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Nash's News

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



In the store there was an X on the floor for me to stand on. I've seen too many Road Runner cartoons to fall for that one!





1929 Ford 2 Door Dan Gullickson I shoulda fixed Annie in the winter, then she woulda been running now!

1957 BMW Isetta 300

Ed McLaughlin
I worked my fingers to the bone so I shoulda
been ready and woulda been in the show and
coulda won first place!

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All photos submitted by car owners.



1972 Flat Windshield Super Beetle VW

Richard Bellows
I shoulda finished putting the engine back in the car this winter, and then I woulda driven it to the show and I coulda won!

1976 Pontiac Trans Am

Marty Pahkamaa
I shoulda put it outside and it coulda been a better picture, but I shoula win anyway!

Do not grab another person's facemask - it's a 15 yard penalty and an automatic 1st down.



1949 Chevrolet 1/2 ton Series 3100 Jim Gower

Had I know there woulda been a contest I coulda taken a series of photos earlier in the spring of arriving cranes or swans in the background which shoulda and most certainly woulda after judging, placed my entry in first place!



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1963 Ford F100 Unibody

gotten in it; woulda had more fun - maybe!

Ross & Paula Beal
Only took ten years to get this far, but I was
in a hurry!



Ralph Moore
I shoulda worked on it a bit more this winter, then I coulda entered it in the show and I woulda received the award for the best project!



Member Ads

For sale: Engine from 1980 Datsun manual shift. Condition unknown-complete. Comes with car it came out of. Bought car for the tranny.

Price: free-will load

Don Oines 452 4601 or 378 2501

Car parts need ride from Anchorage to Fairbanks. Anyone going to be making the trip? Happy to pay their way! David Karpik 614-477-0742



FOR SALE: 1956 Studebaker flat bed truck. Older restoration, duel rear wheels. Once belonged to Mel Bovencamp. Believed the truck run when parked. Can't



find the ignition key. Last run in 2014. \$3300. Call Charlie Bourque 479-4830 or email cbourque.alaska @gmail.com



FOR SALE: 1931 Ford Traditional Hot Rod. Custom built 1952 Mercury
Flathead; 1932 Frame. \$25,000. Call for details. Ralph Moore 907-347-1675





For sale: 1976 Dodge camper van. Sleeps 4, 2 burner stove, refrigerator, and a sink. Has been sitting for years. \$ 2000 OBO. Call Mike Lecorchick 907 322 7525.

Buying all Eielson AFB license plates. For trade: three Alaska NRA license plates. Bryce Crumb e-mail: bttrfly123@att.net



FOR SALE: 1957 Ford Station Wagon 2 door complete parts car 292 Engine (frozen); 3 speed overdrive transmission; good bumpers; good grill, good dash. \$650 Ray Martsolf 479-6210

Ralph Glasgow sent us this:



CAI FNDAR

Vernon L. Nash Antique Auto Club

- Note: CarsNCoffee is ON: It is held each Saturday in the parking lot in front of the Great Harvest Bread Company at the Bentley Mall from 8:00 until 10:00 am.
- <u>June 6th</u>: **ALTERNATE CAR SHOW**: Outdoor show at the old K-Mart parking lot. Watch e-mail for details. 10am until?.
- <u>June 9th</u>: **Board of Directors Meeting**, The Cookie Jar (if open, otherwise via conference call): Meeting 6:30 pm (dinner before).
- June 11th: Membership Meeting, POT LUCK AT LIONS PARK (off Danby Road); Meeting 7pm (picnic at 6pm). Watch email for more details.
- JOINT MEET: Cancelled.
- <u>Sat, June 14th</u>: **MONDO RUN**; Rochelle Larson PPR, watch email for more details.
- <u>Sat, June 27th</u>: CHENA HOT SPRINGS RUN & PICNIC. Watch email for more details.
- <u>July 5-11th:</u> **MODEL A CLUB** visits Fairbanks
- July 18th: GOLDEN DAYS PA-RADE.
- July 18th: CLUB PICNIC and RAFFLE CAR DRAWING.

Antique Auto Mushers

- Wed, June 10th: AAMA Membership Meeting leaves Turnagain Social Club for rolling meeting.
- June 7-11th AACA Sentimental Tour—Cancelled

National AACA Events

- June 12-13 **Southeastern Spring National,** Hornets Nest
 Region, Charlotte, N.C. Cancelled
- June 24-27th: Eastern Spring National, White Water Region, Beckley WV - cancelled.

