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Nash's News

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



TEDDY BEAR DELIVERY August 16, 2018

We did it! There were 10 cars and 13 members who showed up at the Shoppers Forum parking lot on Thursday. Thanks to Will and Theresa Chase, John McCarthy, Charlie Bourque, Jeff Creamer., Scott Grundy, Paul and Joyce Tekin,

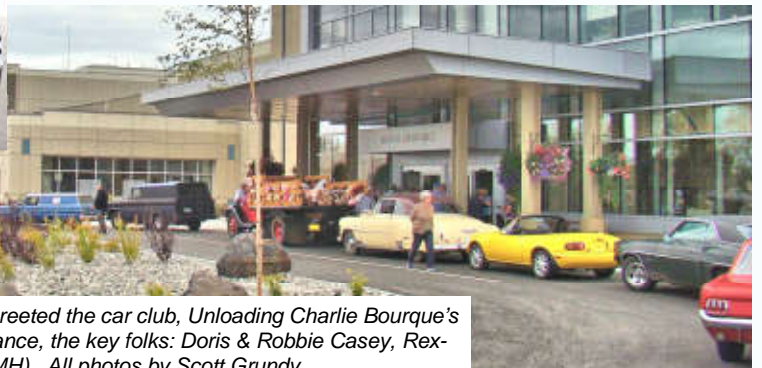
Robbie and Doris Casey, Dale Durwatcher, and Mike

Lecor-chick. Dozens of teddy bears were

stuffed into the sideboards of Charlie B's truck along with hundreds of animals in bags! They were ready for the parade to the hospital.

The hospital had many employees awaiting the delivery of the bears and the excitement was

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PHOTOS (Top clockwise): Applause greeted the car club, Unloading Charlie Bourque's truck, Cars in front of the hospital entrance, the key folks: Doris & Robbie Casey, Rex-Ann Hall (Lowe's), and Kelly Attlee (FMH). All photos by Scott Grundy

I scream, You scream, the Police came; it's awkward...



JOINT MEET - Wasilla, AK

August 3, 4, & 5

ABOVE: Group Photo at the Transportation Museum

42nd ANNUAL JOINT MEET WAS SUPERB!

Article and photos by Scott Grundy

Yes, the event has been held annually since 1977! What a legacy and wonderful tradition. The meet was held in Wasilla on Friday evening August 3 and all-day June 4. The dates and location were selected to

allow for our optional participation/attendance in the huge Jay Ofsthun Memorial Show & Shine on Sunday in Anchorage – Alaska's largest car show.

We caravanned both directions with the always fun Robbie and Doris Casey who drove their beautiful 1964 Ford Fairlane 500 and Lynn and I piloted our 1955 Plymouth Belvedere sedan.

The weather was fabulous on both days of the event. Friday evening found us touring the very interesting Museum of Alaska Transportation and Industry in Wasilla. Later we had a BBQ featuring burgers and chicken with all the salads and desserts one could wish for! On Saturday morning we had three really fun car games followed by a competition with our valve cover racers - all held on the museum grounds. Everything entertained the onlookers, but the most hilarious was the car game entitled "The Emergency Potty Stop on Turnagain Arm." The game involved a timed event where a couple started their car, drove to a bench where a string with a nut attached was located, both occupants jumped from their car, the passenger attached the string to



Robbie demonstrates his skill, as Doris coaches.

rear of the driver's belt who then had to "relieve" himself by depositing the nut in the mouth of a small bottle without the use of hands (as it's unsanitary). Oh my, so risqué and what a hoot!

After our lunch cleaning up the yummy leftovers from last eve, we were provided an in-depth tour of the restoration of the Alaska RR steam engine No. 557 in Wasilla. The engine was built in 1944 as part of the WWII effort and will be fully functional when completely restored in a few years. A group of a dozen or so guys (and I assume

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Work progresses on No. 557 in Wasilla

A penny saved is more valuable than a penny earned because you don't have to pay taxes on it.



