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**JAGM Emerges from
the Pandemic!**

New JAGM Meeting Location

Membership Meetings for 2020 will be held in **March, May, July, September and November** on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM @ the **Brass Pointe** 24234 Orchard Lake Rd, Farmington Hills, MI



www.brasspointe.com

Activities Calendar

Jaguar Affiliates Group of Michigan: 2020 Activities Calendar

	July	August
Meeting Activity	Meeting 8 th @ 7:00 PM Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills	No Meeting
Outside Activity	Concours d'Elegance Canterbury Village Lake Orion, MI Rescheduled to Saturday, September 5th	Stahl's Automotive Collection Bad Brad's BBQ New Baltimore, MI Saturday, August 1 st Postponed
	New! Summer Drive Whitmore Lake to Saugatuck, MI July 18 th & 19 th	Tentatively rescheduled to Saturday, October 3, 2020
	Cars and Coffee The Inn at St. John's Plymouth, MI Saturday, July 25 th , 7-11 AM Cancelled	Jags on the Bay, Bay City Saturday, August 8 th New! Drive from Bay City to Wills Sainte Claire Museum Marysville, MI Sunday, August 9 th
	September	October
Meeting Activity	Meeting 9 th @ 7:00 PM Brass Pointe, Farmington Hills	No Meeting
Outside Activity	Concours d'Elegance Canterbury Village Lake Orion, MI Saturday, September 5 th	Stahl's Automotive Collection Bad Brad's BBQ New Baltimore, MI Tentatively Saturday, October 3 rd
	Battle of the Brits Camp Dearborn, Milford Sunday, September 6 th	
	Apple of Your Eye for Cystic Fibrosis Linden MI September 12 th & 13 th	Fall Drive TBD

For the most up to date listing and schedule of events, go to:
www.jagm.org/events

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the President's Purr...

It was so great to see everyone at the JAGM picnic, even with the last minute venue change. It was good to catch up with everyone and share some laughs and good conversation, and of course, delicious ice cream!

We continue to live in uncertain times with the virus still lurking and in some states, another round of increased cases. I know I have been guilty of testing the limits. But now as more and more businesses, like restaurants and gyms start to open, it's even more of a reason that we remain diligent with social distancing rules, and not let our guard down.

This virus is not going away easy or anytime soon, and wearing masks is the new fashion wave of the future, whether we like it or not. I would bet that soon we will see some literal

in-your-face advertising with these facial billboards... hmmm.

Looking ahead to our future planned events, especially this years Concours, a thought occurred to me. Providing masks with JAGM logo might just be a way to turn lemons into lemonade!

So, stay safe and healthy.

Until next we meet...

Teresa



Photo Credits

Depot Park and Cook's Farm Dairy

Teresa Klotz

Welcome New Members

<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Jaguars Owned</u>
Tammy and Don Rokowski	2017 F-Type Coupe
Michael Rubin	

JAGM welcomes our newest members. Please help us extend them a warm welcome.

In Memory of Darlene Stevenson

Darlene passed on Monday, June 22 surrounded by her family. Darlene and Bob joined JAGM in 1982 and she held one club position or another for the next 30 years. After first serving several terms as outside activities director she took over as Concours tally person which led to also doing the Concours registration until 2005 or so.

Darlene passed peacefully away Monday evening at 7:37 PM surrounded by her family. Darlene was operated on for a broken hip on Wednesday and basically never awoke. They, U of M, wanted to run further tests, that would not have effected the outcome, and the family decided as the end result would be the same, to remove all life support which was

always Darlene's wish.

I don't know how many of you are aware that through the past 8-10 years there was one health problem after another, yet she found enjoyment where she could.

Darlene was the love of my life for over 67 years. We all know that this day will arrive for a loved one, and yet we can never be prepared!

