

# FAST TIMES

## CHICAGOLAND CHAPTER BUICK GSCA

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Joe Pratt's 1970 Apollo White Buick GSX

Included are some photos of my 1970 Apollo White Buick GSX. I bought it from the original owner for \$1800.00 in 1974. I drag- raced it and ran a best 1/4 mile ET of 10.77! I then decided to hand it over to Dave Kleiner of GS ENTERPRISES who did a beautiful frame off restoration. It is Wayne Roberts documented and is the 17TH GSX of 678 produced. Since the restoration, the car has won Concours Gold three years in a row at the GSCA Nationals in Bowling Green, KY, First Place at our Chicagoland Chapter Midwest Challenge in Osceola, IN and Concours Gold at the recent 2009 BPG GSX Reunion in Columbus, OH.

I also own a 20,000 mile two-door 1972 skylark custom (blue-with white vinyl top) and a 1987 ANS prepared Grand National. My fellow club member and friend, Paul Vilser, who also owns a beautiful Saturn Yellow GSX, will be helping me get the GN dialed in next season.....(you too Loyd....y'all have got to get me up to speed on this Lil' V-6 motor technology!) (ed. Note – No problem!)

With all the other GORGEOUS BUICKS that our club members own, I am truly honored for my car to be featured....THANK YOU for the consideration, and much appreciation to you both, and the other staff for the hard work it takes to keep our chapter going.

I THANK ALL BUICK ENTHUSIASTS for the help that I have received over the years in gaining even more knowledge and appreciation for our Buicks.....take care and God Bless!

Joe Pratt - GSCA Member # 33  
GSCA Chicago Member# 488  
BPG Member # 1788

Please continue to Page 3 for under hood and car hauler pictures, plus Joe's other Skylark. Since Joe has gotten the GSX back from the beautiful restoration as he has mentioned it is always a pleasure to see it at the GS Nationals and at the GSX reunion at the BPG HP Nationals.

Opinions expressed in this publication are not necessarily those of the GS Club of America, the Chicagoland Chapter of the GSCA, or any of the officers of these automotive enthusiast clubs.

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The Chicagoland Chapter of the Buick GSCA is open to all Buick enthusiasts and owners of Buick powered cars. Membership is \$20 per year, and includes a quarterly newsletter and much more. Apply online at the chapter web site or send dues with check made out to **CCGSCA** with membership form to:

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### Chapter Web Page

<http://www.chicagolandbuick.org>

### Member's Change of Address

Chicagoland members who move are requested to notify our membership chairman before the next newsletter mailing. We do not want you to miss a single edition of your newsletter. Please notify us of e-mail address changes as soon as you change providers.

### Membership Renewal

Please check the label on your newsletter. If your membership is up in January, June will be your last newsletter. Obtain an application from the website or past issue, and mail to 4010 Raymond Avenue, Brookfield, IL 60513, along with a check for \$20 made out to "CCGSCA." Please don't let your membership lapse!

### Volunteers for the Chapter

Contact Bob Nunes if you are interested in helping our Chapter continue providing Buick Motorsport activities for our members. Fresh ideas are vital to keep the Club exciting. By distributing the work among more volunteers make it more enjoyable for all. The tasks are easy, generally fun, plus you will always have plenty of help.

### Upcoming Events

Jan 24 – Casper's Electronics – Mundelein, IL Meeting

Jan 30 – Christmas Party – Countryside, IL

Jan 30-31 – Drag Expo – Schaumburg, IL

Feb 20 – ProCare Auto Appearance – Skokie, IL Meeting

Mar 7 – Chili Cookoff & Tech Session – Franklin Park, IL

Mar 15-20 – TurboBuick.com Nationals – Burlington, NC

May 11-15 – GSCA Nationals – Bowling Green, KY

May 21-23 – 20<sup>th</sup> Buick Race Day – Norwalk, OH

June 5-11 – Hot Rod Power Tour – Starts at Newton, IA

July 27-30 – BCA Nationals at Ames, IA

July 30 – Aug 1, 2010 – Buick Performance Group Nats – featuring Stage 1 Convention – National Trails, OH

Sep 27-28 – Pure Stock at Stanton, MI



## Cover car continued



Above the GSX under transport and a picture of the under hood details



As many of us one is not enough for Joe so above is a 20,000 mile two-door 1972 skylark custom

## Director's Garage

Lloyd Bonecutter

Greetings to all who have survived another season of Buick Performance. The Performance Buick scene is looking great with vendors continuing to fill our needs. At the BPG HP Nationals new sheet metal parts were introduced and were available for the 1970 to 72 A bodies. Re-popped grills are available for our cars as numerous other products. TA Performance has introduced a new engine block and is even carrying the Edlebrock heads in their catalogue.

