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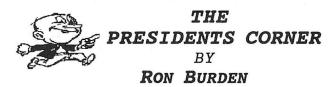
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I hope everyone had the opportunity to meet and visit with the European Cruisers on the <u>CAAR</u> Cruise on September 28 & 29. They were a super group of people and their cars were great. Many of them spoke little English but they were having such a great time, everyone could understand and we enjoyed their visit to Oklahoma so much. They all remarked "How friendly and hospitable everyone is in this country." We wish them the best on the balance of their cruise and hope they will remember their stay in Oklahoma!

On Friday, October 15, another group from Europe was in our state to cruise Route 66. Six vintage corvettes along with four vans of support personnel and media were travelling Route 66 from Chicago to Los Angeles. The participants were winners of a contest in Belgium sponsored by Lucky Strike Events. They were participating in a Poker Run Cruise here with prizes to be awarded in Clinton on Friday evening.

I want to remind all of you, that our Oklahoma Route 66 Association's ANNUAL MEETING is scheduled for Saturday, November 6, 1993, at the Oklahoma Historical Society Building from 1:30-4:00 pm. We will have some very interesting speakers, discuss plans for the coming year, elect officers and directors and generally set the course for the Association for the next year. This is the one opportunity each member has to voice their opinions and vote for changes in the Association. Please make a special effort to attend and become an active part of the Route 66 movement!!

## Preservation News

from Sally Ferrell Chair, Preservation Committee

#### **Meeting Set**

A Preservation Committee meeting is set for 10 a.m. Saturday, November 6 at the Board Room, Oklahoma Historical Society State Museum, Oklahoma City. (It's on the second floor, South End.)

The building, just southeast of the state capitol, is also

known as the Wiley Post Building, 2100 N. Lincoln, Oklahoma City, OK. You should be able to park behind it on the East side although there is plenty of parking in the Lincoln Boulevard median lot directly South of the State Capitol.

Membership of one from each Route 66 town with an alternate is almost complete. Serving as at large members are Melvena Heisch, State Historic Preservation Deputy Director, Jim Ross, author of <a href="The Cruiser's Companion">The Cruiser's Companion</a>, Tom Myers, Tourism Economic Development Planner and Sandy Stratton, Director, Clinton Route 66 Transportation Museum.

#### **Home Depot Facade Saved!**

Hats off to all who wrote letters to Home Depot, Inc. officials asking them to use the Tulsa Warehouse Market instead of demolishing it.

The wonderful old Art Deco structure's beautiful face (facade) will be preserved! The remainder of the building will be demolished and replaced with a new building.

### **Blue Whale News**



CATOOSA

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A Catoosa Chamber of Commerce board member reports that an agreement has been made with the owner of the familiar, often-photographed old wooden Blue Whale for the chamber to do some restoration and maintenance work on it.

### **Hope for Hotel**

There is still hope for saving the condemned, old Will Rogers Hotel at Claremore, says Wanda Moore, president, Rogers County Historical Society. This group of hardy preservationists are offering to take title to the structure and begin some restoration work along with finding some uses for it.

And that's along with their continuing work to restore the old Belvidere Mansion in this Route 66 town.

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#### Meremac Cavern/Building Gets Attention

If you've traveled Route 66 between Chandler and Warwick, you've noted that the old tin building with the Meremac Cavern sign painted along its side is just about to collapse. Lincoln County Route 66 Association members met there Saturday with building owner Dale Calvin and Arcadia barn restorer Luke Robison to assess the situation.

Calvin offered to give the building to the Route 66 Association along with \$200 for repairs. Robison and Chandler carpenter Jon Beloncik agreed to meet there again and begin work. Only the doors are holding the structure up which once housed an auto repair shop.

Meremac Cavern Manager Wes Turelli is planning to discuss chipping in on the project although he reports tourism business was low this year due to all the Missouri floods.

