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JOHN ACKENHAUSEN ELECTED PRESIDENT AT ANNUAL MEETING

Our annual Association meeting was held January 31st at the Edmond Historical Society Museum. It started at 2 and ended quite hastily at 4, with lots of items not discussed – including the Elk City Museum and the controversy over Route 66 in Arcadia.

One of the main things accomplished was the election of officers. The Association has a new president: John Ackenhausen of Tulsa. Joe Kisicki, now former president, takes on the title of Executive Director. This is to meet the demands of the state (since we qualify for matching state funds) that the President and the Director be two different people. Don Gray is still Eastern Vice President but L.V. Baker takes on the role of Western VP. Carol Duncan, former Western VP, still remains as a very active member. Mary Sue Kendall and Kathy Anderson remain as Treasurer and Secretary, respectively.

One of the neatest projects to emerge from the meeting is the proposed historical marker at the Texas and Oklahoma border. Carol Duncan has been trying to find out whatever happened to the 1952 Will Rogers Caravan marker that was once located there. She is proposing that we have a new one put in and that it be about the same size and shape of the new Historical markers that are being erected around the state but that it incorporate the language of the original marker. The estimate to have the granite marker done is \$1575, but no cost has been arrived at for installation. Look for more on this topic later.

The meeting also summarized 1997's activities, 1998 activities and plans for the 1998 Trip Guide.

About 50 people made it to this year's meeting – a significant increase from last year. Thank you everyone for putting in the effort to come!

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Joe Kisicki

Well, as you can see from page one, this is my time to say good-bye. For those who were not at the meeting, I'm still going to be running the office and doing the bidding of the Board. If we had employees on salary, I'd be one of them, but for now I'm just an unpaid employee. John will make us a great President and needs all the support we can provide him.

I read an article awhile back that talked about support that I would like to share with all of you. It was about having the sense of a goose. Geese are fascinating creatures and we could learn a lot from them. As each bird flaps its wings, it creates an up lift for the bird following. By flying in a V formation, the whole flock adds 71% greater range than if each bird flew alone. So, people who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going quicker and easier if they are traveling on the thrust of one another, just like the efforts made in Arcadia. When the lead goose gets tired, it rotates back into the formation and another goose flies at the point position. It pays to take turns doing the hard tasks and sharing leadership. People, as with geese, are interdependent with one another. We can all thank John for taking the point. The geese in formation honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed. So we need to make sure our honking from behind is encouraging. Whenever a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to fly alone. It quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird immediately in front. So it makes sense to stay in formation with those who are headed where we want to go. We need to support and stand by our leaders in their efforts to keep Route 66 alive in Oklahoma.

Thanks to all of you that have helped me over the past two years. Your honking helped when things were going slowly and if we continue to support John with the same effort, his two years will fly by and we will be slipping into the next century. **Keep the shiny side up.**

Victory for Arcadia and Route 66:

A Personal View

by Kathy Anderson

As hopefully everyone knows by now, lovers of old Route 66 had a close scare in Arcadia back in February. The Oklahoma Department of Transportation, while planning to replace two narrow and very old bridges on either side of town, thought also to begin future plans to four-lane the road, based on projections that predict in 20 years the traffic count will be high enough to warrant a four-lane. Unfortunately, ODOT didn't quite make that clear enough when they first begin to float their idea for the new four-lane. Their original proposal moved the road south of the current alignment, so it would follow the old railroad right-of-way. It then plowed through the .9 mile loop of the original alignment east of town by Hiwassee Road, making it undriveable and forcing several residents who live along the old alignment to move. It finally rejoined two-lane 66 about a mile or so further down the highway.

Interestingly enough, the Association first heard that ODOT might be planning something back in October, when the Board went to visit the prospective house in Luther. The real estate agent handling the property also handled the old fishing lure museum west of Arcadia. In response to a question by me about who owned the old museum, out came this incredible story about ODOT's plans. Hardly believing my ears, I called Jim Ross over so he could hear for himself.

