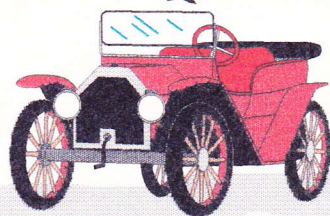


Puddle Jumper Gazette

Vernon L. Nash Antique Automobile Club of America



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**NEXT MEETING
THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 12, 1998**

At the ROYAL FORK RESTAURANT
414 3rd St., Fairbanks Alaska

Buffet \$ 9.50 each
(gratuity is up to the guest)

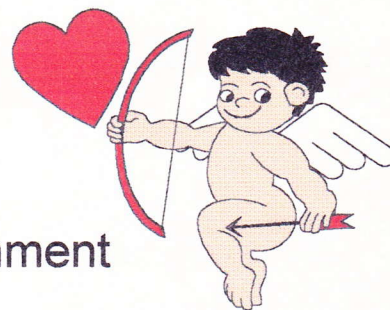
6:30 PM Conversation & Gathering
7:00 PM Dinner
8:00 PM Meeting

Meeting Agenda:

- Opening/Introduction of Guests
- Treasurers Report
- Secretary's Report
- New Business
 - By-law Discussion
 - Set Committee Chairperson
 - Committee Members
 - AACA Joint Meeting with
 - Anchorage Auto Musers
 - Anything Else?
- Old Business
 - Thank-you's
 - Gavel status & presidents fine
 - Anything Else?
- Other Business/Anything Goes!!
- Entertainment

Sargent At Arms

The Prez seems to remember that Beccy Monsma volunteered as SGT OF ARMS to collect the fines for badges & other finable offenses. Is that OK with everyone? GOOD -- SOLD we've "elected" her! Now everyone wear your name tag for sure or she'll get ya!



Entertainment

The club is going to try to have some sort of entertainment or special report given by various members at each meeting. So if you have a particular talent and would like to show it off, or you know a series of funny jokes, or you're just a ham, let Bill Chace, 488-3805 or Sherry Camarata 488-4293 know and we'll sign you up.

This month since it is so close to Valentines day, we want you to tell us how you met your Valentine! Come on now, we all have a story to tell. You can also tell her/him and us how much you appreciate them! There will be prizes for the funniest and most romantic, so you can embellish it a little. But first check with your partner!

Our Annual
AACA Joint Meet
with
Vernon L. Nash
and
Antique Auto Musers

Dennis Allen, President of Antique Auto Musers of Anchorage has contacted Bill Chace about our joint meeting this year. Auto Musers and the Vernon Nash Club are both looking for a committee chairperson and a committee to help with the planning. Their choice of week-ends is either the 2nd or 3rd week-end in June. Where is yet to be determined, but the club can give some suggestions as Auto Musers is open to any. It's their turn to host the event, but in any case its a joint effort and fun meeting. So, if you'd like to get in on the planning, or have any suggestions, let us know at the Feb. 12th meeting. See YOU there.

DUES are Definitely Due

If you haven't paid your dues yet (they were due in December) this will be the last newsletter you receive until you do pay up! There are 16 outstanding members that will be left out standing in the cold if they don't get their dues in. You can contact Bill Chace 488-3805 if you do not remember if you have paid your dues or not -- he has you on his list if you haven't.

