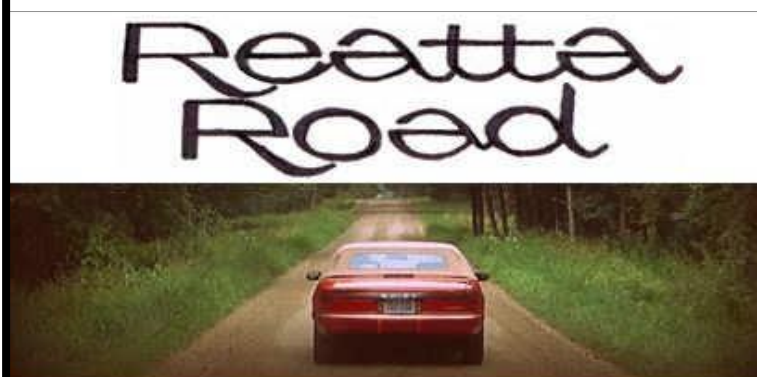




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Summer, 2024



DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Marck Barker



Man oh man, summer is HERE! It's hot and humid in North Carolina and I am working feverishly to get everything ready for the Buick National meet next month in Strongsville, OH. I hope you'll be joining us for the annual Reatta Rendezvous Thursday night that Asst. Director Chip has lined up for us! More info about that on page 2.

I just returned from Texas where I met up with Reatta Division member Paul Gomberg. We took two of his beautiful Reattas to RADwood Austin (photo below). RADwood is a car show event that travels the country promoting 80s and 90s cars. The Reattas were two of just four Buicks there. They were quite well thought of with a lot of people really into the CRT touchscreen in Paul's '89, and the white wheels on his '91.



Photos on this page from Marck Barker



Enclosed are ballots and registration form for the Rendezvous. Earlier this year our assistant director Alan Thiese had to step down. Former assistant director Chip Aeppli graciously agreed to step up in the meantime to plan this year's Rendezvous.

However, we would like to find a new Assistant Director for the 2024-26 term. Your duties largely include planning the yearly Rendezvous. If you are interested in filling this position, please write your name in the blank space on the ballot. This club requires volunteers to make it keep rolling. So please consider helping out to keep this one of the most active Divisions in the BCA!

As of this writing, there are only 9 Reattas registered for the National Meet. I hope we can get double or triple that by the time the meet rolls around!

This meet is on track to be one of the largest BCA meets in years! See you in Strongsville!



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Deadline for next Issue is Sept. 1

Join the Reatta Division of the BCA for it's annual Reatta Rendezvous, Thursday, July 11th, in conjunction with a week of festivities at the BCA National Meet in Strongsville, Ohio!

\$35 per head prepaid registration for the buffet of Italian favorites, (ex: lasagna, Chicken Marsala, penne pasta, salad, bread and cash bar, includes tax and tip).

Neither bringing a Reatta to the meet, nor owning a Reatta is required to join us on the Rendezvous! Only an appreciation of the car!

We will meet at the event host hotel (Best Western 15471 Royalton Rd, Strongsville, OH) at 5:00 PM for a scenic tour through Cuyahoga Valley National Park with some photo stops along the way. We will then stop for dinner at Papa Joe's Italian Restaurant for a fixed-menu buffet of delicious Italian favorites. On our way back to the hotel we will stop for an ice cream treat.

Two ways to register for the Reatta Rendezvous Dinner.
Send a check payable to Reatta Division, BCA with the enclosed registration slip to:
RDiv Secretary, Jerry L. Richstein, 4798 Grants Way NE, Marietta, GA 30066.
Or register online here: <https://tinyurl.com/Rdiv2024>