Needless to say, Jim was upset. He had just moved onto that strip of .9 mile road, had made good friends with the various neighbors, and no way was he going to let this go down without a fight.

Jim checked with a contact at ODOT and was told that the four-laning and rerouting of 66 was on ODOT's wish list, but nothing was slated to happen for awhile – if ever. Remember, this was back in October 1997.

Then, scarcely four months later, Arcadia found itself in a fight for its very existence.

Our Association, along with other area groups and many interested citizens (including a very vocal radio talk show host Mike McCarville of KTOK), made their sentiments known prior to the public meeting held February 19th. As secretary, I mailed a letter to ODOT, sending copies to everyone on their

notification list as well as the Daily Oklahoman, stating our position: that we were utterly opposed to the bisection of the .9 mile loop and moving the alignment away from the Round Barn and Hillbillee's.

John West and Jim Ross put their heads together and came up with a proposed joint resolution between the state House and Senate to protect the old roadway itself. As the date for the hearing got closer, the language was modified to include Arcadia, and the resolution was targeted just for the Senate, knowing that it would fly through there in a hurry. (The resolution can be found later in this newsletter.)

Senator Enoch Kelly Haney of the Appropriations committee wrote to ODOT expressing his disapproval of their plans. This was not good news for ODOT. Although they had the money to repair the bridges, they did not have the money to do road improvements and Haney held those purse strings.

Finally, the day of the public hearing arrived. Jim Ross got late word that the Senate resolution had just passed. Knowing that ODOT in all probability did not know about this, Jim, myself, and all the other Association members who made it a point to rendezvous at Hillbillee's for dinner ahead of time, could hardly contain our glee. We did tell several key townspeople so they would be of good cheer. Two of the local TV stations were also at Hillbillee's, getting comments from the locals and from Association members.

As it grew near to 7 p.m., the parking lot by the Arcadia school filled up. Some 200 people made their way into the gym. ODOT had new maps to pass out and had on display some very large aerial maps that showed the bridges, proposed re-alignment of the bridge approaches, and then their proposed four-lane total re-alignment.

While waiting for the meeting to start, I wandered over to the big maps and studied the new handout. I was startled to see that ODOT had already made a crucial change. They were no longer proposing the bisection of the .9 mile loop of original alignment! I felt elated. ODOT had actually listened and responded to our request!

ODOT did a good job in presenting what they wanted to do. They stressed that all was in the preliminary stages and that they were there to learn what the community thought. They acknowledged that their plan had changed and that it no longer

bisected the .9 mile loop - citing letters from local residents and from the Oklahoma Route 66 Association. Then they opened the floor for what was called the formal question and answer session. People were asked to come forward to the main podium and ask their questions. That's when they lost control of the meeting.

Toodie Teuscher of the Arcadia Historical Society, and a member of our Association, got the ball rolling. She did not ask questions, merely reviewed Arcadia's history and the importance of 66 to the community. She ended by asking that the road not be moved - four-lane either side of town, three-lane in town, but leave the alignment where it is.

Mayor Murrell was next. Unlike Toodie, she asked questions but they were big ones - like WHY? She made it plain that no one had a problem with fixing and straightening the bridges. The problem was with moving the road. It would be severely detrimental to this proud community and demote the old legendary highway's path to a county road. She also suggested that if any four-laning needed to be done, why not do Memorial Road or Coltrane?

Then Jim got up. He read the entire Senate's Resolution out loud. People stood on their feet, cheered and applauded when he was through. The ODOT people were in shock. As we suspected, they didn't know about the resolution and now they knew it would be extremely difficult to change the alignment of the old road.

