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Most of the 2016 Board at the Holiday Party: L-R Gordon K., Deanie K., Jackie R., Steve K., Teresa R., Frank S., Vince L., Robert G., Cyndi M., Dwight E., Bill B., and Frank O. (Seated) Not shown are Gary G. and Mark. H.

This Months Events
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Jan. 12th, 2016, Tuesday,
Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's

Jan. 23rd, Saturday,
Tour of the Brown Place Hotel



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President's Page by Dwight Eisnach

With the wind swirling and snow blowing against the front door and windows, this seems like a good time to take the initial plunge into writing the President's column. We're putting the last touches on preparing for Christmas and the arrival from Baltimore of our son, Michael, daughter-in-law, Megan, and their two beautiful children, son, Miles, age 2 ½, and daughter, Emerson, age four months. Can't wait!

But, obviously, by the time you read this 2016 will have arrived and we'll be getting on to the New Year and new possibilities, both individually, and for the Club. I hope you all had happy and fulfilling celebrations of the holiday season and that Santa was thoughtful and generous to you all!

I first would like to thank our 2015 President Frank Sullivan for all his hard work and dedication to ensure that the Club prospered in the past year, and that events and activities came off on time and within budget. It's not an easy task to shepherd an all-volunteer organization through the various activities our Club is involved in and Frank managed the task graciously and with good humor along the way. Frank was always inclusive of others and shared with me as Vice President last year all his thoughts about the Club. Job well done, Frank, and best of luck as you return to Brazil in January to reunite with past business partners in the gem business. Come back and see us as often as time permits!

I would also like to acknowledge Cyndi Mumm for chairing this past Holiday Party and putting on one heck of a good time! Cyndi has been our go-to member for organizing both the Christmas Party and the Concours since 2009; along with being actively involved in several of our other events, and on behalf of the Club I'd like to express our collective gratitude for all her untiring devotion to RMJC! As most of you know, Cyndi will be taking on the challenge over the next several months of comforting and supporting her parents in Florida as her father deals with a very serious illness. Cyndi may not be as available to us in 2016 as she has been in the past which means we all have to take up

the slack and work together to make sure our events continue on in the same well-organized fashion as they have before. Our combined prayers and well wishes go with you, Cyndi.

Speaking of the need to come together, our Club has always had the great good fortune to have lots of members who give of their time and talent to make our activities fun and enjoyable for everyone. As Howard Mumm said when he became president a few years ago, the Club is only as strong as the level of participation and willingness to volunteer. And our Club is strong! One of the things that's always impressed me about this Club is the enthusiasm by so many people to join together in putting on the events, whether it's coming early to help set up or staying a few minutes after to help tear down and put away equipment. We all can continue to enjoy the Club with this kind of spirit, and I would encourage anyone who has the interest and time to volunteer to chair an event or simply help with its planning and development. And on that thought, although it's months away, you may want to think about volunteering to serve on the Board; we are always looking for new and fresh approaches and every year there are at least one or two open seats to fill.

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In that vein, I'd like to thank our 2016 Board for serving this next year, and in particular welcome our two new Board members, Mark Hennecken, who will serve as an at-large member, and especially, Teresa Ross, a former president of one of the Dallas clubs, who has stepped up to be our Vice President for 2016.

And, of course, thanks to all of our wonderful holdovers who will continue serving, Deanie Kennedy, our Treasurer and Membership Chair; Steve Kennedy, our Secretary, Webmaster and holder of all things Jaguar; our Newsletter Editor Gordon Kenney; our Chief Judge Gary George; and at-large members Bill Beeson, Vince Lane, Frank Oakley and Jackie

Redrupp. We all look forward to helping you enjoy your experience as an RMJC member.

Now finally, lest anyone be concerned about the whereabouts of Miss Paddy and the Gavel, rest assured I have it on good authority that they have been secreted off to a safe and secure, though undisclosed, location for safe-keeping. Despite some rather intense efforts to kidnap them from the Doubletree it can be reported that they survived and will live to tell the story.