This month (and every month for the past seven years) thanks to John McCarthy and Scott Grundy for early review and checking of the newsletter before publication.—*Rick Larrick, Editor*

Page 4 Volume 49, Issue 5 TO GAIN A MINUTE

President's Headlights

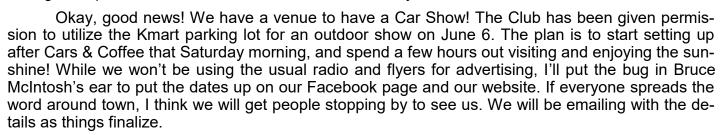
- Jeff Creamer

Greetings All!

This year has been off to an interesting start with a significant amount of our events cancelled or postponed. While there is a light at the end of the tunnel, we're not there yet though we are progressing.

I have been working with venue managers and am hoping to get confirmation on permissions to use different areas to meet, sell raffle tickets, etc., but it does take time for all the communication to be finalized. So please be patient and watch your emails for updates. My primary concern is to get

through this pandemic without additional risk to the safety and health of our members!



I also spoke with the events coordinator with Fairbanks Chamber, and she told me that though they are still working on the details, there will be a parade this year. When I spoke with her on May 20th, she said they have a goal of having the info on their website by June 1. Stay tuned....

With the Governor relaxing State mandates on business restriction, I know people will be coming out in droves, so I urge everyone to continue to be cautious, practice social distancing, use hand sanitizer, and protect yourself as best you can. Unfortunately, this bug isn't going away, so we have to adjust our habits to conform to the new "normal" to stay healthy!

Safe and happy travels,

Jeff Creamer

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

2 - Judy & Bernie Saupe 6 - Joanne & Dan Portwine

7 - Doris & Robbie Casey

11 - Linda & Scott Grundy

13 - Karine & Ron Dane

15 - Lois & Greg Oslund

17 - Deborah & Dave Rockney

18 - LaVonne & Dan Gullickson

20 - Denise & Peter Lundquist

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

8 - Willy Vinton

8 - Carl Westphal

14 - Lambert Hazelaar

18 - Jerry Mustard

20 - Susan Cook

29 - Paul Tekin

100 YEARS AGO

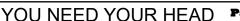
From the Seattle Star, June 9, 1920:

Flu Epidemic in Alaska Is Halted

The flu epidemic in the Fairbanks (Alaska) district has evidently been stopped with the last shipment of serums sent from Seattle.

serui





Don't be mad at lazy people. They didn't do anything.

FORD CONSTANT VOLTAGE REGULATOR

- Ross Beal

When the fuel gauge on my 1963 F100 Unibody quit working a couple years ago, I discovered the tank float had sunk due to a pin hole. Patched the hole after removing the fuel and things worked fine again.

Recently the fuel and temp gauge both quit working. Removed the tank float sending unit and checked with an ohm meter and was working fine.

(Note: Forgot to check the float itself for leakage, hey, I'm old). Removed the gauge cluster and speedo to access the constant voltage regulator where the tank sending unit wire lead connects, the other lead from the regulator runs to both the fuel gauge and temp gauge. Decided the regulator must be the problem!

When Ford went to 12 volts in 1956, they needed a supply of 5-6 volts to operate the gauges and I guess this unit was the cheapest way to accomplish the task. Inside is a ss bar wrapped with fine wire and one side of a set of points, the other set of points went to ground to create a resistor of sorts. Over time these points become corroded and may lose ground contact. Opened the unit up, cleaned the points and insured a good ground, then forgot the key was on and shorted the unit while putting the dash back in. FAIL, (the old thing again)

About this time, I remembered the sunken float thing. Removed the sending unit from the tank behind the seat only to find it had sunk again. Patched again. Then while researching, I find CJ Pony.com sells a solid-state regulator, ordered and installed. I have also ordered a solid core float (LMC Truck Parts) to remedy the sinking float problem. All working fine again.



Ross, with his 1963 Ford F100 Unibody

Here are pictures of the original constant voltage regulator and the replacement solid state unit.

Original constant voltage regulator:



New solid-state regulator:







ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM

- Bryce Crumb

Previously shared with you tens of thousands of fake Alaska Gold Rush license plates currently and previously manufactured over more than a decade of fraud. That's a mountain of elephant poop. Hope you haven't stepped in any? 2000 Alaska Republican National Convention Delegate license plates are yet another pile of elephant poop. I always try to help you from stepping in it. A little common sense goes along way. Remember my article on Binky the polar bear! Keep safe during these trying times.

