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June 2016

DVJC Shines at Rally Round the Erie Canal



The Delaware Valley Jaguar Club made its presence known at the Northeast Rally Club's Rally Round the Erie Canal on May 13—15, 2016. The rally was headquartered in Fairport, New York in the Finger Lakes region. Tom and Nancy Jones took 3rd place SOP in their 1986 XJ6 while Brian and Pauline Craig had the best SOP time and garnered 1st Place and attained an ACE in their 1999 XK8. John and Ethan Corey of the Capital Region Jaguar Club of New York earned an ACE in their 2004 XJR. The father and son team of G. & B. Clark from Fairport, New York, took 2nd place in a 199 XK8. A great rally for Jaguars.



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Upcoming DVJC Events

June 26, 2016 July 17, 2016	DVJC Breakfast Social (see p. 11) Spring House Tavern, 1032 Bethlehem Pike, Spring House, PA 19477 Contact: Paul Merluzzi pawlym@aol.com Please RSVP
June 18, 2016	Delaware River Scenic Drive (see p. 19) Yardley Inn to The Ship Inn Yardley, PA to Milford, NJ Contact: Rich Rosen 609-92307655 rosen244@verizon.net
July 16, 2016	A Jaguar Gathering of Friends (BYOB) Hosted by Kevin Fitzgerald 115 N. Dietz Mill Road, Green Lane , PA Contact: Paul Merluzzi, pawlym@aol.com
July 23, 2016	DVJC Annual Slalom (see p. 12–13) (Pre-registration advised) Garnet Valley High School Smithbridge Road, Glen Mills, PA Contact: Brian Craig, 215-483-5861 bhc166@aol.com
August 13, 2016	Gimmick Rally, Dinner and "Postcards from Abroad" A Concert by the Kennett Symphony Orchestra Longwood Gardens Open Air Theater <i>Details Coming Soon</i>
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Other Interesting Events

July 9, 2016	Nation's Capital Jaguar Club Slalom (see p. 16) Stonewall Jackson High School, 8820 Rixlew Lane Manassas, VA
	Contact: John Larson, 301-520-3620, <u>jclars123@aol.com</u>
August 13–14, 2016	New Hope Automobile Show
	New Hope—Solebury High School
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President's Mewsings June 2016

Concours d'Elegance

I am writing this column after the very successful Concours

d'Elegance on June 4, 2016. We had a record turnout of Jaguars for the event - 63 was the last count that I heard. We also had a terrific turnout for the two judge's training sessions that were held in mid May. Thank you to Charlie Olson and Kurt Rappold for organizing the event and to all the club members who pitched in to help with setting up the show car area on Thursday and Friday. Thanks to all who helped with pre-event and dav-of registration, OV checkout, judging, scoring, spectator parking, and final cleanup. I hope you had a chance to check out John Murphy's 'electrifying' XJ-13. I can't wait to see it at the Classics at Brantwyn - especially after the appropriately chosen coppercolored paint is applied.

Now that the Concours is over (whew!), we have some exciting and fun events coming up over the next couple of months, including a Scenic Tour this next weekend. Please take a look at the events calendar.

Also note that the monthly breakfast has been pushed back a week to June 26th to avoid a conflict with Father's Day on June 19th.

Father's Day

Speaking of Father's Day, I feel that I should give equal time to my Father after writing the May Mewsings column about my Mother. This month marks the tenth anniversary of my Father's passing. I wrote the following remembrance shortly after he passed away. He instilled in me the love of literature and the cultural arts, for which I am forever grateful.

<u>A Remembrance of My Father. Mr. Paul J.</u> <u>Merluzzi, Sr.</u> June 25, 1917 – June 16, 2006

A Linguist

This is what my father said, "I'm formalugating this fasasiz, please hand me that framus".

Those words, along with many others (knifflepin, shlodgeform, ...) became a part of my vocabulary and I diligently spent time developing the vocabulary of my daughter Ericka and grandson Nate (Sam's time will come) in order to carry on the tradition.

I am sure that hearing Nate say, "Hand me that framus" as he and I assemble yet another Lego toy will bring a tear to my eye for some time to come.

An Avid Golfer

This is what my father said, "You are standing too close to the ball after you swing".

That was his favorite way of critiquing my game whenever I hit a bad shot. Think about it.