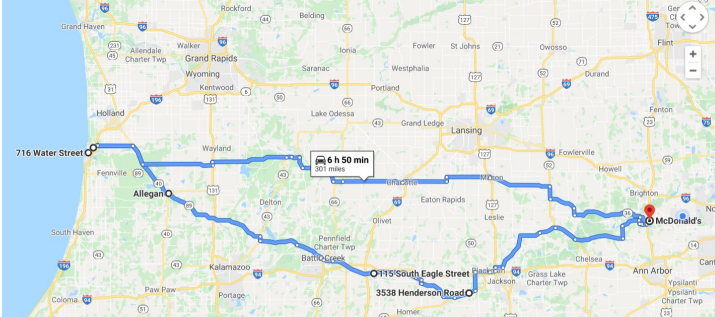
There was a memorial service on Saturday, June 27th at 1:00 PM at Bell Creek Community Church 30000 Five Mile Road, Livonia Michigan.

Bob

Upcoming Events

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Car Museum, Sunset Cruise, Dune Ride and More



Join us for a two-day, fun-filled, back-roads drive to **Saugatuck**, on **Saturday, July 18th**.

For those who want to caravan, please be at the **McDonald's restaurant at 11033 Whitmore Lake Road, Whitmore Lake, MI (intersection of US-23 and 9 Mile Road) no later than 9:00 AM** or earlier if you want breakfast or coffee.

For those who would rather meet up with us on the route, you can join us at either **11:00 AM at Ye Ole Carriage Shop**, located at 3538 Henderson, Spring Arbor, or at **1:00 PM at Schuler's Restaurant and Pub**, located at 115 S Eagle St., in Marshall. For those located on the west side of the state, you may prefer to join us at **6:00 PM at the Mermaid Bar & Grill**, located at 340 Water St. in Saugatuck. We will be taking the sunset cruise aboard the **Star of Saugatuck** nearby at **8:30 PM**.

We will be staying at the **Comfort Inn Hotel**, 622 W. Allegan St., Plainwell, MI. We have 10 rooms held under the **"Jaguar Affiliate Group of Michigan"**.

Please call 269-685-9891, to secure your room by July 6, 2020.

On Sunday, we will drive to breakfast at **Minnie Sophrona's Restaurant** in Allegan. After breakfast, we will continue on to the **Saugatuck Dune Rides** and experience a 40-minute ride over the ever-changing sand dunes. After the dune rides, we plan to

have lunch at **Maude's Taphouse** in Otsego, MI. After lunch, we will drive home independently.

Please RSVP by July 9, 2020, by registering on our website, emailing webmaster@jagm.org, or texting or calling **734-347-8747**. Please include the total number in your group, where you will meet up, and your cell phone number.

Costs:

Ye Ole Carriage Shop - \$8 per person, payable in one lump sum for the group. Please try and bring exact cash for your ticket cost.

Schuler's Restaurant & Pub - We will order from their limited lunch menu. They require that all groups limit the menu to three preselected items. Their private room charge is \$100, which has been prepaid. We will split this cost between the number of participants (i.e. with 20 people, the cost would be \$5 each). We will firm up this expense, and communicate it, as soon as the final headcount at Schuler's is known.

Comfort Inn Hotel - We have a block of 10 rooms, 5 king rooms, and 5 double-queen rooms, on hold until July 6, 2020. The room cost is \$121.99, plus taxes.

Star of Saugatuck - sunset cruise is \$50 per person

Saugatuck Dune Rides - The cost of the dune ride is \$22 per person. A signed waiver is required. The waiver form will be available on the day of the event.

About our Venues:

Ye Ole Carriage Shop—Ye Ole Carriage Shop focuses on Jackson-made automobiles but offers a surprising amount of diversified automobiles and collectible memorabilia. This museum is an unexpected delight that showcases Lloyd Ganton's collections. He has been collecting cars and memorabilia for 45 years and the museum gives the public a chance to take a step back in time and enjoy history. Lloyd enjoys sharing his collection and regularly gives



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Car Museum, Sunset Cruise, Dune Ride and More (cont'd)

tours to school classes and senior groups.

