



## Dateline...June 4-6, 2010 ...Talkeetna, Alaska...

Did you know it's nearly impossible to find a Pinecone in the interior of Alaska? You'd think with all the trees here in such excess that we just let burn in wildfires, you'd be able to find a simple pinecone. Well approximately 38 people during a scavenger hunt at Talkeetna proved at the Alaska AACA Joint Antique Car meet in June that a true Pinecone is a rare commodity. Only one Ponderosa Pine cone and 3 Scotch pine cones were produced during the scavenger hunt on Saturday. The contest ended in a three way draw between Chace, Grundy and Larrick. To break the tie, and going into overtime twice, judges decided Larricks cone was so squirrel gnawed that its' ancestry was questionable and was eliminated. A bank of vehicle related safety questions were asked to break the tie between Chaces and Grundys, with the Chaces winning the scavenger hunt with the possession of a AAA road service card.

The weather was smoky and rainy as 5 cars departed Fairbanks on Fri. June 4. From the summit where you might see McKinley the smoke obscured everything. The rain tapered off shortly after we passed Cantwell and as we arrived at Giggleswood B&B Resort for Friday's BBQ the sun broke through. Blue sky prevailed and the smoke blew elsewhere the rest of the weekend. The only smoke witnessed emitted from the great bar-be-que dinners served by the Antique Auto mushers of Anchorage.

5 vehicles from Fairbanks and 8 vehicles from Anchorage represented Alaska AACA in this years auto competition at the Talkeetna Junction Senior Center. The battle was fierce from the beginning involving approximately 38 contestants in various antics. Participants checked their skill at parking their car in a garage, matching their driving time, and other games.

The historic village of Talkeetna certainly knew of our presence. Many local businesses willingly assisted us in our search of scavenged items and the two thousand or more Tourists gladly dug deep to produce many rare and glorious items such as a non Alaska business card. The entire trip was a success with no mishaps and Mt. McKinley reigned on our return to Fairbanks with several photo ops and potty stops along the way. As we approached Fairbanks the rains greeted us once again. Representing Fairbanks were Chaces, Grundys, Larricks, Larsons and McLaughlins and contest results follow:

Driving over an uneven course and matching your Time driving a second time: 1st - Bruce Campbell, 2nd - Bill Chace, 3rd - Jim Fredenhagen

Garage Park backing in, out and around: 1st - Dennis Allen, 2nd - Rick Larrick, 3rd - Jim Fredenhagen

Tail Race pulling a bouncy ball on a 10 foot line through a controlled course: 1st - Howard Hansen, 2nd - Ted Kimzey, 3rd - Rick Larrick

Stop car on the Line: 1st - Jen Grundy, 2nd - Ted Kimzey, 3rd - Joyce Chace

Destruction Derby: 1st - Henry Thomas, 2nd - Ed McLaughlin, 3rd - Emma Thomas

Shoe Race all at once matching shoes from a tub to other shoe worn by partner: 1st - Dennis and Diane Allen, 2nd - Bill and Joyce Chace, 3rd - Ed and Laurel McLaughlin

Scavenger Hunt in Talkeetna 1st - Bill and Joyce Chace, 2nd - Scott and Jen Grundy, 3rd - Rick and Jill Larrick

President's Headlights:

**"Car Show Summer"**

Many thanks to a lot of our members for helping with the Carlson Show and with the Fountainhead Auto Museum Show. For the Carlson Show, John McCarthy and Dave Karpik really get some praise for "sharing the driving" by taking leadership positions in organizing that event. For the Fountainhead Show, many thanks especially go to Ron Allen and Terry Whittedge for "sharing the driving" and leading significant parts of that work program. Many, many, others pitched in to help on both shows. Those who helped are very much appreciated by the rest of the membership; those leading events especially appreciate those who commit by signing up in advance to help.

By all measures and feedback, the Carlson Members Only Show was a success, and you should be able to read about it and see pictures elsewhere in this newsletter. The same goes for the Wedgewood Resort Fountainhead Auto Museum "Midnight Sun Cruise-In". This inaugural show drew about 140 cars and just super attendance. Dennis Gage was a big draw, and it was fun to have him appreciating the cars at the show. The show even had a couple (Aymara' Lachiaza and Juan Eyheraguibel) who were driving Argentina to Alaska and heard about the show when they were in the Tetons, and so planned their date in Fairbanks around show.

The Joint Meet was great fun, and again pictures and a story are elsewhere. As usual, we also had a great time with Gary and Jill Nash on the poker-run they again organized – their "share of the driving" is appreciated!

