

VNLAAC WELCOMES NEW EDITOR

My name is Cindy Johnson and I am the new VLNAAC newsletter editor. In case you can't place me or my husband, George, here is a picture of our trucks. (Or, just a sneaky way to get our trucks in the newsletter!)



The first thing I would like to do is to thank Jeanne McDermott, our former editor, who's years of experience in computer graphics and publication applications brought our newsletter format up-to-date. Jeanne's life has grown more interesting lately as she takes on more violin students and otherwise expands her horizons in Fairbanks. I hope I will be able to continue in her footsteps to keep this an interesting and quality publication for our members. Thank you, Jeanne!

Everyone from the Club is invited to contribute articles and items of interest to this publication by email to me at <u>chisana@yahoo.com</u> or to the club address. The deadline is the 25th of each month.

SMOKIN' MONDAROSA RUN!

The annual Mondarosa Run wrapped up the 2004 VNLAAC season in August. Spirits were high, despite the continuing smoky summer skies, as members met at Pioneer Park to kick off the annual Poker Run to Nenana. Beccy Monsma organized the event again this year and challenged everyone with her trivia quiz about famous cars from movies and TV.



All lined up in Nenana - smoke and all

In keeping with tradition, the group dined at the Monderosa and caravanned afterwards to the Nenana train station for



the annual line-up photo. Be sure to put the Mondarosa run on next year's calendar. It's a ton of fun and great way to end your summer!

Thanks Becky!

Notes from the President by Larry Bennett

It is quite fascinating to realize the wealth of information that is available about antique vehicles, and most any other subject, with just a few clicks of your mouse!

Antique Auto Club of America

If you start at our web site

(http://oldcarsfairbanks.com/index.html) and choose LINKS, then Antique Auto Club of America, you will easily spend the rest of the evening learning about our national organization, its museum, the national calendar, merchandise, over 2500 photos of members' vehicles, and a plethora of information about various regions of the club. Of special interest to me are the chronological history of the auto industry and a link to an on-line book called "A Short History of the Auto." The book includes sections ranging from "In the Beginning" to "New World Order," as well as an excellent and representative collection of photos.

The Big Question!

In what year did this quotation appear the Detroit Journal? "The first horseless carriage seen in this city was out on the streets last night. The apparatus seemed to work all right and it went at the rate of five or six miles an hour at an even rate of speed."

You can find the answer in the AACA website, and we'll give a prize at the November meeting to the first person who tells me the correct year. The article also reports that the car was built by Charles Brady King, railroad mechanic and Chicago auto race umpire, and it says, "Following the car intently on a bicycle through the cold, snowy Detroit streets was a lanky, 32-year-old mechanical engineer who worked for the Edison Illuminating Co. His name was Henry Ford."

Click a little and learn a lot!

What's Coming Up

I'm really looking forward to this month's meeting of the club, and I hope you are too. First, we'll be meeting at a place that will be new to most of us, the Aviators' Steak House at Second and Wickersham. Margaret and I had lunch there and found the food to be excellent. If we have a large enough group, they will close to the public and make the whole place available to us.

Second, we have lined up a very interesting program that will feature several of our own club members talking about their current restoration projects. Ron Allen will talk about his 1963 Triumph, Ray McLeod will tell us about his three Mustangs –1966, 67 and 71 -- and Don Oines will bring us a few words about his work on his 1947 Buick and 1930 Model A. We welcome any others of you who have projects underway to bring us up-to-date on your progress. By the way, how do you distinguish between a renovation and a restoration?

And third, we are holding elections for our 2005 officers at our November meeting. Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find the slate proposed by the nominating committee. Be assured we will take nominations from the floor as well, so come prepared to participate in this important process!

I look forward to seeing you on November 11! Happy motoring! Larry

ELECTION SLATE

Willy Vinton Ray McLoed Wilma Vinton Merle Page Merle Page President Vice President Treasurer Treasurer Secretary

The slate is still open to nominations. Please contact Loran "Squeaky" Benham at 474-4966 to nomination someone or volunteer yourself. Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the November Meeting.

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

When - What - Where

11/11 - November Meeting Aviators Steak House - 6PM **ELECTIONS ELECTIONS ELECTIONS!** We will meet next at the Aviators Steak House at 2nd and Wickersham in downtown Fairbanks. The restaurant will be closed to the public if the turnout is large enough. We will be calling members to get a headcount. The big item on the agenda is the election of 2005 officers. Also Ron Allen, Ray McLeod and Don Oines will talk about their current restoration and renovation projects.



12/12 - Christmas Party – Elks Club - 4 P.M. Bring your gift and contribute to crime at Christmas! See who wants to steal your thoughtful, wonderful gift! This year our party is in a private room on the second floor of the Elks Club.

Please bring your holiday cheer!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Cindy Johnson	
Beccy Monsma	
Ruth Ann Domke	
James Eddy	
Penny Hauck	



CLASSIFIED ADS

1931 Model A Ford Tutor, in excellent condition. Asking Price \$20,000. dwest@misquitonet.com 479-2583

1959 Fleetside Chevrolet, BODY ONLY. All straight and little rust. \$1500 or best offer. Maple Valley, Washington 435-5854 jcsafety@comcast.com



Car Collector George Clayton of Fairbanks is selling all of his vehicles. All of his cars are project cars and will require transportation to move.

- 1962 Gran Turismo
- 1955 Chrysler New Yorker Deluxe 2-Door with parts car.
- 1941 Chrysler 4-Door Sedan. Includes factory-new 6 cylinder engine.
- 1930 Ford Model A Dump Truck with most of the parts.
- Several 1960 Cadillacs

George will negotiate all prices. 456-4550

1964 shortbed ¹/₂ ton Chevy Pickup Chassis

Needs a good home. It's completely original. 6 cylinder, 4 speed, timken rockwell 221 T case, dana 44 axles front and rear. All are in working order. Former Ak highway dept truck. Have photos. Ideal for spares, or a stock conversion.

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Next Meeting

November 11th ^{6 P.M.} Aviator's Steak House <u>Newsletter Deadline</u> 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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