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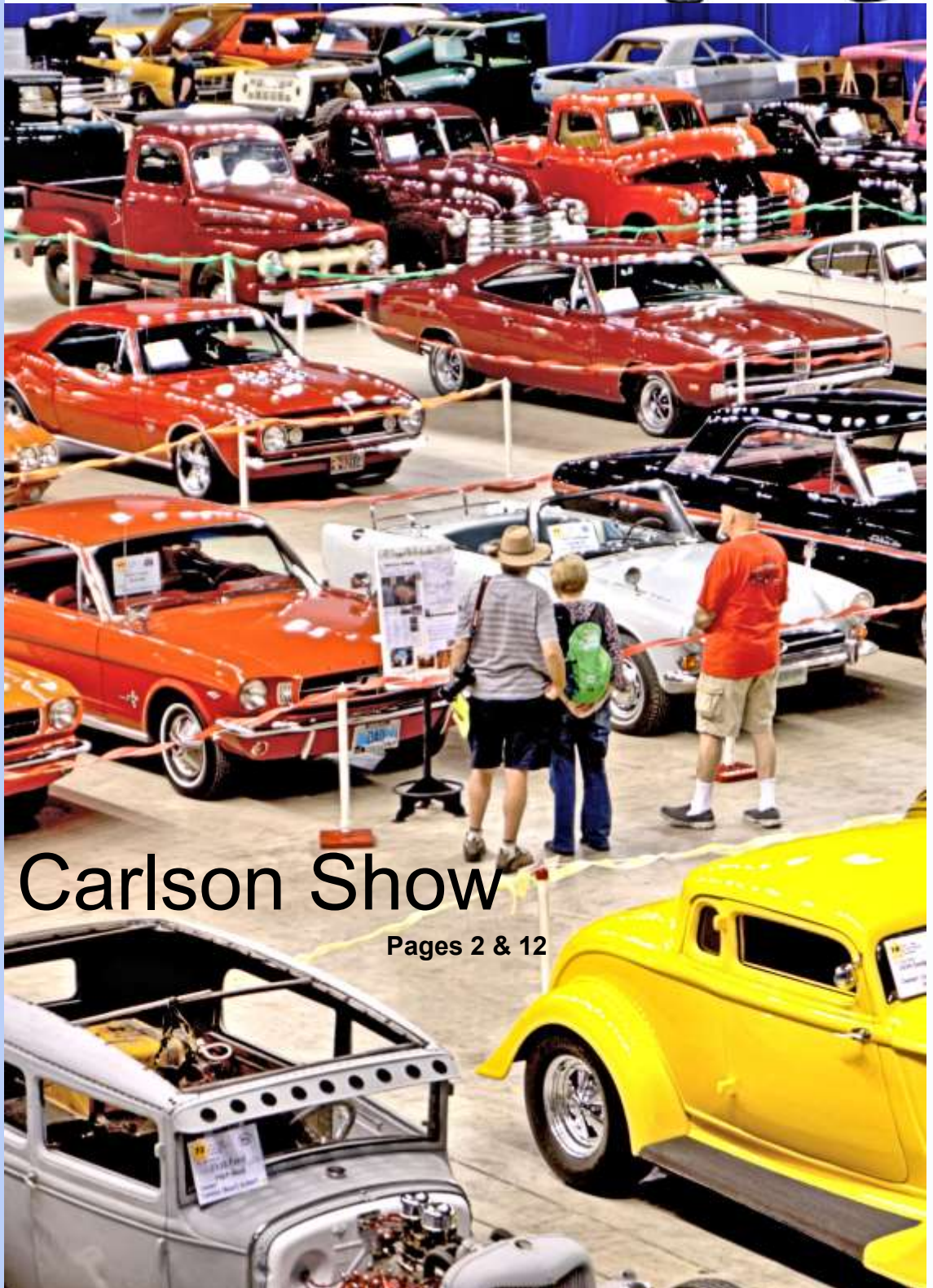
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Nash's News —

Antique auto news from Alaska's largest car club and most northern region of AACA



Carlson Show

Pages 2 & 12

If tomatoes are technically a fruit, is ketchup a smoothie?



BEST ANTIQUE: Wally Olsen stands with his 1930 Ford Model A Woodie (complete with California surf board).



BEST MODERN CLASSIC: Peter Lundquist and his son Carson present Peter's 1982 Chevrolet Chevelle.



BEST VINTAGE: Dave Rockney with his 1932 Rockne sedan.



BEST TRUCK: Jim Gower stands with his 1949 Chevrolet 3100 Pick-up.



BEST CLASSIC: Robbie Casey SMILES as he stands with his 1957 Buick Super Riviera HT.