Next, while people were still applauding, I went up to the podium. The ODOT moderator still looked stunned. He obviously did not know what to expect next. I took a big map with me, one provided by the OU School of Architecture. They had done a survey along the Sapulpa to Edmond stretch and had come up with some ideas on how to increase tourism along the Road. First, I thanked ODOT for listening to our request to not bisect the .9 mile loop. Next, I read aloud the letter from Senator Haney so the audience would know that ODOT would not receive funds for a re-alignment or four-laning. Then I presented one of the ideas from the OU study. They had proposed turning the railroad right of way into a biking and hiking path - something a bit difficult to do if a four-lane road was there instead! I gathered up my papers and sign, then sat down to some applause as well.

While the first two speeches were going on, I noticed bit by bit the TV station crews were starting to pack up and leave. I was worried they would leave before Jim got to deliver his news, thereby missing the really big story of the night. In fact, they all had packed up by the time Jim got to the podium, but Channel 5 hadn't left the building yet. They rushed back in when they heard the thunderous applause. After Jim and I spoke, the reporter asked if we would care to do an interview and we agreed.

So, sorry to say, I missed the rest of the meeting. Channel 5 was the only station to interview us as to the actual impact of what had happened. Unfortunately, due to the impending execution of a prisoner that night at midnight, a very shortened version of the story appeared on Channel 5's 10:00 news, minus any interviews. However, they did mention the Senate resolution and gave it its due importance. Channels 4 and 25 did a standard "the citizens of Arcadia spoke their minds" type piece, totally missing out on the resolution - 25 because they didn't stick around, 4 because they chose not to say anything, even though they were told earlier at Hillbillee's. Channel 9 did not report on the story at all. The Daily Oklahoman got copies of the resolution and Haney's letter from Jim but did not quote Jim or acknowledge where the information came from. The Edmond Sun was at the meeting as well, but I did not get to see what kind of article their reporter wrote. I sat next to her prior to the meeting and tried to fill her in on what was going on because she seemed a bit confused on the details.

So, in summary, ODOT will fix the bridges but will find it difficult if not impossible to move the alignment - not just in Arcadia, but elsewhere in Oklahoma as well. Various groups who had not really met before have decided that it is time to work together since Route 66 means economic health to so many diverse communities. And vital public awareness was raised and it was obvious that everyone was routing (pardon the pun) for Arcadia and leaving the road where it is.

Perhaps now we need to launch a membership drive to capitalize on these recent memories. People are interested, it's just a matter of convincing them that they can make a difference.

There are a lot of exciting things planned for the Route 66 traveler this year, so let's start our survey.

Mix It Up on Route 66!

The Community Connections: Route 66 Mix will feature Oklahoma based artists from the Oklahoma Arts Council Touring Roster:

- The Byron Berline Band (bluegrass)
 - Jana Jae (country/classic)
 - D.C. Minner, Selby & Blues on the Move
 - Mitch's Brew (jazz)
 - Les Gilliam (country swing)
 - The Cruz Trio (Mariachi)
 - The Great American Indian Dancers
 - Norahua, Mexican Folkloric Dancers
 - Willburn Hill (actor/storytelling)
 - Laurette Willis (actor/storytelling)
- Hosted by Gene McFall as Will Rogers*

The performance schedule is:

- Miami**, April 17, 7 pm, Coleman Theatre, (918) 540-2425 (ext. 454)
- Claremore**, April 18, 7 pm, Rogers State College Auditorium, (918) 343-7579.
- Elk City**, April 23, 7 pm, Susan Powell Fine Arts Center, (580) 225-0136
- Clinton**, April 24, 7:30 pm, Clinton Middle School, (580) 323-4683
- El Reno**, April 30, 7 pm, Redlands College Culture Center, (405) 720-7852
- Chandler**, May 1, 7 pm, Memorial Auditorium, (405) 258, 2425.

Whether admission is to be charged or not, and the amount, will vary from community to community. Please call the provided phone numbers for more information.



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Spring Cruise to Carthage, MO

Our spring cruise is timed to end with the grand re-opening of the Route 66 Drive-In in Carthage. There will be a day long event of vendors and activities prior to the movie to be shown that night – The Titanic is the movie being requested.

