



# THE SINGING REEL

## ALASKA= SALMON

All fishermen deserves a least one trip to Alaska during their lifetime. Last summer Harry Robertson led a group of FFV members and guests on a quest for wild salmon at the Alagnak Lodge in Southeastern Alaska. Rob Thomas will be presenting a slide show documenting the groups adventures and will talk about the fishing opportunities that abound in the area. The Bristol Bay region is known for large numbers of returning salmon. The Alagnak Lodge is located on the Alagnak River at the head of the bay only 5 miles from saltwater. Hence the fish are very fish fresh and quite aggressive. Chum Salmon were the predominate species during this trip. Not known for their table qualities (the natives feed them to their dogs, hence the nickname "Dog Salmon"), they are pound for pound the strongest of all the salmon and with their brindled markings are a quite beautiful fish. All five of the Pacific salmon species run up the Alagnak River and there is also fishing for Northern Pike, Grayling, Rainbow Trout, and Artic Char. And don't forget about the Moose and Caribou and Wolves and **BEARS**.....



Rob Thomas is manager of Fly Fish The World, Inc. of Grove Ave in Richmond. He helps to arrange fishing adventures locally and nationally. He also serves on the board of directors of the FFV as Vice President of Special Events.

**THIS MEETING MAY 16, 2002**

**NEXT MEETING JULY 18, 2002 KING MONTGOMERY**