

Wilderness House Literary Review 9/1

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Vacation

Aunt Peggy drove that old Willys so well
Between city and gauzy green dells
Stopping at Allentown Rest coffee and pop
Plus creamy ice cream with cherry on top
Her kind dad cheered as we arrived
Her kind mom baked apple pie
Arnold was biggest chummiest dog
Who would greet us wagging sunny or fog
Heavy paws pressed our shoulders back then
Cousins shorter those days of yen
Berries to pick Monopoly to play
Vacations fly by Pleasant engrams stay
Summers skipped rocks near Coal Mountain Run
Winters sleighed down high hills having fun
A spacious lawn with planked porch for long talks
A balloon moon shone lambent light on walks
Happy group waltzed through wood screen door
Sauntered out laughing with drinks an eats galore
Folks left sod in search of new ends
Folks came back when they needed their friends