Will and Theresa Chase organized a Rib Run to the Salcha River Lodge, June 27<sup>th</sup>. More on that in the next NewsLetter. John McCarthy and group will take their Model As and head for Dawson for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. Theresa Chase is also coordinating the club entry in the North Pole Parade on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The next big event is the outdoor car show at Airport Equipment on July 11<sup>th</sup>. Bill Wright is organizing this show again this year, and I'm sure he would appreciate some folks helping out in leadership roles for that show by "sharing the driving" with him – he's been spending a lot of time behind the wheel with this and then the Raffle Car. There are still some Raffle Car Tickets left to be sold. Bill Wright has done a great job in leading our effort on ticket sales this year. The car will be given away in Pioneer Park after the Golden Days Parade on July 24<sup>th</sup>.

Finally, the 2<sup>nd</sup> ABDT Tour leaves on Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup> for Cordova, going down through Valdez and returning via Whittier and then the Hatcher Pass. "Cat herder" Scott Grundy has done most of "the driving" in organizing this event.

You can always keep up with our schedule through the Goggle event calendar on the website at <http://local/aaca.org/fairbanks>, or <http://www.oldcarsfairbanks.org>. If you have events to add, call Rochelle; if you have questions about an event, then call the "PPR" (primary person responsible) that is listed with the event on the calendar.

Feedback any event is really appreciated so that we can build on success and make improvements based on suggestions. Please e-mail your suggestions to [vlnaacf@gmail.com](mailto:vlnaacf@gmail.com) and they will be shared with the Board and with event organizers.

- Rick Larrick

## OPEN ARMS TRUCK TOUCH

by John McCarthy

A beautiful, sunny day greeted the participants and spectators for the 2010 Open Arms Child Development Truck Touch at Zion Lutheran Church on Saturday, May 22nd. Eight vehicles from the VLNAACF attended this third annual show along with fire trucks, police cars, tractors, heavy equipment, four wheelers and even an airplane and helicopter. The event is held to be a hands-on experience for families with small children, and proceeds from entry help support Open Arms' programs for child development.

This year, the Open Arms Truck Touch was dedicated in honor of Rudy Domke who was an active member of the VLNAACF and a dedicated supporter of the children at past Truck Touch events.



1968 Ford Galaxy 500 for sale. All original. 390 engine. Manual transmission. Don Grabber Phone 488-7031

There is also a Classic Old Dump Truck for sale, however your editor will blame his dog for eating the add. Please contact me with the information again if you are selling the Dump Truck.

FOR SALE

Al Whitney wants to invite everyone to the July 9th. Hotrod and Muscle Car Run To Delta

First, I want to invite all types of cars on our run to Delta Junction on Friday night, July 9th. The car show in Delta is at the Buffalo Center Delta Texaco. It would be nice to have a grand display of our cars, and I'm asking club members to invite car friends that you know of that are not yet members to attend. What better way to get more people interested in the Club! We will meet at The Alaska Club Fairbanks fitness club at the 747 Old Richardson Hwy parking lot. We will leave at 4:00 in the afternoon, the car show begins at 6:00. North Pole members could assemble at the fireworks stand and fall in line as we come down the highway. With straight access to the highway from the fitness club, any car could make this trip to Delta, and the Club would look good with a large showing. I would love to see 20 to 30 cars on this run. I asked Bill Wright to take calls on this event, we would like to know how many plan to attend so I can let the owners of Delta Texaco know to expect. This should be a very nice daylight long-run to Delta, let's hope we have good weather. Contact me, Al Whitney, at 474-4793, or Bill Wright at 388-2118. Thanks.

40 year collection being sold at auction beginning noon July 10th at Great North Auction Co. 3300 Lakeview Drive (by Greer Tank on Old Rich). Includes old gas pump that used to be in front of Sampsons, old porcelain gas station signs (some large), stuff for game room: stainless soda fountain, old jukebox, coke machines, gas station memorabilia, Alaska license plates, 2 restorable 1966 Pontiacs, 1938 Buick (rod potential), International Scouts, Model A parts (some new), flathead V-8 parts, tri-power manifold and factory air cleaner for 389, lots more. See ad at <http://www.greatnorthauction.com/JULY10.html>

FOR SALE





Troll Girl recently returned from a trip to the British Isles where she proved to be a great travel companion & showed a keen interest in the history, poets gravesites, castles, etc. She attracted attention wherever she went, especially when posing for photographs. We believe we even heard her humming Johnny Cashe's song "forty Shades of Green" that has almost become the national anthem of Ireland! She also attended the Indianapolis 500 Mile Race where she again collected a crowd of onlookers while she kissed the track bricks on the start/finish line (a tradition she didn't wish to miss). Doesn't she look lovely in her Irish hoody dress & Indy racing skirt?