For Turbo Buicks the TSM class continues to be astonishing with the 9:00 second barrier broken at the Southern Shootout at Reynolds, that is amazing for a full bodied stock block V6 car. The TSO classes are getting closer all the time to the 8:00 second barrier. These are definitely exciting times to be involved with our sport.

Joe Garcia ran a great series of races in 2009, and has volunteered to continue running the racing program next year. I have been trying to populate the calendar with known events to help with the dates to avoid if possible. Filling the dates for an

aggressive racing program, makes avoiding all conflicts unavoidable, as Joe tries to cram so much fun into a relative short timeframe. The next time you see Joe, please thank him for all his efforts.

It is the time of the year for our membership to consider volunteering for one of the officer positions. Fresh ideas are needed to keep the Chapter alive. Many of us have been in our offices for over 10 years so it is time for fresh ideas. Please contact Bob Nunes or any of the officers listed on the second page of this newsletter.

It has been a little disappointing to see attendance at many of our meetings and get together sessions continues to wain. It is human nature to seek out new adventures, making the first time events more exciting than long time traditions. That is why it is vital for new folks to come in with fresh ideas. The long term survival of the Chapter requires it. Am seeing many other Buick Clubs in the same

situation struggling for folks to take over important positions. We really need new ideas, so please feel free to give us your input.

It has been noted we need to add technical information for Turbo Regal's beyond the electrical updates we get from John and Justin Spina and transmission innovations from Jimmy Husson.

The cars have been put away for the season as the cooler weather is here. The Chicagoland car season went entirely too quick, and for the most part I was reacting this year, just trying to keep up as the summer flew past.

As usual this is the last possible moment to get the newsletter together and out. Everybody else has gotten their material in and the newsletter is waiting on me. Therefore it is time to wrap this up.

Please, have a safe and happy holiday season.

For the majority of our members this is time to renew. The mailing label includes your expiration month.

#### Membership News

Shari Bonecutter

Hi, Everyone! I'm working on this the day before Thanksgiving, and the weather is wet and somewhat raw outside. Loyd put up the outside decorations Monday, and we've been leaving them on because it looks so cheery. It helps that the lady across the street has her lights on, too, so we're not the only ones on the block. So it's a few days early.....

Talk about a strange fall! Almost everything we had planned for October got rained (or snowed) out; while we could have extended our race season well into November. I think most of us have our babies put away for winter, either tucked in to sleep or being torn apart for anticipated Christmas goodies. I wish they didn't have to hibernate so long.

So let's see – what's happened since the last newsletter? We had a somewhat successful Midwest Buick Challenge. The weather was a little iffy – we only got in an hour for the cruise-in Friday night before it started pouring. So we headed to the bar in the hotel. (and a good time was had by all – lol!) Saturday morning was a little drizzly, but it broke up and dried out. We were able to get in a full day of racing, and a somewhat small car show. We had a successful night of socializing, too. Sunday dawned very foggy – we wondered if you

had to see the end of the track to race?? But this too burned off, and we had another beautiful day. The racing went off without a hitch – we even had some prize winners split the pot with the runners-up. What a great bunch of guys and gals! Loyd and I would have not been able to pull this off without our usual volunteers: Beth and Dana Andrews, Paul and Linda Brelie, Barb and Mark Holda, Frank Jackowiak, Bob and Carol Nunes, and Bob Nunes, Jr. I also want to thank Scott Simpson for running both the TSM and TSO races, and Kip Asplund for running the TSH race. The track personnel were great, also. This year the track was very sticky and I heard no complaints. They also kept things moving so there was not a lot of down time. Very important, I was told, as some racers have short attention spans. (just kidding!) There will be a separate article elsewhere with the results, so stay tuned.