Near the leaning old "billboard" is a privy and an old grocery store now nicely maintained by Mr. and Mrs. Calvin for uses as a church. The three structures represent long-ago services for Route 66 motorists in this rural area.

### Sale Benefits Route 66 Armory

Jack Sims, President, Lincoln County Chapter, reports \$200 earnings from last Saturday's garage and bake sale held at the Rock Cafe, Stroud. The money will be used to help match a \$1650 Preservation Services Fund grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation made to City of Chandler for study of restoration costs and uses for its old National Guard Armory.

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the site was recommended as a primary site for civic and Route 66 welcome center uses by the State Arts Council's Designworks Team during its onsite workshop held in September.

#### **Warwick Seeks School Site**

Just as a state survey of area WPA buildings notes the nice, no-longer-used Warwick School Building located just a block from Route 66, town trustees began negotiations with Wellston Schools for adopting the site for town and community uses.

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Trustees Board Chairman Bill Duke and neighbors

pitched in to host those Route 66 cruisers traveling through on a recent Saturday looking at regional highway "nooks and crannies."

The nice schoolyard which comprises the town square makes a great place to stop and rest a spell.

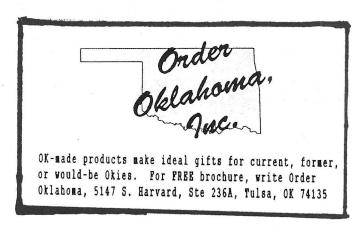
At the main turnoff you can visit with John Farmer, new owner of the Seaba Machine Shop. He plans to restore the front section of the building to its original filling station appearance. Wasn't very long ago that belt-driven machinery was in place there to fix Model T or A babbit rods.

#### Wellston Discusses Burford Building

Travelers through Wellston will note the big (50 x 125') Burford Building is now vacant. It was once a bustling hardware store and funeral parlor. Now it's being considered for restoration and use as a senior citizens center.

## Preservation Committee Members Appointed

Preservation committee members and respective towns appointed so far include: Catoosa, Marilyn Berry; Clinton, Carol Duncan; Kellyville, Alice York; Tulsa, Jean Tucker; Arcadia, Luke Robison; Stroud, Aleta Smalley; Elk City, Morton Scott; Miami, Jane Osborn; Bethany, Lisa Jones; Claremore, Wanda Moore; Warwick, Bill Duke; Edmond, David Odle; El Reno, Sean Dyer; Wellston, Eva June Matthews; Oklahoma City, Susie Clinard; Sapulpa, Julie Warden, Jim Hubbard, alternate; Vinita, Wanda Norton; Texola, Lucille Hammons.



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## WINNERS OF LUCKY STRIKE CONTEST TAKE GRAND TOUR

About 20 Belgian's won the Lucky Strike grand prize, a *Tour on Route 66*. Sponsors of the "Lucky Strike Contest" picked the winners. The group was made up of corvettes and other vehicles which made several stops in Oklahoma.

A highlight of the tour was a Poker Run from Tulsa to Clinton. At each stop a card was drawn to fill a poker hand. The person with the best hand won First Prize.



#### Memories from the 50's on Route 66

U.S. Route 66 Club,

An interesting thing happened to me in regard to Route 66... Back in 1956 or 57, a friend of mine, George Redlich and I were on our way to the west coast. We were both in the service. He was in the Marine Corp. at Camp Pendleton, California, and I was in the Navy on a ship out of Long Beach, California.

We had just gone through Clinton, Oklahoma, when the water pump broke on his Nash car we were driving. An Oklahoma State Trooper stopped to assist the service men. He took us back to Clinton to a car dealership and garage. The garage sent their wrecker out to get the car and found the problem with the water pump. A mechanic was sent to get a pump. A stall was made available and George's car was taken right in. They installed the new pump and we were ready to go in a very short time. If I recall correctly, they charged \$7.00 for the part and charged us nothing for the labor and wrecker call.