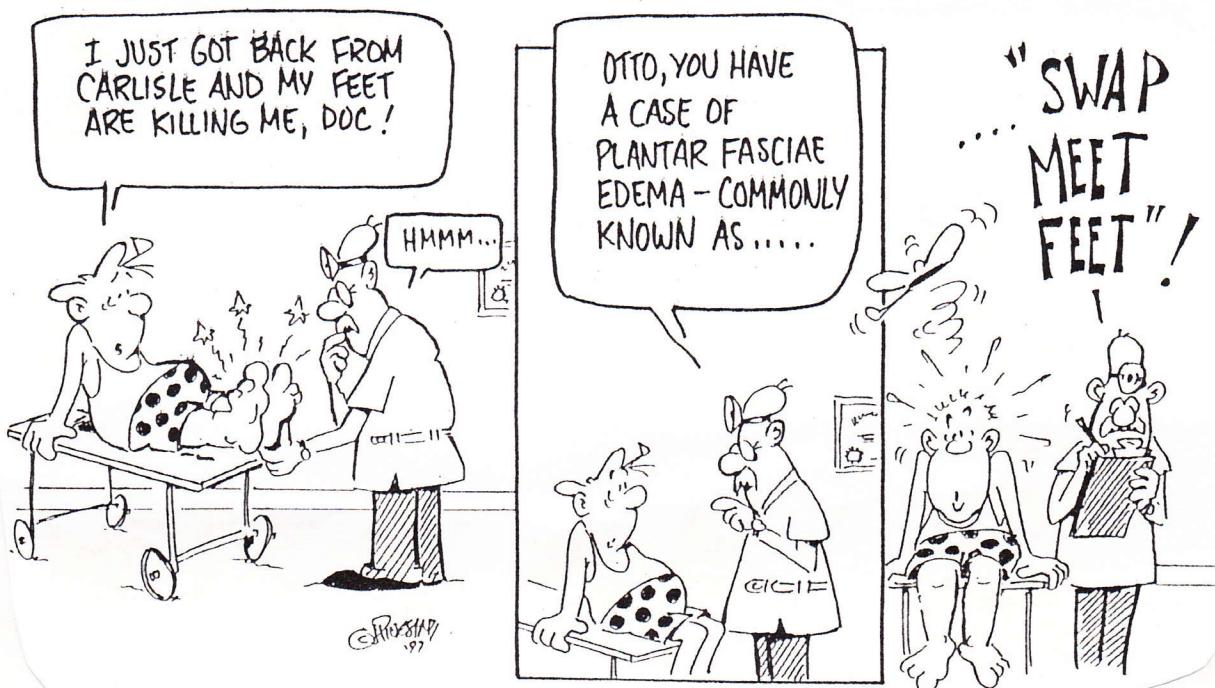
Wedding News

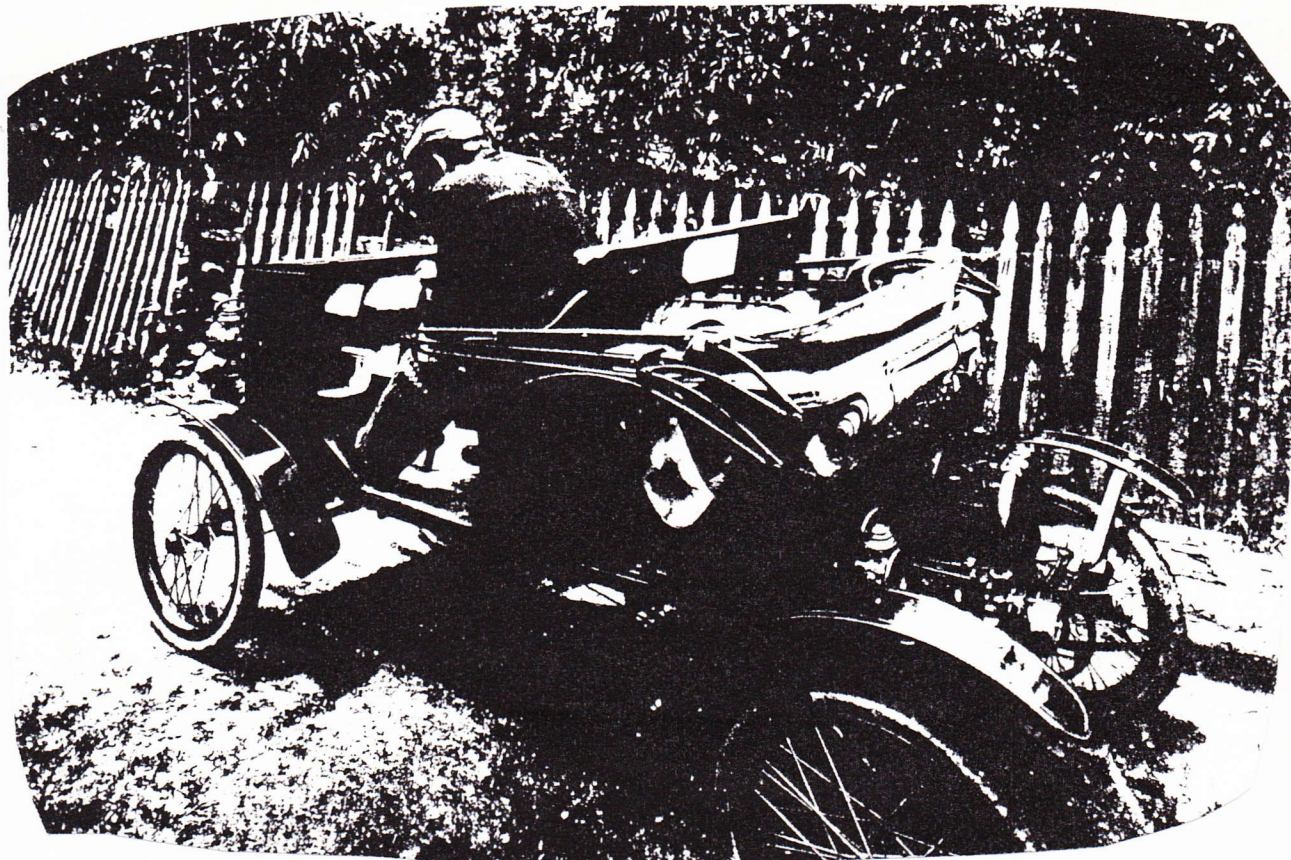
Congratulations to Tammy Nash and Hans Axelsson for their wedding on Jan. 25th in Oahu Hawaii. We're all anxiously awaiting the pictures and hopefully the Nash's will have some at the February meeting.

