

Legions Brave Rain to Display Cars

by Linda Mattes-Golding

Scott Hulse arrived first. To the Park Strip that is. I arrived with coffee and doughnuts about a half hour later. Scott, along with Nat Gardner and Raelyn and Eric from MSSRA, were setting out cones, and measuring and marking lanes.

There was no rain yet. We parked Scott's 1939 International Pickup, and my 1986 Citroen 2cv. We left room for Mike Wiedmer's 1952 Chevy Pickup, and as they filed in, we began to fill up lines of cars. As usual, there were many Model As. Dale Dryden drove his 1930 Fire Engine; his 1931 yellow Taxicab was driven by Jim Fredenhagen. Bob Dreeszen brought two: his 1931 Tudor Slant Window, and his 1928 Roadster. Valerie Bell arrived with her 1930 Coupe, and Richard Golding drove his 1928 Fordor. Marianne Robinson drove her 1930 "Murray" Fordor. Guest Terry Teilborg drove his 1928 Fordor Town Sedan, and Mike and Laura Smith brought their 1931 Coupe.

Our Group pitched in to assemble the canopies. By then we had been joined by Donn Reese with his 1960 Imperial, Greg Carpenter with his 1964 Plymouth Sport Fury, Michael Packard and Laura Walter with the 1942 Plymouth Super Deluxe, new member Ed Dillon with his 1928 Dodge 4-door Sedan "Senior Six," and new member Joe Jemison with his turquoise 1955 T-Bird.

As the rain fell on and off, other members joined us with lots of sweets, and thankfully a few savory items. The Ishams drove their 1973 Volvo 1800 ES, and had invited a couple other Volvo owners to join them. Several Willys and Jeeps were present: Brian Anderson's 1962 Willys Utility Wagon, Bill Dam's 1944 Willys "Jeep," and Ken Morton's 1993 Jeep Cherokee XJ. Gwyn Wiedmer and mom Shirley drove the 1956 T-Bird; Michael Campbell and Terry Young drove the 1986 Alfa Romeo, Howard and Colleen Hansen drove their 1968 Dodge Pickup. Fred Sharper brought his 1970



The Jay Ofsthun trophy went to a 1962 Chevrolet Corvair Rampside Truck owned by Bob Picard from the Kaknu Kruzers. The MSSRA "Ed's Pick" trophy went to Dennis Hackenburger with his custom rod.

GMC Pickup.

Mike and Laura Smith, with help from family, brought two more vehicles; the 1932 Chrysler and the 1930 Oakland. Beccy and Allan Monsma drove two cars from Fairbanks; "Christine," their 1958 Plymouth Fury, and "Super Bee," their 1970 Dodge. Lambert De Gavere and wife Audrey Cole drove their 1962 Citroen 2cv (to keep "Jacques" company), and Richard Golding brought "Irving," his 1971 daily driver VW Fastback to spend the day with the other VWs. Ken Morton managed to bring two more cars, the 1973 Triumph TR6 and the 1973 Austin-Healey 3000, which were parked with the British Sports Car Club.

Laverne Buller, a friend of the Isham's, brought his newly (finally) restored 1923-1925 Model T. This vehicle has a great story and history and deserves an article of its own.

I signed up a new member, Mike Kerr, who recently purchased his 1940 Buick Special Coupe. Mike owns old tractors as well and is a member of the Museum of Transportation in Wasilla.

As the day wore on, Michael Wiedmer cooked hot dogs, Scott Hulse kept the music playing (although the speakers had to be covered to protect them

from the rain), and members kept trying to wipe the intermittent rain from their cars—a ceaseless, useless, endeavor.

Joe Jemison, as one of our newest members, agreed to be the judge for the Jay Ofsthun trophy. His pick was the 1962 Chevrolet Corvair Rampside Truck owned by Bob Picard (don't say "Pickard") from the Kaknu Kruzers. The MSSRA "Ed's

(See p. 4, "Jay Ofsthun Show")

September Meeting

Join us for our 6:30 pm meeting on August 13th at the Hope Community Resource building at 570 W. 53rd Avenue in Anchorage.

