



Mother's Day plans to be Set at April Meeting

By Donn Reese

Scott did a reconnoiter of the MatSu suggestions for the Mother's Day Run as well as a couple of others he and I discussed. Also, I called Turnagain House in Indian for their options. For planning purposes, we've been discussing 35 people for our group. We'll need to get a better handle on that number, so please be thinking about it and we'll pass around a sign-up sheet at the April club meeting.

Settlers Bay Lodge is the current favorite. They will be doing a buffet luncheon on Mother's day and have

plenty of room for us with an overflow area they can open up if needed. Their busy time is from about noon to 2pm so if we planned for after that time we shouldn't be crowded.

Here are the options:

- The Red Beet Cafe in Palmer doesn't appear to be open on Sundays and seems a bit small for our group.

- The MatSu Resort is under new management and doesn't have all their ducks in a row in the dining room yet.

- The Alpine Garden Grille is a pizza joint now.

- Settlers Bay is the current favorite

Thank you, Scott, for spending the time to tour the Valley for us. Hulses ate at Settlers Bay and report the food is very good.

In addition, I talked to the man-

ager and chef at Turnagain House. They too are under different ownership but the same chef has been working there for several years. They can accommodate 35 people on one side, more than that would be in a different part of the restaurant. For our number of people, they would require a 30% deposit that would go towards our final bill. They also suggest a set menu with perhaps choices of three to four items. It would ease their planning and provide quicker overall service. Turnagain House has a brunch menu that is not posted online in addition to the dinner menu, they could do either for us.

We'd like to get an early head count, if you cannot attend the April meeting, please let either Scott Hulse or me know if you plan to join the Mother's Day Run and forward the number in your party.

Notice to Long Distance Participants

The trip to Kodiak and Homer is planned for July 13 - 19 and detailed plans are being made for this outing. It is STRONGLY suggested that each participant contact the Kodiak Island Convention and Visitors Bureau and request a copy of their 2010 VISITORS GUIDE booklet.

Phone: 907-486-4782

Fax: 907-486-6545

Email: visit@kodiak.org

Likewise contact the Homer Chamber of Commerce and request a copy of their VISITORS GUIDE.

Phone: 907 235-7740

No fax or email listed.

These publications are informative and will be referenced in our trip plan so you should have one.

DO IT TODAY NOT TOMORROW OR NEXT WEEK OR NEXT MONTH!

Kids Day Scheduled for April 17th; Cars needed

by Donn Reese

At the last club meeting we voted to participate in this year's Kid's Day event on April 17, 10am-4pm in front of the Dena'ina Center. Now we need a few volunteers to bring their cars. We'll again be parked in front of the convention center on 7th Ave and there is room for up to seven cars. I know the weather doesn't look very promising now but hopefully by then the nastier stuff will be gone.

Please let me know by email or phone. The event is just a few days after our next meeting so we need to plan a little early.

April Meeting

The April 14, 2010 business meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Robbie and Marianne Robinson, 3318 Jerde Circle in Anchorage. For directions, call Robbie, 333-0693 or Tom, 694-7510.

March refreshments were provided by Art and Tam Isham. Thanks!

April refreshments will be provided by Dennis and Diane Allen.

Running Board Reflections



Photo: Tom Cresap

President, Donn Reese, enjoys some refreshments after the March meeting at Robbie and Marianne Robinson's home in Anchorage.

April sees us all awaking each day hoping Spring is finally getting a toe-hold. I've been using the snow on my Imperial left over from the last storm to gauge how warm it is. So far it's not fully melted off the roof and trunk - a couple inches left to go. One positive: we managed to get the last of the Christmas lights off the house before Easter.

April also kicks off some early events of interest for the Auto Mush-

Editorial:

Of Kudos, Corrections and Apologies

When you are putting together a little newsletter like this, you are always paranoid about leaving someone out, not giving credit to some deserving soul or getting off on some ridiculous tangent. I must have been asleep at the switch while preparing the March issue and did all three.

First, credit is due to some folks who were instrumental in making the

ers. First is Kids Day on April 17. The club voted to be involved but we still need a few volunteers to bring cars. See our calendar for more info or contact me. We're also scheduled to help clean up the grounds at the Museum of Alaska Transportation and Industry (MATI) in Wasilla. That's on April 24, chaired by Dennis and Diane.

Other news for April is the forthcoming unveiling of the new club website. I've been working to move all our goodies over to a new system and am very pleased thus far with the results. My goal is to have it go public prior to the April meeting so be looking for an email about it in the next week or so.

Speaking of email - if you aren't receiving AAMA messages and want to, please let me know. If you're not at least receiving my monthly meeting reminders then I probably need your address.

Hope to see you all at what should be our last "Regular Meeting" before the summer season.

Donn Reese

Rondy parade and show work out so well. Kurt Rein did an excellent job with the organization of both. Besides rounding up members for the show and parade, he performed the task of liaison with the Northway Mall and the Rondy coordinators (no small task in itself); he distributed the beautiful promotional posters designed by Donn

(Please see p. 4, Kudos)



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One Man's Treasures



For Sale: 1947 Plymouth Special Deluxe, very nice upholstery, 5 new tires, new radiator and hoses; everything works except radio. Ready to tour. I have too many cars. \$8995, Tom, 694-7510.

For Sale: 1983 Winnebago, 24' Minnie Winnie, very clean, new water heater, diesel (12 mpg) refrigerator non-functional, \$6,000. Tom, 694-7510.