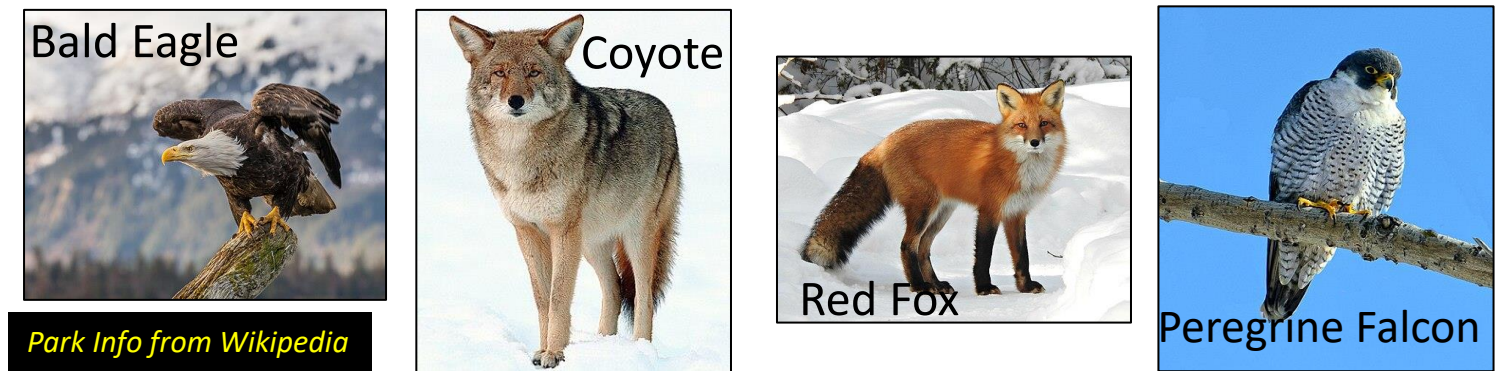
A huge thanks to Interim Assistant Director Chip Aeppli for his hard work putting this together!

Cuyahoga Valley National Park preserves and reclaims the rural landscape along the Cuyahoga River between Akron and Cleveland in Northeast Ohio.

The 32,572 acre (50.9 sq mi; 131.8 sq.km) park is administered by the National Park Service, but within its boundaries are areas independently managed as county parks or as public or private businesses. Cuyahoga Valley was originally designated as a National Recreation Area in 1974, then redesignated as a National Park 26 years later in 2000, and remains the only National Park that originated as a national recreation area.

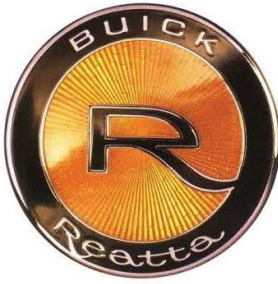
Cuyahoga Valley is the only National Park in the state of Ohio and one of three in the Great Lakes Basin, with Isle Royale National Park in Lake Superior and Indiana Dunes National Park bordering Lake Michigan. Cuyahoga Valley also differs from the other National Parks in America in that it is adjacent to two large urban areas and it includes a dense road network, small towns, four reservations of the Cleveland Metroparks, eleven parks of the Summit Metro Parks, and public and private attractions. It was the ninth-most visited American National Park in 2022, attracting more than 2.9 million visitors and placing it ahead of Glacier National Park.

Animals found in the park include: raccoons, muskrats, coyotes, skunks, red foxes, beavers, peregrine falcons, river otters, bald eagles, opossums, three species of moles, white-tailed deer, canadian geese, gray foxes, minks, great blue herons, and seven species of bats.



Reatta Rendezvous Dinner Reservation -- Submit by July 3rd.

Name: _____ Amount: \$ _____



REATA DIVISION
BUICK CLUB of AMERICA
TREASURER'S REPORT
June 1, 2023 to May 31, 2024



BALANCE As of 5/31/23 \$15,624.45

INCOME

Dues ----- \$2,110.00
 Regalia (Hat and visor sales) ----- 37.95
 BCA Natl "Profit sharing" (For volunteers in Hospitality Room) ----- 100.00

TOTAL INCOME \$2,247.95

EXPENSES

Newsletter Expenses:
 Paper & Printing ----- \$937.39
 Postage ----- 526.00
 Envelopes ----- 30.00
 Webmaster Expense (Annual website maintenance) ----- 200.00
 General use Postage ----- 18.00
 PayPal Fees ----- 13.48
 BCA Natl. (Sponsored Long Distance Awards) ----- 180.00

TOTAL EXPENSES (\$1,904.87)

BALANCE As of 5/31/24 \$15,967.53

Respectfully submitted,
 Jerry L. Richstein
 Secretary/Treasurer

Reatta Division Roster, dated
 1/20/24, is on the website.
 Any corrections please submit
 to: RDiv Secretary
 Jerry L. Richstein
 4798 Grants Way NE
 Marietta, GA 30066

BALLOT

Please put an X in the box to vote.