This time of the year, things are beginning to wind down, although we still have some interesting events on the list. Come and join in the discussion and the fun. The after-meeting drive-about is always a way to show off your car, and we end up at a restaurant. Join us!

Running Board Reflections



In the presence of this playfully-modified 1957 Ford on display at the Navy Pier in Chicago, President Linda, as usual, doesn't know if she's coming or going.

Due to technical difficulties while we were traveling in the Lower '48, our Editor-in-Chief was unable to receive the article I wrote for last month's TT. A big thanks to Tom for literally "filling in."

We had expected to see many old cars as we were making the 1000-mile round trip from Chicago to Lake of the Ozarks, but only saw a few old trucks that were lawn decorations. I had despaired of seeing any classic or antique cars, but upon our return to Chicago, we found that Navy Pier was hosting a collection of one hundred vehicles from the Klairmont Kollections Museum.

When we were growing up, Navy Pier was so named because it housed Navy personnel and vessels during World Wars I and II. Navy Pier fell into disrepair, and in the late 1970s was designated a Chicago Landmark. It now houses tour boats, restaurants, theaters, arcades, a ferris wheel, and convention facilities.

The vehicles at the Navy Pier site were quite varied. There were historic vehicles like a 1950s-era yellow cab, and a Good Humor ice cream truck, which brought back memories of our childhoods. There were a few movie vehicles, including the "Blue's Brothers" police car. Michael Jordan's 2006 Bentley

Continental Flying Spur was a beauty; one of our grand puppies is named "Jordan."

My favorite, however, was the rosewood-bodied, 1928 Hispano-Suiza Boattail. Although I have to admit that the orange and black 1934 La Salle Convertible Coupe was gorgeous.

On our last Sunday in Chicago, we stumbled upon a very different car show in Lincolnwood, a small suburb on the north side of the city. This car show was reminiscent of our own Show & Shine; people getting together with like-minded auto afficionados to enjoy the day, while showing off their favorite vehicles. There were very few Model As, but lots of cars from the 50s.

-Linda



1934 La Salle convertible coupe on display at Navy Pier in Chicago.



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Schedule of events

- o September 2-Adopt-A-Road (Marcy Cresap)
- September 9–12:00-4:00, Freedom Flag Run Car Show, Wasilla HS parking lot (49th State Streetrod Association)
- o September 13-6:30 Rolling Meeting
- o September 30-Seward Fall Foliage Tour (Jim Fredenhagen)
- o October 11-6:30 Meeting
- o November 8-6:30 Meeting
- December 6

 TBA Christmas Party



For Sale: 1959 Ford Galaxie Skyliner with an enhanced 390 c.i. V8 engine that sports a Ford tri-power setup and all is mated to a modified automatic transmission. Asking \$20,000 for this unique vehicle. Contact Scott Grundy at 907-322-9283 for additional photographs &/or an appointment to see.

For Sale: 1967 Oldsmobile; 442 convertible; new top, new leather. 3500 miles on rebuilt engine. Excellent condition. \$55,000 negotiable. 907-440-9017. kpullen@mtaonline.net



For Sale: 1934 Fordor Sedan; owned 7 years. Rebuilt '37 221cu in flathead V-8; rebuilt transmission; new carburetor; completely rewired; 12 V w/ alternator; driving lights; new horns, heater, solid sound-deadened floor; new windshield, 5 low milage radials on 17" wheels; rebuilt distributor and speedometer. The car is a solid driver. It will be in Soldotna until mid-September \$21,500. walt sonen ijit31@gmail.com <mailto:ijit31@gmail.com> 907-399-9292



For Sale: Stanley Steamer Engine; location: Big Lake;