My Dad loved to get out on the course early, very early, on weekends. I was a young teenager when I first started playing golf with him, and I assumed that playing the first hole in the dark was part of the game. Quite often, we finished the first nine about the time they opened the clubhouse. We would pay our greens fees as we made the turn to the back nine.

It was so frustrating that I could out-drive him by 100 yards or more, but I rarely beat him. He was very accurate with his iron shots and had an incredible touch around the greens that more than made up for his lack of length off the tee.

Only an avid golfer would play year-round in Connecticut as he and three of his friends did. He wore a ski mask during very cold weather. Once (and I emphasize ONCE) when I came home from college for a visit, I went out in mid-February with him when he asked me to fill in for one of his friends who was not able to play that

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weekend. It had to be about 15 degrees out and except for watching him and his friends having a wonderful time it had to be one of the least enjoyable rounds of my life.

A Talented Gardener

This is what my father said, "You are a Petunia in my onion patch ..."

... when referring to our Mom. In reality, he did not have any onion patches; rather he made our house and neighborhood more beautiful with his horticultural talent. When we lived on Joycroft Road, my Dad spent hours developing and maintaining his rock garden on the large bank that sloped down from our backyard toward our driveway. It was his pride and joy. Prior to that, it was an unattractive and difficult to maintain piece of property that my friends, Danny Ieronimo and Ned Joy, and I used as part of our network of race tracks for our CO2 powered, balsa-wood model Grand Prix cars. He enjoyed puttering around in the yard almost as much as he enjoyed golf. Some of those genes filtered down to Tom and Jay, but Julie and I missed out (certainly I am florally impaired to this day and avoid any kind of yard work with the same degree of passion that drove my Dad to spend his weekends trimming, digging, and planting).

A Creator of "Fractured" Nursery Rhymes

This is what my father said,

"Mary had a little lamb, Its fleece was white as snow. And everywhere that Mary went, She took a bus".

AND

Hickory dickory dock, Two mice ran up the clock. The clock struck one, But the other escaped unharmed.

AND

many, many more

...

Of course I taught all of the "Fractured" Nursery Rhymes to Ericka. One evening I received a call from Ericka's pre-school teacher, Mrs. Kahn. She started the conversation by saving, "I won't believe anything Ericka says about you if you do the same for me". When I asked for an explanation, she said the children were encouraged to get up before the class and tell a story or sing, etc. My little 3 year-old decided to recite the "Fractured" Nursery Rhymes. Mrs. Kahn asked Ericka where she learned them, and Ericka said proudly, "From my Daddy". Mrs. Kahn then asked "What does your Daddy do"? Ericka responded "He sits in his big chair, reads, and smokes grass". At the time, I was going through the many last minute edits of my dissertation while I sat in my lounge chair and smoked a pipe. Ericka called the pipe-tobacco "grass" (honest!).

A Die-Hard Red Sox Fan

This is what my father said, after the 2004 World Series, "I don't care if they ever win another Series – I can die in peace now".

Ironically the Sox won two World Series in his lifetime. The first was in 1918, a little more than a year after he was born; the second in 2004 a little more than a year before he died.

My first excursion to a big-league ball park was in 1949 when we went to Yankee Stadium to see the Red Sox and the Yankees. We went with a group of his friends and I was the only youngster in the crowd. It was exciting to board the train at the Waterbury Railroad Station (now the Republican-American building) and ride into New York City (Grand Central Station, I think) where we switched to a local train that let us off right near the stadium. My Dad was so vocal about rooting FOR the Sox and AGAINST the Yanks (every time Dom DiMaggio came up to bat he would yell for him to hit the ball over his brother's head) that I felt sorry for the Yankees. So, much to his chagrin, a Yankee fan was born because I pitied

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those poor Yankees who took all of my Dad's abuse. Little did I know, as a 6 year-old, that the Yankees were the greatest dynasty in professional sports and were about to start a record run of five consecutive World Series victories.

We made several more trips to Yankee Stadium and occasionally to Ebbets Field and the Polo Grounds, where the Brooklyn Dodgers and the New York Giants played before moving to the west coast (and I will never forgive them for that). I was always grateful to him for giving me a chance to watch "Willie, Mick, and the Duke" live and in person - not to mention Joe Di-Maggio, Ted Williams, Mel Parnell, Ellis Kinder, Casey Stengel, Yogi Berra, Vic Raschi, Allie Reynolds, Gil Hodges, Roy Campanella, Sal Maglie, Jackie Robinson, Pee Wee Reese, Phil Rizzuto, Don Newcombe, Roger Maris, Sandy Koufax, and of course our home-town players Jimmy Piersall and Spec Shea ... plus many others.