Name: _____ RDiv# _____

DIRECTOR:

- ☐ Marck C. Barker
☐ Write In _____

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR:

- ☐ Write In _____

SECRETARY/TREASURER:

- ☐ Jerry Richstein
☐ Write In _____

Submit by July 3rd to:

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 4798 Grants Way NE, Marietta, GA 30066

NANCY EATON

Nancy passed in her sleep
May 1, 2024.

She was diagnosed with
Parkinson's in 2000 and
handled it well.

Her failing memory was her
biggest problem and was in
assisted living for the past 3
years.

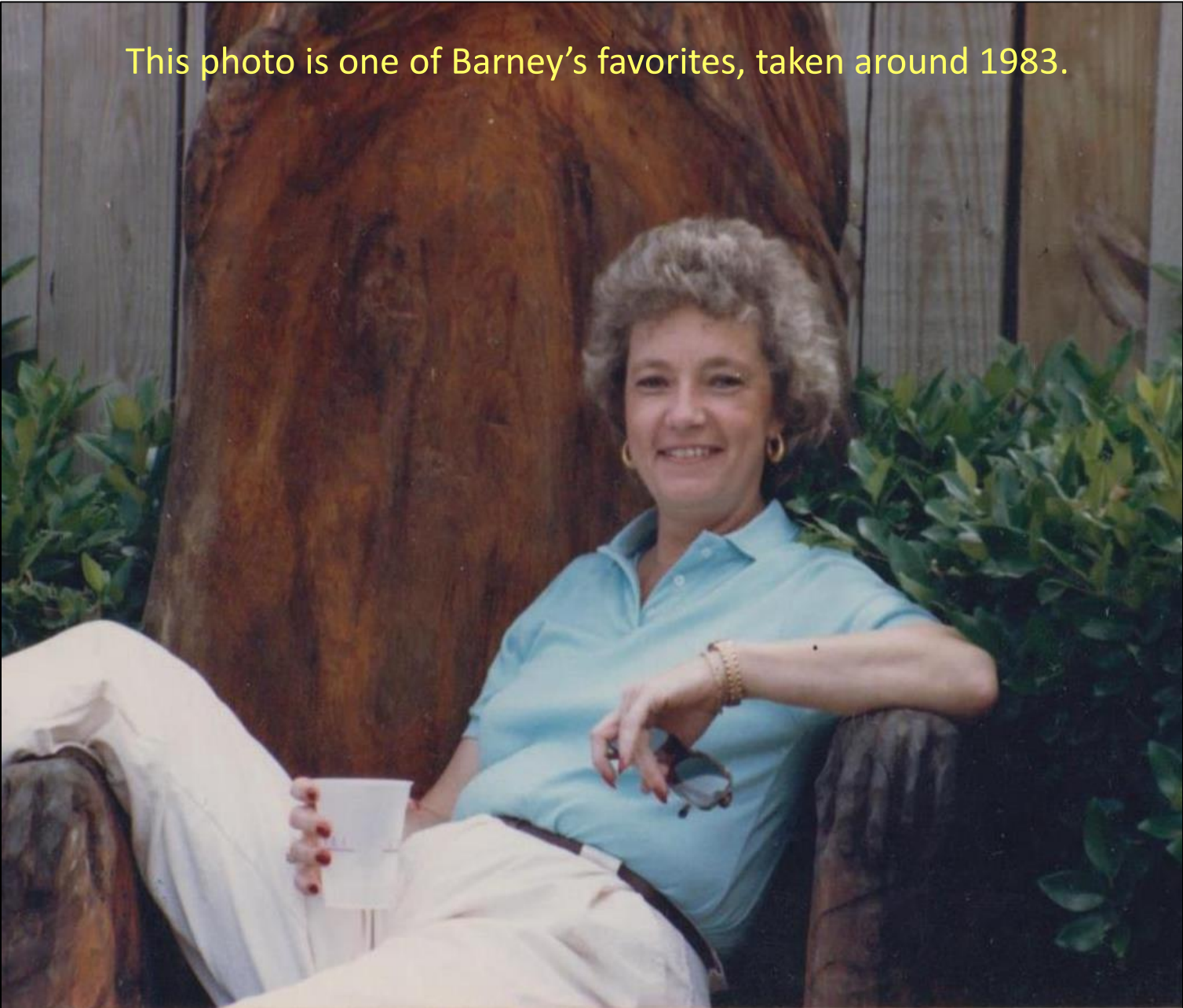
She was the Reatta Division
newsletter editor for several years.