Price to be determined; open to offers.Doug VanWingerden 907-315-4055



For Sale: 1938, 1600 Convertible Packard Coupe; removable fender skirts, road lights, spot light, and some spare parts. It has a structural frame issue that will require some welding to fix; 53,229 miles on the odometer Stored in a conex trailer, dry and ventilated. Not yet sure of asking price. We will need to do research with any interested parties to arrive at a fair price. Chalon Rein, (907) 317-6974 or chalonrein@gmail.com

Hot Summer Nights August 2023

by Linda Golding

The 'Hot Summer Nights" car show in Palmer was anything but hot. With winds howling on Colony Way, and rain threatening, this annual event hosted by the 49th State Street Rodders still brought out car lovers from Anchorage and the Mat-Su Valley.

Several AAMA members braved the brisk winds to show off their cars. Mark Graber used "armstrong" steering to park his 1947 Packard Clipper. Nat Gardner with "Chunky," her 1956 Ford Pickup and Jim Fredenhagen, with his 1954 Customline represented the Ford Motor Company; while Howard and Colleen Hansen showed their 1966 Barracuda. The Goldings rounded out the AAMA contingent, in "Jacques," their 1986 Citroen 2cv.

Jay Ofsthun Show

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Pick" trophy went to Dennis Hackenburger with his custom rod.

Thanks to all who brought food, helped with set-up, cooking, and takedown, and a special thanks to Scott and Nat for going above and beyond. I've made a connection with Raelyn McGinnis, the new president of the MSSRA, with hopes of keeping

communication lines open in advance of next year's event.

We extend a special thanks to Don and Karen Avila Lederhos for providing the sound system for the show.

The sun did finally show itself in time to pack up and tear down. And just as he was the first to arrive, Scott was the last to leave.



President Linda presented the 2023 Jay Ofsthun Award to Bob Picard of the Kenai Kaknu Kruzers for his beautiful 1962 Chevrolet Corvair Rampside Truck.



Jim Fredenhagen wipes down his 1954 Ford during the mis-named "Hot Summer Night" car show in Palmer on August 12.

From the Editor's (Traveling) Desk

Our August *Tinkering Times* appeared early so Marcy and I could escape to New Mexico for some much-needed family time.

We (I, the designated driver) drove over 8,631 miles to Albuquerque and back.

Once we got through Canada on the way down and got away from the smoke of the unfortunate fires there, we were able to visit one of our sons and his wife, two grandchildren and four great-grands in Washington.

I am writing this from Rio Rancho, New Mexico, where Marcy's sister Joann lives. We plan to spend the coming weekend with another of Marcy's sisters, Sylvia, and my sister, Clare, as well as more family before finally heading home next Tuesday. (Added note: we arrived home Wednesday evening, August 30th, at 10:00 pm.)

-Tom



Tom and Marcy with their chariot in front of Marcy's sister Joann's House in Rio Rancho, New Mexico.

August 3, 2023: Wings & Wheels



Mike and Laura Smith's 1931 Model A Coupe was featured in front of a classic float plane during the Wings and wheels show at the Alaska Aviation Museum on August 3rd.

By Linda Golding

The AAMA and the Alaska Aviation Museum teamed up on August 3rd, showing off our cars at the Museum grounds amongst the historic planes. Our members brought twenty cars, and Museum members augmented that number with vehicles of their own.

Since this is the third year in a row we have participated, our AAMA members

and the Aviation Museum members have had time to become acquainted, with more conversations and connections being made.

The Museum provided us with a meal and drinks, and the sunny evening was a respite from the rainy weather we have experienced most of the summer.

Mike and Laura Smith brought three vehicles, all new to their growing

collection; a 1931 Model A Coupe, a 1930 Oakland, and a 1932 Chrysler. Mike Wiedmer drove his 1952 Chevy Truck after a work session with Ken Evans, whose 1955 Cadillac DeVille is always a big hit. Gwyn Wiedmer and mom Shirley brought the 1949 Ford Convertible. Alex Roesch and Niki DeSanto drove from Eagle River in their 1978 Citroen 2cv, keeping company with the 2cv driven by Linda Mattes-Golding.