May 2016 be a healthy and prosperous year for you all!

Dwight

The Holiday Party and Transfer of the gavel by Frank Sullivan

I was so honored to give the gavel to Dwight Eishach, your 31st President of the RMJC. I know he will do a fantastic job. In addition to the gavel, he also received "Paddy", a stuffed leprechaun that's been in my basement storage for the entire past year. Cyndi explained that Paddy is supposed to travel to exotic destinations to have his photo taken. Anyone wanting to take Paddy on a trip, please see Dwight to take him with you—no extra ticket needed. Sorry Paddy, to keep you locked up the entire year!

Guests enjoyed the pre-party hosted by the Mumms. There was plenty of party food and good drinks. Everyone looked so festive in their party attire. We had about 60 attend and it was great to see everyone there.

Special honor gifts were given to Brent McGibbon and Bob Grossman for saving the summer slalom. Cyndi Mumm was honored for her work on many projects including Concours Chair and Slalom Chair. Howard Mumm was honored for past president and for teaching me what I needed to know as President. The Oakleys were honored for their shop day and hosting the new member orientation. Redrupps were honored for hosting the summer party. Gordon Kenney was honored for his hard work as Editor of Cat Tales. The Kennedys were honored for Treasurer, Membership, Club Secretary, and many more projects they do. Additional thank you gifts were presented to Board Members and to those who sponsored the Concours.

The Secret Santa was again a big hit with everyone. Lots of presents opened and many were stolen until they found their final new owner. Many presents were Jaguar print clothing items, top shelf liquors, and model Jaguars. I stole a very nice leaper golden handle for a walking cane and I barely had time to examine it before it was stolen. Easy come, easy go!

Frank



Coming Events

Jan. 12th, Tuesday, Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's

Guest Speaker: Joanie Jones - living 18 days with the people of Cuba

Jan. 23rd, Saturday, Tour of the Brown Palace Hotel - 3 PM

Meet in the hotel lobby between 2:30 and 2:45. Valet parking is available at the hotel. For those staying for dinner in the Ships Tavern (details below), the hotel will validate the parking pass. If not, the cost for parking is \$15.00 up to 4 hours, \$20.00 up to 8 hours,.

I need to **make reservation** one week in advance, so I need you to RSVP to me at Teresa.Ross@me.com no later than **Friday, January 15th**. A single tour group is up to 20 people but we can do a second group if needed. The tour will last 1 hour, 15 minutes with a cost of \$10.00 per person.

Afterwards we will have an early dinner in the hotel restaurant, The Ships Tavern, serving soups, salads, sandwiches, and burgers under \$20.00. Larger entrees are available in the mid \$30.00 to \$50.00 range.

We will pay individually for both the tour and dinner on the day of the event. More details at <http://www.brownpalace.com/>

The Hotel offers several different tours so I thought we would begin at the beginning – the general history tour where we will see and learn the rich history of the hotel, beginning on opening day, August 12, 1892. We will learn about the original owner, Henry Cordes Brown as well as the architect, Frank E. Edbrooke, who designed Brown's hotel in the Italian Renaissance style, using Colorado red granite and Arizona sandstone for the exterior.

We will learn about the silent guests which can still be seen between the seventh floor windows on the hotel's exterior and the ornate grillwork panels of which “2 are different.” The hotel is, of course, haunted... At a cost of \$1.6 million and another \$400,000 for furniture, The Brown Palace opened with 400 guest rooms (compared to 241 rooms today) that rented for between \$3 and \$5 a night – too bad they won't honor that price for us in 2016.

Won't you please join in the fun and learn the 9 secrets of the Brown Palace? Which presidents and famous musicians have stayed there over the years? Which rooms are haunted? What painting has been in the hotel since it opened in 1892? What is all the buzz is about? This event promises to be fun, entertaining, and educational, a great start to 2016.

