



Christmas Party Is Warm Exchange



Photo: Tom Cresap

AAMA members, Bill and Joyce Chace, who live in Fairbanks decided to drive down, warm up and join in the Christmas festivities on December 13th. In this photo, Bill shows off the club jacket he garnered in the gift exchange. The jacket turned out to be the most coveted item in the exchange, and made the rounds before the swaps came to an end.

January Meeting: Installation of Officers

Our meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 13, will include the installation of the 2010 officers. This is an entertaining event hosted by Toastmaster, Robbie Robinson, who never fails to come up with a novel way to get the new administration off

to a humorous and productive start.

The meeting will take place at Robbie's clubhouse at 3318 Jerde Circle in Anchorage. For directions, call Robbie (333-0693) or Tom (694-7510.) Refreshments will be provided by Barb and Howard Hansen.

The 2009 AAMA Christmas party at Art and Tam Isham's house turned out very nicely. As usual for this annual event, we had plenty of really great food and time for visiting and even a little caroling.

The attendance was down a little compared to some years in the past, but we still had an estimated 45 or so. We were pleased to have Bill and Joyce Chace, AAMA members who drove down all the way from Fairbanks to join us.

The entire group joined in to sing Christmas carols, led by Tom Cresap on guitar and Bill Chace on spoons.

Our president, Donn Reese, presented awards to members who gave of their time and effort throughout the year to host and plan events.

The optional charity cash and canned food drive was successful. We collected about 3 to 4 bags of canned goods and about a half-dozen cash and check donations. Checks were forwarded to their respective organizations, and the undesignated cash was donated to the Anchorage Gospel Rescue Mission on Tudor Road in Anchorage. The Mission has an excellent reputation for helping local homeless people.

We offer special thanks to the Ishams for again graciously hosting the event at their beautiful home and to all who came and brought gifts and food (especially Ishams, Hasslers and Cresaps, who supplied the turkeys and ham.) The result was a remarkably warm and friendly gathering.

Running Board Reflections

Welcome to 2010 at the AAMA, where we are celebrating our 49th year of fellowship in our appreciation and preservation of antique autos.

With the start of the new year, we'll begin scheduling activities occurring in the coming months. We'll be needing volunteers to chair many of our events. I have noted an increasing reluctance to continue volunteering much longer from some members who have traditionally chaired events. Please consider helping out by chairing an event this year and perhaps giving our longer-serving members a little break. Most events are not very arduous, they just require a little time to organize. A few events we had difficulty filling in 2009 include the summer meeting drive-arounds, Adopt-A-Road cleanup days, and Long Distance Tour and/or Joint Meet.

For the January meeting we have the usual installation of club officers ceremony, again to be expertly em-



Photo: Tom Cresap

President, Donn Reese, opens a gift at the Chinese auction gift exchange during the December 13 Christmas party.

ceed by our resident Toastmaster, Robbie, as well as some special guests who will share their recollections of life in the AAMA from earlier years.

See you all at the January meeting.

Donn Reese



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2009 Officers

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 Ken Evans
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FYI: Historical Auto Plates Clarified

by Bruce Campbell

There have been some misunderstandings about the use of vehicles with historic plates. The law regarding historic vehicles are pretty simple. Only 2 references are apparent in the laws and regulations.

The only law reference is in AS28.10.181. "Historic vehicles. The owner of a historic vehicle may make application for special registration under this subsection. The department, when satisfied that the vehicle meets the requirements for historic vehicle registration under regulations adopted by the commissioner, shall

register the vehicle and (1) issue two permanent registration plates of distinctive design and color bearing no date; vehicles qualifying for registration under this paragraph shall be issued registration plates numbered in a separate numerical series beginning with "Historic Vehicle No. 1; or (2) allow the vehicle to use registration plates of this state supplied by the vehicle owner that correspond to the year the vehicle was manufactured if the vehicle was manufactured 30 or more years before the year of application. Registration plates issued under

(Please see p. 3, Historical Plates)

One Man's Treasures

For Sale: 1975 U-Haul Van; big, 20-ft. box with grandma's attic; ramps for car loading, extra man door and window on attic. Ford 600 V-8 engine—runs great. Good for transporting cars, storage, mobile garage. Carried my '26 Packard to Warren, Ohio in '99, Kurt, 344-5554.