October was the awful weather. We tried to race at Cordova the weekend of October 10, at the B-O-P race day. I guess there was a rain/ice storm warning for the area and they called the race, postponing it to the weekend after. It never really iced up out there, we were told, and unfortunately a lot of folks that planned to attend had plans for the following

weekend. I never did hear if anyone from our club went.

Loyd and I tried to attend the Northeast Chapter's Buick Race in Cecil County, Maryland the following week. That race got called, because of not one but two nor'easters hitting the area! It also snowed on us in Pennsylvania! Not fun!

We did have our tech session October 24, at Borowski Race Enterprises in Rockdale, IL. They let our members tour the facility, and had an engine on the dyno to demo. We had a short meeting while we ate pizza, and all went on their way.

November 14th found us at Suburban Welding in Franklin Park, IL. Many thanks to Bob Nunes for setting this up once again! We had about 25 members in and out, who got to try their hands at welding a little. I heard it was very informative and entertaining. I want to thank Beth for her help, again, and for her making pulled pork sammys to serve with my sloppy joes. They must have been good – not a drop was left! Thanks to Bobby Nunes for getting the doughnuts, too.

The club traditionally takes December off, since it's a busy month for most folks. Loyd and I included, plus most vendors are busy, too.

January has a few things going on. Sunday, January 24, is our traditional meeting at Casper's Electronics, with Jimmy from Jimmy's transmissions sharing the session. This will take place in Mundelein, and is usually one of our larger meetings.

Saturday, January 30 is our Christmas party at the Park Place in Countryside, IL. The party will start at 6:00 pm, with dinner served at 7:00 pm. Please send \$10 each per club member and the first guest. Any more guests than that will be \$20 a person. Please have your deposit to us by January 12. We have to turn in a head count, and you want to make sure we have food for you. PLEASE DO NOT ASSUME THAT I WILL KNOW YOU ARE COMING. I really really need an RSVP from each and every one of you that is planning on attending. Deposits can be sent to the CCGSCA c/o 4010 Raymond Avenue, Brookfield, IL 60513.

That weekend – January 30-31 – is also the Drag Race Expo being held at the Schaumburg Convention Center. I know Loyd enjoys going to

this, at least one of the days. Please check it out at <http://www.dragnews.com>

February's meeting is being held on Saturday February 20 at 10am at ProCare Auto Appearance. This is located at 2099 Johns Court, Glenview IL. 60025. Pete from this facility will be demonstrating how to detail your car. Dana Andrews set this up for us, and it's located not far from his place of work. Please plan on bringing a chair.

March's meeting is finally set at the Franklin Park Park District on Sunday, March 7, at 10:00 am. This will be our traditional chili cook-off, with the traveling trophy for the grand prize winner, and gift cards for runners-up. Mike Phillips from Automotive Machine and Performance will be in attendance. Who knows – maybe a surprise or two? If you're competing in the cook-off, please bring a crock-pot of your finest. The club will provide spoons, bowls, extension cords, grated cheddar cheese and sour cream. Just what we need in March!

That about takes care of our plans set so far. Next year promises to be a busy year – the GSCA Nats will be celebrating 30 years! It will also be the 20th anniversary for Buick Race Day in Norwalk, OH. The BPG Horsepower Nats will be holding a convention for the Stage 1 engine. The Hot Rod Power tour and the BCA Nats are in there somewhere, and Joe has to figure out how to fit a racing schedule in with all that!

Membership news – I want to send get will wishes to Joe Rivecco and Chris Katzsuleas; I hope all will be well with you guys. I've not heard of any new babies or knots being tied. I want to welcome Jamie Wolcott of Caledonia, MI as a new member. And I want to welcome back Neil Nowotarski of Chicago, IL and Mike Schwab of Hamilton, OH. Thanks for renewing!

Which speaking of renewing, this newsletter starts our new year. If your mailing label says 1/1/10 on it, your membership dues are due. They're still \$20 and still payable to "CCGSCA" at our address, 4010 Raymond Avenue, Brookfield, IL 60513.

In closing, I want to wish you and yours a safe and happy Holiday Season! And I hope to see you next year!

**Cruise Scene:**

Chris Gatch is taking the Winter off from the Cruise Scene, hopefully to reappear in our Spring issue.