DUSSMAN'S NEW RIDES



Member Dennis Dussman (right) and his brother stand with the 1954 Packard Cavalier he just bought in New Jersey. The Packard is Dennis' age, but looks good. It is an unmolested original and a joy to drive. For even more fun, Dennis also recently bought the 1979 Corvette pictured below. (Photos by D. Dussman)





The Chevrolet Bowtie

By Bob Parrish VP—National Awards

Most of us remember "See the USA in your Chevrolet", the advertising tune sung by the beloved Dinah Shore to promote the Chevy brand in the 1950s. Did you realize the logo made some minor changes around that same time?

The Chevy bowtie logo, as it is commonly referred to among hobbyists, is one of the longest, continuous American business logos still in existence, with perhaps Coca Cola being older. The logo first appeared around 1911 and continued the name framed in a bowtie looking configuration with two horizontal bars in the center. On pre-war Chevrolets the logo could be found everywhere, on the engine block, water pump, cylinder heads, exhaust manifolds, as well on the body, taillight lens, hub caps, not to mention floor mats, dash and accessories. "The Good Old Days".

No one really noticed that the previously mentioned horizontal bars dropped off the logo around 1958/1959, only to appear again in 2018, commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Chevrolet truck and only then for a couple of months on the limited edition Silverado.

No big deal, but when purchasing undated Chevrolet materials you will find this change will date the material and help you determine the age.







EDITOR'S LEFT (on) BLINKER

- Rick Larrick

Wow. Thanks for all the input, submitted photos, and articles for this issue. With all events in the past month except the membership meeting being cancelled, it gives additional challenges to putting together newsletter content.

I am very happy to see our social restrictions being lifted so that stores and businesses can re-open and young(er) folks can go back to work. With many of our members being older (but not more mature, necessarily), it is probably prudent that we go a bit slow and when we do get together we do it outdoors and give us old folks a bit more space.

I am still looking for a coeditor to help with the newsletter and train to be my replacement by the end of 2021. Melinda Harris recently suggested I might teach a class in desktop publishing, which I won't do - but it did bring up the technical side of publishing the newsletter. I will most certainly offer a co-editor unlimited help, coaching and assistance (either side by side or using Zoom or Remote Desktop, or whatever) to help them become proficient in Microsoft Publisher. That offer, of course, expires at the end of next year, whether or not a successor editor is found.

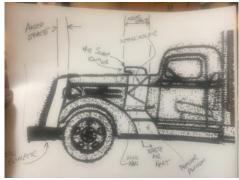
Rick Larrick



I have a pen that can write underwater. It can write other words, too.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Jim Gibertoni sent these photos to us in May regarding progress on his



truck. He has been very busy while all of us have been in isolation this winter. The truck is built on a 1997 Dodge 2500 4WD with a Cummings 5.9 V12, using a 1937 Chevy front clip and replicating a 1950 Chevy bed.

He has rebuilt all the chassis, frame, suspension, and power drive line - all like new.

A major project was the hood tilt forward, as seen in the left side photos below. Jim used a hydraulic piston, hand pump and log splitter valve to built the mechanism, which can be seen in the



ent photo.

Jim says he is down to his "short" list of only ten things left to do: wiring,
the glass minor body work, guts to doors, interior, fuel system, cooling sys

"de plan"

exhaust, glass, minor body work, guts to doors, interior, fuel system, cooling system and misc. stuff, tires and rims (see member ad), and then ship it off to the lower 48 for a paint job. Certainly an ambitious project, but Jim's got a long history of ambitious projects, including his '29 Caterpillar, his '52 Chevy, his '50 Chevy, and his Argo.

Photos by Jim Gibertoni















DON'T GIVE UP ON THE OLDER MODELS!!

A little TLC and attention helps most everything.

- For Jim it was 1st Care followed by an ER visit and three days quarantined with the virus at Fairbanks Memorial Hospital.
- For the machine, 33 years under the deck was followed by plugs, fuel and fuel lines.

Both are now a'spittin and a gettin'.

Thanks, Jim Gower



Board Meeting on May 12th held with inperson masks and social distancing, and open to attendees via "Zoom" computer link.

I never make the same mistake twice; I make it five of six times, just to be sure.



President Jeff Creamer brought the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. There were 32 members present.