Random Runaround 8/4 to the Clipper Mine

ABOVE LEFT: Charlie Bourque demonstrates forging techniques.
ABOVE RIGHT: Nancy & Ron Allen with their TR4 at the cabin at the Clipper Mine. BELOW RIGHT: Clutch "forge grills" sausages for lunch.

Charlie Bourque lead our car club members on a random run around to a surprise destination on Saturday morning, August 4, 2018. The trip began at the Bentley Mall, proceeded through back country roads and ended on Ester Dome at Clutch and Lorna Lounsbury's Clipper Mine. Clutch and Lorna welcomed us and provided the group with forge grilled reindeer sausages for lunch with all the picnic trimmings. Also those members who wanted were given a short tour into the mine to experience the real world of drift mining in a horizontal mountain shaft.

Charlie, a blacksmith in training, set up his forge and demonstrated his skills working with metal and designing metal works. He made anyone who wanted one a metal piece to take home as a souvenir.

On a personal note this was a special visit for Ron and me. On July 29, 1972, we had our first date together at the Lounsbury mine and enjoyed a mine tour provided by Clutch's brother George. Forty six years later on this



trip Ron and I returned to the mine; same couple, same cabin, and the very same car, our 1963 Triumph TR4, all changed a bit by Father Time.

Thank you Charlie, Clutch and Lorna for a great day.

Article and photos by Nancy Allen



Raffle Car!

Bernie Saupe was very generous in dropping the price of his 1974 VW Convertible to where the club could afford it - and it will be the 2019 club raffle car. Tickets for the raffle will be distributed at the December Holiday Party / Annual Meeting.



SEPTEMBER, 2018

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

<i>Newsletter submission deadline is always the 20th of the month. Send in your Member ads., events, notices, and articles to vlnaacf@gmail.com</i>						1 CarsNCoffee Bentley Mall
2	3 Labor Day	4	5	6	7	8 CarsNCoffee Bentley Mall Lve 10:30 for the Chatanika Run
9	10	11 Board Meeting Sam's Sourdough	12	13 Member- ship Meeting -	14	15 CarsNCoffee Bentley Mall
16	17	18 Denali Park Dinner @ Black Diamond in Healy	19 DENALI PARK DRIVE-IN	20	21	22 CarsNCoffee Bentley Mall
23 / 30	24	25	26	27	28	29 CarsNCoffee Bentley Mall

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- **Sept 8th: Chatanika Roadhouse Run:** Leave Cars'NCoffee at 10:30 am
- **Sept 11th: Board Meeting,** Sam's Sourdough 6:30 pm (most have dinner before)
- **Sept 13th: Membership Meeting,** 7:00 pm AK BUFFET, dinner before (6PM). **DRIVE YOUR COLLECTOR CAR - THEY HAVE A SECTION OF THE LOT SET ASIDE FOR US TO DISPLAY OUR CARS!**
- **September 19th: Special Denali Road Access for Antique Cars,** arranged by AAMA
- **June 26 - July 4th, 2019: Adventure Before Dementia Tour**

Antique Auto Musers

- **Wednesday, Sept 12th: Rolling AAMA Membership Meeting,** Wednesday, Sept 12th: 6:30 pm Day Break Center



National AACA Events

- **October 10th—13th: AACA Eastern Fall Meet,** Hershey, PA

Member Ads

WANTED: Old spark plugs of different size, style, and makes. Marlen Pruett 488-4656 or 322-0674

Member Ads

FOR SALE: 1987 Camaro - V-6 2.8 ltr. Runs and drives great. Good tires. Great red interior. Auto transmission. \$4000. Call Paul Tekin 907-488-2992

FOR SALE: 1953 CJ3A Willis Jeep. Seller asking \$5000 OBO. Call or



email Rick Larrick for more pictures and seller contact information. 457-4344 larrickrick@gmail.com

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

Well, summer is about over and I fear that by the end of September we'll all have our cars put up for the winter. We still have a few great events scheduled for this month like the Chatanika Lodge Poker Run and the drive into Denali Park along with the continuation of Cars and Coffee on Saturday morning. Personally, I'm hoping that we can keep driving until mid October.