**Racing Scene:**

So 2009 was a little rough on our racers. We had a few rain outs. We had to wait once for Great lakes to scrape the mud off the track – which took all afternoon. We had to wait once for the electronics to get repaired at great Lakes because lightning hit something. Quite a year! But all in all I think we all had a great time. The group is expanding, with veterans ready to help out newbies. Some of the races include club cook-outs – thanks to Dan Rocco, Cindy Garcia, and Jack Fisher. The camaraderie is a great thing to witness! So after much trial and tribulation, here are the results:

**Final Points Standings**

235 Joe Garcia  
215 Dan Rocco  
215 Keith Egan  
175 Brian Henriksen  
165 Ed Phifer  
160 Bill Grupp  
160 Pete Van Tholen  
160 Steve Blankenship  
150 Perry Carlini  
140 Rich George  
125 Steve Else  
120 Dave Leonhart  
120 Bill Erickson  
100 Kris Katsuleas  
90 Jay Westberg

70 Paul Brelie  
70 Kris Katsuleas  
70 Tom Rix  
60 Loyd Bonecutter  
60 John Jaffe  
55 Dana Andrews  
50 Gary Pote  
40 Steve Pitts Jr  
40 Paul Dubois  
40 Dave Novotny  
30 Steve Pitts Sr  
30 Stan Ubban  
30 Katie Fisher  
30 Stan Hunt  
30 Bill Clapper  
30 Chad Peterson

**Best Reaction Time Winners**

Steve Else  
Steve Blankenship  
Dan Rocco  
Ed Phifer

**Running On Dial In Winners**

Dana Andrews  
Steve Blankenship  
Keith Egan  
Brian Henriksen

Joe Garcia – Race Chairman

**2009 Midwest Buick Challenge****BRONZE Level Sponsors****Indiana Chapter Gran Sport Club of America**

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The Indiana Chapter Buick Gran Sport Club of America is dedicated to the maintenance, preservation, and restoration of performance Buicks including but not limited to GS, Riviera, and Turbo Regals which collectively demonstrate that Buick is second to none in performance, aesthetics and quality engineering.

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**2009 Midwest Buick Challenge**

So here are the official results of this year's MWBC. We took in \$3,700 in sponsor money that was paid out as follows:

TSO - \$300 - Dave Leonhart  
\$200 - Lee Howie

TSM - \$300 - Scott Claridge  
\$200 - Walt Judy

THS - \$300 - David Day  
\$200 - Mike Schwab

BCO - \$300 - Dave Kolecki  
\$200 - Mike Zaffino

Street Class:  
\$300 - Russ Ciesiolka  
\$200 - split between Paul Brelie and Bill Burton

Modified Class:  
\$125 each to Tony Shoaf, Joe Garcia, Darryl  
Sigourney and Ken Miller

Quick 16 (well, actually 9)  
\$100 each to Gary Paine and Joe Garcia  
\$333 each to John Stevens (who won), Toni  
Colalillo, and Jerry Siwec

We also ran a Ladies Race on Saturday, which was privately funded for \$400:

\$250 - Jamie Wolcott

\$150 - Amy Makely

**Here's the results from this year's car show:****GS - All years HT & Conv**

1st - Russ And Karen Ciesiolka - 70 GS Convert

2nd - Eric Pfaff - 68 GS California

**Regal - All years, GN, T-type**

1st - Tim Galloway - 86 T-type

**General Buick**

1st - Steve Smith - 70 Skylark

**Buick powered - 5 mods**

1st - Mike Devenport - 67 GS 400

2nd - Chris Lance - 70 Stage 1

**Peoples Choice Trophy and \$50**

Harle Cordill - 65 GS

Thanks to all who made the trip to show off their babies. There has been some discussion with the Indiana chapter to change the car show to a display only type of event. We only had 8 cars in the show – kind of not worth it to have trophies for so few. We'll have to see.

Funds were down this year, but as per usual all that we took in was turned around and paid out. Even some that we've not collected yet - lol! We'd like to thank our sponsors for their generosity. There would be no payouts without them!

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Paul offers Chicagoland members a local place to buy Turbo Regal upgrade and service parts. Additionally he is a local supplier of ZDDP that our flat tappet cars with high lift cams need.

**2010 Midwest Buick Challenge**

We need feedback for the 2010 Midwest Buick Challenge. Unfortunately the only open weekend in September for Notre Dame Football is the same weekend of the Pure Stock Muscle Car Drag Race in Stanton, MI. Therefore we either have to move to the end of August or select the weekend of October 2, 2010.