Our neighbor, Charlie Martone, grew up with Jimmy Piersall who played the outfield for the Sox in the mid-to-late 1950's. During one of my Dad's trips to Yankee Stadium when the Sox were in town, Charlie got my Dad into the clubhouse where he had a baseball signed by many of the Sox players (I don't recall all the names on the ball, but I believe Ted Williams, Jimmy Piersall, Vern Stephens, and Walt Dropo were among the names). He proudly displayed the ball on our fireplace mantle. One day my friends and I were playing baseball in Clarkin's field near our neighborhood (as we did almost every day in the summer) and we lost the only two balls we possessed in the thick fescue around the periphery of the field. Yes, that's right, I went into the house and grabbed the souvenir ball and we played with it for a few days and obliterated the signatures. It took a while for my Dad to realize the ball was missing. When he did and I (trembling like leaf) confessed to the heinous act, he simply shook his head and walked away. Can you imagine what that ball would be worth in today's obscene memorabilia market?

A Joke Machine

This is what my father said, "I learned a Polish word today – garachki Oh yeah, what does that mean? "That is what you use to open the garage."

Almost every phone conversation with him started with a joke, and he rarely repeated them. He accumulated his repertoire while he was the proprietor of the Cadet Liquor Shoppe, a small "package store" (as they say in Connecticut) on Baldwin Street. The liquor and beer salesmen often came in with a new joke which my Dad catalogued in his brain as well as on paper. We weren't aware of the latter until Julie cleaned out his room after he died and found a written data base of hundreds of jokes.

A Lover of Classical Music

This is what my father said, "How can you listen to that – it is the same thing over and over and over again …".

... as I listened to my 45 RPM recording of "Raunchy" by Bill Justice in the late 50's. Though I was fascinated by and liked listening to the early Rock 'n Roll songs in the 50's, I loved classical music because of the influence of my Dad. He had a large collection of 78 RPM recordings which he played at a sound level near the threshold of pain on the "hi-fi" system in his bedroom. I often sat on his lap when I was a tod-dler and we would conduct Beethoven's 5th or Mozart's 40th (two of my favorites at the time, and still in my top ten).

He converted his 78s to LPs and continued to expand his collection, helped by a local radio employee who gave him many demo disks (that might have been illegal). When I converted my cassette tape collection to CDs in the 90s, I gave him my cassettes which thrilled him because he could now listen to his collection in the car as well as at home.

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I have such fond memories of listening to the great orchestras (the Cleveland Orchestra under George Szell was a particular favorite of his) at Bushnell Auditorium in Hartford and Woolsey Hall at Yale in New Haven. In the summer we made several treks to the Yale Summer School of Music in Norfolk CT where he tried to get his ear accustomed to contemporary sounds, and of course we went to see the Waterbury Symphony Orchestra on several occasions.

On July 16, 2006 Irena and I sponsored a concert at the "Music at Gretna" summer series of chamber music at Mt. Gretna, PA. The concert was originally dedicated to him and I had hopes that he might attend. Instead it was a memorial concert, which I hope we can continue every year.

A Truly Spiritual Man

This is what my father said, "Faith without good works is worthless".

He was a devout Catholic who truly believed that old adage and he truly lived his religion every day of his life. I cannot remember a time in my life when my father did not devote a significant part of his spare time to visiting the sick and elderly in hospitals and nursing homes, chauffeuring the elderly to Sunday Mass, or leading his Mitch Miller sing-along at convalescent homes. Ironically, he was older than many of his "subjects" at the end of his life.

Though he was very religious and spiritual, he was incredibly non-judgmental of others – unlike the intolerance I currently see in many religious groups in this country and around the world. Fortunately I know a REAL Christian when I see one – after all, I lived with one for a large part of my life.

I still remember the long line of people who came to my Mother's funeral – many of them stopped and described how Dad touched their lives through decades of generosity. One couple had a young daughter who needed expensive medical treatment that they could not afford. They said that Dad and some of his friends raised money with spaghetti suppers and by other means and saved their child's life. Isn't that what the Christian (and Jewish, Buddhist, and Muslim) faith should really be about?

A Wonderful Father and Husband

This is what my father said. He said ... well to tell the truth, he did not say much because ...

