DECEMBER 2008 VLNAAC



DICK SCOTT DONATES NEXT VLNAAC RAFFLE CAR

by Ron Allen

Dick Scott and his wife, Jo are known for their generosity and community effort, and especially for their long time contributions toward organizing and running the annual Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival. Their generosity now

involves the Vernon Nash Antique Car Club with a donation of Dick's unique 1956 Porsche Speedster replica car to be used for our next car raffle. The donation technically goes directly to the North Pole Lions Club, which in turn is donating the car to VLNAAC for an agreed to share of the raffle proceeds. This way we comply with IRS donation rules regarding the different corporate statuses of our different



Dick Scott and Willy Vinton shake hands on Dick's donation of the Porsche Speedster replica car.

organizations. Both organizations will benefit financially from the donation.



The car is a beautiful classic red roadster convertible, which without a trained eye is difficult to tell from an original classic Porsche. It is in good condition and only needs minor attention for a few cosmetic and mechanical issues, which will happily be provided by some club volunteers. The engine is a rebuilt Volkswagen 1600 with dual carburetors with only 300 reported miles. It has new OEM hub caps and other Porsche details that make it look genuine. My prediction is that it will be such a popular raffle car that all the tickets will be sold. I know I will be buying my fair share of them. I can just imagine myself driving this hot-looking little roadster around Fairbanks on a warm summer day.



Thank you to Dick and Jo Scott for their continued generosity and support of our community. Their donation will be used to further support our club's mission, which is to further the preservation, restoration, and enjoyment of old automobiles and related automobilia, to share and encourage others and the public to take an interest through organized activities, meets, rallies, displays, shows, parades, etc, and to aid individuals, museums, libraries, historians, and collectors dedicated to the preservation of automobile history

EARLY CHRISTMAS AT FOUNTAINHEAD ANTIQUE AUTO MUSEUM

by Ron Allen

Unloading the new shipment of classic old cars from the container trailers at below zero temperatures for volunteers Rick Larrick and



1908 Brush being unloaded that once belonged to silent screen star Gilda Grey.

myself along with employees Willy Vinton, Nancy DeWitt and others who showed up reminded me and others present of the childhood thrills of opening presents on a cold Christmas morning. We hardly noticed the



Rick, Willy and Ron pose with the Peerless.



This Packard is heavy, and those pushing it agreed.



This is a 1920 Argonne Roadster. It has a Rochester/Deusenberg engine. Only 24 Argonnes were made, and this is the last one.

bitter cold as we unstrapped and pushed the newly arrived old cars from the trailers to inside their temporary new warm storage area on November 1. There were a total of nine cars loaded on the two enclosed trailers that brought the cars up from the lower 48 states. We all shared a sense of pride and ownership in working with these beautiful classics.

ANOTHER FOLLOW-UP ON THE MYSTERY CAR ARTICLE

by Nancy DeWitt and updated by Ron Allen



I posted the Alaskan mystery car photo included in an earlier newsletter article to the AACA forum. I immediately got two responses that it looks like either a 1923 or 1925 Star Roadster. Bill Chace had been stumped by the odd bumper and what he thought were solid tires. One forum poster pointed out that the wheels are wearing hubcaps that have a Star logo in the center. Ron Allen confirmed the make when he used a web search and found the photo of an identical Star Roadster that was used in a 1925 movie, "The Freshman." That car was a 1922 model Star Roadster.

The first mention of Star cars I came across in local area newspapers is May 1926 (the N.C. Company had some shipped in), but that doesn't mean they weren't here before that. Plus, I don't know where in Alaska the photo was taken or who owned the car, and I've only pored through old Interior AK newspapers. The important

thing (for my research) is to document what kinds of cars were in early Alaska, and having a photo of a Star is a bonus.

CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE WESTMARK ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

You should have received and returned your green Christmas Party invitation with the fee to Laurel McLaughlin. You must have this completed by November 30 in order to attend the party. Contact Laurel at 452-5234 if you have any questions. There will be a drawing for door prizes and a Chinese gift exchange. If you want to participate in the gift exchange, bring a gift with a value of around \$20 marked either male, female or something in-between.

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED FOR 2009

The slate of officer candidates was approved for election at the November 13 membership meeting. Officers selected include:

- President Willy Vinton
- Vice President Scott Culbertson
- Secretary vacant
- Treasurer Ron Allen
- Board Gary Nash
- Board Ray McLeod
- Board Scott Grundy

The Secretary position has not been filled yet. Please, someone volunteer for this position. If you are interested, please contact Willy Vinton or Laurel McLaughlin.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

Hansen	Howard	1-Dec
Dane	Ron	5-Dec
McDonald	John	6-Dec
Walton	Charley	19-Dec

Chace	Klinton	20-Dec
Dotson	Furman	23-Dec
Holmes	Robert	30-Dec
Wilbur	Brenda	9-Dec
Boschert	Sandy	13-Dec
McLaughlin	Laurel	30-Dec

Anniversaries

Kirk and Kathy	1-Dec
Tenna	3-Dec
Bill	4-Dec
Ken and Sandy	13-Dec
Willy and Wilma	15-Dec
Jeffry and Susan	17-Dec
George and Nila	18-Dec
Terry and Sharon	19-Dec
Don and Angie	22-Dec
Ken and Wendy	26-Dec
	Tenna Bill Ken and Sandy Willy and Wilma Jeffry and Susan George and Nila Terry and Sharon Don and Angie

CLASSIFIED ADS

Model "A" Repairs: Bill Wright, an active VLNAACF club member, does re-babbitt work on A's, B's, and T's, complete engine rebuilds, and carburetor, oil pump and water pump rebuilds. Call him at 479-8506 or his cell phone 388-2118.

Welding, Repair and Fabrication! Need it done? I can do it! Tom (Blue) Hinchsliff 479-0478.

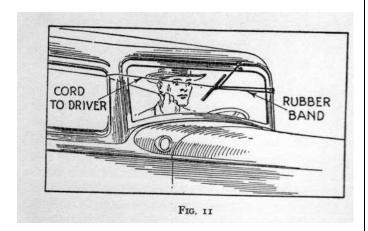
Automotive and Diesel Machining: Serving Fairbanks since 1974. R&S Machine, Ric Smoyer, Proprietor, 515 Noyes Street in Fairbanks. 456-6496

Looking for winter storage for my 1951 Pontiac. Prefer heated if possible so that I can do some work on it, but will accept cold storage. Contact Dusty Johnson at 750-3209.

FOR OUR <u>FIX OR REPAIR</u> <u>DAILY FRIENDS</u>

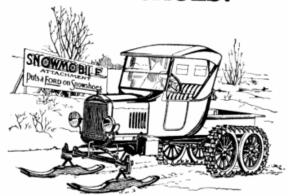
Provided by Rick Larrick:

From the book AUTO KINKS, prepared by the Editorial Staff of Popular Science Monthly in 1934 and published by Grosset & Dunlap, New York...



Page 140: If a storm comes up suddenly and your automatic windshield wiper fails to work, you can operate it temporarily with a piece of string and rubber band. Simply fasten the elastic and the string to the wiper blade where it joins the moving arm. Then hook the rubber band over the top hinge of the front-left door and lead the string through the partially opened window of the opposite door. Pulling the string will move the wiper to the right while the elastic band will pull it to the left. It can be operated without interfering with driving. Fig. 11 shows how it's done.

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NEXT MEETINGS

There is no general membership meeting for December. We have the annual Christmas party on Sunday December 14 instead. Anyone attending the party must have reservations by November 30. Contact Laurel McLaughlin at 452-5234.

The Board Meeting is at 6:30 PM at the **Food Factory** on **Tuesday December 9**. Everyone is also welcome to attend Board Meetings.

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!

