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Adopt-A-Road Cleanup- A Huge Success

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Wasilla High team wins the Ford AAA-automotive repair competition. In June they will head to Dearborn to compete in the national finals.

Left to Right – Dick Henningsen, Gary Stoops, Sarah Stoops, Barb Henningsen, Marcy Cresap, Gwyn Wiedmer. Back – Mike Wiedmer, Ken Evans, Jerry Roach, Tom Cresap, Robbie Robinson, Deven LaCroix, Cindy Hulse, Diane Wohlwend, Gene Topp, Peg Stout, Fritz Wohlwend, Roy Foster, Bill Kimzey, Luke Kimzey, Colleen Kimzey, Ted Kimzey, Bill Foster, Ralph Centoni, (Scott Hulse behind the camera). 26 in all.



Dennis Allen points out that pesky relay in the Lincoln roof circuit at the Ford – AAA competition.

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Message from the President – May 2004

We have just finished one of the busiest months so far this year. Trying to juggle people between furnishing cars for the AAA/Ford Competition at UAA, cars and volunteering at the MATI (Museum of Alaska Transportation and Industry) to clean up prior to the Museum opening for the summer on 1 May 2004, and helping to coordinate efforts for the first Adopt-a-road Cleanup on Northern Lights Blvd., enlisting AAMA members and their cars to participate in the City of Seward historical celebration the “Blast of the Past” parade, and securing information on rooms available and RV sites for the joint meet of the AAMA and the Vernon Nash Antique Auto Club from Fairbanks at Trapper Creek Inn on 11, 12, and 13 June 2004. Reservations can be made now for the rooms and RV sites there, and several B & B homes are available in the area.



Saturday 8 May, we will be traveling to Seward to participate in their “Blast From the Past”. We hope that many of you can join us as it sounds like a fun time, and so far we have 20 people signed up. For all of the interested members the theme colors are blue and green, and they would like us to dress in period clothing appropriate for the year of our car.

We will meet at the Robinson’s’ Club House between 6:30 pm and 7:00 pm on 5/12/04 for a brief meeting then we will cruise the city, eventually arriving at a local restaurant for something decadent.

Michael Wiedmer will take us on a shakedown cruise to Hatcher Pass on Saturday 5/15/04. He will give us the time to arrive at the staging area, at our regular meeting on the 12th.

Dennis and I will be out of town from 27 - 31 May arriving home on 1 June. You may contact Gary Stoops, or Scott Hulse as we work with each of them almost daily.

Have a fun summer.

Diane L. Allen, President -AAMA

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BOTTOMS UP

Bottoms Up is the name of Ralph Centoni's auto rotisserie. Ralph told the makers in Tennessee to ship it up without painting it to save some dollars to put into that Caddy. The device, as seen, cost Ralph less than \$1000. It can hold 1500 pounds and is easily taken down for storage. It is so smooth, the Caddy can easily be moved into any position by one person. For more info ask Ralph.



Photo by Gary Stoops

Notes on the Cadillac: Ralph found the convertible out in the woods behind his house. It took a lot of effort to drag it out of the woods and it is going to take more effort to put it back on the road. As you can see Ralph is putting in that effort, some new steel, and a lot of welding.



Photo by Gary Stoops

PS. The gray fender on the right behind the Cad belongs to a 1946 Lincoln two door convertible, one of only 396 made. Next time you drive by Gittins building on the NW intersection of Tudor and New Seward tip your hat to its twin which RIPs somewhere in the ground under the building.

Photos and story by James G. Stoops 907-345-5992

Ford AAA Automotive Student Competition.



Photo by Scott Hulse

Jim Fredenhagen's 1929 Ford Model A Tudor



Photo by Scott Hulse

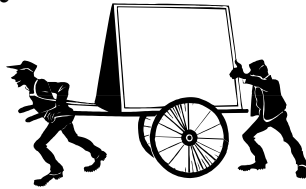
Student check out the AAMA cars at UAA



Photo by Scott Hulse

AAMA work party at MATI museum clean up. Left to right are Diane Allen, Dennis Allen, Roy Foster, Howard Hansen, Bill Foster and Ralph Centoni. (Scott Hulse is behind the camera).

Rally Master Chatter



Blast from the Past Period Street Party
May 8, (Sat), the city of Seward has invited AAMA and other car clubs to join in a celebration of the past. There will be parades, theater, and lots of activities. This sounds like fun. Be in Seward about 11AM. The parade starts at noon. No real details.

Ford AAA Automotive Repair Competition.

Our first event of the year was the Ford – AAA Student Auto Skills Competition at UAA. Six High School teams from around the state competed for scholarships and prizes. Top honors went to David Nagl and Josh Duty of Wasilla High School. This team will go to the National competition in Dearborn.

AAMA and the Midnight Sun Street Rod association brought a selection of cars for the students and spectators to review after the competition. It was a pleasant day and fun to watch this next generation of mechanics show off their skills. Jim Fredenhagen brought out his recently restored '29 Ford Tudor. This is reported to be its first time out with AAMA since it's completion. See the photos on page 3. Attending were Dave Syren, 1926 Dodge Business Coupe; Howard Hansen, 1968 Dodge A100; Dennis and Diane Allen, 1964 Lincoln Continental; and Scott Hulse, 1958 Rolls Royce Silver Cloud.
 Scott Hulse

Museum of Alaska for Transportation and Industry (MATI) Clean Up day.