Now I heard there is this custom that the father of the bride wears **the grass skirt!** WOW, now I can't wait to see the pictures Gary brings back. Could this be.....just could it now, be in preparation for the renewal of the famous **Angel Creek Babes?!?! Well, we'll see....**

"Otto Mechanic"

By Jay Piersanti





REMEMBER THE YEAR??

Life was mellow, secure and optimistic. The President of the United States became the first American to receive the Nobel Prize for peace, in recognition of his efforts to end the Russo-Japanese war. The White House was also a home and the center of family fun as the Chief Executive took part in the rough and tumble play of his six children. Over most of America, social life centered on the family. People love the front porch and Sunday school picnics. Yet vistas were opening rapidly. Victorian regimentation had relaxed. Women had discarded the bustle and dust-catching skirt lengths. Crisp shirtwaists were tucked into slim-waisted, ankle-length skirts. Heads were adorned with high pompadours and huge hats. Men wore slim suits complete with vests and watch chains. Shirts were always white with stiff collars: ties were drab. black derbies were worn for winter and white straw skimmers for summer. The Brownie camera was ever present and otherwise conservative adults pranced, grimaced and cavorted before the clicking shutter. In New York City, the newly rich were clamoring for tables at posh restaurants. Diamond Jim Brady was flaunting his jewels and appetite while dining at Rector's with Lillian Russell. Opera buffs idolized Enrico Caruso, Victor Herbert's operetta. "The Red Mill" was a smash hit. On Broadway, they were singing George M. Cohan's patriotic tune, "You're a Grand Old Flag." On the West Coast, tragedy struck San Francisco in the form of a devastating earthquake and resulting fire. Middle America was slowly awakening! Years before, farmers had won the right to rural delivery of mail, but it had to depend upon horse and wagon because the roads were simply farm wagon tracks. Then, as roads were improved, carriers took to the new automobiles. The horseless carriage in our picture was powered by a rear one-cylinder engine and the mail carrier had installed a handy sorting rack in the dashboard to speed his work. Such were the signs of the times in the progressive year of _____.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

February 12, 1998

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
8:00 pm

Dinner at Royal Fork
VLNAACA Meeting

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