Osceola is a great track to work with, but the hotel situation with any Notre Dame home game is hard to work around.



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### Sunday; January 24, 2010 @ 10:00 am

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John Spina, owner of Casper Electronics is a member, and advertiser for Chicagoland GSCA., plus a sponsor of the Midwest Challenge. A serious Buick nut he is also an automotive wiring and electronics expert, developing systems to make our cars reliability run to their fullest potential. He has developed and manufactures many innovative tools to help the tuning of our cars and has upgrade wiring harnesses and chips to make our aging cars run much better.

Jimmy Hussion owner and miracle worker at Jimmy's Performance Transmissions will also be on hand. Jimmy always has few interesting tidbits of information on our TH 200R4s that take a real beating. His job is increasingly challenging as we make our cars faster. Be sure to ask about the improved third gear shift he has in store for us.

There should be something for our V8 Buick owners as well as Turbo Regal owners. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Our regular business meeting will start at 10:30 am just before the technical session. Please bring lawn chairs. Yes, collect them out of the trunk of the GS or Turbo Regal where you had them for the last car show.

Casper's Electronics, Inc.  
133 Wilhelm Road  
Mundelein, IL 60060  
John Spina  
(847) 247-0484

Jimmy's Transmissions  
888 N. Tower Road (now on the north side of the same building)  
Mundelein, IL 60060  
Jimmy Hussion  
(847) 949-9230



*Skylark*

#### Directions to Casper's Shop

- ⇒ I-94 (north of I-294 and I-94 junction) to Hwy. 60 (Town Line Rd.).
- ⇒ West on Hwy 60 about 5 miles past Hawthorne Shopping Center, to Butterfield Road.
- ⇒ Landmark: Just before Butterfield road on the south side of Town Line Road is an old round silo next to a Mobile station. (Still there checked this summer)
- ⇒ South (Left) on Butterfield. (The other direction is the way to Jimmy's)
- ⇒ Once you have crossed the railroad tracks turn west (right) on Armor
- ⇒ Turn left (south) on Baskin
- ⇒ Casper's building's drive way is at the end of Baskin Street. His shop is near the northwest corner of the building.

**Be sure to thank Jimmy and John and his crew for sharing their day with us.**

**If you want to sit bring *lawn or folding chairs* to the Meeting and Technical Session.**

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**BUICK GS CLUB OF AMERICA**

**MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS ARE INVITED TO THE**  
***2009 CCGSCA HOLIDAY PARTY***  
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2010 at 6:00 PM**

The CCGSCA party offers a chance to celebrate the holiday season with your performance Buick buddies! Please come out of the garage and brave the cold to come to our get together. This catered event should be as good this year as the past three years.

This year the party remains at: **Park Place Of Countryside**  
**6240 Joliet Rd**  
**Countryside, IL**

This is just west of LaGrange Rd (State Route 12, 20 & 45) on Joliet Road. Very easy to get to and across the street from the landmark William Tell Holiday Inn.

Cost is \$10.00 each for a member and the first guest. Additional guests are \$20.00 each. Admittance covers soft drinks and the meal. Other beverages will be available for cash at the bar. To hold your spot please send in at least half for a deposit by January 12th

Midnight Mike will be entertaining us again this year with a great selection of tunes.

Shari will gathering some more great door and raffle prizes that have become a tradition for our party making this one you should not miss. Be sure to mark this one down on your calendar

**Directions from I-55 North or South bound**

- Exit LaGrange Road North
- At Joliet Road turn left (west)
- 6240 Joliet Road is about a ¼ mile to the left

**If you partake in adult beverages, please arrange a designated driver, or plan on staying across the street at one of these hotels.**

Best Western Inn  
6251 Joliet Road  
Countryside, IL 60525  
1-708-354-5200


Holiday Inn/William Tell  
6201 W. Joliet Road  
Countryside, IL 60525  
708-3544200

**Have a safe and joyous holiday season.**

Please be sure to review our web site for any last minute changes

<http://www.chicagolandbuick.org>

Lost ??? Park Place's Phone # is 708-588-1756





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**Meeting & Technical Session**  
**Saturday; February 20, 2010 @ 10:00 am**  
**ProCare Auto Appearance Center**  
2099 Johns Court, Glenview IL. 60025  
Phone: (847) 657-9806

Our second meeting for 2010 will be at ProCare Auto Appearance Center in Glenview, IL with Phil showing us his shop and helping us with our Performance Buick detail needs.