.....Teresa Ross

Feb. 2nd, Tuesday, Monthly Board Meeting at the Mumms

Board members are expected, all members are welcome

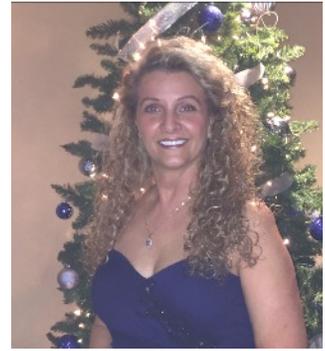
Feb. 9th, Tuesday, Monthly Board at Piccolo's

Program: Ray Horrall will present “Annual Year in Review Video”

March 19th, Saturday, President's Dinner at Cool River Cafe, page 11

May 22nd, Sunday, Spring Dust-Off - see page 8

Officer Profile - Teresa Ross



As many of you know, I came to Colorado from Texas, where I was the President of the Jaguar Drivers Club of North Texas – JDCNT. At my first meeting at Piccolos everyone made me feel welcome to the RMJC. At my second meeting at Piccolos I was nominated to the position of Vice President and at my third meeting at Piccolos, my candidacy was confirmed. I am not going to a fourth meeting at Piccolos – who knows what could happen?

The RMJC Christmas party was indeed great fun and fellowship. I am looking forward to future events with the club and to see how things are done here in Colorado. Perhaps I'll have a new idea or two for activities, day trips, events...

I have a 2003 S-Type and a 2005 XJR – I left both of them in TX – I'll need to get one of them to Colorado with the spring thaw. The first time I drove the Lariat Loop I knew it would be a fun drive in a Jaguar. I am looking forward to driving events in 2016 with the RMJC.

What's New at Jaguar by Henry Platts



December was a busy month for JLR. Sadly after what seems like a multi year celebration of the Land Rover Defender, production will

not resume in 2016 thus ending 67 years of Defender production. I drove an impeccable example from the final year of U.S importation, it drove like a school bus and was powered by an aluminum version of a 1950s Buick Nail Head V-8. A bizarre combination but wonderful automobile and I see why people love them.

JLR also announced *The Jaguar Heritage Challenge* will return for a second season in 2016. This is a five race series where drivers compete in pre-1966 Jaguars at historical racetracks. How fun would that be to watch!

The prospective new Jaguar customer will be happy to know that the Jaguar XE and all-new Jaguar XF saloons have been awarded the maximum five star rating in Europe's NCAP 2015 safety tests. The XE and XF scored highly in every category - Adult Occupant, Child Occupant, Pedestrian and Safety Assist - and are among the most highly rated models in their

respective segments. The XE was also crowned 'Best Executive Car' in the Scottish Car of the Year awards.

On the auction front three very nice Jaguars sold in November and early December. The Keno Brothers, noted antique furniture experts and antique road show appraisers, held their first automotive auction in New York City on Nov. 19th. The Rolling Sculpture Auction netted over 8 million in sales with over 50% of the cars sold. Lot 114, a 1961 OTB E-Type Roadster sold for a staggering \$380,800. In opalescent bronze over the beige it was stunning. On November 30th, Bonhams held their Bond Street Sale in England. Bonhams sold three Jaguars. Lot 1 a 1964 E-Type roadster sold for \$119,503, Lot 18 a 1963 MK3 3.8 Sports Saloon tuned by famous racer John Coombs sold for \$169,785, and lot 25, a 1951 XK 120 Coupe prepped and slightly modified for performance by Nigel Dawes, sold for \$312,145. On December 10th RM auctions at their "Driven by Disruption Auction" sold a late production Opalescent Grey 1965 series 1 E-Type Roadster complete with hardtop for \$297,000.

As for my E-Type I am still deciding what route to take, full concourse or very nice driver. Thank you to those club members assisting me.

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Spring Dustoff - May 22nd

RMJC members Doug and Cheryl Klink, who live in Estes Park, are in the business of restoring old fire trucks and have a very nice museum for us to tour.

We are planning on having people meet around 8:30 am that Sunday at the Kennedy's house for mimosas and a light breakfast.



