



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

December 4th found the temperature to be -36 degrees in North Pole, -31 downtown, and a balmy -16 at my house, so it was a great day for indoor activity. We had a total of 12 members and one guest take part in a body repair class (automotive type) led by Gene Anderson, son of the former member Ben Anderson. I learned a lot and hope that everyone involved took some information of value with them as well. We covered some basic straightening of a fender (Paul Camarata furnished the fender from a 65 Falcon), hammer and dolly work, preparation for bondo and bondo work, received information regarding hints and techniques to finish for paint. Gene covered paint types and paint techniques as well as answering general questions. I think that one of the things we all learned, including Gene, is that if you come to my garage, WEAR OLD CLOTHES, as you may get bondo dust and/or

paint dust on you. These are definitely hands on classes.

I am planning a few more of these types of classes, to include more of the bondo finish technique, primer application and sanding, panel replacement, welding both gas and mig, and any other subjects that come up. The class scheduling will be on short notice as it is dependent on the instructor's work schedule, so make sure that you get with me and let me know that you are interested. I will call those on my list when the classes are scheduled. Our next class will be after the new year, and I look forward to them. It is always fun to learn something new and prove that you can teach Old Dogs new tricks. The friendship and BS were great highlighted with coffee and cookies (fresh homemade chocolate chip, warm from the oven), compliments of Wilma.



If you have any ideas for classes that you would like to see, let me know, and we will see if we can find time and someone with the expertise to teach it. These are informal classes set up to provide hands on experience and information that we can use in our own endeavors, and to help make us better equipped to promote our hobby and preserve our old iron. Thanks for your participation. Willy

PS Gene Yurkovich said he learned that he needs more tools..... are you listening Tina???

MOST IMPROVED VEHICLE AWARD By Willy Vinton

The club decided in 2005 to create an award for the most improved vehicle to be given to a club member for his/her hands-on accomplishments with a project vehicle. It was decided that a trophy should be created that could be awarded and then passed on each passing year to a new recipient selected by an appointed committee. Greg Osland, Willy Vinton and Jonathan and Gregory Broline created the unique trophy pictured below for this award.



Two identical 1940 model Ford coupes are mounted on the trophy, one depicting a derelict car and the other depicting a beautifully restored car. Six name plates are currently attached to the trophy to facilitate current and future awards. The trophy is very fitting for the purpose of honoring the recipient's efforts and is consistent with our club mission of furthering the preservation, restoration, and enjoyment of old automobiles.

The first recipient of the award was Ron Allen for his restoration work on a 1963 Triumph TR4. The award was announced and given at the annual Christmas party.



ATTENDANCE AWARD

The club also decided in 2005 to give an award to the club member who attended the most events during the year. A log was kept for members to sign in at each event. The first recipient for this award was Don Oines. Don attended 23 of 30 events, which is a worthy accomplishment. Participation in these events is a form of community service as well as an enjoyable hobby for the member. It is appropriate to recognize those who contribute time and effort to ensure the club's success. Thank you Don for your tireless enthusiasm and your devotion to the club's activities. Don received a quillo at the (quilt/pillow) as a thank you from the club.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Christmas party was held at the Elk's Club on December 11. Everyone attending enjoyed an excellent prime rib and shrimp dinner. Following dinner were the award ceremonies and Chinese gift exchange. It was a great time greeting old friends, making new friends, and getting into a festive mood as depicted in the following photo. Joel and Julie McKowan are modeling the hats that Julie won and later lost in the Chinese gift exchange. Joel's hat is a pink flowered swim cap (?) and Julie's is an attractive Indiana Jones style fedora.



THANK YOU

Gary Farnham requested we print a thank you to all the club members for the great Christmas dinner and the camaraderie of friends, and also to the individual providing the car blanket and Beach Boy CD exchange gift he received at the annual Christmas Party.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday January 12, 2006 General meeting at the Elks Club back room starting at 6:00 PM.



Classified Ads

No ads were placed for this month. 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 at 488-3805



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

01 Herman Hauck
08 Sharon Whitledge
08 Joel McKowan
08 Patricia Cromer
11 Lori Simpson
14 Jim Stagdon
19 Bonnie Scott

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

12 Jim & Beth Stagdon
27 Randy & Shawn Rogers

CLUB DUES

Club dues are due on January 1. Single's dues are \$45 and couple's dues are \$60. If you have not paid them yet, please make your check payable to VLNAACF and send it to: Marion Benham, Membership Secretary, P.O. Box 71253, Fairbanks, AK 99707. Thank you. Marion

CLUB JACKETS

Marion Benham is putting together an order of Club Jackets. If you want a Jacket please call her at 474-4966. We need to get an order for 20 jackets to get a price break. She will re-confirm your order and give you a price when she has received gotten enough orders.



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Next Meeting-Thursday

January 12 6:00 PM at the Elks Club

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 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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