... my Dad was not the touchy, feely type and he often kept his emotions to himself. I remember, as a very young boy, wishing that he was more verbally and physically expressive of his feeling for me and my siblings. But that was not his style. I learned to understand that his love and kindness and generosity manifested itself in other ways.

He was always proud of our achievements, whether in academics, athletics, music, or any other endeavor. Though he wasn't demonstrative with us, I know that he "bragged" about us to his friends. I know this because whenever I came home from college or some distant place of employment, I would usually join him and a few of his friends on the golf course ... and they were always up-to-the-minute on what my siblings and I were doing.

I learned from him in so many ways. Even in this circumstance, I learned that I should do my best to express my love for my daughter and my grandchildren often and explicitly. Hopefully I have succeeded.

His dedication to our Mom became apparent when she became sick and unable to do many of her regular tasks around the house. In his understated manner, he quietly picked up the duties including learning how to cook (his only previous experience was at a charcoal grill). He became an incredible chef – able to sample a dish at a restaurant and recreate it at home. Now that they are together, I wonder who is doing the cooking?

Be happy. Drive safely. It's a Jaguar kind of day.



Roving Reporter - June 2016

By Michael Tate

51st DVJC ANNIVERSARY CON-COURS D'ELAGANCE

All week the weather forecast said bright cloudless skies for this DVJC event but on the day turned out to be cloudy with some rain. Obviously everyone had prepared to come and Concours Chairman Charlie Olson declared a record attendance with over 60 Jaguars on parade. The rain kept away, the sun shone at times, and the attendees either loved or hated the heat as they listened to the great selection of music/songs and viewed the entrants. There was a wide number of excellently prepared XK 120 / 140 / 150's and in fact two of the three 100 point cars (IE Perfect) came from this selection as did the Best in Show. The latter was a 1950 Suede Green XK 120 owned by David Povich from the Nation's Capital Jaguar Club. A 1953 FHC XK 120 and a 1960 DHC XK 150, both owned by Virginia Club member W.R. Gaertner, scored a perfect 100 points.

There was the usual long line up of E-Types with Terrence & Barbara Smith scoring 100 points with their 1967 dark blue OTS. Though a perfect 100 points is nice to get it is good to point out that every Jaguar taking part was spectacular. Did you see the Koehler's 1950 MKV a beautiful blue and grey example with a complete authentic tool kit in the trunk lid? Also it was good to welcome Marty and John Murphy back who have remained members of DVJC during their years living Santa Fe. They had on show their black replica XJ13 with its electric engine. John has called the car "The Z-Type" and plans to have it painted in gold. Stunning looking as is the one off original XJ 13. John has built this car himself, given it an electric engine and a glove box, both not part of the original. The glove box door is signed by both Norman Dewis and Sir Stirling Moss, both past heroes of Jaguar's history. Dewis ,of course. famously wrote off "The Original XJ 13." It has since been rebuilt by Jaguar. Perhaps one of the most beautiful Jaguars. I understand that John has promised to enter the XJ 13 in President Paul Merluzzi's annual event at the Brantwyn Estate in October. I have been fortunate enough to have driven this car and been amazed at its electrifying acceleration.

A most successful and enjoyable Concours with a

display of sedans both old (Jerry Kunkle's MK2) and new. A line up of XK 8's but not as many XJS's as previous years. With the upsurge in Jaguar values I wonder how many \$ were represented?

GOOD SAMARITANS

The word Samaritan is explained in the dictionary as "one who comes to the aid of another." Jim Shields is a long term DVJC member and the owner of numerous Jaguars including an XK 140, a MK2 Saloon, a XJ8, a XKE Coupe, etc. and he also has a vintage Indian Motorbike. They are all stored in his garages at his home together with a wealth of spare parts for each vehicle. Now Jim is confined to a wheelchair. He has Lou Gehrig's disease. He communicates by the written word as speaking is beyond him. He can no longer drive any of these cars.