Lloyd's prized collection is Jackson-manufactured Automobiles. Over the years, he has collected 18 of the 24 Jackson-made cars. The museum also features many other classic and historical cars and seven additional rooms housing dozens of impressive collections. You will find Coca-Cola memorabilia, motorcycles, model airplanes, gas pumps, kids' pedal cars, and much more!

Schuler's Restaurant & Pub—For over 110 years, Schuler's Restaurant & Pub kept it in the family – and beat the odds. How rare is this achievement? According to Family Business, rarely do more than 30 percent of all family-owned businesses survive into the second generation, let alone making it to the fourth-generation as Schuler's has done.



Comfort Inn Hotel—Our hotel is located right off U.S. Highway 131 between the cities of Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids, a short drive away from a variety of excellent restaurants and shops. If you're a car enthusiast, you'll be happy to know that the hotel is just a short drive from the Gilmore Car Museum.

The Mermaid Waterfront Bar & Grill—A family-owned, full-service restaurant in Saugatuck, MI, serving fresh fish and other favorites. This dockside eatery has patio seating and overlooks the Kalamazoo River.



Star of Saugatuck—Listen to the water running off the paddlewheels as you gently glide down the Kalamazoo River. See Saugatuck from the water, a totally different view from what you see on land, and take in the majesty of Lake Michigan.

On the cruise, you can take in the beauty of a sunset on Lake Michigan. There is a snack bar on board for drinks and snacks. Cash only. The Star II is U.S. Coast Guard certified and annually inspected and has all its safety equipment onboard.



Saugatuck Dune Rides—This is one of West Michigan's premier attractions providing 40 minutes of entertainment, fun, and excitement. Learn about the lost town of Singapore or check out our local vegetation and wildlife.



Maude's Taphouse—Family-friendly and a comfortable environment. Features 41 rotating drafts, varied menu selections, including vegan choices, and inside and outdoor seating.



Minnie Sophrona's Restaurant & Bake Shop - A family-owned eatery seating up to 34 people, with a complete menu.

Stahl's Automotive Collection-August 1, 2020

Postponed

This event has been postponed because Stahl's Automotive Museum is closed for renovations. It has been tentatively rescheduled to Saturday, October 3, 2020.

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Jags on the Bay and (new!) optional Sunday Drive

Join us for the fourth annual Jags on the Bay in Bay City. Come and enjoy good food, sunshine, sand, and have fun! This year we'll continue the fun the next day with a drive to the **Wills Sainte Claire Car Museum in Marysville, MI.**

Date: Saturday, August 8, 2020 (Optional Sunday Drive August 9, 2020)

Jags on the Bay

Time: Noon until ???

Where: 243 Donahue Beach Drive, Bay City, MI 48706

Parking: Jaguars on display in the designated parking area across the street.



Sunsets are highly recommended, so come and consider staying for the evening view! Burgers and hotdogs on the grill with all the fixings. Please bring a dish to pass, BYOB, lawn chairs, blankets and towels, and enjoy a walk along the sandy beach.

For those who will stay and enjoy the atmosphere into the night, reservations can be made at:

Quality Inn and Suites

4105 E Wilder Road
Bay City, MI 48706
989-667-7050

New— Sunday drive

Full details of the drive will be available in the August Indicator, but here is the tentative plan:

We will meet for breakfast at the hotel at 9 am. From there, we'll

caravan down to Port Huron (via M-15, M-46 and M-25) for lunch at **the Atrium Café**. Then it's just a 15 minute drive to the **Wills Sainte Claire Museum**. The museum will be open from 1-5 pm. The museum boasts the largest collection of Wills Sainte Claire automobiles in the world and a fascinating history of this company, which produced premium automobiles from 1921-1926.