Nancy won the Reatta Division
Peterson Award in 2005.

She worked in judging
administration at several Buick
National Meets and administered
the BCA Judges points awards for
about 6 years.

She will definitely be missed and our sympathies go out to Barney Eaton and Family!

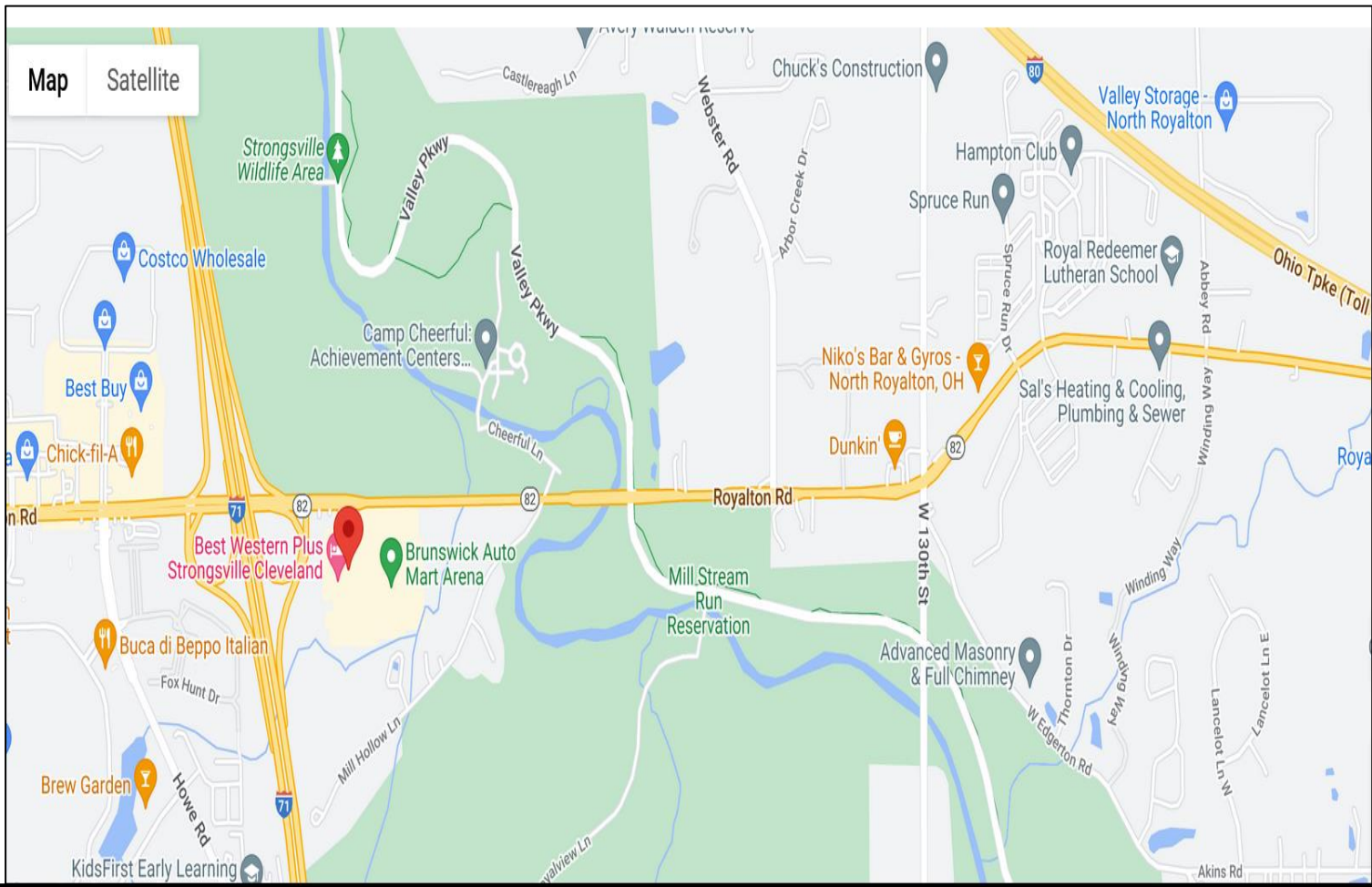
This photo is one of Barney's favorites, taken around 1983.