Other Model As present were Bob Dreeszen's 1929 Roadster, Dale Dryden's 1930 Fire Truck and Richard Golding's 1928 Fordor. Jim Fredenhagen drove his 1954 Ford Customline, while Scott Hulse drove his 1939 International D2 Pickup. Howard and Colleen Hansen drove their 1966 Plymouth Barracuda, while Michael Packard and Laura Walter brought the 1942 Plymouth, and new member Ed Dillon showed off his 1928 Dodge 4-door "Senior Six" sedan.

Dutch Overly made a rare show appearance with his 1956 MG, while Ken Morton and Dolly Larkin popped in driving the 1965 Austin Healy. Rounding out our group were Darrell Krolick driving the 1948 Willys Overland Station Wagon, and Brian Anderson with his 1962 Willys Utility Wagon.



Among the many fine vehicles at the Wings and Wheels show, these graced the south side of the courtyard: 1949 Ford convertible (Wiedmer) 1942 Plymouth coupe (Packard/Walter) 1928 Dodge Senior Six 4-dr. Sedan (Dillon) 1956 MG (Overly) 1962 Willys Overland Station Wagon (Anderson) 1948 Willys Overland (Darrell Krolick.)

Portraits: Beauty and the Beast



David Jensen, AAMA past president for three difficult years of the pandemic, is a professional photographer who specializes in pet photography. He recently arranged with Scott Hulse and Nat Gardner to use their trucks as backgrounds, Scott's Bessy, a 1939 International, was featured in a shot of five 8.5 week old Great Dane Puppies in "Tailgate Party of Five."



Nat Gardner loaned Chunky for a shoot that featured six 8-week old Great Dane Puppies. Chunky is a 1956 Ford F-100. David calls this image "One Six-pack, an old truck and a designated driver."



This is a behind-the-scenes photograph of the team holding puppies in place in the bed of Chunky. Did you ever wonder how he did that?

AAMA Business Meeting August 9, 2023 Location: Hope Community Resources Learning Center 570 W. 53rd Ave. Anchorage, Alaska

Meeting called to order at 6:36 pm by President Linda Mattes Golding There were 28 members present. Guests: Aiden Bond

August Minutes

The minutes were approved from the July business meeting as published in the Tinkering Times.

Treasurer's Report

Louis Mestier provided the treasurers report.

Old Business

**If anyone has receipts for the Hope Retreat or Show and Shine, please turn them in to Louis Mestier for reimbursement.

**Linda Mattes Golding thanked Mike and Gwyn Wiedmer for use of their truck as a stage at the Show and Shine. She also thanked Karen and Don Lederhos for supplying the sound system.

**Mark Graber gave an update about the Alaska State Fair and parade on Saturday August 19. The parade starts at 11:00 am. Staging will be at Blueberry Avenue. The car show will be at the yellow gate of the fairgrounds.

Kurt Rein

We heard from Chalon Rein, Kurt Rein's son, about Kurt's current health condition, and about his desire to sell his 1938 Packard.

Kurt is in the JBER Hospital right now due to a fall that has left him weak and needing help with many daily activities. His doctors are not sure yet if or when he can go home, and he will likely need at least some temporary assistance for a while. So he may end up going to a recovery facility from the hospital.

Since he is at the JBER Hospital, it will be difficult for us to visit him, so we will have to depend on second-hand communication. Stay tuned.

Those participating in the car show will receive tickets to the State Fair.

**Hot Summer nights hosted by the 49th State Street Rodders is Saturday August 12 from 5:00 to 9:00 pm in downtown Palmer.

**August 23 will be the drive around at the Providence Extended Care facility with a pop-up car show from 6:00 to 7:00 pm.