BEST HOT ROD-MODIFIED: Jim Brand stands behind this past winter's work on his 1934 Dodge Coupe Rod project.

All awards at the annual Members Only Carlson Center Car Show are selected by People's Choice voting. Every person attending (both club members and all of the paid attendance) get a ballot, and get to choose their favorite from each class and then an overall favorite. Ballots were counted and the winners were announced at the end of the show. Award Plaques were presented (see page 10) at the Membership Meeting the following Thursday. The Carlson Show was held June 3rd and 4th this year. The event was led by Wilma and Willy Vinton, and was very well organized and was well attended. Motorcycles were the featured class this year and drew a number of great entries.

Why is a man who invests all your money called a broker?



Doris Casey SMILES as she stands next to her husband, Robbie, and their 1957 Buick Super Riviera HT, which was voted BEST OF SHOW

Carlson Center Car Show

AWARD WINNERS



BEST TRACTOR Jim Gibertoni with his 1929 Caterpillar Fifteen.



BEST MOTORCYCLE: Greg Helms with his 1937 Harley - Davidson



July, 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Newsletter submission deadline is always the 20th of the month. Send in your Member ads., events, notices, and articles to vlnaacf@gmail.com						1 Cars N Coffee 8:00 - 10:00 am.
2	3	4	5 Run-around at Pioneer Park—be there at 6:45pm	6	7	8 Cars N Coffee 8:00 - 10:00 am WILLY'S RALLY — leave at 10:00 am
9	10	11 Board Meeting Sam's Sourdough	12 Run-around at Pioneer Park— be there at 6:45pm	13 Member- ship Meeting— Howling Dog in Fox	14	15 Cars N Coffee 8:00 - 10:00 am.
ADVENTURE BEFORE DEMENTIA TOUR						
16	17	18	19 Run-around at Pioneer Park— be there at 6:45pm	20	21	22 GOLDEN DAYS! Parade at 9:00am / Pic- nic at 1:30 pm
23 / 30	24 / 31	25	26 Random Run-around - leave Pioneer Park at 7:00 pm	27	28 JOINT MEET with AAMA in Fairbanks—see pp 6&7	29

Vernon L. Nash Antique Auto Club Region AACA

- **July 8th—12th: Adventure Before Dementia Tour**
- **July 8th: Willy's Rally**, leave CarsNCoffee at 10am for a mystery navigation tour.
- **Tuesday, July 11th: Board Meeting**, Sourdough Sam's 6:30pm. - dinner before
- **Thursday, July 13th: Regular Membership Meeting** at Ralph and Melinda's Howling Dog Saloon in Fox. 7PM Meeting Starts. Pot-Luck Picnic before!
- **July 22nd: Golden Days Parade**, line up at the Curling Club at 9am.
- **July 22nd: Club Picnic & Raffle Drawing** Raffle Draw at 2pm; eat after. Picnic at Pioneer Park Pavilion
- **July 28th & 29th: Joint Meet (in Fairbanks)**, VLNAACF Hosts



Antique Auto Musters

- **July 12th: Membership Meeting**, Daybreak Center, 7pm

National AACA Events

- **July 17-21st: AACA Vintage Tour**, Wellsboro, PA—hosted by the AACA Buzzard's Breath Region
- **Oct 4-7th: Eastern Fall Meet—Hershey, PA**—hosted by Hershey

Marlin Pruitt says he will be in Portland around the 4th of July and driving back, if anyone has need for something to come north. 322-0674

Member Advertisements

FOR SALE: 1924 Model T Touring. Former member Don Ronkin is selling his Model T. For information call Rochelle Larson at 590-8593

FOR SALE: Al Haynes still has motorcycles and a '34 Ford hot rod for sale. Call him at 388-9621. See March issue for more details and asking prices.



Hi this is John Harrop: I have a truck for sale it's not an oldie but it's a goodie. I have a 2004 F-250 5.4L V8 6 speed manual transmission and 4 wheel drive. It has a few unique issues but it doesn't affect drivability. The truck books for \$11,500 I'm asking for \$9000 o.b.o.



Suggestion: Print or cut this page out and tape it to your refrigerator so you don't miss any of our fun times!



President's Headlights

- Mike Lecorchick

President's Headlights

Michael Lecorchick

June started off with one of the club's biggest events, the 12th annual Carlson Center Car Show. I understand that attendance was down a little on Saturday but the attendance on Sunday more than made up for it and we surpassed last year's total.

The general membership meeting for June was held at the Chena Wayside Park and was well attended. I would like to thank Paul Tekin and all the other members that brought food. The weather was nice, the bugs didn't seem too bad and there was plenty of food.

