

VLNAAC WEBSITE NEW LOOK and URL

VLNAAC has moved its website to a new server. The Antique Auto Club of America offers member clubs free web space with links to local club sites. Wilma Vinton completed the necessary paperwork in February and worked with Cindy Johnson to transfer and redesign the club's web pages.

The new site still has links to familiar features as well as some new ones. You will still see classified ads, our monthly newsletters and information about the club and its history.

Here are some new features on the club website:

MEMBERS PAGE

Wilma has worked very hard to create a list of members which includes owner's vehicles and links to personal photos. If you are interested in having your picture linked on our web, please contact Wilma.

OFFICERS PAGE

An Officers page has been added which lists the phone numbers and email addresses of officers and committee members.

PHOTOS UPDATED

New photos of last year's events and other items of interest around Fairbanks and Alaska can be seen on the Photo page. See pictures of Golden Days, the Car Show at Carlson Center, the Monderosa Run and Deltana Fair.

EVENTS PAGE

Here you will find the most up-to-date list of VLNAAC's activities including dates, times, locations and who to contact for more information.

MEETING CALENDAR

You will find links here to the location of monthly meetings.

JOIN!

Visitors or your friends and acquaintances can now print a membership application form off of our website.

The new web address is <u>www.aaca.org/fairbanks</u>. We hope that you take a look! The site is under construction and always being updated. So please come back often!

MAY 2005

BOOK REVIEW By Cindy Johnson



Brightwork: Classic American Car Ornamentation

By Ken Steacy Photographs by Rob D'Estrube

Henry Ford's assembly line effectively turned the automobile into a fixture of everyday^B American life. But, it took the introduction of style and design beginning in the 1930s to redefined the automobile as a status symbol and work of beauty. The subject of this book is brightworks – the chrome badges, emblems, scripts and hood ornaments that emerged from that effort to add style and esthetics to automotive design

Author, Ken Steacy, has an extensive collection of brightworks. The "rakish" lines of a friend's '55 Chevy, adorned with an eagle hood ornament, was the defining moment of the author's collecting career. Since that day, he has assembled what may be the world's largest collection of brightworks. Steacy, a resident of British Columbia, is also an avid preservationist and is dedicated to displaying his pieces in a manner worthy of a museum. With photographer, Ron D'Estrube, Steacy has created this book showcasing his brightworks, which is spare with words but stunning to view.

After a brief introduction on the history of automotive design, you will find page after page of chrome ornament photographs. Sections, each with a brief introduction, are dedicated to a dazzling array of hood ornaments, horn buttons, emblems and scripts, with a final chapter on collecting. The organization of the book allows the author to show how particular elements of a design changed and morphed over time. Whether you are interested in Oldsmobile maidens, a Hupmobile rocket or the Pontiac indian chief, there is something here for everyone.

Paging through this book is a joy for the auto enthusiast or anyone who appreciates the beauty and elegance of art deco style. Any owner of an American classic car should have this book in their collection for reference and for sheer pleasure! As the introduction states, "...*Brightwork* focuses on the style and craftsmanship of the little details that make a classic. "

You can find *Brightwork: Classic American Car Ornamentation* at Amazon.com, where you can "search inside this book", read the introduction and read editorial and customer reviews.



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

May Birthdays

Margaret Bennett	2^{nd}
Nancy Allen	6^{th}
Angie Oines	6^{th}
Lorna Lounsbury	$15 {}^{\mathrm{th}}$
Terry Whitledge	18^{th}
John McCarthy	20th
Karen Eddy	26^{th}
Greg Oslund	29^{th}

May Appiversaries

Paul & Sherry Camarata	5^{th}
George & Cindy Johnson	18^{th}
Nathan & Lisa Williams	30^{th}

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The Events Committee has been busy making plans!

The Wednesday Night Run Around will begin on June 1st. at the Pioneer Park parking lot (formerly Alaskaland), at 6:30 p.m. Dubbed "Terrorize the Tourists!", it is hoped that a good time will be had by all as members show off Fairbanks finest vehicles to Alaska visitors! The routine will be the same as last year, with the possibility of adding several Saturday afternoon trips to North Pole. This will depend on interest. So, if you would like to spend a few Saturday afternoons driving around in your favorite classic, please let Willy or Wilma Vinton know.

Other activities scheduled so far include:

JUNE

4th -4th Annual Poker Run, 9am, Pioneer Parking lot

TBA-Joint Fairbanks/Anchorage Meet

21st – Solstice Show 'N Shine and Root Beer Stand, 10 am to Midnight. To volunteer for the Root Beer stand, please call Sherry Camarata.

25th – Valley Cruizers & Midnight Sun Car Clubs Picnic and Show 'N Shine, Pioneer Park.

29th through July 4th – Dawson/Eagle Road Trip and Parade. Contact Squeaky Benham.

<u>JULY</u>

 4^{th} – See June 29th above.

20th – Golden Daze Show' N Shine, Pioneer Park

20th – North to Alaska CARavan arrives in Fairbanks. Group will be staying at the Aspen Hotel. VLNAAC will provide security. Contact Willy Vinton.

21st – North to Alaska CARavan party at the Salmon Bake, Pioneer Park

23rd – Gold Daze Parade, Carlson Center

<u>AUGUST</u>

 $26-28^{\text{th}} - 2^{\text{nd}}$ Annual VLNAACF Car Show, Carlson Center.

CLASSIFIED ADS



1964 Studebaker, Lark 4 door. Radio, AC, 3 speed with overdrive. Good condition. At Curry's Corner. Call Becky ,907-978-9918.

I am moving and would like to get rid of two items:

Pick up cab that will fit a 1964-66 Chevy. Off frame, on pallet. Has door and cracked windshield. Surface rust and minor dents. Located in Healy. \$100.

1967, 2 ton IHC truck with 22 ft flatbed. Rough but runs and has excellent tires. \$100. Days 683-9740. Eves 683-1543. Scott Stowell. Email: sstowell@usibelli.com.

Is there anyone in our club who is having or has recently had work done by "MoParMel" (Mel Bohnenkamp) , a/k/a Classic Restorations of Fertile, Minnensota? If so, please contact Keith Christenson (1-907-688-2526)

For Sale: Large collection of:

(1) "Matchbox" style antique truck models in original boxes. Issued by Chevron in late 20^{th} century.

(2) Large collection of plastic 1/24th and 1/25th scale antique and hot-rod model cars (Revell, AMT, Monogram, etc.) All in original boxes.
Ready to build! Dan Gullickson, 479-3270

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<u>Don't'forget! V</u> <u>WEBS</u> <u>www.aaca.org/</u> <u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ITE:</u>	
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Next Meeting-Thurs

May 12th 6pm-Dinner 7pm-Meeting Jalapenos Restaurant 927 Old Steese, , FBKS (Near the new Freddies)

Newsletter Deadline

All materials for the newletter must be in by the 25th of the month for the following month. Email chisana @yahoo.com OR Mail to return address on this newsletter

Have a story about how you got your car? A favorite trip? A real repair hassle? Send it in!

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