north winds blow.*

*Orchards have shared their treasures,  
The fields, their yellow grain,  
So open wide the doorway ---  
Thanksgiving comes again!  
—Old Rhyme*



**Please Support Our Troops**

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# Cruising Along

## *a note from the director*

Air Force Museum - On October 23rd Jack Mecham drove his '63 Wildcat to the Air Force Museum. He met Sabrina and me at the entrance and we waited there until after 10:00 AM for others but we were the only ones there from the BCA Central Ohio Chapter.

Jack is a volunteer at the museum so he gave us a personal guided tour. Not only is Jack a volunteer but he has restored aircraft that are on display in the museum. Throughout his Air Force Career Jack flew 23 types of aircraft. We also took the specialty aircraft tour. Once we finished the specialty tour it was time for lunch. We purchased our food and Lordy-Be, Gary Goldenbogen was standing there waiting on us. Gary and Jack were both pilots during Vietnam. As we ate lunch Sabrina and I were very honored and intrigued while we listened to them share their memories.

A new hanger is scheduled to begin construction in 2012. This will include additional aircraft after completion. The four of us really enjoyed ourselves and we suggest that you take time to tour the Air Force Museum.

Jack gives lectures regarding "Black Mariah - His Involvement with the CIA during Vietnam" and "The Black Bird Family of Aircraft (SR-71, A-12, YF-12, M-21, D-21)". We plan to schedule Jack for a speaking engagement at a meeting in 2012. Please let me know if you have anything that our members might be interested in so we can schedule time for that as well.



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# Cruising Along

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WIN CASH and PRIZES IN 2012!

You can win \$500 cash and free hotel accommodation at a BCA National meet plus special recognition or you can win \$300 registration fee credit and a free hotel accommodation. To win \$500 and free hotel accommodation you must sponsor the most new members into the BCA during the 2011 – 2012 year and the winner will be announced at the national meet. Just sponsor ONE new member and you will receive an entry into a drawing for \$300 registration fee credit and free hotel accommodation. Details may be found on page 12 of the October 2011 Buick Bugle – GOOD LUCK!!

Unfortunately, the Great Lakes Regional Meet will not take place in conjunction with the Arthritis Foundation's Car Show next year. However, we will still have the Buick Show Within A Show and Tom Kromer as coordinator (July 6th and 7th, 2012). We can use your help. PLEASE Contact Tom (614-619-4652) if you can assist.

We are asking for your ideas regarding where our club should meet and things to do. Ken Jacquot volunteered to put together a road rally. Please bring your ideas to our November meeting.

Our November meeting will be Thursday, November 17 – 6 PM Dinner at Der Dutchman, 445 S. Jefferson Ave., Plain City, OH 43064 (614)873-3414. Please mark your calendar and come to our November meeting with your suggestions for meeting places and things to do. During our September meeting the membership voted for our treasury to pay \$10 toward each member's meal. Bring a friend, hopefully a prospective member, and we'll pay \$10 toward their meal too.

December 11th Christmas Party at LaScala Restaurant, 4199 W. Dublin-Grandville Rd., Dublin, OH – Susan Hunkins and Dana Kromer are coordinating the event and we have entertainment scheduled. The name of the entertainment is "Sounds Good To Me" – Barbershop Harmony Entertainment. Social hour will be from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Entertainment from 6:00 PM – 6:30 PM and dinner after the entertainment.

Our January meetings will be at Ming Flower each year in honor of Riv. Dinner will be at 7 PM. Feel free to arrive before 7 PM and socialize. Our meeting will start after dinner.

February 16, 2012 (Thursday) - meeting will be at 6:30 PM - Center for Automotive Research - OSU. Brian Stone, Coordinator.

The 2012 BCA National Meet will be held in Concord, NC – June 27-30, 2012. The show field will be located on the grounds at Charlotte Motor Speedway. Check the website [www.buickclub.org/2012](http://www.buickclub.org/2012) for more information. Our web site [www.centralohiochapter.com](http://www.centralohiochapter.com) will have registration forms too.

Thank You, —Larry Robinson, Director

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## Coming Up...

Thursday, November 17  
Meeting at Der  
Dutchman

Sunday, December 11  
Christmas party at Las  
Scalla.

January, 2012 meeting  
at the Ming Flower in  
honor of Riv.

## Welcome New Members

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## Sunshine Corner

As an effort to ensure that we acknowledge our members' extended absences, injuries, illnesses and death it is imperative that Sabrina Robinson, Sunshine Committee Chairman, and I be notified when our members fall into any of these categories. Therefore, we are asking everyone to notify Sabrina and me (robinsle2000@yahoo.com or call 614-206-4591) when these issues arise. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

- Bill Griffin's sister, Jean Griffin, passed away on September 30, 2011. She lived in Welland, Ontario. A check will be donated to Saint Andrews Presbyterian Church.
- Kim Fields has been doing very well this summer and fall. She continues to receive chemotherapy every Friday morning. She has tolerated it well, with mild fatigue and flu like symptoms. The treatments have been slowly reducing the size of the tumors in her liver. We are extremely happy and give thanks that she is moving in a positive direction with her treatment.

### October Birthdays

David Book 10/28  
Andy Fleming 10/23  
Ed Hunkins 10/14  
Darlene Jones 10/8  
Tom Kromer 10/27  
Jutta Lochmeyer 10/21  
Tom Maney 10/27  
Bill Pacey 10/15  
Ruth Pacey 10/16  
Peggy Rivenburg 10/24

### November Birthdays

Bob Holliday 11/21  
Harry Lambert 11/26  
Kevin Moore 11/3  
Eric Pfaff 11/2  
Larry Robinson 11/2  
Emily Samson 11/28  
Jasmine Stone 11/10  
Rita Waitzman 11/14  
Alice Westfall 11/5

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# Jack Mecham

*BCA member and AF Museum Volunteer*



In 1999, Jack Mecham began restoring bicycles for needy kids. As the word spread the project grew rapidly. One of the major bicycle manufacturers donated 300 new bikes (components) to him. At present, Jack has an inventory of more than 400 bikes. He deals with charitable organizations with the stipulation that the bikes must go directly to needy kids and not auctions or sales to raise money. In 2001, Jack was recognized as Hope volunteer of the year by the Greene County Juvenile Court in Xenia, Ohio. Jack joined the National Museum of the Air Force as a volunteer in 2002. Initially, he worked in each of the four galleries. His duties included answering the myriad of questions asked by visitors and making sure that the national treasures housed therein were treated with proper respect. He held designated aircraft open, after hours, for dignitaries, persons who had flown or crewed the particular aircraft, their families, and the families of deceased crew members. Additionally, he trained other volunteers in each of the galleries. In 2003, Jack volunteered to restore aircraft for the museum, in addition to his other duties. While working in restoration he also took on the additional responsibility of conducting tours of the restoration facilities for all levels of visitors, including the docents from the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum, the Thunderbirds and their support crews, in addition to the Chief-of-Staff of the Air Force. Jack and his crew of four volunteers restored the P-35, P-36, O-34, CF-100 and the AQM-34 drone. In 2008 he left the museum in order to devote more time to teaching golf professionally and restoring bicycles. Prior to his departure, Jack did a significant amount of restoration on major components of the Memphis Belle (B-17). In 2011, Jack began volunteering in the National Aviation Hall of Fame, resident in the National Museum of the Air Force. This arrangement allows him to volunteer at the museum while being able to devote sufficient time to his outside activities.



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