Paul Racette is a past member of DVJC. His wife Kit also was a member and heavily involved in producing The Purr. They now live in Montreal. As they have done, for a number of years in May, they drove from Montreal to Jim's home in Ambler to see how they could help him with any problems he had with his fleet. Paul had dedicated the Thursday and Friday for this work. Jim had prepared a list of "wants" for each car. Also a near neighbor of Jim's and ex member of DVJC Dave Duckett joined the team. The first order of business was the XK 140. It would not start and the handbrake did not work. Paul had it purring like a Kitten in five minutes and backed out of the garage. The back end was jacked up and it was decided that two brackets were needed. Jim had them somewhere and was pointing in the garage. We spent an hour in the search. Dave in the meantime had taken off for WaWa and reappeared with sandwiches and a six pack of "Bass." Jim and his wife have an apartment in Florida. While they are there Dave Duckett drops in at their home in Ambler to see that all is well. On one such recent visit water came through the ceiling. Dave turned the main water tap to off! Sufficient damage was done so that Jane and Jim had to move into Senior Temporary Living. I was told that if Dave had not visited that day the home would have been a write off.

Paul and Kit visited us at our home on the Saturday.

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I missed the Friday's session but Paul told me they had completed the main jobs and taken Jim for a ride in his MK2 and he had a beaming smile the whole time.

I know Jim appreciates these annual visits and would want me to say how wonderful it is of Paul to organize these "FIX IT" sessions. Thanks to Paul who has, as a matter of interest, twelve cars of his own. It is wonderful to see such generosity.

WANT A JAGUAR XKSS?

Jaguar plans to revive the XKSS by building nine new models to the exact specifications of the originals. Price anticipated to be more than 1 million pounds. Back in the 50s they planned to build 25, but the fire in Jaguar's Brown's Lane factory in 1957

destroyed 9 under construction – so it has now been decided to replace them! Great idea – what a cracking car! I will have two.

JLR WILL SWITCH TO GLORIOUS STRAIGHT SIX EN-GINES IN 2017

My friend Gordon Hudson advised me of the following news;- JLR's new 3.0 straight – six will be available in both petrol and

diesel form, with a power output ranging from 275 to 500+ horsepower, making the supercharged V6 a thing of the past.

JLR's all-aluminum Ingenium engine family is a scaleable one, so it was only a matter of time before they decided to add two more cylinders to their direct -injection turbo fours in the name of efficiency and lowered manufacturing costs.

There will be six versions of 3.0 at first, with the gas engines producing either 300, 400 or 500 horses, while the diesel range will start at 275hp, with two additional tunes offering 335 and 400hp, plus presumably all the torque.

The "SEXY" 2006 X-Type Wagon (Estate) owned and driven by the "SEXY" Mike Tate.

JAGUAR IS DONE BUILDING SEXY WAGONS AS SUV'S RULE THE UNIVERSE

Since Americans do not buy wagons and Europeans started looking at crossovers instead as well, Jaguar's Design Chief Ian Callum says Jaguar can't make a business case for sexy wagons anymore.

Well that is interesting as our sole transport these days is our now "SEXY" 2006 X-Type Wagon. It is often admired but being termed "sexy" is a new compliment. It's a keeper and hopefully will become historic one day.

Jaguar also say they will be marketing an electric car in 2017. Don't want one. Love that gas smell.

My wife and son Gary were invited to the showing of

Jaguar's new small sedan the XE and the new F Pace SUV by Main Line JLR. The event was held at the Devon Horse Show grounds with horses taking the jumps. Jaguar in fact had the whole range on show- The F-Type sports car in a glorious blue, the XJ, XF, and XE all in line. The XE was so like the XF it was hard to tell them apart. A wonderful addition and a sure winner. The interior is pure Jaguar. The F-Pace in Italian Red looked every inch a Jaguar. It is

rated by the automotive press to be so good that it will become the greatest ever Jaguar volume seller. Italian Red is a new color to me, perhaps they did not want to call it Ferrari Red! The interior was in a class of its own with all the Jaguar niceties. Seats two colors with the main area in red, very comfortable. Talking of niceties there was a broad range of drinks, and food, including a favorite.. Sushi available to help combat the 80 degree heat. Mike Smyth, President of the Group, said hello as did the General Manager of JLR Main Line.

As we were leaving we were given a Jaguar corkscrew (it pulls the cork out faster) and the very latest in design Jaguar water bottle. It can hold any beverage I was reliably informed.

June 2016

Delaware Valley Jaguar Club Breakfast Socials

Sunday, June 26, 2016, 10:00 am Sunday, July 17 2016, 10:00 am

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From South: Use I-95 to Blue Route I-476. Travel north on I-476 to Exit 20, East I-276, New Jersey, Exits 339-359, (Pennsylvania Turnpike). Follow directions above from the Pennsylvania Turnpike.