Since this is a fairly long drive and we want to get to Carthage by 3:30, we will not have checkpoints or rolls of the dice. The idea is to caravan, take quick pit stops, and enjoy the scenery. Here are our cruise plans for April 17 and 18.

Party Friday night in Tulsa – RAMADA Inn, BOBBI SOX Club. I-44 & Memorial. 8:00 pm, music starts at 9:00 pm.

Saturday morning breakfast at the Metro Diner at 3100 East 11th Street (11th & College).

Leave Tulsa at 9:00 am, Caravan style.

First stop in downtown Claremore. One hour to go Antique shopping or museum viewing your choice.

Depart from east end of Claremore with two quick stops in Foyil and Chelsea, and a longer break at the Little Cabin Pecan Company in Vinita.

Then more quick stops in Afton, Miami, Baxter Springs.

The entry fee is just \$5.00 per person! There will be a prize in Missouri – a 50/50 split on the ticket/entry fees collections. Hopefully this will encourage non-members who find our booth that we will have set up in the Drive-In parking lot to buy a ticket, too.

Centennial Celebration at the Round Barn to be Combined with Cruise.

The Round Barn in Arcadia is celebrating its 100th year on Saturday, April 25 and Sunday, April 26. On Saturday starting at 10 am they will have a car show, an art show in the barn loft, special music and awards. On Sunday starting at 2 pm, there will be a dedication of special markers to Luke and Anna Robison, and The Frank Vrana Family. There will be other special guests, special music, and more awards.

Our cruise is timed to start at 10 am and arrive in Arcadia at 3 pm:

Cruise with two start points. East to start in Sapulpa, the west in El Reno. There will be checkpoints with at least one stop in each town and an equal number of stops in both directions.

Dice will be rolled and the person with the highest

total will be the winner. There will also be a special prize for anyone with a total of 100.

Entry fee is \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members. A special price of \$30 will be offered for anyone wanting a membership and an entry. Cars should register before 9:30 am. Cruisers will leave promptly at 10.

Once we arrive in Arcadia by 3 pm, we will park on the east end of Hillbillee's.

National Route 66 Museum Opens in Elk City, Fun Run included

The new National Route 66 Museum will be dedicated on Saturday, June 6th. A meeting of all the Route 66 Associations will be held Friday afternoon at 3 pm with our own Exec. Director Joe Kisicki presiding. A melodrama and sack supper will be held that night at 6:30 in the Red Carpet Community Theater.

Saturday, starting at 10 am, will be a parade. Whoever from our Association shows up with their vehicles can participate. Lunch will be at 11:30 at the Flamingo Restaurant. The menu will be chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, biscuits, black-eyed peas, and apple pie. The emcee will be Teresa Mullican, Mayor of Elk City. Michael Wallis will be the guest speaker.

At 2 pm there will be the official ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony. Lt. Governor Mary Fallin will speak. The eight-state flag raising will follow. Then tours of the Museum and a reception will be held.

From 3:30 to 5:00 is a Fun Run. It will be a game of 5-card stud. Members are urged to register before June 1. Cost is \$8.00 for each member, \$10.00 for non-members. If you wait until the day of the Fun-Run, cost is \$10.00 no matter what. There will be two sets of merchants in Elk City, four in each set. Cruisers select if they want to do the A set or the B set. Then, at the appropriate merchants, cruisers will draw a card that will be stapled to their passport. The last card will be drawn back at cruise headquarters to determine the winner. Cash prizes will be given to the winners! Passports can be picked up at the TEEPEE on the grounds of the Old Town Museum/National Route 66 Museum on Pioneer Road.

Then at 6 pm is a banquet to be held in the Elk

be featured. The entertainer will be Argus Hamilton, national humorist and columnist. Governor Frank Keating will also be on hand. VIP Awards and Recognition Certificates will be handed out.

