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From the President

By Judy Scarborough, President

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CALLING ALL CARS !!

Judy Scarborough, President

A section of the AJS database (in addition to members' names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses) is info on members' cars. This section is very outdated, and we're asking your help to bring it up-to-date.

Please email me (Judyscar@bellsouth.net) the year, model, style, color, and any other info you wish for each of your Jags.

Also we would like your birthday minus the year please!

This information is not included in the roster, but is helpful when planning the concourse and other activities.

THANKS IN ADVANCE!



JAGUAR SOCIETY MEMBERS

All you need to know and more!

By Sheila Brower, Health & Hospitality Director

OCTOBER

Rita Anderson

Dick and Johnny Preston couldn't stop smiling all evening. Their son David has the new title of Lt. Colonel and has been assigned to the Pentagon. They are so proud of their son, as well they should be. Achievements must run in the family because their grandson Robbie just passed the necessary tests to receive his orange belt in Tae Kwando. The good news just keeps coming from the Preston family.

Congratulations are in order for our President J.P. Summers and his wife Jennie. They just celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary. Here's to 28 more happy years. We all will look forward to a BIG PARTY ON YOUR 30TH.

Gayle Hale has found her way to fulfillment since retiring. She has enrolled in taking piano lessons as well as taking some computer courses at the Dorothy Brown Senior Center. Gayle played the piano in years gone past but unfortunately, life got in the way and she wasn't able to practice and keep at it, so now she has the time. We are all waiting to attend her first recital. I imagine she will run into Marlene Hart at the Center because Marlene got in the art class she wanted and it is on one of the same days that Gayle will be there.

Alan and Dabney Talbott ALMOST attended the christening of their new great grandchild Copeland in North Carolina. They drove the four hours to get there, checked in to the hotel, had a lovely evening, and then Dabney began to notice she wasn't feeling the greatest and knew it was time for her medication. Well guess what???? She looked in her luggage, drawers, did the forever search, only to discover she had forgotten every single bit of necessary medications. As calm as he always is, Alan said "let's go home" so at 4:00am they checked out of the hotel and headed back to Atlanta. Now we know the meaning of the old adage "some good intentions often go astray". Dabney was so very

disappointed, but it will certainly be a good story to tell Copeland when she grows up.

Fran McNair is another member of the Club that reached a significant milestone. She received a certificate denoting her completion of 50 years for AARP Safety Smart Driving. That is why she can drive her Jag down the highway with her head held high. She knows how to avoid the crazies out there.

Robert Kleiner has been batching it for two weeks. Yera is in California taking care of her brother who had surgery. We know Robert will be happy to drive to the airport to pick her up no matter how far it is to Hartsfield.

Rick Duff is well on the way to getting the Concours plans together. He has collected some very good door prizes and urges everyone else to try to secure a prize or two so our Concours will be the best ever. Rick said we are up to 15 cars to date that have been entered and he is looking forward to having 20-25 cars in the showing. So get with it guys and gals. Enter your car and let us see what you have been keeping in your garages.

Alice Thyer wishes to thank the person that brought flowers to the Halloween Party!

Sheila and Paul Brower are still in Hawaii. Boo Hoo! Somebody has to be there, don't they? Looking forward to their return.

That's all the news this month. See you at the Anderson's for the Pre-Concours party on Friday night, October 6th at 7:00pm.

NOVEMBER

Sheila Brower

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Bless you my friends!

Sheila Brower
Health & Hospitality Director



Valentine Brunch!

February 10, 2018
12pm
Village Tavern
11555 Rainwater Drive
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RSVP deadline is Wednesday, Feb. 7

2017 AJS Christmas Party













2019 JAGUAR XJ WILL BE AN ELECTRIC 5-DOOR SEDAN

Lew George, AJS Newsletter Editor

Out with the old, in with the EV as Jag reinvents its flagship!

The Jaguar XJ has evolved in a very conservative manner since the debut of the Mark X sedan all the way back in 1961, but the big cat

is poised for its biggest transformation yet as it becomes an EV, Autocar reports.

According to the British publication, the XJ will now reportedly be fully electric like a Tesla and feature a five-door instead of a four-door layout.

The next-gen model, due to be unveiled later this year ahead of 2019 sales, is being developed alongside a more car-like Range Rover model known internally as the Road Rover. Autocar reports that design work has been completed under the leadership of design boss Ian Callum and that the design has been well-received within the company. The switch to a five-door layout, according to Callum, arose from the unexpected acceptance of the fastback/hatchback bodystyle in the U.S. thanks to Tesla.

The reinvented XJ will reportedly have an aluminum architecture and offer all-wheel drive. Autocar reports that the sedan will have a range in excess of 300 miles on a full charge, which should make it competitive with other EVs that will be on the market in 2019. Don't expect a gas-electric hybrid early on -- Autocar says that a hybrid version may not even materialize as Jag does not want to dilute the impact of the marque flagship becoming an EV.

This is a lot to take in, admittedly, since the XJ has always been a stolid, cozy, gasoline-drinking sedan with four round headlights, a dusty tome of Sir Ernest Shackleton's exploits in Antarctica, a fireplace, a bear skin rug and plenty of lacquered wood bits. Even before the new model arrives, we're already feeling nostalgic for a time when the XJ could be counted on to be all those things.

At the same time, we can see why Jaguar wanted to reinvent the XJ entirely; no previous generation could make a sales dent against the S-Class/7-Series/A8 trio, and the arrival of large sedans from Lexus, Infiniti, Acura and others hasn't made its share of the pie any bigger. The traditional four-door sedan is also on a decline at the moment, as the industry slowly rotates to large crossovers, SUVs and electrification. Going fully electric with its flagship this early on will be a bolder step than many of its competitors plan to take in the near future, as they hedge their electric strategy with parallel lineups.

Time will tell if this is a brilliant move on the part of Jag -- or one that overestimates the immediate demand for electric luxury sedans. EVs currently make up less than 1 percent of new car sales in the U.S., and among that one percent there are plenty of Leafs and Bolts before we get to the full-size luxury sedans like the Tesla Model S, which the Jag XJ will have to battle right out of the box. That's a pretty small slice of the pie at the moment, and it will take a major, unforeseen shift for EVs to get to merely 2 percent next year.



AJS Members Market Place **FOR SALE**

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February – 10th - Valentine Brunch
23rd – 25th – Boca Raton Concours
d'Elegance

March – 8-11 – Amelia Island Concours
16th - St. Patrick 's Day party

April – 27-29 – Walter Mitty Road Atlanta
TBD - British Motor Car Day (Roswell)

May –

June – 16th - Pig Roast, Erlinda McCabe

July – 7th – Party-Rick Duff

August – 25th – Lake Party

September –

October – TBD – AJS Concours d'Elegance

November – 3rd -5th - Hilton Head Concours

December – 9th – AJS Christmas Party



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