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

Schedule of Events

- April 14—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting (Refreshments: Dennis and Diane Allen)
- May 8—9:00 a.m. Adopt-A-Road (Robbie Robinson, 333-0693)
- May 9—Mother's Day (Scott Hulse, 349-8106)
- May 12—6:30 p.m. Rolling Meeting (Cruise Chair needed)
- May 22—Early Bird Cruise (LeRoi Heaven 907-376-5679, Jim Ede 907-376-4631)
- June 4—6—Joint Meet with VLNAAC (Howard Hansen, 345-1268)
- June 9—6:30 p.m. Rolling Meeting (Cruise Chair needed)
- June 11—Colony Days Car Show (Jim Ede, 907-376-4631)
- June 12—Colony Days Parade (LeRoi Heaven, 907-376-5679)
- June 16 or 17 TBA—1:00-2:30 p.m. Day Break (Dennis and Diane Allen, 345-6355)
- June 23 or 24 TBA—1:00-2:30 p.m. Serendipity (Dennis and Dianne Allen, 345-6355)
- July 3—Adopt-A-Road (Tom and Marcy Cresap, 694-7510)
- July 4—Anchorage Parade (Chair?)
- July 4—Chugiak Parade (Tom and Marcy Cresap, 694-7510)
- July 4—Wasilla Parade (LeRoi Heaven, 907-376-5679)
- July 9—6:00 p.m. Bear Paw Car Show (Just show up)
- July 10—Bear Paw Parade (Tom and Marcy Cresap, 694-7510)
- 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 (Dennis and Diane Allen, 345-6355)
- August 1—Jay Ofsthun Car Show (MSSRA event)
- August 11—6:30 p.m. Rolling Meeting (Cruise Chair needed)
- August 28—Alaska State Fair Parade (LeRoi Heaven, 907-376-5679)
- August 28—Alaska State Fair Car Show (Jim Ede, 907-376-4631)
- September 8—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting (Refreshments?)
- September 11—9:00 a.m. Adopt-A-Road (Sara Stoops and Robbie Robinson)
- October 13—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting (Nominations) (Refreshments?)
- November 10—7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting (Elections) (Re-

Email Message:

Fountainhead Extends Invitation to AAMA

Hi Tom,

I'm hoping that you can include this in the next issue of Tinkering Times:

The new Fountainhead Antique Auto Museum in Fairbanks, in cooperation with the Vernon L. Nash Antique Car Club, would like to extend a heartfelt invitation to attend the inaugural Midnight Sun Cruise-In June 18-20.

Events will included a dinner cruise on Friday, a car show (with People's Choice Awards in six classes) on Saturday, a 'Tour de Fairbanks' cruise, museum activities, steam car demonstrations, and an awards dinner

Saturday evening. The weekend ties in with Sourdough Fuel's annual Father's Day Car Show scheduled for June 20. Dennis Gage, star of "My Classic Car" on the Speed Channel, will be at the Cruise-In to film an episode for his television show. Who knows which cars he'll choose to feature? Bear Lodge, site of the car show, is offering discounted rooms for the weekend. For more information and a registration form, please call Nancy DeWitt at (907) 458-6112 or visit <http://www.fountainheadhotels.com/autofairbanks/> and click on the links at the bottom of the home page. Hope to see you all cruising up to Fairbanks in June!

Thanks! (We'll get the registration form on our web page in the next few days).

Nancy

Kudos, Corrections and Apologies

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Reese and arranging for the club's dinner at Red Robin on Saturday night. We want to offer kudos to Kurt for all his efforts. Kurt has been part of the arrangements for our participation in the Anchorage Fur Rendezvous for quite a few years now, and he has announced that he will be stepping down from that post next year. We hope that we can find another talented volunteer or team of volunteers to take over.

Another name I inadvertently left out was Frank Neary, who helped at the reception table at the Northway Mall show. Frank's help was greatly appreciated; my star reporter and I just missed him.

Then, there is the matter of the tangent: the earthquake article. It may have been a little off center of our mission as an antique auto club, but as of this writing, Haiti (January 12th) Chile (February 27th) and now Baja California (April 4, Easter Sunday) have had significant shakers. Might be nice to review our preparedness and stock up on emergency supplies (food, water, clothing, etc.) just in case. Many thanks go to Ken Stout and Bruce Campbell for bringing the subject to our attention. Let's just hope we do not have to put the information to use.

Tidbits

Clean up the Emails, Please

We would like to remind folks to check their email accounts and clear unwanted stuff. Donn Reese, Marcy Cresap, Jim Fredenhagen and other club members do a lot of time-sensitive communicating via email and they often get "mail box full" messages. If you want to stay in the loop, keep your mailbox cleaned out. It will also make it a lot easier for those who are trying to contact you.

'Recommended Suppliers' List

by Donn Reese

I just ran across something in the British Sports Car Club of Alaska newsletter. They have a list of "recommended suppliers," vendors that have been used successfully by their members.

Perhaps we could do something similar in our newsletter and on our website.

To Fix a Delorean

The graphic artist helping us out with recreating the club logo owns a low mileage Delorean. She is looking for someone to help diagnose and repair a couple of problems they are having with it, at least one of which is in the electrical system.

Does anyone know of a local mechanic with any experience working on these cars? If there is someone in the club able to do the work, she'd consider it as trade for doing our logo.

AACA 75th in Kentucky Anyone?

Tom and Marcella,

Always look forward to getting your newsletter. Will any of the Musers be attending the 75th AACA celebration in Kentucky in June? If so, please let Marilyn and me know. It would be great to see some of you there. dechiotti@aol.com

Dave Chiotti

April

Birthdays

Joe Rath-6th

Marcy Cresap-7th

Leroi Heaven-10th

Kathy Centoni-12th

Diane Allen-14th

Wilma Vinton-15th

Nathan Dennis-22nd

Lee Trudsdell-22nd

Richard Combs-25th

Marion Benham-27th

Anniversaries

Ken & Peg Stout-18th

Ken & Doris Holland-22nd

Summer's almost here, so let's get rolling!