We still feel very grateful to the people that helped us on "Old Route 66"

Regards, Leon Walker Mountain View, MO

### Little Cabin Pecan Company Since 1982

Little Cabin Pecan Company is located just east of Vinita on Historic Route 66. Don and Michel Gray are the owners and began their pecan operation as a second career, Don after 36 years with Conoco and Michel after 23 years of teaching.

They began their pecan business in 1982 and have expanded it into a 40 acre showplace operation well known in the area.

Son, Donnie, his wife Kathy and their son Ryan joined the pecan operation in 1992. They have added numerous leased groves to the operation int he past two years.

The retail operation expanded in the fall of 1985 to their new store which has continued to expand ever since. A collectible room was added in late 1992 and contains a large collection of Coca Cola items.

The Gray's have a unique gift shop of Native American silver jewelry and artifacts and a complete line of souvenirs of the area and Historic Route 66.

Little Cabin Pecan Company is now entering its busy season with harvest during November and December. Donnie is getting the groves ready for harvesters by raking and piling the brush and then mowing under all trees for the final time.

Michel and Kathy are frantically getting the holiday season brochure ready and mailed. Their mail order business has grown every year. The most popular items are 5# boxes of cracked pecans and gift tins of nuts and candies. They also prepare many custom made gift baskets. Michel puts the finishing touches to each basket. After the gift you order has been prepared it is then shipped with your greetings enclosed.

Their shop and warehouse is enviably located not only with frontage on Route 66 but with the clear remains of the old 1926 roadbed and old concrete bridge at the back of their property. The concrete bridge is clearly stamped 1929. Donnie's home is located in the original roadbed.

In addition to the pecan business, Don is presently serving as Vice President of the Oklahoma Route 66 Association, is treasurer of the Oklahoma Pecan Growers Association and Chairman of the Vinita Chamber of Commerce Tourism Committee.

Stop by and visit. When Don is in, he'll be only too happy to talk pecans and Historic Route 66!

Their mailing address and phone is: Little Cabin Pecan Co., Route 2, Box 22, Vinita, OK 74301 - (918)256-2218.

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## 66 LOSES ANOTHER OLD FRIEND:

ED WALDMIRE, JR. (1916-1993)

ED WALDMIRE, WHO FOUGHT A COURAGEOUS 2-YEAR BATTLE, FINALLY SUCCUMED TO CANCER ON AUG. 5, 1993.
HE WAS 77. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE VIRGINIA &
5 SONS: BILL, BOB, BUZ, JEFF & TOM.
ED WAS BEST KNOWN AS THE INVENTOR OF THE CORNDOG,

WHICH HE DEVELOPED IN 1945 WHILE STATIONED IN AMARILLO, TEXAS AT THE ARMY AIR FIELD.

RETURNING TO SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS AFTER HIS DISCHARGE, ED,

WITH HIS WIFE VIRGINIA'S HELP, SET ABOUT REFINING HIS IDEA.
THEY CAME UP WITH THE NAME "COZY DOG" & A TRADEMARK FEATURING A PAIR OF "COZY DOGS" WARMLY EMBRACING.
THEY OPENED THEIR 3rd & FINAL SPRINGFIELD LOCATION — THE
COZY DOG DRIVE IN — IN 1948, ON THE SOUTH EDGE OF TOWN—ON SOUTH
SIXTH STREET: OLD CITY 66. THE BUSINESS WAS A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS,
& CONTINUES TO PROSPER LINDER THE DIRECTION OF ED'S SON BUZ & HIS
WHEE SUE. WIFE SUE.

ED WAS MUCH MORE THAN A RESTAURANT OPERATOR, THOUGH, HE WAS COLLEGE-EDUCATED AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIST, A FARMER, AN INVENTOR, A FREETHINKER & A DEIST, A WELL-READ "ARMCHAIR" PHILOSOPHER, & A

FREETHINKER & A DEIST, A WELL-KEAD "ARMCHAIR" PHILOSOPHER, & A LONG-TIME WORLD PEACE ADVOCATE.

