

Wheels: Carl asks a question, “My father-in-law has a question about his Buick LeSabre. He is having problems with his ventilation system. Here is a description of the problem:

- Has dual automatic temperature climate control.
- No air (hot or cold) will blow out of the middle air delivery outlet for at least 20 minutes and then the speed/amount of air is minimum.
- Air will flow through lower and windshield outlets.
- When all controls are on maximum, the force of air is not great.
- Air blowing out of the lower/windshield outlets is warm or not cold enough.

Can you tell me what the problem is and what can be done to correct this problem?”

Halderman: The usual cause of the airflow only to the windshield and floor is a lack of vacuum to the control valves. Check under the hood for a disconnected or split vacuum line. These usually fail near the engine where heat is the greatest. If the vacuum system is okay, then a diagnostic check should be performed. The lack of proper temperature could be a separate or related problem. This repair sounds as if it is not for the do-it-yourself person.

