



THIRD ANNUAL VLNAACF CAR SHOW

The Third Annual Car Show at the Carlson Center was even a greater success than the prior two annual events. We can give ourselves a pat on the back for a great job done. Special thanks should go to Willy, Wilma, and Sherry for all their planning and organizational efforts. Don't be afraid to let them know how much we all appreciate their efforts.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE WINNERS

The People's Choice winner for the Third Annual Car Show was a well deserved tie between Greg and Karmen Shoemaker's 64 Ford Futura and Ron Stevenson's 41 Ford pickup. Both vehicles are recently completed project vehicles with new high performance engines and running gear, and they both include body modifications, paint and accessories that express their owners' artistic talents

as well as their mechanical and other vehicular renovation skills. Both vehicles were hands on projects personally performed by their owners. Congratulations to both winners for achieving the People's Choice award.



Karmen and Greg's 1963 Falcon



Ron Stevenson and Karmen and Greg Shoemaker Share the People's Choice Award



Ron Stevenson's 1941 Ford

RAFFLE WINNER

Chris Niffenberger first saw the 1949 rusty Ford pickup that club members were selling raffle tickets for sitting at Sam’s Club. He said he had been looking for such a pickup for some time. He asked Willy if he could just buy it outright because he really wanted it badly. Of course the answer was no, so Chris purchased \$200 of tickets on the spot with hopes that this would increase his chances of winning it. Someone there told him that he had a really good feeling about his chances. Chris didn’t stop there. He later attended the Car Show on Saturday and purchased \$60 more of tickets. By the time Sunday rolled around Chris was so nervous that he couldn’t attend the Car Show to see the drawing. He did kick his daughter off the phone about 3:00 PM, the planned time of the drawing, just in case Willy was trying to contact him about winning the raffle. Keep in mind that even with Chris’ large number of ticket holdings, he still had less than a 4% chance of being drawn. The ticket was drawn, and it had the name of Chris and a phone number in



Chris Niffenburger Receives the Keys to His Newly Won 49 Ford Pickup

Willy’s handwriting on it. Willy’s first call to the number resulted in a bad cell phone connection where Chris could not hear a voice. He was totally frantic. Willy’s second call at 3:15 PM was good enough to convey the message that Chris was indeed the winner. You can see in the photo that Chris is elated. The pickup has been seen recently sitting directly in

front of his Badger Gas station on Badger Road proudly displayed for all to see. Chris has already started sanding the rust off and prepping the body for paint.

POKER RUN

The Poker Run to Chena Hot Springs resulted in seven old cars making the journey and eleven participants enjoying a game of highway draw



Poker Run Participants Posing on the way to Chena Hot Springs

poker. The cars got a free car wash on the way out with the compliments of Mother Nature. The first place poker winner was Don Oines with a straight flush and a winning take of \$27.50 cash.



Don Oines counts his \$27.50 Poker Run Winnings

Second place went to Kenny Maxwell, and third place went to Fern Venton. The lowest poker hand prize went to Merle Johnson. The most 9’s award was a tie between Ron Frey and Ron Allen. The most same family participants’ prize went to

Don Oines. The oldest prize went to Wilma Vinton (The oldest car, not oldest person). The Red Lantern prize went to John McCarthy. A surprise prize based on not having won anything else went to Devin. A really tough but interesting multiple choice test was given on old car trivia. While no one in our group indicated he or she did even remotely well on the test, Don Oines answered the most questions correctly.

HMMMM! CHECK THIS OUT!

For those of you familiar with Willy's wisecracks about Ford's superiority to Chevrolet and all other makes of cars, feast your eyes on this photo. Please do ask Willy the name of the manufacturer of the pictured car on the flatbed truck and the name of its owner (man in red hat).



THANK YOU AND GOODBYE TO THE MCKOWANS

Joel and Julie McKowan have been regular participants in most of our events in the past couple of years and have taken active roles in both behind the scenes work and activities leadership roles. Lately Joel was asked by Ron Frey on behalf of the Carlson Center to perform the favor of transporting an elderly couple to their surprise 50th wedding anniversary celebration to be held at the Center, a couple that Joel had never met. He went above and beyond the call of duty by not only providing the antique car and chauffer services, he graciously presented a single red rose to the lady of the couple being transported at the time of their surprise pickup. Not only do the McKowans have a class car, but they also exude a class act. Joel, Julie and family are relocating to the lower 48 after Joel's separation from the Air

Force this July. We salute the McKowans for their service to our community as well as our country, and we wish them well in their new venture. They will be missed here.



**Julie and Joel McKowan
with their 1949 Cadillac**

2006 SOLSTICE CELEBRATION

The 2006 Solstice Celebration held downtown Fairbanks drew record crowds of people this year. A great time was had by VLNAACF club members running the root beer stand, tending our historic cars displayed on Lacey Street and chewing the fat with old friends and inquiring passers-by. It is probably my favorite event when the weather is nice, which it usually is on the Solstice.