WHEN THE ROUTE 66 REVIVAL BEGAN IN THE MID-80'S, ED HAD PLENTY OF 66 TALES TO DUST OFF & SHARE. IN 1991 ED & HIS FAMILY & THE COZY DRIVE IN WERE INDUCTED INTO THE ROUTE 66 Hall of Faiths of Illinois, Which is housed in the Dixie Truck Stop in McLean, Illinois.

During the last years of his life, ED MET Many other 66'rs & MADE MANY NEW FRIENDS. BECAUSE OF HIS INTIMATE, LONG-TIME INVOLVEMENT WITH THE ROAD, ED WAS SOUGHT OUT FOR INTERVIEWS FREQUENTLY, & WAS FEATURED IN NEWSPAPER STORIES & VIDEO DOCUMENTARIES BOTH HERE & ABROAD. HE CONTINUED TO PROMOTE— IN ERNEST & WITH HIMOP-HERE & ABROAD. HE CONTINUED TO PROMOTE — IN ERNEST & WITH HUMOR—
HIS "CAUSES": ROUTE 66, COZY DOGS, THE RETURN OF THE EASTERN
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TOM JEFFERSON, MARK TWAIN, CONFUCIUS AND SOCRATES.
NORMAN COUSINS & DWIGHT EISENHAUER, & THE HEMLOCK SOCIETY—
RIGHT UP TILL THE END.

ED NOT ONLY ACHIEVED MANY OF HIS OWN DREAMS, BUT HELPED OTHERS ACHIEVE THEIPS. ONE OF THE LAST DREAMS"
HE ACHIEVED WAS TOK HIS SON BOB, BY MAKING POSSIBLE THE PURCHASE OF THE HISTORIC HACKBERRY GENERAL STORE & GROUNDS, AT HACKBERRY, ARIZONA. BOB IS ESTABLISHING THE "INTERNATIONAL, BIOREGIONAL, OLD RT. 66 TABLISHING THE "INTERNATIONAL, DIOREGIONAL, OLD RI. 68

VISITOR CENTER" THERE. INSIDE WILL BE AN EXHIBIT

TELLING THE STORY OF ED'S LIFE & THE COZY DOG, AND A
PORTION OF ED'S EXTENSIVE COLLECTION OF BOOKS & RESOURCE
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by Bab Waldmire



## Oklahoma Route 66 OKLAHOMA Association S

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#### We Get Letters

September 26, 1993

Dear Ron Burden, President

The new newsletter is very nice and interesting for a change. I am a charter member of Oklahoma Route 66 Association, at least I am suppose to be. At one time I sent in a check for an ad and when they didn't put it in I questioned it and they said my membership had lapsed. No it had not. The records had been messed up. There never seemed to be much interest here in my area other than a beer joint on the highway itself.

(A previous officer had) been by here twice and I was honorably mentioned in the Country Plains magazine once in the Historic 66 ad. Another time I was asked to pay \$50.00 for an ad in one of the cruise pages, which I did but never saw it or had any contact again. So, your asking for letters, from some of us on "66" is refreshing.

At first when the organization was being put together several of the tourism people stopped by and they encouraged me to go for the Bed and Breakfast. I started a campaign to get the CADDO County Commissioner to fix the 12 miles of Route 66 between Hinton Junction and Hydro. I met with much opposition from some of the members of the Association. They thought the tourism group would fork over the money and I was rocking the boat. After about a year I gave up and my business was also left in the lurch by the Associations.

Consequently, we still do not have the highway fixed. We do have another commissioner. Unless there is a fire built under some one the highway near us is going to be completely closed by summer time 94. The past rains have fairly taken its toll on the road about one mile west of Bethel road.

We enjoyed guest this summer from Holland. They picked up our brochure at the Texas border, but did tell me Holland or the Netherlands does have a Route 66 organization.