AAMA members turned out Saturday April 24th to help clean up the MATI grounds in preparation for opening day. The snow was gone, (well most of it anyway), and we were able to rake the large park area in front of the museum. Diane Allen spent the day cleaning up the Museum store and remarking merchandise.
 If you haven't been to MATI lately, make the trip, it is worth the drive. I would encourage everyone to join and support the Museum. Scott Hulse

CANCELLED	Alaska Sales & Service 500 Car Show	Chairman Bruce Campbell 345-3129
12-May	Rolling Meeting- 7:30 p.m.'	7:30 p.m. - Starts at Robbies
15-May	Shake Down Tour-Destination Hatcher Pass	Chairman Mike Wiedmer 243-7005
9-Jun	Rolling Meeting- 7:30 p.m.'	Chairperson - Gary Stoops
11-Jun	Colony Days Car Show 7-10pm	
12-Jun	Colony Days Parade	Chairperson LeRoi Heaven 376-5679
June 11-13	VLNAACF Joint Meet	Chairperson Diane Allen
June ?	Kulis Family Day Car Show	Sarah Stoops
17-Jun	Day Break Outing- 1:00pm	Chairperson ?
June 19-20	Museum of Alaska Car Show	Coordinator Scott Hulse
21-Jun	Summer Solstices Rumble	All Car Club Event
July 4	Anchorage – Chugiak Parade	
July 4	Seward Parade	
July 2-5	Seldovia Tour	Chairman Art Isham- 688-3671
9-Jul	Bear Paw Car Show	Chairperson Tom Cresap 694-7510
10-Jul	Bear Paw Parade	Chairperson Tom Cresap 694-7510
14-Jul	Rolling Meeting 7:30 p.m.	Chairperson ?
July 16-18	Hope Weekend	Chairman Dennis Allen 345-6355
24-Jul	Adopt A Road clean up'.	
1-Aug	SHOW N SHINE	Stu Hall Chairperson
11-Aug	ROLLING MEETING	
28-Aug	State Fair Parade	Chairperson Leroy Heaven
11-Sep	Adopt A Road Clean Up	

ONE MANS TREASURE**1980 Mercedes**

1980 Mercedes 450SL, 2 tops, hardtop/new soft top, tranny rebuilt last summer, 117,000 miles, in great shape, oldie but goodie. 688-5351, evenings, \$13,000 OBO.

Ask for Suzan Bowen

NOTE: According to Mike Wiedmer this car is very nice. Susan Bowen is a coworker who just purchased a new car.

SOLDOTNA TREASURES

Dave Syren met John Fox in Soldotna. John has several vehicles that might be of interest.

1937 Plymouth – asking \$16,000

1936 – 4 door Plymouth Sedan – Asking \$10,000

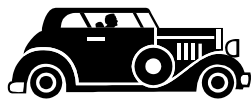
1951 Mercury Club Coupe – asking \$10,000

Also a 30s Terraplane and other miscellaneous stuff.

John Fox 252-3053 Cell Phone or 262-4996 Home

WISHING YOU WELL

There have been reports that a number of our members have been under the weather. Gene Heath, Gwyn Weidmer, Jack Peterson, Bruce Cambell, Tom Belleau and Fritz Wohlwend are all reported to have been in need to repairs, (give me a break, this IS a car club). Please wish everyone a speedy recovery! We are thinking of you even if you can't join us on the road!

**May Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Ken	Evans	Birthday	6
Jim	Fredenhagen	Birthday	19
John W.	Piper	Birthday	27
Ted & Colleen	Kimzey	Anniversary	28
Diane	Wohlwend	Birthday	30

Happy Birthday to All!

Happy Anniversary to Ted & Colleen Kimzey

National News and Items of interest.

Greetings one and all.

On May 4th 2004 at 12:45 PM Rolls-Royce and Bentley aficionados the world over will be joining in "The World Wide Wave" Click on...<http://www.rroc.org/worldtour/faq-6.htm> While there, also click on "The Meeting."

In the whole history of the marque only about 120,000 Rolls-Royce cars have been built. But this is just the tip of the iceberg. Think about the millions of people who have trusted their lives to the Rolls-Royce powered planes, ships and motor vehicles that traverse the world daily.

Who could have imagined the impact these two men would have on the world stage when they first had lunch at the Midland Hotel on May 4th 1904?

Please pass on this message to those you know whose lives have been touched by these great men.

And when you raise you glass at 12:45 don't forget to face MANCHESTER!

Peter Lind. Co-Chairman, 2004 RROC Annual Meet
Coordinator, Rolls-Royce Centennial World
Tour.

Tinkering Times Article Deadline

Please submit articles for the Tinkering Times by the 25th of May for publication in the June Newsletter. Send information to Scott Hulse (907) 349-8106 or hulse@alaska.net. Please put TT in the subject line.

2003 Schedule of Events

- 12-May **Rolling Meeting- 7:30 p.m.'** 7:30 p.m. - Starts at Robbies
- 15-May **Shake Down Tour-Destination Hatcher Pass** Chairman Mike Wiedmer



Map to Robbie's Club House

Meeting Refreshments
Rolling Meeting



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