I've enjoyed many of the club's events this summer and would like to thank the PPRs responsible for each event. Thank you for coming forward and taking the time and making the effort to give us so many enjoyable events. We also need to thank those who donated to these events: Great Harvest Bread Company for free coffee during our Cars and Coffee event on Saturday morning, Lowe's for their partnership of the Teddy Bear Car Show and Tracer International for the shipping of the teddy bears, River's Edge RV Park for the free coffee and cookies at our run arounds on Wednesday evening. Then there are the companies that donated prizes to our events: NAPA, O'Reilly Auto Parts, Carquest, Fountainhead Antique Auto Museum and Seekins Ford.

With the end of summer picnic meetings, we will be returning to the AK Buffet for our September 13th membership meeting. I understand that not everyone is happy with this choice as a meeting location. The board has searched for another location many times but none seems better suited for our meetings.

At the next BOD meeting I will be appointing a Chairman for the Nominating Committee for the election of officers. President, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer positions are up for vote and are one-year terms. Two board member positions are up for vote and are two-year terms. If you are interested you don't have to wait, contact any board member to submit your name. This is YOUR club and we need YOUR help.



SUNSHINE REPORT:

Sunshine Committee Report:

There were no card requests in August.

- Tracy McLeod

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.

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 - Vonna & Fred Husby
- 7 - Tracy & Jim Brand
- 7 - Joyce & Paul Tekin
- 18 - Tammy & Marlen Pruett
- 29 - Lorna & Clutch Lounsbury

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 - Pranee Nakprasit
- 3 - Jill Larrick
- 5 - Tracy McLeod
- 7 - John Morgan
- 8 - Michael Welch
- 11 - Wally Olsen
- 13 - Marilyn Nigro
- 14 - Al Haynes
- 14 - Wyan Grant
- 17 - Carolyn Mustard
- 18 - Brent Levalley
- 21 - Karine Dane
- 27 - Charlie Jurgens
- 28 - Larry Sullivan

Thoughts: treat them kindly, they may be in a strange place...

IVORY JACK'S POKER RUN - Aug. 11th

By Paul & Joyce Tekin

On a gorgeous sunny day we headed out to Ivory Jack's with 29 people in tow. Arriving at Ivory Jack's we lost one member, Don Oines, whose car broke down. Help was readily available and his son came to tow him home.

Scott and Linda Grundy brought 4 guests with them, Jim and Mary Cerney from Fairbanks and visiting from Pensacola, Florida, Mike and Angie Krieger. Both couples said they had a great time.



Photo by Martha Westphal



Photo by Scott Grundy

Group at the tables inside Ivory Jack's on Saturday, Aug. 11th



When Paul heard how much the radiator mascot was worth on Don's LaSalle, he immediately removed it from the disabled car.

Cars at the 1st Poker card stop at the Fox Pipeline View Station

We also had a young man by the name of Levi Plumb-Larrick, the grandson of Rick and Jill Larrick, who added to our fun.

At Ivory Jack's, the poker hand winners were announced:

- 1st place was Linda Grundy [who no longer can participate in future poker runs, since she wins too often.]
- 2nd place was Paul Tekin
- 3rd place John McDonald
- First Ace was Laurel McLaughlin and the free meal winners were Tam-

mie Pruett and Martha Westphal.

At Ivory Jack's a version of "Hot Potato" was played and fun was had by all.

Paul and I Thank everyone who participated on this run with us. We hope to see you all again when we do our next poker run in September.



Photo by Scott Grundy

Members Dick & Joni Ellsworth supported their staff to host our group at their Ivory Jack's restaurant.



100 Years Ago

From the September 5, 1918 issue of
THE AUTOMOBILE:

Treble Tax on Cars; Double Trucks

New Revenue Bill Also Taxes
Accessories Including Tires -
Owner's Horsepower Levy

WASHINGTON:, Sept 4 - The manufacturer's tax on passenger cars is more than trebled and the tax on motor trucks nearly doubled in the draft of the new War Revenue Bill which has been presented to the House of Representatives by Chairman Claude Kitchin of the Ways and Means Committee. In addition, there is a provision to tax owners of passenger cars on a horsepower basis and a tax of 2 cents a gallon is placed on gasoline.