**Jim Fredenhagen gave an update on the drive to Kenai on Saturday August 19 to meet with the Kaknu Kruisers and have lunch. The group will be leaving from Carr's on Huffman at 9:00 am.

New Business

**A chairperson is needed for the September business meeting to lead the drive around and dinner location.

**Gary Brandt the former owner of Plastic Motion and Auto Appraisals has indoor heated storage available for vehicles. He can be contacted at

ocean and have a great view.

Their home took more than two

vears to build, and they moved

in just last February. They are

doing well."

907-952-4467.

**Linda Mattes Golding suggested that the club purchase two canopies to use at the Show and Shine car show and other events. Art Isham also brought up looking into getting a storage unit for the club's items.

**Jim Fredenhagen gave an update on the upcoming Dimond Center car show on Saturday September 16 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm and the Fall Colors tour to Seward on September 30.

BD's and Anniversaries

**President Linda Mattes Golding announced birthdays and anniversaries for the month.

Split the Pot

Split the pot winner: Ken Evans

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm. Drive to Don Jose's restaurant for dinner.

Respectfully submitted. Greg Carpenter, Secretary



Above: Milt, Pam, Tamea and Art are in Tanora's new living room in Oregon. Right: Pam and Milt pose with Ishams' 1936 Chrysler Air Flow.

Alaska State Fair Parade and Car Show

by Mark Graber

Perfect Palmer weather, plus an amazing turn-out, made this years' events pretty darn good. While we struggled to understand the Fair's theme this year, ("Beyond the Mountains"), the AAMA's performance was "Over the Moon". This year we had a total of 19 vehicles, double the usual turnout. Our cars covered a lot of auto history and had something for everyone. Our cars spanned the years 1911 to 1976, and included foreign and domestics, big American iron and a diminutive Gallic delight, glamourous convertibles, and sports cars, along with work-a day-vehicles from the past.

For the parade, our staging area was where it was supposed to be, and as usual, we started right on time. We were number eight in the parade, just behind the antique tractor club. They waited next to us along Colony Way, and it was fun to look at their machines and chat about old cars and tractors. We always provide the grandstand announcer with a list of owners/drivers, car year, make and model. We just barely finished the registration process in time for the start.

Art and Tam Isham carried the club banner in their '30 Model A Sedan, followed by yours truly in my '47 Packard. Rich and Linda Golding brought



Some of the 19 AAMA vehicles on display at the fairgrounds were: 1979 Jeep CJ7 (Brian Anderson and Shirley Lord) 1949 Ford convertible (Mike and Gwyn Wiedmer with Shirley Alexander) 1955 Cadillac Eldorado (Ken Evans) 1922 Model T (Mike Scruggs) 1931 Ford Model A Slant Window Victoria (Janice Czerwinski) 1939 International pickup (Scott Hulse).

their '86 Citroen 2CV. Ken Baker drove his '30 Model A and Nat Gardner drove her '56 Ford F-100. Joe Jemison sported his '55 T-Bird and Michael Packard drove his '42 Plymouth coupe. Louis Mestier brought his space age '63 T-Bird. David Wartinbee brought his gorgeous and flawless '67 Corvette all the way from Soldotna. Brian and Shirley Anderson rode in Brian's stalwart '79 CJ7. Mike and Gwyn Wiedmer arrived with their '49 Ford Convertible with Gwyn's Mom,

Shirley. Ken Evans drove his jewel, a '55 Cadillac Eldorado convertible. Mike Scruggs' 1922 Model T was the oldest car in the parade, and it was great for folks to see an early car. Janice Czerwinski drove her very elegant and pretty 1931 Model A Victoria.

Scott Hulse shared some of his family's farm history with his 1939 International pickup. Louis Finch drove his stunning '56 Mercury Montclair while his son Ernie drove a very sharp '56 Ford T-Bird. Only one award was made, that being an honorable mention to Fred Sharper. His '70 GMC pickup conked on the way to the staging area but he hitched a ride with Scott for the parade.