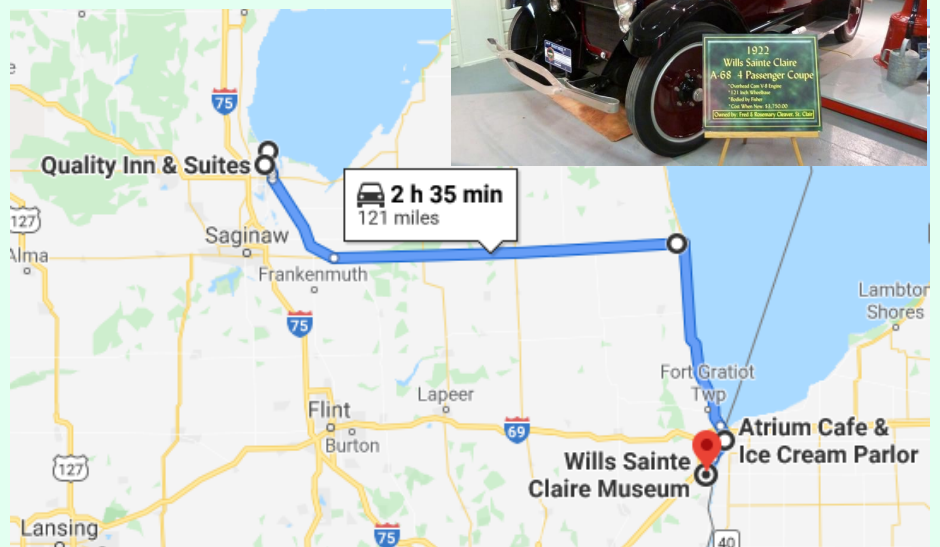
You can see much more about the museum and the history of the company at:

www.willsautomuseum.org

We'll update the event website as details are firmed up. RSVP for the optional Sunday drive at the same time you RSVP for Jags on the Bay.

RSVP by: Registering online for one or both events **by Tuesday, August 4, 2020**, and please specify if you will be attending Jags on the Bay, the Sunday drive, or both events and how many people will be attending.

Gary Hillebrand



Mueller's Steak Fry

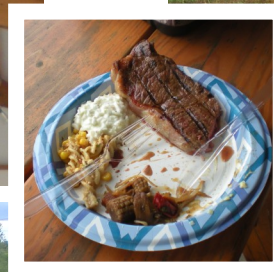


The annual Steak Fry was the first uncanceled event for JAGM after the COVID-19 outbreak. About 15 members traveled to Mueller's Orchard in Linden and enjoyed Wendy and Charles' hospitality and excellent grilled steaks and chicken. After staying-at-home for more than two months, it was especially nice to get out and see friends and catch up on recent happenings.



look at some elusive trilliums (trillia?). Thanks to the Muellers for this nice, relaxing outing!

An added bonus was the walking tour into the orchard featuring a



Depot Park and Cook's Farm Dairy

Saturday, May 13 saw JAGM members getting together for the third consecutive weekend, this time for an informal picnic and ice cream (of course!) event. Depot Park, in the village of Clarkston, was a perfect spot for the picnic and the weather cooperated with a coolish (lower-60's) but sunny day.

After a leisurely picnic lunch most of the group drove a few miles north to Cook's Farm Dairy near Ortonville to enjoy some wonderful, fresh homemade ice cream and meet the cows who so generously provided the raw materials.



Depot Park and Cook's Farm Dairy (cont'd)

To complete the experience, check out the President's Puzzle below and see if you can correctly answer the challenge question!



President's Puzzle

Can you guess how many cows are in this picture? (Teresa knows!)



Answer to Jaguar Crossword in May Indicator

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Packard Proving Grounds

We could not have asked for a better day. Warm, but not hot, partly-sunny, and just a slight breeze. That was the environment when twenty-four JAGM members arrived at the Packard Proving Grounds Historic Site, the morning of Saturday, June 6th. Three docents aided us in parking our cars in the grass along both sides of the north boulevard in front of their Lodge building.