2018 National Meet, Photo credit to Tom Lane

Best Western Plus at 15471 Royalton Road, Strongsville, OH



CARS FOR SALE

1988 Coupe, Red/Beige. I was going to restore. I no longer can and do not want it junked. I am in **Newark, De.** \$500. **302-650-7208 (5/23)**

1989 Coupe, Red/Saddle Interior. 103,000 miles. Very good Condition. \$7000. Car Cover. Call or email **Mike. 765-644-0244 (leave message).** Email: **miketiltent@comast.net (6/24)**

1989 Coupe, Red/ Beige 80K Miles, just replaced CRT. Going from 3 Reattas to 2. Runs good. **Call Brad 678-543-3727 Atlanta, GA (3/24)**

1989 looking for new home. Classic car with touch screen before Tesla! **141k miles, Red w/ Grey interior;** sun roof; records avail. **\$10K obo.** Seattle WA area. **Katrina cell 206-931-1545 katsell@fastmail.com (5/23)**

1990 Convertible, white with a tan leather interior, White Vinyl Top (Excellent condition - no leaks) There's 65k and change mileage on it. Garage kept. OEM am/FM cassette w/ equalizer, Power seats - 14 way power driver seat. Comes with OEM Service and Parts Manual, trickle charger, car cover. **201-529-2556 (leave message). (5/23)**

1990 Coupe, Red, beige interior, 137,000 miles, body, interior and engine in good condition. Located north Chicago suburb. **Requesting \$4,200. Call 847-778-8193cp (9/23)**

3 Reattas package \$11,000 - 1990 convertible - black with tan top and interior, 56,000 miles. **1990 coupe - white** with tan interior, 96,000 miles, one owner sunroof project car, these two are in **Madison, WI.** **1990 coupe - parts car,** red with a tan interior, located in **Omaha.** For info **Call 402-690-5197 or email treyjay1@gmail.com. Pictures available. (9/23)**

1990 Convertible, white/tan/tan, 137,500 miles. The body and interior are in good condition. The Convertible top has a 6 inch slit in it & was "made waterproof" by an upholstery shop with a silicon patch. It has a clean title, current registration, and a current smog certificate required by the state of California. Located in San Francisco bay area, **\$5,000, Phillip Sanders, 925-330-6320 (3/24)**

1990 Convertible White/White/Red interior. New white convertible top 2023. Miles 38,126. Winter stored till late April 2024. Body interior and engine in very good condition. **\$11K obo. Walden New York. Please leave message at my Hair Salon for Jeanette 845-564-2590. (3/24)**

1990 Convertible: Claret, Saddle top, Saddle interior with 49K miles. Original CA car, NJ "summer" driver since 2016. Lost winter storage, retired and downsizing with 2 other Buicks. **Hagerty Ins Avg. is \$7,400 - Asking \$8,000. Ed 848-466-0796, ejh213@hotmail.com (3/24).**

Classified ads will run for one year (4 issues) then be dropped, unless editor is notified to continue the ad. Please notify editor, if car is sold.