Sunday morning at 9 am there will be a church service and gospel sing at the Old Town Chapel, on the grounds of the museum.

Mother Road Ride/Rally

For you motorcycle buffs, don't forget the annual rally sponsored by Kirk Woodward. This year it is being held June 13-20th. For more information call (817) 488-4940, visit the website at www.hhjm.com/rally or write to: HHJM, Inc., 2024 Heatherbrook Drive, Grapevine TX 76051.

Discover Oklahoma to Take Bus Tour Along Route 66

Tired of driving the old Road and maybe missing some of the sites? Let someone else do the driving for you! The *Discover Oklahoma* television program is sponsoring a bus tour along the western part of Oklahoma's Mother Road July 22 and 23. Their stops will certainly include the Oklahoma and National Route 66 Museums in Clinton and Elk City. For more information, call Jefferson Lines at 800 827-7433.

Rogers University Symposium Delayed a Year

Originally, the Route 66 Symposium was to take place August 7-8 in Tulsa on the Rogers University Campus. The event has been delayed a year in order for the Smithsonian to take part. The new dates are Sunday June 13 – Saturday June 19, 1999. The Smithsonian is working with Michael and Suzanne Wallis to do a 5-day Route 66 Study Program. The symposium will be a part of that study program.

But they do plan on a road trip this June. Thursday - Sunday, June 25-28, 1998. **Route 66 with Michael and Suzanne Wallis (Tulsa - Chain of Rocks Festivities, St. Louis)** Enjoy Route 66 memories, stories with veteran travelers, Michael and Suzanne Wallis. Celebrate the opening of the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge to pedestrian traffic with other enthusiasts. For more information contact Gwin Jones at Rogers University at (918) 594-8305.

66 Expo

Thursday October 1 through Sunday October 4 is the 66 Expo, the next generation of events first started in 1996 by the Texas Association and the National Historic Route 66 Federation.

The reason the event is spread over so many days is to allow folks a chance to visit the different sections of Texas Route 66.

Thursday, starting at 10am, is the eastern panhandle tour. Cost is \$10.00 a person. You will leave Shamrock from the U-Drop Inn, travel 66 to McLean and Alanreed, lunch at old Mobeetie, the first town in the Texas panhandle. While in Mobeetie, witness an old-time jail break. Your tour guide will be Bob Izzard, Amarillo author and authority of the Red River Indian War in the Texas panhandle.

Thursday evening at 7 is the Kick-Off Banquet in the Shamrock Community Center. Michael Wallis will be the guest speaker. As you may recall, Michael won the 1996 Steinbeck Award at the first event.

Friday, from 9:30 to 2, will be the Route 66 Symposium and Tour at the Oldham County Courthouse in Vega. Various topics will be discussed with discussions led by: Michael Wallis – The Future of Route 66; Paul Taylor – Route 66 litigation; Becky Ransom – Teaching 66; Tom Teague – Route 66 and ISTEAM Money. Lunch will be "depression style" – beans and cornbread, donations accepted.

Then from 2 to 4 will be a tour of Route 66 West and Cal Farley's Boys Ranch. You'll visit the Adrian Café for homemade pie and coffee, continue to the Boys Ranch for a tour of Old Tascosa (3rd town in the Texas Panhandle) and learn how the town evolved into a world-renowned child care facility. Bob Izzard will again be your guide.

Friday night beginning at 6 pm will be spent in Amarillo. There will be wine tasting at the Nat and 40s-theme street dance and car show. Admission is \$10.00. All day Friday and Saturday there will be an art show in downtown.

Saturday in Amarillo will be a poker run sponsored by the Center City of Amarillo and the Amarillo YMCA. Harley Riders will go west on 66, classic cars will go east. There will also be a roller blade race in downtown. Registration fees for all three classes: Harleys – one toy for the Toys for Tots program.

Classic Cars – one coat for the Amarillo area Evelyn Rivers Program.