Scott & Lynn Grundy



Joint Meet





# What A Great Day!



Governor Parnell is Introduced by Mr. Whitekeys



# What A Great Evening!

Dennis Gage Speaks at Dinner



# All This and Cars Too!

RESULTS OF PEOPLES CHOICE AWARDS AT  
The Carlson Center  
Official attendance through the front door was  
786  
2010 VLNAAC

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

Antique

1930 Willis-Knight 66B

Scott & Donna Culbertson Family

Vintage

1937 Packard Business Coupe

Dennis Dussman

Classic

1973 Dodge Challenger

Bret & Cindy Helms

Hot Rod / Modified

1933 Ford Coupe

Al & Sue Whitney

RESULTS OF AWARDS AT

The

Fountainhead Antique Auto Museum

Ford Model A: 1930 Model A Truck - Robert Bartlett,  
Anchorage (beat Willy  
by 1 vote...)

Pre-War: 1930 Willys Knight - Scott & Donna Cul-  
bertson, Fairbanks (Ron  
Dane's 1936 GMC Pickup was a distant second)

Post-War: 1957 Corvette - Terry Whitledge (blew eve-  
ryone else away - mixed  
group of runners-up)

Classic: 1973 Dodge Challenger - Brett & Cindy  
Helms (also blew everyone  
else away - mixed group of runners-up)

Hot Rod: 1950 Merc Coupe - Alan & Beccy Monsma  
(second was 1932 Ford  
Roadster by new member Robert Reddington)

Motorcycles: 1990 HD FXRLR - Chuck Mitchell  
(only entry)

Misc: Bub Larson's International Harvester Super MD  
beat Grandpa Joe  
Fuller  
handily.

Runaround  
Record 39 cars  
The night of June 16

Check the schedule and  
lets all break this record!





## Birthdays

Ruby is the July Birthstone  
The Larkspur is July's Flower



Ron Allen	1 July
Carla Holt	11 July
James Lounsbury	11 July
Dick Ellswort	13 July
Tammy Maxwell	13 July
Marily Merced/Naquin	20 July
Ed McLaughlin	21 July
Bret Helms	22 July
Bub Larson	22 July
David Graham	23 July
Dennis (Bear) Schmit	24 July
Carrie Jurgens	25 July
Peter Lundquist	25 July
Linda Long	26 July
Judy Saupe	27 July

## Anniversaries

Roy & Brenda Wilbur	1 July
Dennis & Debra Dussman	9 July
David Karpik & Katy Rice	28 July



## OUR CALENDAR

*Please go to this web page* <http://local.aaca.org/fairbanks/events.htm>

*For a full calendar, description, and the months ahead!*

**North Pole Parade** Saturday, Jul 3, 2010

**City of VALDEZ Antique Car Show** Sunday, Jul 4, 2010 Valdez, Alaska

**Board Meeting at Sam's Sourdough Cafe** Tue, July 6, 6pm – 7pm

**"Run around"** Wed, July 7, 6:45pm – 9:45pm Pioneer Park

**Dinner at The Bakery in Fairbanks** Thu, July 8, 6pm – 7pm

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING at The Bakery in Fairbanks** Thu, July 8, 7pm – 8pm

**2nd Annual Classic Car Night and Show & Shine at Buffalo Center Service Gas Station, Delta Junction.** Friday, Jul 9, 2010

**Outdoor Car Show at Airport Equipment Rentals,** , Jul 11, 2010

**"Run around"** Wed, July 14, 6:45pm – 9:45pm Pioneer Park

**North Pole Rally** Saturday, Jul 17, 2010 PPR Julio and Marily

**Newsletter Deadline for Submissions and Articles - email Sterling at [sterlingmuth@hotmail.com](mailto:sterlingmuth@hotmail.com)**

**GOLDEN DAYS KICKOFF at Pioneer Park** When Wed, July 21, 4:00pm – 9:30pm

**"Run around"** Wed, July 21, 6:45pm – 9:45pm Pioneer Park

**VLNAAC Picnic Pioneer Park following the Parade** Saturday, Jul 24, 2010

**GOLDEN DAYS PARADE at Fairbanks Curling Club** Sat, July 24, 8:30am – 12:30pm Line up on 2nd Ave in front of the Curling Club

**RAFFLE CAR DRAWING at Pioneer Park** Sat, July 24, 6:00pm – 6:30pm at the Gazebo

**Club Tour: 2nd "Adventures Before Dementia" Tour - to Cordova, AK** Jul 25 – 30 2010

**McDonalds pre show and shine** Saturday, Jul 31, 2010 Jewel Lake McDonalds Anchorage, Alaska This is an Anchorage event for those who would like to attend

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### NEXT MEETINGS

**NOTE CHANGE:** The General Membership Meeting is at The Bakery Restaurant on College Road. Dinner starting at 6:00 pm on Thursday, July 8th. Order dinner from the menu. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

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

### Newsletter Deadline

All materials for the newsletter should be in by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month to be considered for the next newsletter.

Email [Sterlingmuth@hotmail.com](mailto:Sterlingmuth@hotmail.com) or call 907-488-5859. Items can be mailed to Sterling at his home address; 912 N STOL 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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