



# Puddle Jumper

Vernon L. Nash

Antique Automobile Club of America

April 2001

Thursday April 12th

**Chef's Family Restaurant**  
3340 Badger Rd.  
in the Beaver Brook Mall  
488-1463

6:30 to 7:00 gather together

7:00 to 8:00 mealtime

8:00 or thereabouts, meeting.

We'll be going back to the Chef's Family Restaurant in North Pole for our April Meeting. We'll be ordering off the menu so there will be a wide range of dishes to choose from and at a cost to fit your pocketbook!

Plans have changed for this summer already and we need to decide on an alternate route or routes. The Anchorage Auto Mushers will be taking two extended auto trips in early summer and won't be able to follow through with the June plans to join us as before. We may be able to cook something up with them for August though. Let's plan our own road trip and see what we can come up with. Bring your ideas to the meeting. See you there!

## Antique Auto License Plates

Paul Camarata and a few other car club members have been contacted by State Representative Fred Dyson about a bill in the House and Senate which would allow antique auto owners to use license plates that are the same vintage as the auto. It's bill HB 167, and Rep. Dyson and his legislative aid, Wes Keller would like Letters from our organization and from our members stating our support for the bill. Since the legislative session ends in early May, please email [Wes\\_Keller@legis.state.ak.us](mailto:Wes_Keller@legis.state.ak.us) or call 1-800-342-2199 your support of this bill. Rep. Dyson states that the bill "should be a noncontroversial bill -- just a fun law for a change."

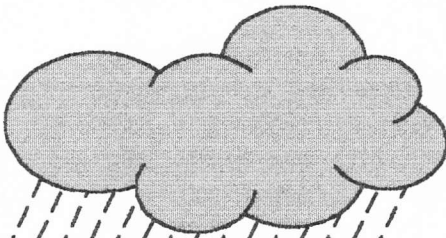
Does anyone have license plates that are the same vintage as their auto and would like to be able to legally use them? What are your thoughts on this bill? Come on out and we'll talk about it.

An English professor wrote the words "Woman without her man is a savage" on the blackboard and directed the students to punctuate it.

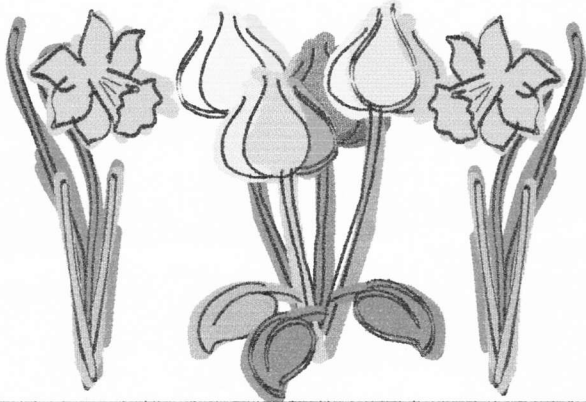
The men wrote: "Woman, without her man, is a savage."

The women wrote: "Woman! Without her, man is a savage."

April Showers bring May flowers



Income Tax deadline is April 16th



## Happy April Days to:

### Birthdays

Rudy Domke	7
Wilma Vinton	15
Paul Camarata	20
Ken Uzzell	20
George Clayton	22
Don Oines	24
Betty Borg	26
Doris Casey	26
Marion Benham	27

### Anniversaries

Roby and Hazel McHone	6
Herman & Penny Houck	11

\*if we missed your special day contact Sherry Camarata 488-4293

## MODEL T CLUB VISIT

The Model T Club of Texas contacted us about a tour they are going to put on this summer to Alaska. I'll retype the email you and we'll elect a chairperson to be contact with them at our next meeting -- the website is really cool, lots of pictures and even music. Check it out!

"Hello, My name is Ben Hardeman and I have organized a tour of Model T Fords to come to Alaska this summer. We will be leaving Bryan/College Station, Texas on June 6th and will be in Fairbanks on Sunday July 15th and again on Thursday night, Friday and Friday night July 19th and July 20th. There will be seven Model T's on the tour. I organized a similar tour in 1987 which had 16 Model T's and we loved every day of the tour. I have created a web site with information about this year's tour and also some photographs of the 1987 tour. The sit may be accessed at <http://www.modelttours.com/alaskainfo.html>

I would like to get the assistance of your club in several ways. We would like to line up a well-equipped garage facility that we could use in case we need to do repairs on our cars while we are in the area. (In 1987 one of the cars broke a crankshaft 30 miles north of the Arctic Circle).

Also we have been having some trouble getting motel rooms at reasonable rates. We have tried the Super 8 and their rate is over \$100 per night. Can you advise us as to what other options there might be at more reasonable rates? Contact Ben Hardeman at [ben@hardeman.com](mailto:ben@hardeman.com)"

## Just for Laughs

submitted by the McLaughlin's

Robert Service wrote this poem about driving his baby car at age 85. He must have taken a little poetic license at the time because he died when he was 84!

### MY BABY CAR

I have a silvery Rolls Royce  
And in it's beauty, I rejoice;  
But oh with what a cheery shout  
I hail my little runabout.

My chauffeur has a uniform  
And holds a baby car in scorn;  
But let him sneer and jeer and flout,  
Give me my dinky runabout.

It's sweet and neat and fighting fit;  
I fuss and fiddle over it;  
It's sleek and shiny as a trout,  
My nippy, whippy runabout.

Although it's only six horse power  
I do my sixty miles an hour;  
On mountain steeps it's heart is stout;  
None daunt my dogged runabout.

Oh! It is good at eighty-five  
Even a baby car to drive,  
And though I have a touch of gout  
I won't give up my runabout.

They say that second childhood must  
Have toys to treasure - mine I trust,  
Till life at last shall fizzle out,  
Will be my faithful runabout.

## At the Meeting

Our president, Squeaky Benham, has talked to Jerry Krier, who has talked to the person who is taking suggestions and discussions on the Golden Days Parade! We don't know what all was said BUT Meadows Ridell from the Chamber of Commerce wants to be at our meeting this month to generate discussion on the Golden Days Parade. Gather your questions and answers and be there -- We Need YOUR input.

We've also received a letter from the Main Street Fairbanks promotions committee asking us to participate in this year's Midnight Sun Festival. Last year they said a record attendance of close to 25,000 people came out. And that was when all the construction was going on. This year the Marriot Spring Suites hotel will be open and the courthouse near completion.

However, this year they are changing things around a little bit and they want a registration fee of \$10 per vehicle. They request that the cars be there by Noon on Thursday, June 21st and stay through the judging which is from 7 -- 9 p.m. that evening. The judging will be more "professional" with real awards given out. So a mini car show without the cost!! What do you all think?

There wasn't a due date to get our registration form in by, but I'll contact them at 452-8671 before our meeting Thursday night. Also I'm sure a registration fee upfront of a certain amount will hold our place and more cars could be added later?! I'll let you know.

## OFFICERS

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## CALENDAR

Thurs., April 12, 2001

Regular Meeting 6:30 - 9:00 pm  
Chef's Family Restaurant in the  
Beaver Brook Mall in North Pole

Saturday May 5, 2001

Anchorage -- Spring Auto Parts  
Swap Meet (MSSRA event)  
Contact Victor Knott 907-349-7228

Thurs., May 10, 2001 and Thurs., June 14, 2001

Regular Meeting 6:30 - 9:00 pm  
Place to be announced

Thurs., June 21, 2001

Summer Soltice Noon - 9:00 pm  
2nd Avenue in Downtown Fairbanks.

Paul and Sherry Camarata  
3427 Jeremy Lane  
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