Under terms of the new measure, passenger cars are placed in a so-called "luxury list", and, along with such products as candy, cosmetics, chewing gum, etc., are to be taxed 10 per cent on the selling price instead of the 3 per cent which is now assessed. Motor trucks, on the other hand, are to be taxed only 5 percent. For the first time, a tax has been placed on automobile accessories, including tires and tubes, the amount being 10 per cent.

It is estimated that these taxes will produce \$123,750,000 and that the horsepower tax to be paid by passenger car owners will produce additional \$72,920,000. The horsepower tax will be based on the standard method of calculating horsepower by the S.A.E. formula.



20 Years Ago

At the Joint Meet in Healy, back in June, 1998, Squeaky Benham demonstrates the proper technique for putting the bolt into the bottle!

15 Years Ago

Right, a photo from an August Run-Around stop in Pioneer Park.



10 Years Ago

Left: Linda and Scott Grundy, Squeaky and Marion Benham, and Bill and Joyce Chace in Canada on the AAMA Long Distance tour to Inuvik, NWT.

5 Years Ago

Right: At The Salmon Bake in Pioneer Park for the August Membership Meeting.



30 Years Ago



Above: A turnout of 27 cars made a good show in the sun at the Golden Days Parade in 1998.

25 Years Ago



1993: Car Games and a Picnic (Joint Meet?) I see jackets from VLNAACF, Arctic Wheels, AAMA, and the Pioneers, as well as one from a club on Eielson AFB. Anyone have any more information of these photos?



Why wrench? More often than not, the cure for what ails you is covered in grease

"By: Rob Siegel, reprinted courtesy of *Hagerty magazine*, copyright 2018, www.hagerty.com."

Recently, I was out in the garage making forward motion on retrofitting A/C into my Euro-spec 1979 BMW 635CSi. It's a ridiculous project, but there are reasons for doing it: I want a cold car, I've done this kind of retrofit before, I got a good deal on the parts, etc. It also made me think about the larger question of why so many people are into working on their own cars. We might start off doing it purely for economic reasons, but for many of us, wrenching becomes a central, lifelong activity. Why?

If you think about it, most hobbies involve three things: a physical object, an activity, and a social circle. If you like all three, you often get sucked into the hobby for life. Our physical object is the car. Our social circle is other folks who are into cars. While the activity can be driving or collecting or going to shows, for many of us, it's wrenching.

In a world where I'm trying to juggle too many things, I find wrenching to be a profoundly centering experience. When I go out to the garage and immerse myself in a repair, my mind doesn't wander. Not even a little. I'm addressing one square foot of reality one 10-mm nut at a time.

I find joy in identifying a problem and solving it from beginning to end. I can't fix healthcare, but I can figure out why my windshield-washer pump isn't working. When it starts squirting fluid, it's pure bliss.

Then there's the hands-on spatial stuff. I spent 35 years as a software engineer. It was rewarding but overwhelmingly analytical and left-brained. When I wrench, I exercise my right brain, hold tools, visualize spatial relationships, take things

apart, put them back together. That is enormously satisfying. Matt Crawford, in his book *Shop Class as Soulcraft*, talks extensively about this.

A sense of nurturing comes with working on cars. I suppose it's like quilting or gardening or cooking. Yes, you could simply buy a quilt or hire a landscaper or order takeout, but the satisfaction is not only in the final product but also in the process. I've nurtured my '73 BMW 3.0CSi for more than 30 years. That's longer than my kids have been alive. Not to get weird about it, but that's a pretty intimate relationship.

If you're lucky enough to have a garage, there's the real estate. I am not a "garage mahal" guy. Forget the "man cave" psychobabble. My garage is a greasy, messy, angular place where actual work gets done. But whether you're like me or have an eat-off-the-floor '50s thing going with a jukebox and deco stools, odds are your space reflects your tastes, needs, wants, and desires.