My home is an original homestead by my grandfather back in 1902. His deed was signed by Theodore Roosevelt. I have lived on this highway all my life and have seen its demise. I have high hopes to see it restored in this 12 mile stretch. The state gave it up to the county and papers say "...to be abandoned or kept up as desired". Therefore they have not taken real good care. Most of the twelve miles are still in good shape but there are places that could cause damage to cars or even harm to the drivers.

When my mother died she left the homestead to me. It

was to big for two people and we decided to share the beautiful home with others. We offer just what we advertise. A bed for the night and a good wholesome country breakfast before they leave. We do not have any other entertainment. Peace and quite and a safe place for the night.

We raise Texas Longhorn Cattle and they are always near for the quest to see. We have taken quest around the country side on tour to see the combines in the fields and to see peanuts as they grow naturally. Several other interest are around.

Keep up the good work and although I can not stand to do much I could help with newsletters, typing, mailing or what ever and would be willing to do what I can at home.

Sincerely Yours, Margie L. Moxley

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## ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS & CITIZENS OF CADDO COUNTY!

## 66 In Need of Repair by Carol Duncan

Your Route 66 has fallen into disrepair in several places. One place in particular is just east of the Crosswinds Ranch. This location is a safety hazard. Just recently I was driving on Caddo County Route 66 and I came upon a sign that said one lane traffic ahead. I certainly appreciated the Highway Department for putting up the warning sign and the orange barrels.

Apparently age and water has taken a toll on the small bridge. Part of the support structure has broken and fallen down into the creek bed.

Even though Route 66 is not a nationally recognized highway anymore it is still very much alive and being used on a daily basis by many people such as:

- Tourist, including foreign visitors, travel the route to see America.
- Farmers us the road for farm to market purposes.
- Ranchers use the road to transport stock and supplies.
- There are at least 400 Route 66 businesses located directly on the route.
- Commuters use the road to drive to and from work.
- School children ride the bus to and from school.
- Families make their home by the side of the highway.
- Truckers carry various supplies and products on the highway.

Whether you live in Caddo County or any of the other counties, report safety hazards and places needing repair in your area. Contact your local county commissioner, newspaper, TV and radio stations.

Help save your road! Oklahoma Route 66 needs you! This special highway is for all to enjoy and use.

## A Note From Bill Blair Office Support Oklahoma Route 66 Association.

Thank you, Margie Moxley and Carol Duncan for your continued dedication to the Association. We encourage anyone to voice their concerns about our special highway.

On Thursday, October 21, 1993, I phoned the new County Commissioner of Caddo County, Mr. Constien. He assured me that repair was continuing and the major problems were taken care of the best they could do at this time because of lack of funding. He has also joined the Association and has our full support.

He also referred me to Mr. Conway, Department of Transportation. Mr. Conway is working on a proposal to help keep Route 66 repaired. The Association sent a FAX of the previous and current newsletter to him to help aid him in support to achieve the needed funding.

Your Oklahoma Route 66 Association is here to support this grassroots effort and to bring about an awareness that our route is world famous and traveled by thousands of foreign visitors every year. We need the financial support of the states current administration to focus on the needs of the route from border to border, not just select cities of large populations.

#### Eden...

There is a serpent that roams this land through eight states trying to find Eden...

We go somewhere all along its' route to find the space we call our garden....

Our shelters have been found there if in nothing more than the serpent's shadow...

The years have left us looking for the campfires cooking the traveler's meal along the serpent's route... Let the memories dance and embrace the romance as the antique cars prance down the back of the serpent...

This serpent is our friend that takes us to the end of our journey going somewhere in search of our garden called Eden...

(C)Bill Blair, October 1993



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## 66 AUTHOR CELEBRATES SPECIAL DATE ON ROUTE 66

On October 7th, Michael Wallis and friends celebrated his birthday on Route 66 at Pop Hicks Restaurant in Clinton.