Our tour started outside as the lead docent informed us of the history and layout of the now historic site. In 1925, the Packard Motor Car Company realized that testing its products on the streets of Detroit had its limitations. So they engaged renowned industrial architect Albert Kahn to design and oversee construction of a grand showplace, befitting one of the most prestigious and successful auto companies of the golden era of car production. Today, sadly, only about 480 feet of the original 2.5-mile oval track remains. The rest has deteriorated beyond repair or is now located on private property.

The docents broke us up into three groups. We toured the Tudor-revival styled Lodge, where the proving grounds manager and his family lived. Next was the Repair Garage which originally contained experimental and engineering laboratories but now is the main area for weddings and other types of cele-



brations or gatherings. The third was the Engineering Building, where the historic cars are now on display. Many of the cars on display there are owned by the Packard Motor Car Foundation, and some are on loan from third-party owners. We also saw a very long, flat bottomed Gar Wood racing boat pow-

ered by four Packard V-12 engines. The boat is privately owned and capable of speeds of about 134 mph. For more information and a video, go to <https://bangshift.com/general-news/videos/8-ton-sledge-gar-woods-7000hp-miss-america-x-boat-owned-the-world-in-32-and-33-video/>

Packard also used the site for the development and testing of aircraft and marine engines. That building is not part of the public tours but the docents briefly touched on Packard's contribution to providing engines for warplanes and war boats.

After the tour, we picnicked outside of the Lodge building, enjoying a variety of sandwiches from Jimmy John's, cookies and chips.

We learned something about this historic site and met some new people. That was a great start to a nice day.

Phil Crutchfield



Classified Ads

FOR SALE: From the late 80's commemorating Jaguar's wins at Le Mans and Daytona in 1988. I find it interesting that the car is the Daytona winner in front of what appears to be the "tire" at Le Mans. The sign is 25x18x3 so it can either hang or sit, and is in good condition except that the clock doesn't work. I've had this for 25-30 years and it's time for a new owner.

Reduced Price \$200

**Bob Stevenson
734-455-5039**



FOR SALE: 2001 S-Type V8. Titanium color with leather seats. 75,760 miles. Sunroof & premium radio, tape and CD audio system. Original window sticker and keys. California car, never driven in northern winter. Maintenance records included.

Asking \$4850.



**Call Bob at cell phone 305-292-1950
In Elkhart, Indiana**

FOR SALE: 2000 Jaguar VDP – This extremely well-preserved sedan in dark blue with a dove grey leather interior has only 64K on the odometer. It received a score of 9.992 and took first place in the driven division the last time it was judged at a JCNA event. The interior wood trim in this car is the finest of any of the 20 English luxury sedans I have owned over the years, including my 1978 R-R Silver Shadow and my 1989 Bentley Turbo R. And she drives as good as she looks – Marianne and her girlfriends took a road trip to Asheville, NC two years ago in this car and said it drove like a new car. **Make an offer.**



Call Gary @ 248-649-4959

2006 Jaguar XJ8 – Although this used to be my daily driver, she has not been used much the past several years, and as a result, only has 74K on the odometer. Of the dozen XJ sedans I have owned over the years, this has been my favorite. I hate to part with her, but Marianne and I are moving into a condo and I simply must reduce my Jaguar inventory. **Make an offer.**



Call Gary @ 248-649-4959

For Sale: 2004 Jaguar XJR—Super charged. British racing green with sand interior. Only 53600 miles. Mint condition: no accidents, no major repairs, new tires.

**Accepting offers
over reserve of
\$10,000.**



**Call Jay Gilroy @ 517-285-0621
or email jungabean @aol.com**

FOR SALE: 1973 Jaguar E-Series convertible – Silver with hard and soft tops. One owner car - fresh out of a 30 year storage. Less than 8000 original miles. Long list of new parts and service performed (fuel, brake, clutch, cooling, suspension systems, tires, battery, etc.). See details in JAGM website ad, along with additional pictures.

Asking \$125,000

**Call (313) 908-7909
and ask for Bob**





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