July looks to be another busy month with four major events planned for the club-- the ABDT run to Wiseman, Golden Days Parade and club picnic

and then the joint meet with Anchorage. Of course, we also have the Wednesday evening runarounds plus cars and coffee on Saturday mornings and the meeting at the Howling Dog. I have been so busy that I missed out on some of the club events but hope that I can attend more of them in July and August.

July BIRTHDAYS

- 1 – Ron Allen
- 2 – Ellie Tempel
- 11 – Clutch Lounsbury
- 11 – Carla Holt
- 13 – Dick Ellsworth
- 13 – Tammy Maxwell
- 20 – Jerry Krier
- 20 – Marily Naquin
- 21 – Ed McLaughlin
- 22 – Bub Larson
- 22 – Bret Helms
- 24 – Bear Schmit
- 25 – Peter Lundquist
- 25 – Carrie Jurgens
- 27 – Karen Chandler
- 27 – Bernie Saupe
- 31 – Dan Schaff

SUNSHINE REPORT:

It's been a quiet month with no requests for cards! That is great that everyone is doing so well and enjoying their summer!

Tracy McLeod
Sunshine Committee

Tracy McLeod is the Sunshine Contact. Please send her an e-mail if you know of a club member who could use a little "sunshine".

e-mail: tksplits@yahoo.com .

For a postal mail address contact Tracy or a Board member.

July ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 – Brenda & Roy Wilbur
- 8 – Paula & Ross Beal
- 19 – Kelly & Dale Oines
- 25 – Ruth & Al Haynes
- 28 – Wyan & Hank Grant
- 28 – Katy Rice & David Karpik
- 30 – Carla & Rob Holt

Upcoming Events

LAST CALL!! 2017 Adventure Before Dementia Tour

Sat., July 8 thru Wed., July 12

Wiseman, Galbraith Lake (or on to Prudhoe Bay if you wish) & Manley HS

By Scott Grundy, Cat Herder Jr.

For years, our club members, James "Clutch" and Lorna Lounsbury have encouraged me to organize this tour to historic Wiseman on the Dalton. Wiseman is the farthest north gold discovery in the U.S. and Clutch's great grandfather was a pioneer miner there. All historic buildings in Wiseman will be available for us to tour. Plus, you'll see the incredible "White Man's Totem" - one of the wonders of the world! And, yes, the Lounsburys still have housing rental space available in Wiseman!

What's cool about this tour is that you can participate in any segment you wish. Limit your involvement with us only to the Hilltop Restaurant for breakfast, view the fantastic Yukon River bridge, join our celebration crossing the Arctic Circle, cross the Continental Divide in the beautiful Brooks Range, and you even have the opportunity to continue on to dip your toes in the Arctic ocean! **Or just join our group to tour the quaint village of Manley Hot Springs on July 11 & 12.**

The Dalton Highway is paved at least a third of the way to the Brooks Range. The Elliott Highway west of the Dalton is mostly gravel. This is an old car tour but drive anything you want. Several are driving their camping rigs. Just join us for the fun & camaraderie!

Contact me for a detailed itinerary and housing list at sgrundy55ply@gmail.com or 907-457-3526.

WILLY'S RALLY

The annual Willy's Rally will be held July 8th. We will meet at 10:00 am (after Cars and Coffee) at Bentley Mall Parking lot. Be sure to bring a navigator, as you will need help deciphering the route. We will end at one of Fairbanks finest for lunch. Come join the fun. Prizes will be awarded! If you have any questions regarding this, please contact me at 388-8252- Willy Vinton



Cancellations

- **The Ester Clipper Mine Tour and Picnic** which had been scheduled for July 15th has been cancelled due to conflict for Clutch and Lorna. PPR Melinda Harris says it may be rescheduled in September.
- **The Rib Run**, originally scheduled for July 8th and then rescheduled for August 5th has to now be cancelled. Host Cindy Helms says "Due to a short summer and scheduling conflicts, we unfortunately have to cancel the rib run—we'll try again in 2018!"

Annual Golden Days Car Club Picnic



The annual VLNAACF picnic will be held after the Golden Days Parade, July 22 at Pioneer Park. We will meet in the Pioneer Park parking lot at 1:15pm, go into the park at 1:30pm. The picnic will be at the Square Dance Pavilion (or if it rains, in the Square Dance Hall). The raffle car drawing will be held at 2:00pm, lunch will be served shortly thereafter. The main dish will be provided by VLNAACF and members are asked to bring either a side dish or dessert. The club will also provide all of the paper products and water to drink. Let's all try to make this one of our biggest events.

Please, if you have not turned in your raffle ticket stubs to Rochelle please do so before July 14th.

We must have all of the tickets turned in and accounted for **Before** the drawing on the 22nd.