From there we will tour up to Estes, but the exact route has not been determined. The cost will be \$25 per person which will include a BBQ lunch on site at the museum. Steve Kennedy skennedy@ecentral.com

December 1st, Board Meeting Minutes by Steve Kennedy

The December board meeting was held at the home of the Kennedys.

Budget: Deanie reports that all of our events made money this past year. Overall we are in good shape and we have budgeted the same amount for events as we did last year.

Membership: We currently have 132 members for the past year. Deanie says this is one of the highest total memberships we have had since she started doing membership in 1995. Cyndi reported that everything was on schedule for the **Holiday Party**.

New Projector Report: Gordon gave a presentation on getting a new projector. He and Bill Beeson did some research and have found one for around \$600 that they think will be very good. Gordon also reminded everyone that,

as he is also a member of the Triumph club, they will again split the cost for the jointly owned unit. And, Gordon has already found someone who may be interested in purchasing the existing one for around a hundred dollars. Motion passed

Additional charities to support; Gordon asked for guidance regarding members who have new charities they would like club support for. The board agreed that basically if a member would like to support a charity by sponsoring an event then it is up to that club member to put everything together. Newsletter coverage will be limited to one month.

Croquet Trophy: Frank Sullivan suggested that the club make a small plaque that the annual winner could keep; Steve said he would take care of this.

Dwight updated the board on the Vehicle Vault Jaguar display in 2016.

The Schedule of 2016 Events was reviewed.

January 5th *The Vehicle Vault* in Parker has asked for 8 club Jaguars to display.

January 12th, monthly meeting – Program will be Joanie Jones from Volunteer America talking about recent experience teaching English in rural Cuba. Teresa Ross has put together a behind-the-scenes tour of the Brown Palace on Jan. 23rd.

February 2nd, board meeting at the Mumms.

February 9th, General Meeting at Piccolo's; Ray Horrall will present the "Year in Review Video".

March 19th will be the President's Dinner at Cool River Café and members who have just reached their 5 year club membership will be honored.



April 5th, Board meeting at the Redrupps.

April 12th, Tim Hall from the Colorado Springs Red Noland dealership will make a presentation about the new F-Pace, which Jean and Frank Oakley have already ordered.

April 16th, first Judges school at Club Auto.

May 10th, Howard is going to talk about how car dealerships appraise cars and Gary will give a comparison as to how prices are determined for his types of appraisals.

May 14th, Saturday, second Judges school at Club Auto.

May 22nd, Sunday, the Kennedys are hosting the Spring Drive.

June 5th, is the ACC (formally the CP show) which will be held at Arapaho Community College.

On Friday, June 3rd, Hagerty will be hosting Racing Legends at Club Auto at 8th and Oak in Lakewood just off of 6th and Simms.

June 7th, board meeting at the Beesons.

June 24-26 the RMJC Concours will be held in Breckenridge and the hotel is keeping the room and other rates at the 2015 level. We will need to give them a \$500 deposit in January and another \$1000 in May. Don Leach said he would look into a different route for the rally/tour for the concours weekend. Cyndi would like to have some cool items to auction off at the concours.

July 9th, Barb and Vince Lane will host the Summer Party at their home in Roxborough Park.

August 2nd, board meeting at the Eisnachs.

August 19-21st, the Jaguar Club of New Mexico is having its first concours. We encourage everyone who can to attend their concours. They will also need extra judges, so please attend.

September 17-18th is the Conclave.

October 4th, board meeting at Mark and Nora Henneckens

December 6th, board meeting at the Kennedys

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55.



It's become a nice tradition that the December Board meeting is at the home of Steve and Deanie Kennedy.