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Signature: _____

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DVJC 2016 SLALOM

Directions to Garnet Valley High School

Glen Mills, PA



DIRECTIONS:

<u>From the North:</u> Northeast Extension 476, continue on 476 Blue Route to Route 1 South to Route 202 South or go to Valley Forge Exit 26 to Route 202 South. Follow Route 202 South towards West Chester. Turn left on Smithbridge Road for 2.1 miles. GVHS is on the right.

<u>From the East (NJ)</u>: Take the Commodore Barry Bridge, go South on I-95 to exit 2 and go north on 452 to Village Green and West on Concord Road. Follow Concord Road through Aston to the traffic light at Smithbridge Road. Turn left on Smithbridge. GVHS is down the road on the left.

If you 'wind up' on Route 322 continue to right turn on Route 1, then turn right onto Concord Road. From here, you would turn right onto Smithbridge Road. GVHS is down the road on the left. (There is no exit from 322 onto Smithbridge Road.)

<u>From the South:</u> From I-95 take exit 8 to Route 202 North. Continue on Route 202 North into Pennsylvania. Turn right on Smithbridge Road. Bruster's Ice Cream is on the right. Continue on Smithbridge Road for about 3 miles. GVHS is on the right.

From the West: On the PA Turnpike, take exit 23 South on Route 100 to Route 202 South to left on Smithbridge Road. GVHS is on the right.

There are signs for GVHS as you approach the school. The school is not visible from the road; look for the sign at the driveway as the school sits back from the road down a long driveway.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME HAS PASSED!!!

However, it's never too late to renew. If your information is unchanged since last year just send the \$55.00 membership fee to:

Ann Perry P. O. Box 163 Mendenhall, PA 19357

If your information has changed please use the membership application / renewal form on page 15. Ann will process your membership renewal as quickly as possible to insure your continued benefits with JCNA including your subscription to *The Jaguar Journal*.

We hope to see you at events in 2016. Your continued support is appreciated.



Fred Mack 1911-2016

This best describes my friend, Fred Mack, as it was phrased by his personal heart surgeon during the memorial service at Fred's place of employment, the West Chester Helicopter Museum. He said Fred was *the most interesting person in the world*!

I always found Fred to fill that category, even when we disagreed, such as the time I installed a battery maintainer on his XK120, which he did not plug in. And the time I purchased his old 10-speed Schwinn bike with flat alligator sidewalls. I cleaned it up and oiled it, painted the rusted wheels and installed new tires and tubes. It looked so cool. I took it back and parked it in his driveway opposite his kitchen door so he could see it without climbing the steps to get out. His comment was "Shoulda charged you an additional \$25 for it."

The loss of such a friend and fellow Jaguar Club member leaves a big, empty spot in Pat and my lives. No more Phillies baseball calls in the summer and two less Jags to give advice about. I must admit that X-Type never seemed to have any issues. I had it ½ paid for when he decided he wanted it to be driven to lunch by his lady and caretakers. They returned my money.

After the memorial service where his friends told *Fred Mack stories*, I was presented all his trophies from the DVJC and a model of an XK120 OTS we had given Fred in 2002 for **sportsmanship**. The model was taken to West Chester Jaguar. What better place?! They loved it and immediately put it up front on display, some of his original pewter trophies can be recycled to save the club money. A 1st place plate is now over \$30, so this donation is really worthwhile and helps our club with Concours expenses.

Other members can recycle their trophies, too, which is why I went to stick-on plates which are more easily removed. Be sure you let your family know this can be done for the benefit of DVJC.

Fred's other club, the Ski Club, was well represented by a gentleman who appeared older than Fred. He told of Fred's episodes while in Colorado which put Fred in the hospital with broken ribs.

We will miss him at this year's Concours and Slalom. The XK120 is also gone, sold in California to an unknown party.

I hope the new owner likes to drive it. I drove it for Fred at the Brantwyn event. I found it extremely tight in the driver's compartment, almost like the seat was bolted in wrong. The pointed horn button was in my chest and my knees were hitting the steering wheel.

I hope the new owner checks out the wiring, as it was all original (63 years old!). Wow!

They were promoting adopting Fred's cat, Henry, at the memorial service. I don't know how that would work out as Henry pretty much ran Fred's house. All the neighbors were still looking after Henry that day.