VLNAACF Area at the Solstice



VLNAACF Root Beer Stand

UPCOMING EVENTS

By Sherry Camarata

We have a few things planned for the next few weeks and have invitations from other organizations to participate in a few others:

Wednesday RUN AROUNDS

Meet at Pioneer Park parking lot between 6:30 & 7:00 pm and let's roar!

Thursday, June 29th thru July 4th celebration WHEEL AWAY TRIPS

Two groups are leaving for Canada Day in Canada (of all places to have Canada Day) and then back to Alaska in America for our 4th of July Celebration:

Squeaky & Marion and a group are going to Dawson City, for Canada Day, and then on to Eagle for the 4th of July – join them it's a lot of fun and Dawson is a blast (as well as Squeaky, he knows the territory well and he's a long time Eaglette or Eaglite). This is a tried and true venture.

Willie & Wilma and a group are going to Whitehorse for Canada Day and then to Skagway for the July 4th celebration. This sounds like a great trip too and we haven't gone that route as a group before. Exploring new territory!!

Tuesday, July 4th NORTH POLE PARADE

We've traditionally participated in this parade and they always have a street fair afterwards and the mayor hosts a picnic on the deck of the water plant – lots of fun for all to do. Line up at 11:00 am at the corner of the Richardson Highway along the access road, St. Nicholas Drive just up from St. Nicholas Church (coming from Fairbanks make a right from the Richardson Highway onto 5th Ave. and we should be lining up on the corner to your left! -- If you are coming from the Eielson direction, change the right and lefts to lefts and rights!) We'll have a contact person and let you know who when the volunteer is captured.

Saturday, July 15th PICNIC MEETING @ DOMKE'S

AHHHH, relax and enjoy the summer picnic and get together for the meeting at the Domke's manicured lawn. Meet about 4:00 pm but come early and stay late Rudy always tells everyone. And this year he promises NO RAIN. Bring your lawn chair and something to drink and we'll have a great time as we always do. Thanks Ruth & Rudy!



CLASSIFIED ADS

1929 (or 1930?) Chevy 6-cyl engine with starter & generator, transmission, and frame with brakes. Engine and transmission turn. Engine has compression. Low negotiable price. Dave Anderson 452-4227.

- **1982 two door hatchback Mustang**, 44,000 miles, automatic, and runs great. Needs carpet. Call Ray Cain at 479-4798.

George Clayton's vehicles are for sale @ the house and on the Ranch: It is George's desire that the Nash Car Club members get first choice. There will be a Ford T & A & GM parts sale at a later date. Call Bill Chace 488-3805 if interested.

Model "A" Repairs. Bill Wright, an active VLNAACF club member, does re-babbitt work on A's, B's, and T's. Call him at 479-8506.

1931 Model A Phaeton. Here is a rare opportunity to own a piece of Dawson history. Bob Cartwright of Dawson City is selling this prize possession. The car has been in the Dawson area since new and was owned by some prominent miners in the area during its past life. Contact Loren Benham at 474-4966.

1953 Jeep CJ3 with insulated cab. Frame-off restoration. Call Alva Ditch at 457-4788.

1951 Buick, 2-door hard-top, deep maroon w/white top. 88,000 miles. New interior, good tires, fender skirts and more. Cruises at 80 easily. Original body in good solid shape, needs minor cosmetics. Located in Anchorage. Contact Bernie in Fbks. 457-3302, Dick in Anch. 272-5696, or Dell in Anch. 562-4088.



Buick for sale. See above.



Motor Mania (Disney 1950)



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Ron Allen
- 03 Lisa Williams
- 11 James Lounsbury
- 13 Dick Ellsworth
- 14 Jason Holtzman
- 15 Nathan Williams
- 20 Jerry Krier
- 21 Ed McLaughlin
- 22 Milnor Larson
- 23 Bill Wright
- 24 Steve Hormann
- 25 Carrie Jurgens
- 27 Judy Saupe

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 01 Roy & Brenda Wilber
- 03 Don McPherson/Lu Barn
- 04 Karl & Betty Carlson
- 10 Jerry & Donna Krier
- 26 Linda Long
- 29 Robert & Nancy Hanson



Mickey's Trailer (Disney 1938)

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NEXT MEETING

4:00PM Saturday July 15
Domke Residence at 6.9 Mile Chena
Hot Springs Road
(Turn Right on Domke Lane)

Newsletter Deadline

All materials for the newsletter should be in by the 20th of the month to be considered for the next newsletter. Email ronandnancy@gci.net or call 907-488-3965. Items can be mailed to Ron at his home address; 1288 Rangeview Dr, North Pole, AK 99705.

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

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