This year's board meeting welcomed two new board members, Teresa Ross and Mark Hennecken. Although, as in most clubs, there is a "core" group that gets most of the work done, it is important that new faces get added; the club did well this year. editor

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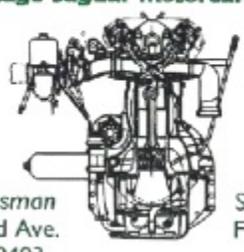
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**Presidents' Dinner at Cool River Cafe
Saturday, March 19th**

Be sure to mark your calendar to attend the annual Presidents' Dinner on March 19 at the Cool River Cafe. This is a dinner where we celebrate all the past presidents of the club and recognize those who have achieved five years of membership during 2015. Dress is "festive formal" so all you guys out there, wear your Union Jack ties, or tuxes (optional)! For ladies, bring on the Jaguar Bling! We'll take several group photos to post in the newsletter.

The evening will begin with mingling and a cash bar at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m. The dinner menu will offer your choice of entrees of Blackened Prime Rib, Prime Pork Chop, or Grilled Salmon and all dinners will include a house salad, and sides of garlic smashed potatoes and chef select vegetables, and dessert is chocolate mousse cake. Regis-

tration cost is \$55 per person, a bit higher than last year, but restaurant costs continue to rise and it is for a Prime Rib Dinner! Look for a Kitty Litter sometime in January to announce when we have the on-line payment available for this event.



President Howard Mumm interviewing Tom Canino at Cool Rive Cafe in 2014

We will continue to recognize members with the RMJC Pin Program. Any member who has been with the

club five years at the end of 2015 will receive a pin.

The Cool River Café is at 8000 E. Belleview Ave. (I-25 and Belleview). To get there, exit I-25 at Belleview Ave. (Exit 199), go east two blocks to Ulster Street, turn right onto Ulster and into the Belleview Promenade shopping center. Cool River is toward the back of the shopping center and there is ample free parking.

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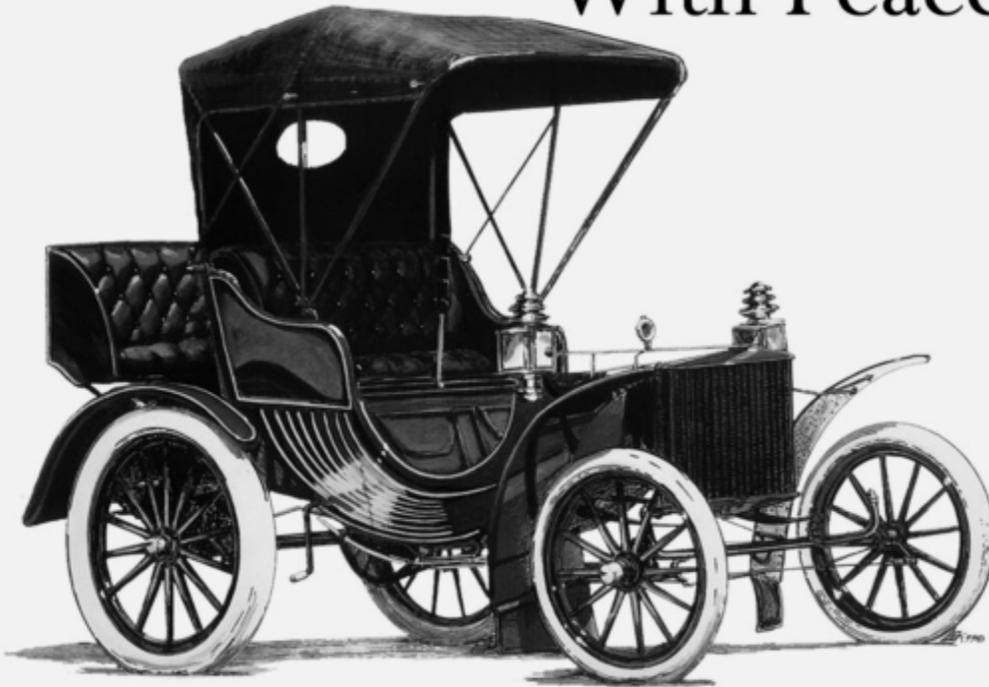
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I appraised six cars in an estate that a man had kept in his storage facility for 20 years unmoved. They had been very nice unusual cars; however over the time they had seriously deteriorated and become very expensive to restore projects. The family has very little interest and no idea of their value. The courts stepped in and valued the cars as if they were running and in good condition. I appraised them as they are, i.e. projects and was able to save the family substantial taxes. In another case I was asked to value a mustang that was in similar condition except it had been left outside for years. The interior was all mouse eaten and I suspect the wiring was too, who knows about the condition of the running gear. In this case one of the 5 siblings must watch a lot of TV



