



ANTIQUe AUTOS IN EAGLE, ALASKA By John Borg

I grew up in northern Wisconsin on a farm where I had plenty of opportunities to gain practical experience at many things. I had already been driving tractors and cars for three years or so when my Dad decided it was time to purchase a second vehicle. We needed the second vehicle so that I could drive mom to the local stores and social events. I was at the ripe old age of nearly fourteen years at that time.

A neighbor lady school teacher sold us a 1935 FORD 2 door sedan for a princely sum of \$75.00. At age 14 I was issued a restricted drivers license. This provided me with independence, many adventures and a few close calls until at the age of 19 I entered the military service. I parked the dear old Ford in a lean-to attached to Dad's garage where it stayed until the late 1980's. A local garage specializing in restoration work picked it up and began to make it look as it does now.



Sparing you the details, the 35 has been a resident of Eagle since April of 1992 and is often seen on our streets and in the 4th of July parade. Tourists coming through here by Holland America and Westours often share with me their stories of their first car or the Ford that dad or granddad or uncle or neighbor had and wished they would have held on to it as I did. I am convinced there are pictures all over the world of our 35 Ford by now. It has been a great source of enjoyment and a great conversation starter with total strangers. Along with the privilege of owning this sweet old car is the fact that we are still in contact with the lady it was purchased from over 50 years ago.

Many of you in the car club will recall that the Eagle Historical Society and Museum acquired a 1915 Jeffery Quad a few years back that was used here back in the teen years. Well, this is



how it looks now with the canopy installed. The canopy was located here in Eagle and donated to us by Jeff Austin of Fairbanks and Eagle. Our own Squeeky Benham overhauled and installed it 2 years ago.

So far, I've been able to locate only one other Jeffery in the U S that runs. It is in Albany, Minnesota and is not restored. There is another one in storage in Wisconsin also not restored. There may very well be others that run that I haven't located out of the 1,400 that Jeffery built before selling out to Nash. This Jeffery starts relatively easy with a hefty turn of the crank and sure gets attention coming down the streets of Eagle. We are pleased and proud to have such a rare vehicle in operating condition. Come over to Eagle next summer and check it out for yourself.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Willy Vinton

Well another year is coming to a close, and the winter building season is upon us. I would like to encourage anyone that has a project in the works to write a story on it and submit it to Ron for the news letter, with pictures if you have them.

I am currently in the process of rebuilding a 1937 Maytag washing machine engine, and am nearly done with it. Then it's on to a 1953 Ford Ranch Wagon, which is a 50th anniversary edition and the last of the flatheads. I found this car inside a white canvas enclosure hidden deep in the woods in a remote location near North Pole (Greg Osland's back yard). After bugging him about it for a few years, Greg finally gave in and said he would let me have it if I would just quit bugging him. After some more negotiating it was agreed to that I would give him some monetary amount and could continue to harass him to a lesser degree than had been done in the past, and still have the car. What a deal, Greg had started this project about 15 years ago and over time lost interest, so now it's my turn. Thanks Greg.

Well, elections are coming up next meeting. I really encourage everyone to come to the meeting,

get involved, run for office, nominate someone for office, or just come to vote. Our club is growing and I think the board needs all the help it can get to lessen the load on those that are there. If you have any time or desire to help run the club and help it grow, please get involved and participate in any way you can. I want to thank the past board and committee members for their help this past year, and all the members who got involved and made things happen. I think that all the events went fairly well and everyone enjoyed the summer. Well enough rambling. See you at the November meeting at the Elks lodge. Willy

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MESSAGE

Loran Benham, Paul Camarata, and Gary Nash are the nominating committee members. They reported that all current club officers have indicated they will run again for their offices. The committee's phone tree efforts have not identified any additional nominees for officer positions. Don Oines has been nominated for a director position. We need three directors in addition to the four officers for a complete slate. We will be taking nominations from the floor for all positions at the November meeting.