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Call Scott Hulse (240-4028, cel, or 349-8106, home)

Auto Body: "Tin Lizzie, specializing in Antique Autos, custom paint and body work; free quotes; 50 years experience. Lee Truesdell, 907-745-4404 or ibbusy2@yahoo.com

Wanted: 1939-49 Ford transmission. Need internals and rear output mount. Dave, 274-9046

Schedule of Events

- **January 13**—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting, installation of 2010 officers (Refreshments: Howard and Barb Hansen)
- **February 10**—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting (Refreshments: Frank Neary, Sara Stoops)
- **February 27**—Fur Rendezvous Parade
- **February 27, 28**—Fur Rendezvous Car Show (Campbell, 345-3129)
- **March 10**—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting (Refreshments: Art and Tam Isham)
- **April 14**—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting (Refreshments: Dennis and Diane Allen)
- **May 8**—Adopt-A-Road (Cresaps, 694-7510)
- **May 12**—6:30 p.m. Rolling Meeting (Cruise Chair needed)
- **May ?**—Early Bird Cruise (Chair needed)
- **June 4-6**—Joint Meet with VLNAAC (Howard Hansen, 345-1268)
- **June 9**—Rolling Meeting (Cruise Chair needed)
- **July 4**—Parades (TBA)
- **July ?**—Adopt-A-Road (Chair needed)
- **July 9**—Bear Paw Car Show
- **July 10**—Bear Paw Parade
- **July 14**—6:30 p.m. Rolling Meeting (Cruise Chair needed)
- **July 13-19**—Long Distance Tour, Kodiak (Bruce Campbell, 345-3129)
- **July 16, 17, 18**—Hope Weekend
- **August 1**—Jay Ofsthun Car Show
- **August 11**—6:30 p.m. Rolling Meeting (Cruise Chair needed)
- **August 28**—State Fair Parade (LeRoi Heaven, 907-376-5679)
- **September 8**—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting (Refreshments?)
- **September ?**—Adopt-A-Road (Chair needed)
- **October 13**—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting (Nominations) (Refreshments?)
- **November 10**—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting (Elections) (Refreshments?)
- **December ?**—Christmas Party (TBA)

Historical Plates: Fuzzy Definition Leaves Use Open

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this subsection remain with the vehicle as long as the vehicle is registered under this subsection."

Note that the determination of whether or not a vehicle is an historical vehicle is made by the department at the time of registration in accord with regulations adopted by the department.

There is only a single regulation which is in 13 AAC 40.010. Definitions: " 'historic vehicle' means a mo-

tor vehicle 30 years or more in age which is driven or moved upon a highway for the primary purpose of historical exhibition or similar activity."

The definition states that the vehicle may be driven on highways for the *primary* purpose of historical exhibition or similar activity. If *only* for historical exhibition or similar activity, the word *exclusively* would have used. Since the word *primary* was used, the door is open for other secondary uses

(undefined.)

Once the department has made the decision that a vehicle meets the requirements of the regulations and issues an historic license, the matter is no longer subject to the judgement of a peace officer. He can arrest you for a traffic offense but cannot challenge the decision of the department to issue an historic license.

In addition, how is it possible for an owner to violate a definition?

Dewey Edward Baumgardner October 28, 1933–December 5, 2009



Photo: Tom Cresap

Wynoaka and Dewey Baumgardner dressed as Raggedy Ann and Andy when Dewey drove his 1956 Ford 2.5-yard dump truck, "Punkin" in the July 10, 1999 Bear Paw Parade in Eagle River. Dewey and Punkin were familiar attraction at such local events.

Dewey E. Baumgardner, 76, died December 5, 2009 at home in Eagle River.

A celebration of life service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, January 9, 2010, at the First Church of God, 4317 MacInnes Street in Anchorage, with the Reverend Steven Myers officiating. Born October 28, 1933, in Marie, West Virginia, Dewey was a son of the late William and Fannie Baumgardner.