JULY MEMBERSHIP MEETING: HOWLING DOG SALOON IN FOX



Once again, Ralph and I are excited to host VLNAACF members and guests for the July 13th membership meeting. Dinner starting at 6:00 pm, meeting starts at 7:00 pm at the Howling Dog Saloon. We'll have Brats and potluck out in the Beer Garden.

The Howling Dog Saloon opens at 4:00 pm. Come down early, enjoy a cold beverage (draft rootbeer!) and mingle with the locals. **Please remember, we're are a saloon, so members under 21 must invite their legal parent to come enjoy the fun, thanks!**

- Melinda Harris and Ralph Glasgow

Shortest distance between two jokes = A straight line

JOINT MEET

The Joint Meet with Anchorage will be July 28th and 29th. We will kick the event off at 6:00 pm at the Chena River State Recreation Site at 3530 Geraghty Ave with a potluck picnic. As the Hosts of the Joint Meet, our club will provide the meat and our members will provide the side dishes for the meal. The Antique Auto Musers of Alaska (Anchorage Club) will provide the desserts. Make sure to bring your valve cover race cars, as we need to give them a challenge this year.

Willy has arranged a discounted rate for the Antique Auto Musers at the Wedgewood Resort for lodging. Just mention that you're here for the car club joint meet.

Saturday morning at 9:30 am we will hold Car Games at the old K-Mart building parking lot. At noon, we will gather once again for lunch, bringing whatever is left over from our picnic Friday night and whatever else members want to provide. The location for this is at the Fairbanks Lions Recreation Area off of Danby Street. At 1:30 we will have a Tour, visiting some interesting locations within the Fairbanks area. Saturday evening, at 6pm, we will hold an Awards Banquet. That location will be at the Wedgewood Resort Visitors Center Gazebo Room (212 Wedgewood Dr, Fairbanks, AK 99701), cost of the meal will be \$30.00 per person. Reservation and payment must be made by 22 July, so that we have an accurate head count. Dinner will be a Buffet that will include choice of roasted pork loin or chicken picatta.

We could use some help with the Car Games and the set up of the picnics. Please contact Willy at 388-8252 or Wilma at 388-7766 if you can help.

Wilma & Willy Vinton



Joint Meet Dinner

Please return this form with your reservation fee(s) and guest payments no later than the July 22nd Annual Picnic or to Larson Locksmith, 1249 Noble St. or the Fountainhead Antique Auto Museum, attn. Willy. If you mail this document, must be received by Monday July 24th. Mail to :

VLNAACF

Box 71253

Fairbanks, AK 99707-1253

Dinner at the Joint Meet will be a BUFFET meal at the Wedgewood Resort Visitors Center Gazebo Room (212 Wedgewood Dr, Fairbanks, AK 99701)



Social Hour (Cash Bar) 5pm-6pm
Dinner 6pm

Main Meal Choices:
Roasted Pork Loin or
Chicken Picatta



Sides on the buffet include green or Caesar salad, garlic mashed potatoes or Rice Pilaf, steamed vegetables and dinner rolls

Member Name(s) _____

_____ # Member or Guests @ \$30.00 = \$ _____

Make check payable to: VLNAACF

If you have questions please contact Willy at 907-388-8252 or Wilma at 907-388-7766

Life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes...

VLNAACF Participates in Fairbanks Chamber Luncheon on May 30

By Scott Grundy



Photo by Scott Grundy

Scott Grundy's 1940 Plymouth, Don Oines' 1948 Buick, Mike Lecorchick's 1946 Ford, and Jeff Creamer's 1951 Chevrolet sit at the entry of the Carlson Center for the Chamber Luncheon and their special program honoring the 75th anniversary of the completion of the Alaska Highway

The Chamber of Commerce invited our club to participate at their meeting with our 40's and early 50's cars to enhance their recognition of the 75th Anniversary of the Alaska Highway. We displayed four of our cars in front of the Carlson Center. President Mike displayed his newly acquired and beautiful 1946 Ford coupe, Don Oines drove his classic 1947 Buick sedan, Jeff Creamer displayed his 1951 Chevrolet hardtop and I drove our 1940 Plymouth convertible. The meeting attendees were delighted with our cars and we were recognized at the luncheon event.

The program was wonderful; it started with the history of the WWII Lend-Lease Program and finished with a slide show presentation of the construction of the roadway. Highlighted was the fact that that negro soldier units did most of the construction. The Army was segregated at the time. The guest of honor was WWII Veteran Leonard Larkins (age 97), who is one of two surviving members of the 11,000 man 93rd Army Engineers who completed the 1,700 mile primitive road in only eight months! Mr. Larkins didn't speak at the event but I heard him talk to reporters afterward and found him fascinating and in admirable health for his age. It was a wonderful event and we were privileged to participate. Plus, our club member Kelly Rivers was also there to contribute to the camaraderie of our group and the free lunch was terrific!