The Palmer crowd really appreciates seeing our old cars. We ended with a slow pass in front of the Alaska Pioneers and Veterans facility. I often wonder what memories our cars must invoke with those folks.

Mr. Sun joined us during our short drive to the Fairgrounds. We found Dutch Overly and his '60 MG Magnette waiting for us. I'll bet a lot of folks were surprised to learn that MG made sedans!

By 12:30 we were settled in, with canopy, table and chairs all set up and folks heading off to see the Fair. Susan, Mark's wife, arrived with this year's cookie selection. Chocolate Cherry Chip was this year's favorite. Members came and went during the day. There were always fairgoers stopping by our tent. Some asked about the restoration process, (See p. 9, "State Fair")



Isahms' 1930 Model A displayed our club banner at the head of our parade group. They were followed by: 1947 Packard (Mark Graber) 1955 T-Bird (Joe Jamison, Soldotna) 1942 Plymouth coupe (Michael Packard) 1956 Ford F 100 pickup (Nat Gardner) 1930 Model A (Ken Baker) 1963 T-Bird (Louis Mestier) 1967 Corvette (David Wartenbee) 1979 Jeep CJ7 (Brian Anderson and Shirley Lord) and three others that can't be ID'd.

A Sterling Day in Sterling

by Jim Fredenhagen

Saturday, August 19 was a sterling day to make the drive to Sterling.

Three Mushers, Hansens, Fredenhagens, Godsoes, and a visiting traveler, Dave Gerold, all left Carrs Huffman at 9am.

The beautiful mountain drive got us to the Bluebird Cafe in Sterling exactly at noon. Simultaneously, the Kaknu Kruzers began arriving from Kenai and Soldotna. When the dust settled, there were sixteen cars filling the lot and all the chairs filled in the cafe.

We slightly overwhelmed the three waitresses and one cook, but they did well. Additionally, their signature salmon chowder was amazingly good, warranting a repeat visit.

Dave opened his clamshell camper he had towed behind his 1930 Model A sedan from Minnesota. He built it himself from his own design. Quite a craftsman.

After lunch we adjourned to Jim and Shirley Fena's place on the Kenai River for a potluck dessert. We rekindled our ties with the Kruzers over cake and coffee and look forward to another joint event next year.





Three AAMA members, the Fredenhagens, Godsoes and Hansens participated in a drive to Soldotna for lunch with the Kenai Kaknu Kruzers. While there, Dave Gerold, a guest from Minnesota, displayed his hand-made teardrop trailer.

A super small-town car show: Lincolnwood, Illinois

While visiting Illinois, the Goldings searched and found a car show in the small village of Lincolnwood in Niles township. With a reported population of only 13,463, Lincolnwood puts on quite a show.





Saturday, September 2nd-last Adopt-A-Road for 2023. The happy trash pickers were: Brian Anderson, Michael Scruggs, Mark Graber, Janice Czerwinski, Scott Hulse, Terry Young, Michael Campbell, Shirley Alexander, Mike Wiedmer, Darrell Krolick, Marcy Cresap, Linda Golding, Gwyn Wiedmer and Tom Cresap (behind the camera) We all thank Mark Graber for his wonderful, home-made cinnamon rolls!

State Fair Parade and show

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or the ins and outs of owning an old car in Alaska. Some just thanked us for bringing our cars out for them to see. At least three folks took applications with them. I noted a lot of young families stop by and more younger folks than we might think seem to be really interested in our old vehicles. Any one of our vehicles can draw attention just sitting in a parking lot, so I guess it is no wonder that we draw a lot of visitors at the Fairgrounds. The Fair staff has been very supportive of our car show,

and it is great exposure for the AAMA.

My thanks to all the Mushers for coming out to Palmer and doing a great parade and show once again this year. Special thanks to Art and Tam Isham, and Nat Gardner for handling the sign up process. It would have been a zoo without you.