Secretary Donna Wojciechowski read the minutes from the BOD meeting.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PHIL SANDERS AND SECONDED BY JOHN MCCARTHY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIP MEETING. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Treasurer's Report - Wilma Vinton gave the treasurer's report.

Membership Report - Rochelle Larson gave the membership report and the club has 37 single and 76 joint memberships for a total of 189 members.

EVENTS/COMMITTEES:

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic some events have been canceled and others have not been decided on.

Golden Days Parade - The club is still not sure if the parade will take place.

The club is still working on the details for the Wednesday runarounds.

June meeting location - John McCarthy checked into the availability of the Lions park pavilion off Danby. John was told the park will be on a first come first serve basis and there will be no charge.

August meeting - The Chena Wayside is still up in the air and the BOD will give an update at a later date.

Car Show - There was discussion about the possibility of having an impromptu car show in the K Mart parking lot since our yearly car show has been canceled.

OLD BUSINESS:

The raffle car will be taken out of the K Mart building next week.

By-Law Changes - A MOTION WAS MADE BY DORIS CASEY AND SECONDED BY MELINDA HARRIS TO ACCEPT THE BY-LAW CHANGES AS PRESENTED. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

OPEN FORUM -

The club will be looking at different places like Home Depot, Lowe's and Walmart to sell raffle tickets.

Although the Teddy Bear Car Show has been canceled, Doris Casey would like us to keep collecting bears for the kids at the hospital.

50/50 - The total amount was \$115 and the lucky winner is Mike Lecorchick.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CARL WESTPHAL AND SECONDED BY WILLY VINTON TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:40 P.M. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Submitted by Donna Wojciechowski, Secretary



SUNSHINE REPORT:

Yay Summer is here... Bummer we have Covid 19 though... But we are Alaskan's and we always make the best of everything!

Card requests:

April 26, - get well card sent to Jim Gower recovering from the virus

May 7, - sympathy card sent to Jeff Rossi for the passing of his wife Cathleen

May 13, - sympathy card for the family of Martin Hall

May 16, - sympathy card for Jerry Mustard for his father's passing.

I hope and pray that as the barrier's for covid are taken down that everyone remains safe and healthy.

Sunshine Committee 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.



PHILADELPIA AUTO SHOW

Some pictures from the Philadelphia Auto Show this past February. Was well attended and had something for everyone... just before the Pandemic. - Dennis Dussman

RAFFLE CAR NEWS



Vernon L. Nash Antique Auto Club of Fairbanks Annual Antique Car Raffle 2020









Lots of nice older cars, some perfectly restored and some original, compliments new exotics like the Bugatti and the Ferrari below.



1997 BMW Z3

88,000 miles / 1.9 liter L-4 engine / 5-spd manual transmission

Drawing: July 18th, 2020 at 2:00pm
Pioneer Park Square Dance Pavilion
Need not be present to win

\$5.00 / ticket or 5 for \$20.00

Only 3,500 tickets

Permit #2437





Photos by Dennis Dussman

ing up, we all need to get out there and sell tickets!

Willy Vinton has the posters, and Rochelle

There are plenty of posters still available if you need one. Now that things are open-

Willy Vinton has the posters, and Rochelle Larson has ticket books.

Because of the increase in deliveries, FedEx and UPS have joined up and are now Fed-Up



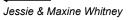
This car was to be our show car for the Vernon Nash car show this year. Unusual car.

This 1979 Lincoln Continental Mark V was purchased new by Jessie and Maxine Whitney in Bellflower, CA. It is a Collector Series edition.

Jessie and his brother George operated Whitney Brothers Plumbing and Heating for many years in Fairbanks. Jessie passed away years ago. Maxine owned and operated the Eskimo Museum on the Richardson Highway as well as many other business¹s. The Maxine and Jessie Whitney Museum in Valdez is a donation from the Whitney's.

Maxine is doing well and sharp as a tack at 96 years old. She has harbored this luxurious vessel in storage until last fall, turning it loose to Dan and Joanne Portwine. It has 2,064 original miles and is completely original with exception of the battery and engine oil. Large, luxurious and classy describes this beauty.

Dan Portwine







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NEXT MEETINGS

The Membership Meeting is **Thursday, June 11th - at the Lion's Pavilion off Danby Road.** Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.; Pot Luck Picnic starts at 6pm

The Board Meeting is **Tuesday**, **June 9th -** at **the back room at THE COOKIE JAR**. Meeting starts at 6:30 pm, with dinner before. Board Meetings are open to members.



From Jim Gower's garage