Photo by Scott Grundy

MONDO RUN



Member cars parked at the Monderosa , near Nenana, AK



Umbrellas helped keep the cards from getting soggy during the "Poker Run" card draws at each stop along the way to Nenana. The Poker Run is fun, is pure luck so everyone has a chance of winning, and keeps us all together as we caravan to our destination

The Mondo Run on Sunday, June 11th was reported as a "soggy but very fun event." Bear, plus 20 adults and five children attended. A ten car caravan made its way from CarsNCoffee to the Monderosa Restaurant near Nenana. Paul & Joyce Tekin led and planned an especially creative Poker Run. Winners were Best Hand: Robbie & Doris Casey's granddaughter, Alea \$65, 2nd place: Donna Wojciechowski, 3rd place: Robbie Casey. Gift winners were: Dale Oines, Doris Casey, and for Combined Hand: Robbie and Doris Casey. Free meals were won by Bub Larson and Bear Schmit. Joyce said "It may have been a rainy day but everyone was full of sunshine!"



Paul Tekin (with obvious help from Joyce) organized the event, and got "creative" with the Poker Run, inserting "special" cards, like the one Bear Schmit is modeling in the photo to the left...

Photo credits for all the Mondo Run pictures goes to Scott Grundy.

The only time the world beats a path to your door is when you're in the bathroom

CHENA HOT SPRINGS PICNIC RUN



Member cars at the end of the runway at the Chena Hot Springs Resort
(photo by Scott Grundy)

Another rainy weekend day on June 17th still brought out a good crowd for the drive out to Chena Hot Springs Resort for a picnic. The group left CarsNCoffee at 10am and made the 60 mile drive in a drizzly rain. There were nine cars and 17 people. The folks at CHS Resort were great, and re-arranged things so that we could



Group indoors at CarsNCoffee at Great Harvest Bread Company at the Bentley Mall.



Group at the Granite Tors Picnic area for a card draw. Willy and Wilma brought Nurse Wilma's new ambulance so they could look after the group on our travels...

have our picnic lunch indoors at the resort's Activity Center. As is our custom, the drive out was a \$5 ante Poker Run. Winning hands were: Rick Larrick \$60, with 2nd place going to Theresa Chase, and 3rd to Laurel McLaughlin. Greg and Lois Oslund led the group, and also arranged for the picnic fried chicken, while members brought salads and desserts.



Host Greg Oslund takes money from Don Oines and Will Chase and gives out the 1st card.



Willy shows a new way to fancy slice watermelon at CHSR

John McDonald's STUDEBAKER Tailgate Party



Not everything out at John's place is Studebaker, but it is a wonderland of automotive collector items, from hood mascots and radiator shells, to old automobile toys, to some really wonderful old cars and hot-rods. The club enjoyed a great afternoon potluck on Sunday, June 25th. All the food was very good, with special mention of Ralph Moore's ribs, and Melody Simmons apricot cobbler (just your Editor's opinion).

Club turn-out was good, a little down from the last couple years probably due to threatening rain (and some actual rain that drove some folks home early).

John has been collecting automobilia and cars since he moved to the property in 1987. His collection constantly turns over as he buys and sells, so each year's visit is an adventure. At the picnic, John was telling some stories about the property before he bought it. It was owned by Henry Brockman, who operated the Alaska Poultry Farms on the property. Henry was the egg man for Fairbanks. John took Charlie Bourque and me out to the chicken coop, and pulled out a couple of egg receipts from February of 1950. John has subdivided the property as North Pole has grown, and now has only a small lot from the original purchase, but has neatly stocked it with old Studebaker and other make parts so that visiting John and his dog, Willy, is always an adventure.



Don Oines checks out the new "kickstand" he came dragging in to John's Place.
(Photo thanks to Will Chase)

Willy on bear watch at the outhouse door



Some cause happiness wherever they go. Others whenever they go.

VLNAACF Membership Meeting Minutes

June 8th, 2017

Location - Chena River State Recreation Site

Mike Lecorchick brought the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 54 members present.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PAUL TEKIN AND SECONDED BY JILL LARRICK TO ACCEPT THE MEMBERSHIP MINUTES FROM THE MAY MEETING; PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Wilma Vinton gave the Treasurer's report.

Membership Chair Rochelle Larson reported to the membership that we have 226 members.

EVENTS:

June 10th is the Fairbanks Chevy Corvette Show. Any members who would like to go are asked to be there by 9:30-9:45 a.m.

June 11th is the Mondo Poker Run. We will meet at the Great Harvest Bread Co. and will leave at 10:30 a.m. The Tekins are the PPR's.

June 25th is John McDonald's tailgate party. This is a potluck event. Please bring a dish to share. This will start at 3:00 p.m. till ??.