REATTA PARTS/LITERATURE FOR SALE

Original "Barney cranks" are still available. Steel replacement headlight bellcranks are \$40 ea. (\$35 ea. to BCA members). Kits that include bellcrank, rollers & up-stop instructions are \$45 (BCA members \$40). Rebuilt Reatta headlight motors, \$55 per side. Plastic wing nuts and receptacles (to hold the cover in the rear of the engine compartment) \$2 each plus \$2 shipping. Rebuilt power antenna W/steel cord \$75 (+\$15 return shipping). **Call Barney @ (512) 869-5114 for info or Reatta tech assistance or email: barneyeaton1@gmail.com. Barney Eaton, 20111 Deerfield Dr., Georgetown, TX 78633.**

Largest selection of **Reatta parts** in the country. You name it we have it. Parts and technical support available. We ship world wide. Call or email with your needs. **Orders@EastCoastReattaParts.com, (919) 233-1973.**

Nice Black used convertible top, good condition, has 1 tear the size of a nickel which has been covered with similar material, **\$100 plus shipping. Frank: (248) 593-6391**

Reatta Literature: over 125 pieces. **John Kilbane, North Royalton, Ohio. Call (440) 552-6932.**

VERY LARGE REATTA MEMORIBILIA COLLECTION FOR SALE. This collection which was previously referenced in the Bugle December 2008 edition consists of over 750 individual items totaling over \$20,000.

The collection includes literature, posters, videos, illuminated signs, promo items, various magazines featuring Reatta and many very rare items some of which were acquired directly from the library at the Reatta Craft Centre in Lansing, Michigan. Many Reatta parts are also for sale.

There is a separate smaller collection of general Buick items available. The owner will be moving soon and will no longer have the four car Reatta Garage which currently houses this vast collection of interesting items. Offers for the entire collection will be considered.

A list and photos of the items and pricing may be requested by contacting **Charles Parry at (315) 383-0707 (call or text), or email: gm33@twcny.rr.com.**

Lots of Reatta parts from 175 parts cars. Located in a salvage yard in Tucson, AZ. **Call Roger McCrone at (520) 977-5463.**

Reatta parts.....21st year.....Large inventory at very reasonable prices. I also have exact reproductions of the convertible visor clips in all factory colors. Contact Jim Finn at **reattas60@gmail.com**



Photo credit to Marck Barker

CLUB HATS AND VISORS

The Reatta Division has purchased hats for sale from Lands End: 3 colors are available: red, black and white (adjustable size) – all with the Sunburst Logo.



Also available white visor with "Reatta" in script.

All are \$15 each plus shipping for Reatta Division members (\$20 each non-members). Please contact Anne Gibson (agibson36@gmail or (336) 599-9589 to order.

Reatta Division

Buick Club of America

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LAND'S END STORE FOR MEMORABILIA

<https://business.landsend.com/store/reatta>

MEMBERS ONLY PASSWORD FOR THE REATA DIVISION WEB SITE IS:

Buick3800 (CASE SENSITIVE).

PLEASE NOTE THIS WILL APPEAR HERE IN EACH NEWSLETTER. CHECK EACH NEWSLETTER FOR A NEW PASSWORD. IT WILL CHANGE FROM TIME TO TIME.



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MEMBERSHIP & DIVISION INFORMATION

Reatta Division dues are still only \$10/year and can be paid for up to 3 years at a time. You can either mail a check payable to the Reatta Division to me via “snail mail”, or you can pay online through PayPal. The PayPal account is: ReattaClub@gmail.com

Please note that a **pink** highlighter mark on the RDIV number on your mailing label means that your Reatta Division dues are either due or past due. In order to continue receiving the Reatta newsletter, your RDIV membership status needs to be current.

Please make checks payable to: **REATA DIVISION, BCA**

Send all dues payments and address changes (include your RDIV # on your check) to:
SECRETARY/TREASURER, JERRY RICHSTEIN, 4798 Grants Way NE, Marietta, GA 30066

NOTE: All Reatta Division members are required to be members of the national organization, Buick Club of America, of which we are an authorized division. Please note that a **blue** highlighter mark on your BCA number on your mailing label means that you are not a current member of the BCA. In order to continue receiving the Reatta Division newsletter, your BCA membership status needs to be current. The national organization can be contacted at: **BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA**, % Cornerstone Registration, Ltd., PO Box 1715, Maple Grove, MN 55311-6715; **PHONE:** (763) 420-7829; **FAX:** (763) 420-7849; **EMAIL:** bca@cornerstonereg.com

Please send all classified ads and newsletter submissions to: **NEWSLETTER EDITOR, Elizabeth Lane**, 39 Cockle Hill Road, Salem, CT 06420 or **EMAIL:** buffylane39@sbcglobal.net