CLUB DUES

Annual club dues are \$45 for singles and \$60 for couples, which are due on January 1. VLNAACF retains \$15 per person of the dues for club expenses, which is primarily used for the annual Christmas dinner expenses. The club uses the remainder of the dues to pay the Antique Auto Club of America (AACA) \$30 for each member's or couple's subscription. Because AACA holds any \$30 national dues received after October 1 until January 1, new members paying full dues during this period will only be assessed \$15 per person for the new year.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday November 13, 2005 Dinner at 6:00 PM and regular meeting at 7:00 at the Elks Club.

Sunday December 11, 2005 Christmas Party at the Elks Club. Doors open at 4:00 PM. Dinner will be served at 5:30 PM. The menu includes prime rib, deep fried prawns, red potatoes and green salad. Dinner prices are \$8.00 for members and \$23.00 for guests. There will be a Chinese auction for the gift exchange. If you wish to participate, bring a gift worth between \$15 and \$20 marked for either a male or female. If you do not wish to participate in the gift exchange, you can stay and watch the fun while others open the gifts. Club dues should be paid at the Christmas Party along with dinner costs. Single dues - \$45. Couples dues - \$60.



CLASSIFIED ADS

* Looking for 1958 Corvette parts for a friend of a friend in order to convert from race to stock. Contact Ron 488-3965.

* Looking for 1960-61 Chevy Apache Pickup side molding. Greg Oslund 488-1354 cell 378-0615

* 1941 Dodge 1/2 Military 4x4 Carry All- \$7,800, and a 1952 Chevy Tin Woody Stationwagon, \$6,500, both in good shape. 479-2082

* A friend has free cars for parts. Early 60's BelAire. Early 50's Buick. Early 60's Galaxy. Contact Ron 488-3965

Place your ad here at no charge.

The Club needs your pictures!! If you have pictures from events in 2001-2004, please share them with the club. We do not have photos albums from these years. For more

information, please contact Bill Chace 488-3805



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

November Birthdays

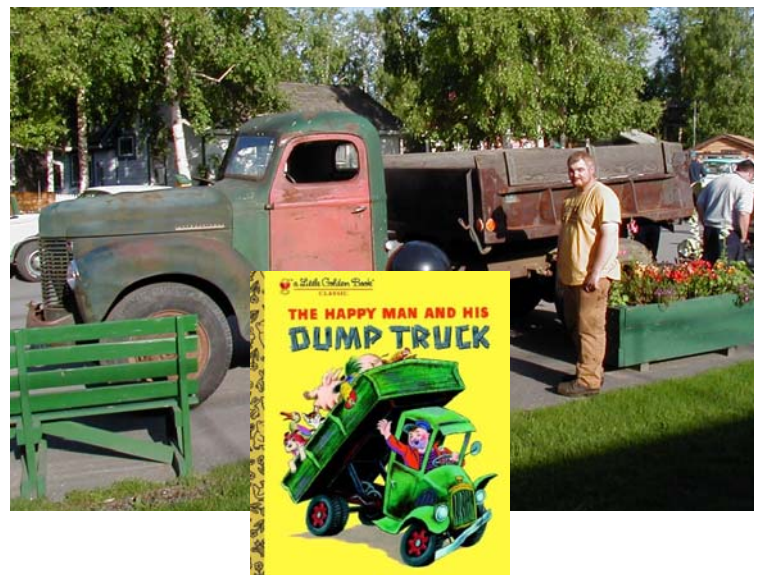
03 Cindy Johnson
14 George Lyle
14 Mary Blankenship
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21 Ruth Ann Domke
22 Jeff Simpson
27 James Eddy
29 Penny Hauck

November Anniversaries

04 Bill & Samornrat Wright
06 John & Mary Blankenship
16 Terry Quantrille & Jacque Nickerson
20 Rudy & Ruth Ann Domke

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We enjoyed seeing Jonathon Broline happily driving his dump truck in our summer runarounds. All that was missing from this scene were the farm animals taking a joyride in the back.



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Next Meeting-Thursday

**November 13 6pm-Dinner
7pm-Meeting**

Elks Club

Newsletter Deadline

All materials for the newsletter must be in by the 20th of the month for the following month.

Email ronandnancy@gci.net 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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