June 17th is the CHS Poker run. We will leave after cars & coffee which ends at 10:00 a.m. Greg Oslund is the PPR.

Joint Meet - The Friday night picnic will be at the Chena Rec Site. On Saturday, lunch will be at the Lions Pavilion off Danby Road after the car games which will be at the K-Mart parking lot. The fish hatchery tour has not been firmed up yet. Saturday afternoon we will end up on Van Horn Road where there are Fountainhead cars in storage.

According to Charlie Bourque Lowes is interested in a car show.

CAR SHOW AWARDS:

Antique - 1930 Ford Woody - Wally Olsen
Vintage - 1932 Rockney - Dave Rockney
Classic - 1957 Buick Super - Robbie & Doris Casey
Modern Classic - 1972 Chevy Chevelle - Pete Lundquist
Trucks - All Sizes & Panels - 1949 Chevy Pickup - Jim Gower
Hot Rod Modified - 1934 Dodge Coupe - Jim & Tracy Band
Special Class: Motorcycles - 1937 Harley Davidson - Greg Helms
Tractors - Jim Gibertoni



Chena River State Recreation Site

85 degrees at 7pm with a slight breeze off the river

OVERALL BEST OF SHOW - 1957 Buick Super - Robbie & Doris Casey

July 15 - Ester Mine Tour - Clutch Lounsbury

July 11 will be the next BOD meeting at Sam's Sourdough Cafe.

July 13 will be the next membership meeting at the Howling Dog. Potluck will be at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JEFF CREAMER AND SECONDED BY AINO WELCH TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:45 p.m. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- Donna Wojciechoski



Photos: Clockwise from left, Pres Mike and Chairperson Wilma present awards to Jim Gower, Wally Olsen, Dave Rockney, Robbie Casey (not smiling), Jim and Tracy Brand, Pete & Carson Lundquist, Jim Gibertoni, and Robbie Casey (smiling a little).





NATIONAL NEWS

Library Update By Chris Ritter AACA Head Librarian

2016 was another great year for Y OUR AACA Library & Research Center. Two highlights include receiving the Don O'Reilly collection and the completion of our home-built 16mm film scanner.

The Don O'Reilly racing collection includes thousands of early NASCAR programs, photographs, entrance forms, tally sheets and more. We took receipt of the collection in Eugene, Oregon and needed a 54-foot trailer to get all of it back to Hershey! Work continues on the sorting, cataloging and the eventual digitization of the collection. If anyone is interested in getting their hands dirty with this project, please reach out to library staff.

Our 16mm film scanner is a homebuilt unit and we used a crowdfunding campaign to finance the project. With your help we raised more than \$11,000 for the scanner. We are currently in the process of digitizing our collection of over 300 films. Once the films are digitized, we are uploading them to our YouTube page where anyone with an internet connection can watch for free. Of course, if you need still need a film on DVD for a region or chapter meeting or event, we'd be happy to supply you with one.

As we look into 2017, we are extremely excited to announce that the AACA Library Bookmobile will hit the road this year! Our 1955 Chevrolet bookmobile originally served the residents of Anderson County, SC from 1956-1990. It was donated to us in 2012 and underwent a total restoration. After it makes the rounds at AACA events, it will become an amazing ambassador to the old car hobby as it visits schools, parades, retirement communities and (hopefully) a local event near you.

Our general reference collection, the heart of the library, continues to grow with over 1-million pieces of sales literature, manuals, ads, photographs and more. In addition we have close to 6,500 reference books on our shelves. The collection also contains early automotive periodicals such as *Cycle & Automobile Trade Journal*, *Mo-ToR*, *Motor Age*, *Autocar* and the *Commercial Car Journal*. You can explore our Online Catalog at www.aacalibrarycatalog.org.

The Library is now open six days a week; Monday – Saturday, from 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. We invite everyone to stop by to do research, view the facility and see our 1906 Mitchell, 1929 Harley-Davidson and 1940 Ford. If you can't visit the library in person, be sure take advantage of the 1 ½ hours of free research that every AACA member is entitled to.

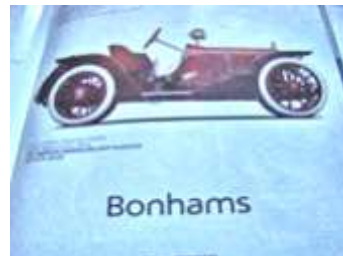
The Library and Research Center is a wealth of knowledge and we look forward to hearing from you soon!

Antique Automobile Magazine Musings

By Scott Grundy

I usually read the referenced magazine we receive as members of the AACA from cover to cover. I find the quality of the content is both wonderful and informative. In the most recent issue (Vol.81, No.8, May/June 2017) a couple of items caused me to reflect.