Roller Bladders – canned food for the High Plains Food Bank.

From 10 am to 5 pm along 6th Street in Amarillo on Saturday will be all kinds of free, continuous entertainment. There will be bands, cloggers, square dancers, Indian dancers, pie eating and baking contest, chicken throwing contest, street vendors, and more.

Then, from 6 to 9 pm will be the Steinbeck Award Dinner, sponsored by the National Historic Route 66 Federation. The location and admission fee information is still pending as we went to press.

On Sunday, there are hopes for a cowboy morning breakfast at the Figure 3 Ranch and a tour of the Palo Duro Canyon. As we learn more about these events, we will pass along the information to you.

And what will the Oklahoma Association do in Texas? We will have a booth and will participate in some way in the Thursday activities in Shamrock. We encourage our membership to take part in the other events as well.

Here is a sampling of what has come into the Association the last few months:

I am a member of both the Illinois and California Route 66 Associations...Recently I joined a Marine Corps Veterans Organization and to my amazement, Mr. Robert (Bobby) Troup is a member. At present he is not in the best of health, but he still has his wits about him. I have taken it upon myself to write to you in the event you would like to communicate with him. You can initially write to him in care of this writer. I will see that your letters are delivered to Mr. Troup unopened.

Herbert W. Laffoon, P.O. Box 4983, Carson, CA 90745.

A copy of VETTE VUES MAGAZINE, sent by members Jerry and Kathy Grabiak of Sandersville, GA. Jerry wrote an article about GM's Return to the Road Corvette Cruise as they traveled through Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma. Thanks Jerry!!

A flyer promoting the "New, Historic Route 66 of Illinois" guidebook by John Weiss for \$14.95 plus 3.00 shipping and handling. For more information

write to Historic 66, P.O. Box 16, Frankfort, IL 60423.

A copy of the 1997 Collectors Edition "United States' first and largest prepaid calling card magazine" Premier Telecard. This issue dealt exclusively with Route 66. They have a nice section on Oklahoma and heap praises on our Trip Guide. This issue was sent to us courtesy of Benchmarc Communications who puts together Route 66 phone cards and whose phone cards appear splashed throughout the magazine.

February 16th Letter from Senator Enoch Kelly Haney, Chairman of Appropriations to Neal McCaleb, ODOT

(This is the letter Kathy read to the meeting in Arcadia)

Neal McCaleb
Department of Transportation
200 NE 21st Street
OKC, OK 73105

Dear Neal,

This letter is in reference to the proposed re-alignment of Highway 66 in the Arcadia area.

I have received letters of concern from residents of this area who are opposed to this proposal. Three major concerns with the new alignment have surfaced. The first is the by-pass of the Town of Arcadia itself. The Town has made dedicated efforts to restore the Round Barn and build on tourist traffic. A by-pass would destroy those efforts. Secondly, a four-lane would discourage traffic to stop in Arcadia. Third, re-alignment would no longer follow the historic path of Route 66.