The physicality of wrenching is quite enjoyable. I don't get as much exercise as I should, but when I emerge victorious after the contortions involved in, say, dropping a differential, I feel the same sense of whole-body accomplishment folks probably feel after running a marathon.

And consider the money saved by maintaining a car yourself. Vin-



Rob Siegel; photo by Jose Rosado

tage cars are like old houses. They always need something. If you have to pay someone shop rates every time they hiccup, or you want to make some improvement (particularly something silly like my A/C retrofit), the costs add up fast. Certainly, trustworthy shops exist, but many of us have horror stories of places that ripped us off, didn't listen to us, or didn't know the car as well as we do. It's no wonder the go-to move is often, "Dang it, I'll just do it myself." Even so, I don't know anyone who goes into the garage grumbling and griping about how they hate wrenching and do it because it's the only way they can afford to keep the car they love on the road. So go into your garage: Experience repair as a form of therapy. Tear something up, then put it back together. Center your world.

The article was suggested for reprint in "Nash's News" by member David Hobson as we start to gather up our winter projects and look forward to some garage time and the zen of old car maintenance and restoration work. - Ed.





ALASKA COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL LICENSE PLATES 1948-1967

By
Bryce
Crumb

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Confirmed from an early Alaska September 1948 magazine article introduction of 1948 "Resident Licensed Fisherman" white on green, and "Non-Resident Licensed Fisherman" white on red commercial fishing vessel license plates. I have both of these commercial fishing vessel license plates in my collection. Unable to locate any records of ACFV license plates issued yearly.

Yearly series starting at #1 based on several 2 digits known to exist. Highest numbers known based on limited sample of 43 commercial fishing vessel license plates: Resident 1950 #4586, Non-Resident 1958 #2674, and Seine 1953 #800.

1948-1954 Resident and Non-Resident: (3 3/4" X 6" Aluminum). Seine: (3" X 6 7/8" Aluminum). However, perhaps galvanized and not aluminum due to surface rust on several?

- 48 Resident white on green
- 48 Non-Resident white on red
- 48 Seine (no information)
- 49 Resident orange on blue
- 49 Non-Resident black on yellow
- 49 Seine white on red
- 50 Resident black on white
- 50 Non-Resident white on blue
- 50 Seine cream on black
- 51 Resident black on orange
- 51 Non-Resident white on black
- 51 Seine black on dark green
- 52 Resident white on green

- 52 Non-Resident white on red
- 52 Seine (no information)
- 53 Resident black on light gray
- 53 Non-resident black on yellow
- 53 Seine white on black
- 54 Resident white on red brown
- 54 Non-resident black on mint green
- 54 Seine (no information)

1955-1959? 3/3/4" X 6" Paper

- 55-57 (no information)
- 58 Resident black on yellow (have in collection)
- 58 Non-Resident black on red (have in collection)
- 58 Seine (no information)
- 59-? (no information)

1960? to present: (6" Triangle Aluminum)

- 63 black on yellow
- 66-67 yellow on blue (have in collection)

63 is 6" triangular shape, small "ADFG" over "00000" serial format, small 1" triangular black on red tab with "63" on it fits in the top angle of the triangle.

Current 6" triangle commercial fishing license plates are permanent staying with the boat. About only way to acquire is when boat is salvaged. 6" triangle commercial.

Fishing license plates mounted on exterior of pilot house with "ADFG" number on license plate matching large "ADFG" number painted on boat.

Currently have 14 Alaska Commercial Fishing Vessel license plates in my collection. Have 50 "Resident", and 51 "Non-Resident" available for trade Do you have any for sale?

What early Alaska license plates do you have available for sale in any condition?

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a few gals) are volunteering their time and expertise to complete this phenomenal project that is receiving financial and in-kind support from many sources. As if this wasn't enough excitement, some of the group drove to and enjoyed the highly scenic and historic Hatcher Pass area.