First, I attended first grade in Brookville, PA that's about eighty miles NE of Pittsburgh. I lived on the NW edge of Brookville and there were some beautiful old mansion homes just down the hill. At least one also had a barn. A previous issue of the AACA magazine told of the history and restoration of two(?)



American Underslugs housed in a barn "find" in Brookville. On page seven, there is an ad by the Bonham auctioneers with a photo of a fabulous American Underslung roadster that sold for \$1,430,000! I looked at the fine print and sure enough it was the car addressed in the previous issue that F. C. Deemer from

Brookville, PA drove on his honeymoon! The Deemer family made their money in the Pennsylvania oil boom. (For the record, we Grundy's certainly weren't as affluent, but we spent our honeymoon in my uncle's cabin in the woods near Brookville, PA and felt pretty sporty in our 1955 red/black Plymouth convertible. The rest is history as they say!)

A second musing occurred when I saw the ad by the Grundy Insurance Co. on page 20. At the second meeting I attended with our club, I sat across from a very nice fellow named Martin Herzog! With a smile Martin gave me a Grundy Insurance business card and informed me that with my surname I should look into the company. I did, was impressed and learned the owner's family hailed from the Pennsylvania Grundys as do I. Being the forward and obnoxious person I can be, I called and asked if they would provide a family discount. Well, I wasn't successful, but have been quite pleased with the company. Once in response to my inquiry about my coverage when using my car as part of a wedding celebration, I received a call from the owner, Jim Grundy. We had a great conversation, part of which addressed the Grundys of Pennsylvania. I learned there are two groups of Grundys. Unfortunately, it appears I evolved from the less affluent group.



In conclusion, I must say I'm really impressed with the extraordinarily high quality of staff that AACA is blessed with; it's a tribute to the quality of the organization and their/our love of antique vehicles. I doubt I will ever use the AACA library, but their recent acquisitions and improved capabilities are incredible!

If "con" is the opposite of "pro", then Congress is the opposite of progress

Carlson Center Car Show



Our 2017 annual show was a success this year with the addition of the motor cycles and tractors. A special "thanks" goes out to all the vendors that helped make the show a success, Genes Chrysler, Seekins Ford, Fountainhead Antique Auto Museum, and Absolute Auto Detailing LLC. We would also like to thank the sponsors of the door prizes: Air Liquide/ Lincoln welding, Alyeska Tire, Napa, O'Reillys, Auto Zone, and Fountainhead Auto Museum. Please make sure when you deal with these folks that you mention your appreciation of their participation in helping with this event.

A special thank you goes to everyone that provided the food to feed us all, and making sure that it was cleaned up, coffee on, and all the food area kept clean and neat. It was an amazing effort by all.



Above: Car Show Winners at the Award Announcement at 5pm Sunday. Right: The Ballot Counters: Ron Dane, Paul Tekin, Fred Husby, Bruce McIntosh, John McCarthy, Ralph Glasgow, Melinda Harris, and others - all can be thanked for efficiently completing this tedious task!



Willy had help making sure each Valve Cover Race heat got off to a fair start. Sunday winning car owners were: Amanda Brand (1st), Scott Grundy (2nd), and Willy Vinton (3rd). Saturday winners were: Amanda Brand (1st), Don Oines (2nd), and Bub Larson (3rd).

So, what is the speed of dark?

Carlson Center Car Show



WORKS IN PROGRESS



Tracy McLeod and Greg Oslund staff the table selling Raffle Car Tickets

To the crew headed by John McCarthy that always makes sure the rope, stanchions and such are there, and all the rest that helped in many ways, thank you all. And we can't forget the folks that helped with the smooth move into and out of the Carlson Center.

This event is also made possible by the great folks at the Carlson Center, who

Last week, Wally Olsen was busy with his '31 Ford Model A Coupe, having just rebuilt the engine and is getting ready to transfer it to the engine hoist (below). He has everything ready with the car to receive the rebuilt



engine, so we should expect to see it at Run-Arounds soon (and maybe if he polishes it up a bunch this winter, Wally can go for a third consecutive People's Choice Antique Class each with a different Olsen Model A at next year's Carlson Members Only Car Show!

work with us to make this happen each year and take care of so many of the behind the scenes details. What a great bunch to work with.

Please consider yourself thanked if you helped in any way. There are so many people helping to list everyone, so to all those I might have missed, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, see you next year!

- Wilma Vinton



Jeff Creamer explains the idiosyncrasies of starting and driving his 1910 Chalmers



Vernon L. Nash Antique Auto Club of Fairbanks
WIN 1994 Ford Mustang GT Convertible
"Is there a Ford in your future?"