Dewey entered the Air Force in 1954 and was relocated to Alaska in 1955. After his discharge in 1958, he served nearly 25 years with the Civil Service at Elmendorf AFB in the parachute and fabric shop.

Later, he became owner/operator of D.E.B. Trucking.

Dewey was involved with the Antique Auto Musers of Alaska

and was an active member of the First Church of God in Anchorage.

He is survived by his wife, Wynoaka Baumgardner, daughters, Carla Stephenson and Keri Schroeder, son-in-law, Jon Schroeder, sister, Juanita "Faye" Wright of Buffalo, Missouri, and brother, Charles "Bud" Baumgardner of Fredericksburg, Virginia.

AAMA members will recall Dewey and his orange 1956 Ford 2.5-yard dump truck, which he always referred to as "ol' Punkin." Dewey was a regular participant in local AAMA functions until his health began to fail. We will dearly miss his unique personality, his West Virginia accent and his ability to distill life's little experiences into "folksy" metaphors and witticisms.

Members Receive Recognition for Volunteering

At the Christmas party, members were recognized for their work throughout the year.

- Club car book update: Jan Hall
- Clubhouse Donation and Resident

Toastmaster: Robbie Robinson

Tinkering Times editor: Tom Cresap

Fur Rondy Parade and Show: Kurt Rein
(Please see p. 5, Members...)

Torao "Tito" Kagimoto June 14, 1921-

December 16, 2009

Torao "Tito" Kagimoto, 88, died peacefully at home in Hope on Wednesday, December 16, 2009.

Born in Hilo, Hawaii, on June 14, 1921, he went to work in 1940 for Hawaii National Park doing conservation forestry, road construction and carpentry. A stonemason as well, he built the rock fireplace in the park lodge. Tito moved to Anchorage in 1951, joined the Carpenters' Union, and worked in the building industry. He retired in 1978 and moved to Hope. Because he "couldn't cook, and needed a place to eat," he opened the Discovery Café, which he operated out of a converted trailer.

Childless himself, it was as if he had decided to adopt the entire town as his family. His café was the heart of Hope. Loggers, trappers, mushers and miners came to eat the next-best thing to a home-cooked meal, or weigh their nuggets, drinking endless cups of coffee and philosophize with Tito about economics, the weather and the state of the world. The Discovery was an anachronism, one of the few places left where you could still run a tab while you waited for your next check or grubstake.

Although Tito was not a member of the Antique Musers of Alaska, his café was a familiar haunt to those of us who make the traditional annual jaunt to AAMA's Hope Weekend in July or who travel to Hope during other times of the year and stop for a bite to eat at the Discovery.

Members Recognized

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Refreshments:

- ✓ Jan. - Marcy Cresap
- ✓ Feb. - Scott Hulse & Sara Stoops
- ✓ March - Tom & Marcy Cresap and Toni Truesdell
- ✓ April - Julie Ede, LeRoi Heaven
- ✓ Oct. - Tom & Marcy Cresap
- ✓ Nov. - Lee Truesdell & Gwyn Wiedmer