and had decided that it must be worth a lot of money and was tearing up the family (legally) about it. I see way too many family's torn apart over a few dollars and in this case they just weren't there. The way to avoid these kinds of problems is fairly obvious. First have a current will. Find out the value of your things and leave lists in an easy to find place. If you don't have definite plans to restore that car you are going to do "someday" and no one else has an interest, sell it and enjoy the proceeds. Divorces are another heartbreaker. One party believes the car to be worth a lot and the other doesn't want to believe it. In some cases one will sabotage the car and try to say that is the way it has always been, unfair and it doesn't work anyway. It is almost always easy to tell what the car was before, don't compound an already difficult problem. As you might have guessed already the value of items is not the same for all circumstances. Insurance value is usually higher, sale value is dependent upon motivation and timing. Hire an expert and tell them what the ultimate use of the appraisal will be.

STEVINSON

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More photos from the Holiday Party



Much credit again to Cyndi Mumm for her efforts to make the Holiday Party a great success. And she "MC'd" the Secret Santa gift exchange - nobody handles the mike better.



Frank Albert picks out a gift - he reports that his efforts for support of the two Jaguars coming to the Wild Life Sanctuary has resulted in a \$900+ donation from our club members.

Used clothing and magazines needed:

Denver Health Medical Center inpatient adolescent psychiatric unit serves the needs of children age 8 to 18. Diagnoses include physical abuse, sexual abuse, mental health disorders and drug or alcohol addictions. The kids are allowed to wear street clothes, but often come in with only one set of clothes and average length of stay is over one week. We need donations of gently used t-shirts, sweatshirts and jeans of all sizes: boys and girls childrens to xxl adult. The teens also appreciate magazines to read. They like magazines about cars, fashion, music, nature and technology. Hotel toiletries such as hair conditioner or body lotion are also welcomed. If you have any items to donate at any time during the year, please bring to our monthly meetings and I will take them to the hospital. Thank you - **From Nora Hennecken**



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To:

Dwight and Linda Eismach
RMJC new president and first lady.

EVENTS 2016

January 2016

- 12 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's
Joanie Jones, life in Cuba
- 23 Brown Palace Tour

February 2016

- 2 Board Meeting at Mumms
- 9 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's
Year-In-Review video

March 2016 (no Piccolos Meeting)

- 19 Presidents Dinner - Cool River Cafe

April 2016

- 5 Board Meeting at Redrapps
- 12 Monthly meeting at Piccolo's
Tim Hall - the new F-Pace
- 16 1st Judges School

May 2016

- 10 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's
Pgm. Appraisals, Howard and Gary
- 14 2nd Judges School
- 22 Dust Off - Estes Park - Klinks
- 28 Front Range Airport Car Show

June 2016

- 3 Hagerty Racing Legends show
- 5 Ability Connections Show
- 7 Board Meeting at Beesons
- 14 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's
- 24-26 RMJC Concours in Breckenridge

July 2016 (no Piccolo's Meeting)

- 9 Summer Party at Lanes
- 30 Race for Kids Cancer with RMVR

August 2016

- 2 Board Meeting at Eismachs
- 7 Slalom
- 9 Monthly Meeting at Piccolo's
- 19-21 Concours in Albuquerque

September 2015

- 13 General Meeting at Piccolo's
- 17 Ride the Rockies
- 18 British Car Conclave

October 2016

- 4 Board Meeting at Henneckens
- 11 General Meeting at Piccolo's
- TBD JCSC Concours

November 2016

- 8 General Meeting at Piccolo's

December 2016 (No Piccolo's Meeting)

- 6 Board Meeting at Kennedys
- TBD Holiday Party

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