Drawing July 22, 2017 at 2:00pm

Drawing to be held at the Pioneer Park Square Dance Pavilion
Need not be present to win. Only 3,000 tickets

\$5.00/ticket or 5 for \$20.00

Permit # 2437

Ticket No.

RAFFLE TICKET MONEY AND SOLD
TICKET STUBS MUST BE TURNED IN
TO ROCHELLE BY JULY 14th!



EDITOR'S LEFT (on) BLINKER

Attendance was down somewhat at last Wednesday's Run-Around, and this year we have been struggling a bit with no volunteer / assigned PPR leader for the event. I thought that some new members might like the history. This is from 28 years ago in the August 8, 1989 club newsletter "Treads on the Tundra": *We decided that each Wednesday evening during the summer we would gather (as many as could come) at Fairbanks Clinic for a run through the hotels and campgrounds parading our cars. Gary Nash suggested it, and has headed up the processions so far. If you feel like some fun one Wednesday, just turn up at Fairbanks Clinic at 7:30 pm with your antique car.*

Mr. President, do you know where your Troll Doll is?

CLUB ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE GOLDEN DAYS PARADE: Remember to complete the registration form for the Parade and return to me no later than July 13th (the Membership meeting) I will be out of town from the 14th through the 21st and will not have an opportunity to make changes to my parade participant list after the 13th, so I would greatly appreciate it if you complete the form in a timely manner. The route has changed. The parade map is on the chamber website at: <http://www.fairbankschamber.org/grand-parade> and is printed below. The parade ends on Barnette Street at Gaffney. There really is no functional place for us all to pull off, as a group, at the end of the Parade as we have done in the past, so if you want to watch the parade, you will need to plan a place to park your car. I will do a little research into that and let you know at the July 13th meeting if I have come up with an alternative. As in past years, we will meet by no later than 9:15 am at the Carlson Center, on 1st Ave. I will line you all up by year and head out on the Parade route around 9:55. After the Parade, at approximately 1:15, we will meet at Pioneer Park Parking Lot and head in to Pioneer Park as a group at 1:30 for the Annual Picnic at the Square Dance Pavilion. Be sure to bring a side dish, the club will provide the main meat. Contact me at wlvinton@gmail.com or 907-388-7766 if you have any questions.



2017 **KINROSS** Fort Knox Golden Days Grande Parade Route



Saturday, July 22, 2017 Parade kicks off at 10 a.m.

Golden Days Grande Parade Route

1. Begins at the Carlson Center on 2nd Avenue which turns into 1st Avenue
2. Turns Right onto Barnette Street
3. Ends at Gaffney Road Intersection

For more information about the Parade, please call your Fairbanks Chamber Office at (907) 452-1105



Golden Days Parade Sign up

Member Name: _____

If you want to have a sign for your car please complete the following and **turn in by Thursday, July 13th**. If you had your car in last year's parade, I already have a sign for you. However, I need a good number for the parade officials of how many cars we will have in the lineup. Also, let me know if there are any changes to the sign from last year.

Vehicle 1 Year: _____

Vehicle 1 Make: _____

Vehicle 1 Model: _____

Vehicle 2 Year: _____

Vehicle 2 Make: _____

Vehicle 2 Model: _____



Vehicle 3 Year: _____

Vehicle 3 Make: _____

Vehicle 3 Model: _____

Please arrive at the lineup area in front of the Carlson Center by 9:00 am on Saturday, July 22nd. Drivers will check in with Wilma or Willy Vinton or the volunteers wearing the yellow vests, to be placed in line by model year.

If you plan to have children under the age of 18 in your vehicle, you will need to complete a Parental Consent form **NO LATER THAN Thursday, 13th** and turn it in to Wilma Vinton. That can be found at <http://fairbankschamber.org/goldendays/>

The following parade rules **MUST** be followed:

- *No objects by be thrown, handed or tossed from the vehicles.*

All entries must be able to maintain their speed and position throughout the parade. This means that we may not have walkers beside our cars. Our vehicle pace is to fast for walkers to keep up.

Complete rules are available for review at: <http://fairbankschamber.org/goldendays/>

Signed: _____

Fax to 456-3970 or email to wlvinton@gmail.com; **you may also leave them at Larson's** Locksmith on Noble street or IREMSC at 2503 18th Ave (across from the DMV on Peger).

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NEXT MEETINGS

The membership meeting is **July 13th** at **The Howling Dog Saloon** in beautiful downtown Fox at 7pm. Come share a potluck dinner before - the Howling Dog will provide the brats and you bring a salad or dessert..

The Board Meeting is **Tuesday, July 11th** — at Sam's Sourdough . Meeting starts at 6:30pm, with dinner before. Board Meetings are open to members.



Bear's New Ford

Photo by John McCarthy



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