**Our regular business meeting will start at 10:30 am just before the technical session. Please bring lawn chairs. Yes, collect them out of the trunk of the GS or Turbo Regal where you had them stored from the last car show.**



*Skylark*



**Directions:**

- ⇒ Take I-294 to Willow Road.
- ⇒ Proceed East on Willow Road.
- ⇒ Willow Road to IL-43 Waukegan Road – turn left.
- ⇒ Go to Chestnut Avenue and turn right
- ⇒ Go to St. Johns Drive and turn right
- ⇒ Go to St. Johns Court and turn right . . ProCare should be on this street

**Please bring *lawn chairs or folding chairs***  
**to the Meeting and Technical Session.**

**Need help with directions**

**Call (847) 657-9806**

**<http://www.chicagolandbuick.org>**

**Meeting, Technical Session and Chili Cookoff**  
**Sunday; March 7, 2010; @ 10:00 am (Note earlier time)**  
**Franklin Park Community Center**  
 9560 Franklin Ave.  
 Franklin Park, IL

Our third session for 2010 will be at the Franklin Park Community Center and will feature our tenth annual Chili Cook off. This is our favorite event for many of us who are definitely stir crazy by this time. It is still a few weeks early to get our Performance Buicks out for the season. The various entries and variations of chili offered is excellent. We will be presenting gift certificates to the winners again and of course pass the winner chef hat along to the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner.

Mike Phillips owner of Automotive Machine & Performance in Owensboro, KY will be on hand to cover all aspects of building high performance Buick engines. Mike supports our chapter by coming up here every spring to share his extensive knowledge of the machining, head porting and assembly of Buick engines. If you are planning to freshen up your engine, need help selecting a camshaft or contemplating some headwork you should not miss this session.

If you have a favorite chili you would like to share with the group please be sure to bring some to sample. You might be surprised how good your chilli stacks up to the competition. Many of us like it very hot and others like theirs milder, just like our engines.

We are looking forward to the presentation and of course the chili. Our regular business meeting will start at 10:00 pm before the feeding frenzy and before the technical session.

Franklin Park Community Center  
 9560 Franklin Ave.  
 Franklin Park, IL

Mike Phillips  
**Automotive Machine & Performance**  
 6235 Highway 54  
 Philpot, KY 42303  
 888-624-3848  
 E-mail: Ampmike@aol.com



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**Directions from I-290**

- I-290 (Eisenhower Expressway) to 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue Exit
- North on 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Continue past Grand Avenue to Franklin Avenue.
- Turn right (east) on Franklin Avenue.
- Community Center is at the northeast corner of the intersection

**Directions from I-294 Southbound**

- I-294 to Irving Park Road (exit southbound only)
- East on Irving Park Road to 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- South (right turn) on 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- To Franklin Avenue just past the RR crossing
- Turn left (east) on Franklin Avenue
- Community Center is at the northeast corner of the intersection

Need help with directions call 708-508-2967  
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Please take a look at the web site or call one of use, at the start time varies from year to year due to others using the room every week for other meetings.



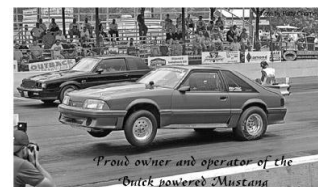
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Founded in 1994 the Chicagoland Chapter is a Chapter of the of the **BUICK GRAN SPORT CLUB OF AMERICA**. **GSCA** promotes Buick performance and preservation of products manufactured by the Buick Motor Division. Our Chapter conducts regular meetings, with technical sessions, promotes car shows, cruises, and drag racing at sanctioned tracks. We share information on national events, technical data and parts sources. Our newsletter "Fast Times" is your ticket to "Going Fast with Class".

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Please list your Buick Automobiles and/or Buick powered cars: (Use the back of the form if needed)

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Please send application with a check payable to **CCGSCA** and mail to:

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Dues continue to be **\$20.00**.

We recommend membership in the GSCA.



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