

Antique Automobile Club of America

February 2004

January Meeting Notes

The monthly meeting was held January 8 at Kentucky Fried Chicken on South Cushman.

New officers were elected:

President	Larry Bennett
Vice President	Ray McLeod
Secretary	Laurel McLaughlin
Treasurer	Ruth Hill

You will find their contact information on the back of the newsletter as usual.

Squeaky also honored several club members who work for the club. Wilma Vinton, Marion Benham, Beccy Monsma and Jean McDermott all received corsages for their club efforts. ❀

NEXT MEETING:

February 12, 6pm at Mambo Grill in North Pole.
211 Cross Way, on the corner of Cross and Santa Claus Lane. ❀

Get Well Soon!

It has come to our attention that Bill Yingst has been very ill, and spent some time in the hospital and had surgery. We are happy to report that he is convalescing at home and improving daily. We send our best wishes for a quick recovery to Bill. ❀

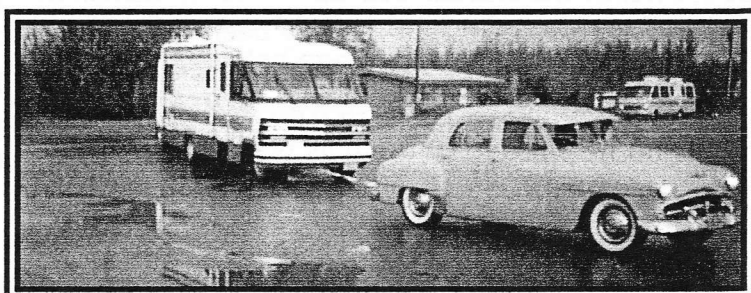
Help Needed

Squeaky Benham is working on a Jeffries and needs help and expertise with bending OAK. He's built a steamer but the wood is not bending for him. If you know about this type of thing, give Squeaky a call at 474-4966. ❀

Whoops!

A Plymouth has an accident

This winter Bill Chace put the 1952 Plymouth into the ditch. Most of us know what this feels like! Bill says he'll have to get it running before we go to Dawson, because it'll be needed to tow Fords.



The Plymouth tows two Fords last summer, one inside a trailer behind the motor home!

The Temperature Gauge Guy

The temperature gauge on my 1928 McLaughlin Buick failed and I knew Dick Evans had repaired it in 1991 so I tried to reach him. Dick was well known to antique car owners as the "Temperature Gauge Guy." It turned out to be a long search, and to make it short, I was informed he had passed away last year. This is a sad loss to his family and the club. We antique car enthusiasts have lost one more expert. This time we are lucky, and I am told that he had a skilled apprentice who is as well-versed in the art of repairing capillary tubes and gauges as Dick was. I appreciate the fact that Dick took the time to train Roy Martin in his specialty. Anyone needing temperature gauge assistance can reach Roy at:

"Temperature Gauge Guy"

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Although many of us try, no one person can be an expert in everything. We need to keep these specialty skills alive. All you specialists please select someone to carry on with your skills. By doing this you pass on a legacy. By training a younger person you are investing in the future. By not passing on our skills we stand to lose the ability to keep alive a piece of our history.

As an example of a skill lost, several years ago we lost Harlan Skaggs best known for his Stone Guards.

Bill Chace ❁

Calendar Dreams

One early fall afternoon the light was perfect for taking pictures of a favorite lady. A VLNAACA member had a dream of having another of his vehicles shown in the annual Old Cars Weekly calendar. His 1930 Willis Knight had already been touted in the 2000 calendar in the month of March, and he wanted to do it again. His cars were well-maintained and he's proud of them as we are all proud of our "passions."

Unfortunately, his wife was hosting the weekly

bible study at their home, and although the study was over the women were lingering, having another cup of tea and chatting about their families and friends.

The man was getting impatient, his wife knew what he wanted to do but she was enjoying the friendly group that didn't seem to be in a hurry to depart on this lovely afternoon.

The light was dimming fast and the man finally spoke up as the body language hints he was throwing were not working.

"Will you ladies please take your cars out of the driveway; I have to take some pictures of my lady before this perfect light goes away!"

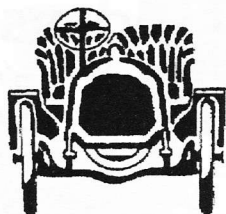
Although, shocked, the ladies were accommodating and gathered their things to leave. The man helped many of them with putting cling wrap on the goodies they brought that they wanted to take home, gathered their papers and put eye-glasses in their hands that they couldn't find. He helped put coats on and with one of the ladies who had two small toddlers, he helped put their snow suits on and then typically they announced they had to go to the "potty"; he did not let his impatience show, he thought, but his face was red!