Mr. Wallis is affiliated with the Smithsonian Institute and conducts tours on Route 66. One of the tour groups was with him and helped to celebrate the special occasion. He is the well known author of "Route 66, the Mother Road". Included with the group were two producers, who are making a documentary film for the Smithsonian.

Also, Mrs. Gladys Cutberth came to greet the tour group and join the celebration.



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Thank you very much - I appreciate your help - good luck!!

Sincerely, Jim Munding PO Box 4087 West Covina, CA 91791 (818)919-0603

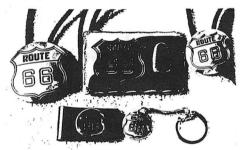
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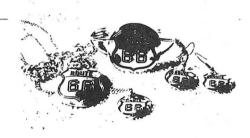


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### Association Vice President, Don Gray, Speaks to European 66 Cruisers in Tulsa at the European Tour Dinner presented by the Tulsa Historic Route 66 Association

Welcome 66 Cruisers! On behalf of the Oklahoma Route 66 Association it is a real pleasure for me to welcome such a distinguished group to our great state and to our 396 miles of Historic route 66, more miles than any other state.

Oklahoma is one of the youngest states of the 50 United States of America, having been admitted to the Union in 1907. So we are now 86 years old while our Route 66 is 67 years young.

This was formerly Indian Territory, and where we are this evening was at one time part of the Creek Indian Nation.

Oklahoma meaning "Home of the Red Man" still has more Indian population than any other state in the Union.

We in the Oklahoma Route 66 Association are also proud that Oklahoma has played such a large role in Route 66. It was an Oklahoman - Cyrus Avery of Tulsa who was so instrumental in designing Route 66 for the national highway system back in 1925 and 1926. Now 67 years later - even after being decommissioned as a U.S. highway - it has not died - it is alive and well - as shown by your presence here tonight.

My only concern is that with your fast paced itinerary you will miss so many beautiful sites in Oklahoma and the chance to visit with so many of our friendly citizens. But whatever you do please stop on your way thru Chandler our Oklahoma Route 66 Headquarters. It is located on Hwy 66, which is the main street, right next to the town square. Bill Blair, the office manager, will have something for your leaders.

We hope you enjoy your visit to Oklahoma and find us to be hospitable hosts. Do come back and spend more time.

May God speed and watch over you all on the remainder of your journey.

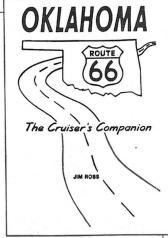
Don L. Gray Vice President Oklahoma Route 66 Association

## OKLAHOMA ROUTE 66 The Cruiser's Companion

The Cruiser's Companion is a Route 66 howto, a detailed guidebook aimed at the cruiser who prefers to leave no stone unturned.

Included are 13 maps detailing the current, historic, and alternate alignments of Route 66, supported by a scattering of photographs and a thorough narrative covering points of interest, specific directions, and a little bit of history.

"Take it from me, Oklahoma Route 66: The Cruiser's Companion is an essential ingredient to all road warriors' libraries. Stash one in your glove box, too. Jim Ross has carefully packed this book with rich detail and commentary designed to keep all of us on the right path as we journey up and down the Mother Road. Enjoy the cruise!"



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- Michael Wallis, author of Route 66: The Mother Road

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need in your Mother Road library. I know when I head for Oklahoma this is one book that will be with me. Hey, I'm ready to go now!"

 Bob Moore, Editor/Publisher The Mother Road Journal

Freelance writer Jim Ross is a Route 66 advocate and enthusiast who lives only a few blocks from America's Main Street in Bethany, Oklahoma

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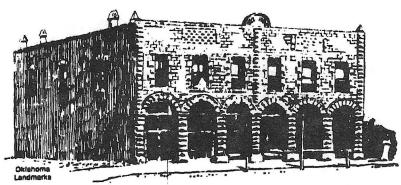
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