Be sure to keep Fred's passing in your prayers. Fred Mack, *the most interesting man*.





1911-2016 Fred J. Mack Jr. on May 11, 2016 of Newtown Square formerly of the Wilkes-Barre area. Fred was 105 yrs old born on March 20, 1911. Husband of the late Mary and Doris Mack. Survived by his nieces Julia Ann Correll and Marjorie Jane Eddy, many Friends and his cat – Henry. Graveside Services are on Sat. May 14th at Oaklawn Cemetery 1250 South Main St. Hanover Twp. – Wilkes Barre 18706 at 12 Noon. Contributions may be made in Fred's memory to the Helicopter Museum 1220 American Blvd. West Chester PA 19380 where a Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday May 22nd from 4-5 PM. ARR: DANJOLELL MEMORIAL HOMES WWW.DANJOLELL.COM





Welcome New Members

Joseph D. Pargola Langhorne, PA

> David Cohen Malvern, PA

Confirmation of the NCJOC Slalom date:

NCJOC SLALOM: July 9, 2016.

The first Nations Capital Jaguar Owners Club Slalom event is scheduled for July 9, 2016, **Slalom director** is John Larson (Ph.: 301-520-3620, or jclars123@aol.com. The event will be held at the *Stonewall Jackson High School,8820 Rixlew Lane in Manassas, VA* in the **Drivers Ed lot**. Registration and tech inspections will begin at 9:00 a.m. To minimize time-consuming paperwork at the event, please download the official JCNA rules. <u>Get the JCNA Slalom rules and registration forms.here</u>. Please Complete the included registration forms and bring them to the event with you.

All cars are subject to **Tech inspection** (simple, basic). **Helmets and head socks** -- We will have a few loaner helmets available, You can buy the head socks from us for \$5.

Any questions should be directed to John Larson.

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Tom Jones (NE33-35153) Driver T1 Nancy Jones (NE33-35153) Navigator T1	42	3	56	3	44	2	30	4	130	2
John Corey (NE67-51640) Driver T1 Ethan Corey	- 43	4	54	2	65	3	25	3	144	3
Gary Clark (Pending) T1n Driver B. Clark (Pending) T1n Navigator	- 29	2	76	4	154	4	20	1	250	4

Rally Round the Erie Canal Random Photos





Application for Membership / Renewal

Name			
Spouse / Co-member name			
Address			
City	State	Zip	
Home Phone			
E-mail address			
Jaguars owned (please indicate year, model & color)			
Occupation		Retired	

Definition of membership: For the purposes of JCNA membership, the term "Member" is deemed to include the primary member and his/her spouse or significant other living in the same household, and children of the "member" 18 years of age and younger (i.e., up to the year in which the child turns 18). Additionally, JCNA will make available a **Youth Enthusiasts*** membership at a cost of \$15.00 for members 25 years of age or younger.

Annual Dues: \$55.00 per member

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Includes a one year subscription to the *Jaguar Journal*, a bi-monthly publication distributed by Jaguar Clubs of North America, Inc., and the *Jaguar's Purr*, the local club monthly newsletter with free Classified Ads for members.

*Youth Enthusiast		
Name		
Address	State/Zip	
Date of Birth:		
Annual Dues \$15.00 per member	_	
Signed:	Date	

The club newsletter, The Jaguar's Purr, is distributed by e-mail.

Membership runs from January 1st to December 31st @ \$55.00, Members joining after July 1st pay \$35.00 for remainder of the year.

Please make your checks payable to DVJC and mail to:

Ann Perry, PO Box 163, Mendenhall, PA19357



Pre-Fathers Day Beer Run Yardley – Milford Delaware River Scenic Drive



Saturday June, 18th, 10:00 am depart the Yardley Inn for a 40mile scenic drive up Delaware River to The Ship Inn in Milford, NJ. (Yardley Inn, 82 East Afton Avenue, Yardley PA, 19067)

We plan to crisscross the Delaware River bridges up to Milford and tour

Exoticars a restoration shop. Ending at The Ship Inn by 12:15 for a pint and buffet lunch!

The will be \$20.00 per person charge to cover the cost of the buffet with a cash bar.

Detailed directions will be handed out at the start of this event.

Please RSVP! DVJC contact Rich Rosen - rosen244@verizon.net or call 609-923-7655 DVT contact Bob De Lucia - yukon80@comcast.net or call 267-258-7071



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