Finally the driveway was his! He took his newly shined up lady out of her bedroom and into the still perfect light and snapped away! After the 4 rolls of pictures were developed the man was totally dismayed when he looked at the them—something was wrong. The vehicle had to be all original and in every picture the fuzzy dice were shown hanging on the rear view mirror! In his haste to get the bible study ladies out of the house and the vehicles out of the driveway, he had forgotten to take out the fuzzy dice.

But then another bright sunny afternoon came along shortly and he did the pictures all over again sans the fuzzy dice. He sent them in and lo and behold, Old Cars Weekly chose his 1955 Chevy as the January pin-up for the 2004 calendar!

The man's wife insisted that he purchase a calendar for each of the bible study ladies which he did with gladness in his heart.

Congratulations Rudy and Ruth Ann Domke!



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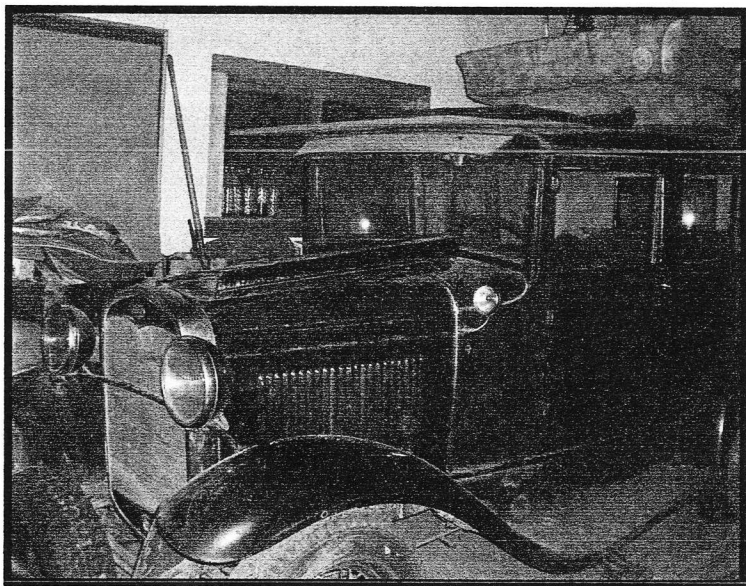
Legendary Car Collector George Clayton of Fairbanks is selling all of his vehicles.

Most of the vehicles listed here are all located indoors at present, but there are many, many vehicles and parts available for sale for those willing to work to get them out of the snow. This includes lots of Model A and Model T parts. All of his cars are project cars. All will require transportation. No prices are listed as George will negotiate all prices. **For all inquires: 456-4550. Let it ring, it takes George a while to get to the phone.**

1962 Gran Turismo

1931 Ford Victoria

1930 Ford Phaeton



1931 Ford 4-Door Town Sedan: picture above.

1920 Fordson Tractor: in pieces, nearly all the required parts are there. The engine is free and has good compression. The drive wheels have never

been worn down, and were always driven on tundra.

1955 Chrysler New Yorker Deluxe 2-Door, with parts car.

1941 Chrysler 4-Door Sedan. Includes factory-new 6-cylinder engine.

1917 Model T Ford Touring. This was the Valdez Trail car last driven by Ben Eielson.

1917 Dodge Touring Car. Includes parts car and many new parts. This was formerly the Thomas Gibson Valdez Trail car.

1927 Model T Roadster with most everything you'll need to put it back together.

1926 Ford Model T Pickup 1930 Ford Model A Dump truck with most of the parts.

Several 69 Cadillacs

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Two Vehicles for restoration: 66 Toyota Stout Pickup. Needs motor crank. \$800.00. 77 Mustang II Coupe. Needs motor crank. \$1200.00. 457-4883, 456-2518, 388-5832, Ask for Gary.

1964 Dodge Dart GT convertible. Runs and drives ok. New seats, top, and paint. 6cyl with juke box trans. Comes with parts car with v8 4sp. Call 474-0939 or 456-2261.

1965 Olds Vista Cruiser \$700.00. 1976 GMC Pickup, \$1500.00. Both need batteries. Toby Talbot, 456-1860.

1941 Chevy pick-up w/flatbed stake sides. 235 6cyl 4sp, blazer rear diff, pacer front end. Good tires and exc mech cond. Red and black, has made several trips Outside with camp trailer.

1963 Thunderbird. Nice car needs some work but drives great. 452-1472 or 378-7550



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Birthdays

Scott Stowell	2/2
Diana Stowell	2/6
Jean Hendrie	2/17
Jim Hendrie	2/28
Mebble Hansen	2/12
Richard Gresham	2/14
Betty Carlson	2/21
Shirley Franklin	2/27

Anniversaries

Ed & Laurel McLaughlin	2/1
Loran & Marion Benham	2/12
Dick & Joni Ellsworth	2/2

Newsletter Deadline

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