Saturday evening, we met at the Mat-Su Restaurant to socialize with some really fine folks, eat, and hear the results of the car games. Wow, our meager VLNAACF representation did very well! Robbie Casey with the assistance of nurse Doris was the fastest "pooper." The Caseys also placed 2nd in the circuitous fore and aft route "around the cones" and 3rd in "backing to the trailer hitch" events. The Grundys won 1st prize in the trailer hitch event but shouldn't have as we got off to a terrible start but were saved by a starter watch malfunction that forced a redo of the game. We placed second behind the Caseys in the potty stop event by only one precious but "most relieving" second! That's two of the three first place awards won by Fairbanks!! The Grundy's valve cover racer placed third overall.

The quality of the gifts was terrific but the first-place award plaques were incredible and so cute! They were masterfully hand-crafted by AAMA's Tom Cresap from spare parts and displayed on a beautiful tiger wood base!

On Sunday, the AAMA held space open for we late arrivers to display our cars at the Jay Ofsthun Show & Shine on the Delaney Park Strip in downtown Anchorage. Always a terrific show of several hundred vehicles of every kind. The weather threatened but cooperated.

We commended the AAMA and coordinator Scott Hulse for an extremely well-planned and superb event. It was such fun.

It's our club's turn to host this fun event next year; it requires a lot of planning and work to do so. Please plan to attend. The dates and location will be announced next spring. Surely, we can increase the VLNAACF attendance to this historic meet from this year's pathetic .017 percent. PLEASE, make the 2019 Joint Meet a priority, then commit and go have lots of fun!





Paul and Joyce Tekin will host a **Poker Run to Chatanika Lodge** on **Saturday, Sept. 8th**.

We will leave the Cars 'N Coffee parking lot at 10:30am.

Please join us for an afternoon of fun with Paul and Joyce, and lodge owners Ron & Shirley Franklin.

Tekins can be reached at 488-2992 if you need further info. Hope to see you there.



EDITOR'S LEFT (on) BLINKER

We missed the Joint Meet this year. We have gone every year since we joined the club, but I had a commitment to my grandson to meet him in Seattle that Saturday. I was very disappointed to see that only two couples managed to attend, despite several more VLNAACF members being in Anchorage that weekend to attend the big car show that the meet was intentionally scheduled to coincide with so to improve attendance. We host the meet next year. We need to put together an organizing committee this fall to choose the place and start making arrangements.

I still have five months open for "MY CAR" feature articles this fall and winter. Please let me know if you want one of these spaces. Once I know you are committed and will have photos and an article, I will start looking for related vintage material to compliment your article.

- Rick Larrick



VNAACF Monthly Membership Meeting

August 9th, 2018

President Mike Lecorchick brought the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

There were 36 members and 4 guests present.

The BOD minutes from the August meeting were read by Donna Wojciechowski.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY THERESA CHASE AND SECONDED BY SCOTT GRUNDY TO ACCEPT THE JULY MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The treasurer's report was given by Mike Lecorchick. A MOTION WAS MADE BY MELINDA HARRIS AND SECONDED BY JILL LARRICK TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

EVENTS:

Teddy Bear Car Show - Doris Casey gave us an update. The total taken in was \$1325. There were 46 members signed up for the show and 18 non-members. On August 16th at 3:00 we will be taking the teddy bears to FMH for the kids in pediatrics. We will meet in the Shoppers Forum parking lot at 2:45. The newspaper and television have been notified and should be there to do a story.

Ivory Jack's Poker Run - The poker run will be on August 11. We will leave after cars & coffee at 11:00

Fairbanks Community Food Bank - August 18th is the clubs day to volunteer to pack boxes. So far we have 6 people signed up. We will leave cars & coffee around 8:45 so we can get there by 9:00.

Denali Road Cruise - The Anchorage club drives into the park every year after the last day of the lottery. This year they invited us to go along. The date is September 19th. People who would like to go will need to drive down the night before. The cars will go in around 9:00 a.m. There is a senior rate of \$95 in Healy for rooms. Make your reservations soon. The club will need to know your name and year of car. No modern cars allowed - cars will need to be 25 years old or older.