Hope to see you at the Fair next year!

Your Palmer Correspondent, Mark Graber

'Rally the Globe' Starts in Anchorage



Lee Harman and his co-driver, Winston Conners (left) are ready for the 7,800-mile cruise to Fairbanks, then to Mexico after getting some help from AAMA members, Jim Fredenhagen, Rich Golding and Carl Godsoe. In order to continue on the treck, his Model A needed a starter, and Carl just happened to have an extra.

by Linda Golding

The Alaska to Mexico Rally, run by the organization "Rally the Globe," began its 7600-mile journey on Monday, August 28th at the Sheraton Hotel in Anchorage. Fifty-seven cars will traverse three countries in thirty days.

A few days before the rally's official start, Jim Fredenhagen was contacted by R. Lee Harman, the owner of the only Model A in the race; he desperately needed a replacement starter for "Miss Vicky." Carl Godsoe had an extra starter in his garage; he, Jim and Rich Golding "saved the day" by making that repair.

Dr. Harman visited the Alaskan A's for their Thirsty Thursday weekly meeting at Piper's on Lake Hood. He gave a

presentation about the 2019 Peking to Paris (P2P) rally which he had finished. He also spoke about his fund-raising during this rally as a Rotary member. He is hoping to raise at least \$50,000 for Rotary International toward its quest for the eradication of polio worldwide. If you'd like to donate go to: raise.rotary.org/MissVicky/Challenge

The participants of the rally left on Monday morning at 7:30 am. Several of our members waved the travelers on their way. Their first stop was to be at the Alaska Raceway in Palmer, then a drive to Fairbanks via Hatcher Pass.

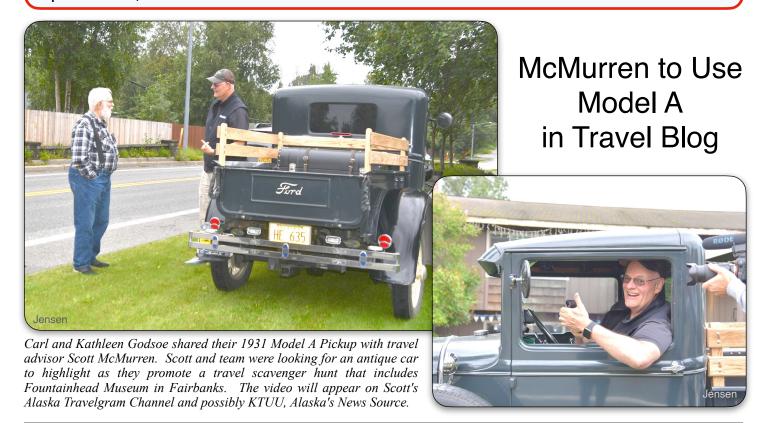
You can follow daily dispatches for the rally at: <u>rallytheglobe.com</u>.

PTC Center Show

By Linda Golding

Under skies threatening rain at the Providence Transitional Care Center, the folks enjoyed looking at Nat Gardner's 1956 Ford pickup, the Russell's 1990 Dodge Ramcharger, and four convertibles: Brian Anderson's 1950 Hudson, the Wiedmer's 1949 Ford, Michael Campbell and Terri Young's 1986 AlfaRomeo, and the Golding's 1986 Citroën 2cv.

The staff hopes that we will be able to do this again next summer.









Jim Fredenhagen helped install Carl Godsoe's extra starter in this !931 Model A Victoria so it could take part in the Alaska-to-Mexico Rally that had its start on Monday, August 28th.

September

Birthdays
Jenny Blanchard–2nd
Louis Finch–3rd Bill Dam-9th David Benesch-10th Ron Keller–25th Donald Lederhos-25th Gretchen Stoddard-24th

Anniversaries

Judy and Eli Powell– Linda and Richard Golding-11th

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