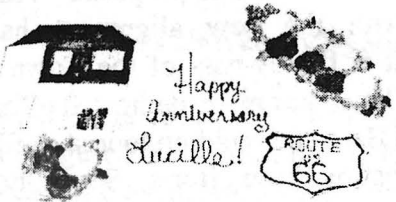
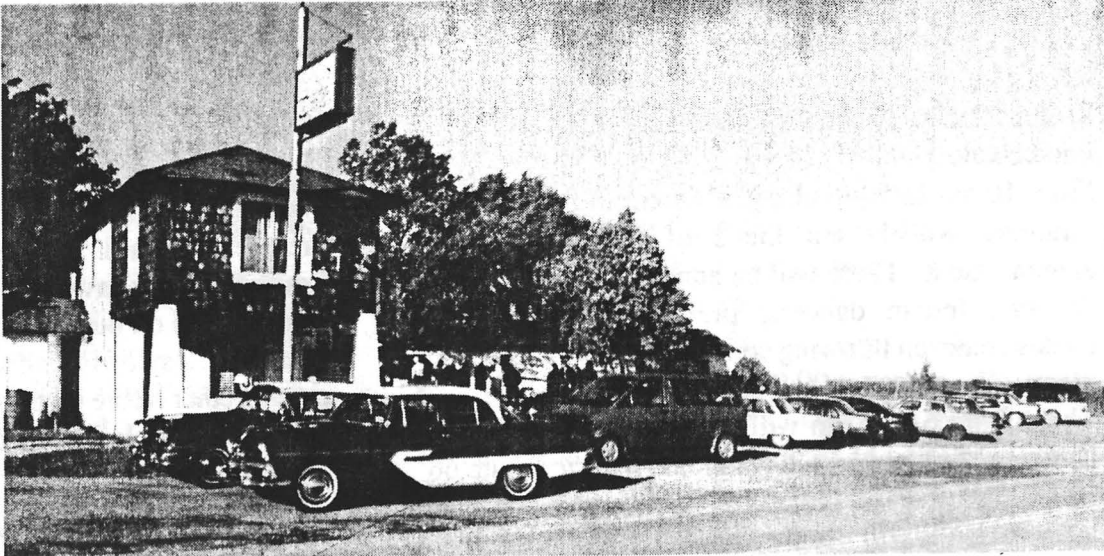
I urge you to re-consider this proposal. With the parallel path of the Turner Turnpike so close to Route 66, I do not see the viability of another four-lane at this time.

Be assured that I will follow this proposed plan closely and will support the wishes of the Arcadia community.

Sincerely,

Senator Enoch Kelly Haney

Photos from our anniversary party for Lucille Hammons/ October '97 Cruise, courtesy Cheryl Nowka (Lucille's daughter).





The costumes were great. Yes, it was cold and windy, but we all had fun finding the ghost of "66".



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ROUTE 66
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Clinton OK 73601
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580-225-9695

Old Town Museum
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Elk City OK 73644
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ELK CITY OK 73644
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(this is the resolution read by Jim Ross)

Senate State Resolution No. 54

By Haney, Capps, and Kerr

A Resolution directing a moratorium on realigning Historic Route 66 without legislative approval; directing an application to place Route 66 on the National Register of Historic Places; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Historic U.S. Route 66 continues to grow in stature as a powerful and poignant symbol of the Depression and Dust Bowl era migration, the post-World War II tourism boom and the American spirit in general; and

WHEREAS, Route 66 has been immortalized in literature, song and other artistic impressions as an integral part of our nation's history and is strongly connected to Oklahoma because it was conceived and designated by Oklahoma's first highway commissioner Cyrus S. Avery, and that it was later named the Will Rogers Highway; and

WHEREAS, the entire length of Route 66 has become severely fragmented since the implementation of the interstate highway system and other road projects subsequent to Route 66's decertification in 1985; and

WHEREAS, dramatic increases in tourist traffic, both domestic and foreign and the resultant economic revitalization of many Route 66 communities establishes the value of Route 66 as a resource that should be cultivated and promoted; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation has proposed a plan which will change the path of U.S. Highway 66 to by-pass the town of Arcadia, one of the communities which still has the original Route 66 in place. The citizens of Arcadia and the Arcadia Historical and Preservation Society and many others have done an excellent job of promoting the community, based on the attractions of its Route 66 heritage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 46TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate directs the Department of Transportation to declare a moratorium on any realignment of historic Route 66 without expressed legislative approval.

THAT the Oklahoma State Senate directs the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department and the Oklahoma Historical Society to draft an application to place Route 66 on the National Register of Historic Places to preserve this national treasure for present and future generations.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the Department of Transportation, the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department, the Oklahoma Historical Society, the town of Arcadia, and the Oklahoma Route 66 Association.

Adopted by the Senate the 19th day of February, 1998.



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