Joint Meet - Attendance from our



Photo by Scott Grundy

Member cars at the Picnic Area Parking Lot at the Chena Wayside

club was low. There were only 2 couples that went. It is our club's turn to host in 2019.

2019 Raffle Car - The 2019 raffle car is Bernie Saupe's 1973 VW Super Beetle. It has low miles and runs good. There is only a couple of minor things that need to be fixed.

New Business:

Election of Officers - The club will be forming an election committee. We will need volunteers to be on the committee. Nominations will be open in October and the election will be in November. Please step up and volunteer some time for either the election committee or to run for a board position.

Rick gave us his newsletter needs for the September newsletter.

50/50 - The total for the 50/50 is \$131 and the lucky winner is Jeff Creamer.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JEFF CREAMER AND SECONDED BY PAUL TEKIN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:38 P.M. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Submitted by: Donna Wojciechowsk, Secretary



Don't miss the opportunity to drive the Denali National Park roadway!

By Scott Grundy



Our Anchorage counterparts were initially denied access on their annual fall tour into Denali National Park. However, Bruce Campbell of the AAMA (who was a former commissioner of highways) worked his magic, again! He secured a date for us to travel in our **vintage vehicles** (25 years or older) through Denali National Park! Yes, that's right, the AAMA has invited our club to join them to tour Denali on **September 19th**. This is the day after the lottery closes. We will be the only cars and persons in the park for the whole day!! Weather permitting, you may drive all the way to Kantishna if you wish. What an awesome opportunity – all you have to do is preregister! Seven VLNAACF cars are already registered to explore Denali NP and its wildlife at their leisure.

The roadway is mostly gravel, but Model T's & A's, a Rolls Royce, custom Radio Flyer wagon, etc. have made this tour in past years. We will be by ourselves, so you needn't fear other vehicles. The Superintendent will meet with us prior to entering the Park on the 19th at 9:00 a.m. It's a chance of a lifetime as the AAMA may not get this opportunity again.

Contact Scott Grundy for housing details and to register at 907-457-3526 or sgrundy55ply@gmail.com.

PHOTO ABOVE: Denali from the Eielson Visitor Center, with flag flying!

PHOTO RIGHT: Antique cars stop at Polychrome Pass.



NATIONAL NEWS

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Are You Up to the Challenge?

Don Barlup, 2019 Nomination Committee Chair



2019 is just around the corner and your AACA National Board of Directors are looking for a few committed ladies and gentlemen to serve our organization.

Your first question should be; what are the expectations that go with the position? Here goes!

1. First and foremost – A strong desire to do your part to advance the hobby and AACA to the best of your ability.
2. To work with your fellow Board of Directors (the team) to accomplish the above.
3. To support the Regions/Chapters national meets and tours in your division.
4. To attend three board meetings each year. The Annual Meeting in Philadelphia in February, the Fall board meeting in Hershey in October, and the Spring/Summer meeting at the call of the President (location varies).
5. To perform your assigned VP position and other appointed duties with professionalism at all times. A three year commitment is required.
6. To always observe confidentiality regarding board business as required and to support the majority decision of the board.
7. To always put our members first and conduct ourselves accordingly.

Now, how do I get started? Your AACA Board wants committed individuals to represent our membership. We prefer you to become involved on a National Committee and/or hold a leadership position in your local Region or Chapter.

If you have a sincere desire to represent AACA to the best of your ability, your club needs you! For additional information or to discuss your future with AACA's Board of Directors, contact me today.



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audible as the cars came up the drive. They were astonished at the number of stuffed animals and very appreciative to receive them.

Everyone was smiling and we can imagine the smiles on the kids who will receive the teddy bears. Great job everyone! Start collecting for next year's teddy bear benefit to be bigger and better!

- Doris Casey



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NEXT MEETINGS

The Membership Meeting is **Thursday, September 13th - at our usual meeting place - The AK BUFFET.** Meeting starts at 7:00 pm. - ; most members have dinner there before. **DRIVE YOUR CAR TO DISPLAY IN THE LOT WHILE WE MEET!**

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



David Karpik's Cobra in Anchorage
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