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WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SUPPLEMENT?

Why wasn't there an ALASKA SUPPLEMENT in the August Issue? Many of you are perhaps wondering what went wrong last month. The general supplement appeared on pages 18 and 19 in your magazine instead of what you were expecting.

In late May, I drove to Minnesota to pick up a new travel trailer and planned to be home in Alaska by the last week in June. This would leave me plenty of time to put the supplement together. Unfortunately, because of uncontrollable circumstances, my return voyage was greatly delayed. It was a trip to forget! After picking up my new trailer, I drove to Kentucky to assist my daughter and grandchildren in a move from Ft. Campbell to Ft. Lewis, Washington where her husband (an Army pilot) had been recently transferred. Shortly after leaving on the Washington leg of the journey, I was sideswiped by another driver and now had an 8 day old "new" trailer which required major repairs along with my car. The car I could have fixed at home without special concerns, but my trailer was a different story. Since the trailer was a special order fiberglass model, I convinced my insurance company that satisfactory repairs could best be made by the original manufacturer and arranged to return to Minnesota for this service. In short, I was forced to spend 10 days in a motel while much of my trailer was rebuilt from the inside out. I was finally able to arrive safely home on July 8th, far too late to submit my copy for the August Issue. Sad story, but I am glad that no one was physically injured. Life is short and material things can always be replaced. —Ed.

THE 2010 ALASKA STATE FAIR IS NOW A PART OF HISTORY

Watch for coverage of what Alaska Sir Knights did at the State Fair Masonic Information Booth in next month's ALASKA SUPPLEMENT. Your contribution of time and sponsorship is needed to help make the booth a successful venture. Don't miss a chance to be a part of something great which only comes once each year!

FROM THE EDITOR

I would like to encourage all Sir Knights to submit articles, letters, pictures, or comments for inclusion in this supplement. Articles need to be submitted to me by the 1st of the month for the next issue (October 1st for the December issue).

INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE AT WASILLA



PARTICIPANTS RIDE THE ALASKA SHRINE TRAILER AND GREET THE CROWDS DURING THE 4TH OF JULY WASILLA CELEBRATION

The Wasilla, Alaska Independence Day Parade had good representation from Alaska Masonic Organizations. Knights Templar, Shrine, Shrine Clowns, Blue Lodge, Scottish Rite, Royal Arch and Council of Cryptic Masons were all in good spirits as they waved to parade watchers during the annual procession held during the observance commemorating our nation's birthday. Many seats were still available and planning for your group's opportunity to join them next year should be put on the calendar now! We are always asking about how we can be visible to the public eye. This is a great chance to be there with the members of your fraternity and provide answers to questions observers might have. Come enjoy the day and celebrate too!