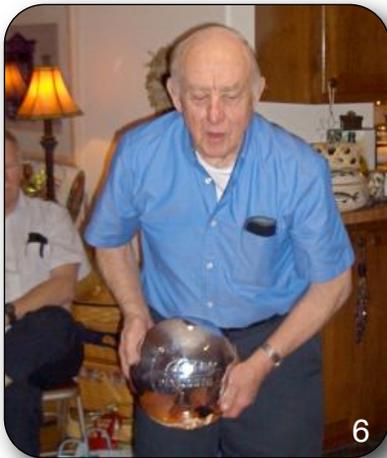
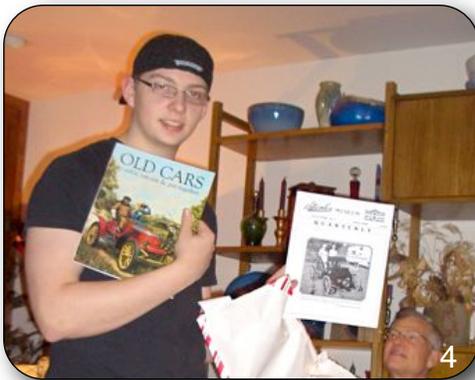
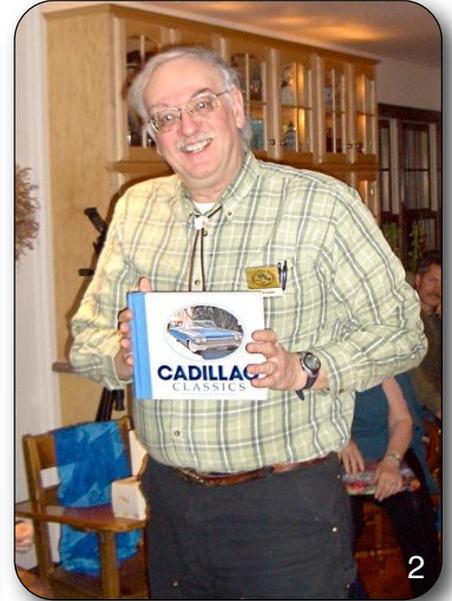
Summer Driving tours:

- ✓ May - Donn Reese
- ✓ June - Howard & Barb Hansen
- ✓ July - Mike & Gwyn Wiedmer
- ✓ Aug. - Brown Museum
- ✓ Sep. - Mike & Gwyn Wiedmer

Adopt-A-Road:

- ✓ May - Robbie Robinson
 - ✓ July - Sara Stoops
 - ✓ Sep. - Sara Stoops
 - ✓ Shakedown Cruise: Jim Ede and LeRoi Heaven
 - ✓ Split the pot and badge-less members: Fred Sharper
 - ✓ Mother's Day Run: Scott Hulse
 - ✓ MATI Cleanup: Dennis & Diane Allen
 - ✓ Joint Meet: Howard Hansen
 - ✓ Trinity Car Show: Dick Henningsen
 - ✓ Daybreak and Serendipity: Dennis & Diane Allen
 - ✓ AAMA history article for AACA 75th Anniversary book: Jim Fredenhagen & Howard Hansen
 - ✓ Christmas Party venue: Art & Tam Isham
 - ✓ Long Distance Model T Tour Operator and Denali Park Weekend: Bruce Campbell
 - ✓ Colony Days Car Show: Jim Ede
 - ✓ Colony Days Parade: LeRoi Heaven
 - ✓ State Fair Parade: LeRoi Heaven
- Most Improved Vehicle Award committee**
- ✓ •Ron Watts
 - ✓ •Scott Hulse
 - ✓ •Howard Hansen
 - ✓ •Dennis Allen
 - ✓

Christmas Party Photo Album



Christmas Party Photos ID'd

1. Alan Combs looks on as Marl Campbell takes the most-coveted gift of the evening, an AAMA club jacket, from Barry Fowler.
2. Roy Foster shows his glee at having received a model Cadillac.
3. Kylie Green, granddaughter of Ron and Carol Watts, opens her gift.
4. Phillip Watts, son of Ron and Carol Watts, shows his gift.
5. Shelbie Fredenhagen, daughter of Jim and Victoria Fredenhagen, opens her gift, a car-cleaning kit she swiped from Bill Chace. Poor Bill!
6. Can that be a '47 Plymouth Hubcap that Model T-Man Bruce Campbell is holding?!
7. Jenna Fredenhagen expresses her delight as she opens a collection of antique kitchen utensils.

(All Photos by Tom Cresap)



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President, Donn Reese, presents Robbie Robinson with his award for supplying the AAMA clubhouse and for being our indefatigable Toastmaster. We all thank Robbie for his undying generosity and leadership.

*Happy
New Year!*

January

Birthdays

Ralph Centoni—7th

Dave Syren—7th

Randall Moss—17th

Bruce Campbell—23rd

Donald Morefield—29th

Joyce Swanson—30th

Bill Kimzey—30th

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