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The Journey of Sutham Nateetong By Rhys Martin

Did you see a man in orange robes walking along Route 66 recently? Sutham Nateetong, a Buddhist monk from Thailand, started walking

down Route 66 on March 1st. He began his Walk for Peace at the Santa Monica Pier in California and crossed into Oklahoma on April 27th.

By the time Sutham left Quapaw, OK and entered the state of Kansas, he had visited with dozens of Oklahomans along the Mother Road. Several news outlets throughout the state captured his journey and talked to him about his message of world peace. Sutham reached Chicago in June and is continuing on to his destination: the Statue of Liberty in New York City.



Photo courtesy of Rhys Martin

### SAPULPA IS OK!

By Jerry McClanahan

Just after midnight on Sunday May 26, a line of severe thunderstorms caused extensive damage along the Route 66 area from Kellyville through Sapulpa and south Tulsa.

The National Weather Service reported straight-line winds over 80 mph and confirmed that two EF-1 tornados hit Sapulpa.

The storms damaged trees, powerlines and business signs throughout the city, with damage to roofs and upper brick walls in downtown, plus a collapsed warehouse.



Route 66/Mission Ave was blocked as late as Tuesday the 28th while workers replaced downed powerlines. Businesses such as the iconic Happy Burger were forced to close until their power was reconnected.

This is the storm system that dropped a deadly tornado earlier that



evening in El Reno, killing two people as it destroyed a motel and clipped a trailer park near the JCT of OK 66 and US 81.



In true Oklahoma spirit, Sapulpa went ahead with the Annual Route 66 Blowout Car Show & Festival a few days later on June 1...even while roof repairs were ongoing downtown!



This year's show, celebrating its 30th anniversary, offered something for everyone, including a well stocked car show, food booths, kid's zone and arts & craft vendors plus other business and charity and informational booths.



Your association was well represented by Executive Director Marilyn Emde and President Rhys Martin, who distributed Oklahoma Trip Guides and sold t shirts and other merchandise.

Despite extensive damage, Sapulpa remains "The Heart of Route 66."









### New Way for RVs to Travel Route 66

The Road Ahead and Harvest Hosts have partnered to provide RVs traveling Route 66 a new way to experience all the Mother Road has to offer. Harvest Hosts (www.harvesthosts.com) is a membership network that invites self-contained RVers to stay overnight for free at selected sites, attractions, and businesses across the United States. The goal of the new partnership is to expand the current listing of Harvest Hosts locations to include some of the unique sites along Route 66 and enhance the experience RV travelers have on the Mother Road.

The goal is to connect RVers with the hidden gems of Real America, where they'll find unique experiences and make lasting memories with family and friends. The Road Ahead invites attractions, sites, and businesses along Route 66 to contact it if interested in becoming a Harvest Host site. Just email rt66theroadahead@gmail.com for information and details.

Harvest Hosts currently provides access to a network of wineries, farms, breweries, golf courses, museums, and other attractions that invite its members to visit and stay overnight at any of its 700+ locations completely free. In an effort to support local businesses and make it beneficial for those who act as Hosts, RVers are encouraged to support the businesses they visit, whether that's through buying some wine, shopping in the gift shop, making a donation to a museum, or buying local produce.

Harvest Hosts has tens of thousands of members from the United States, Canada, and around the world, including retirees, full-time families, business professionals, bloggers, and adventurers, all of whom have one thing in common: the desire to experience unique locations as they travel. Self-contained RVers can become Harvest Hosts members for a small annual fee.

Established in 2015 with the support of the National Park Service and the World Monuments Fund, The Route Road Ahead Partnership's mission is to revitalize and sustain Route 66 as a national and international icon through partnerships focused on promotion, preservation, research and education, and economic development.

### Interested in Becoming Part of the Network of Harvest Hosts?

You can sign up to be a Harvest Host at: www.harvesthosts.com/hosts#become-host. Please be sure to reference the Route 66 Road Ahead Partnership when you answer the question, "How did you hear about Harvest Hosts?"



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# President's Pen...

Greetings, fellow 66ers!

As I predicted in my previous letter, it has indeed been a busy few months on Oklahoma Route 66. Oklahoma has joined a few other Route 66 states in establishing our own Route 66 Centennial Commission. It was established by the State of Oklahoma and the Oklahoma Route 66 Association has a seat at the table. I look forward to working with the Lt. Governor and all other parties to make sure we're in a good place for the celebrations in 2026.

We continue to work towards reintroducing legislation at the federal level to establish Route 66 as a National Historic Trail. If passed, this designation will help fill the gap left by the Corridor Preservation Program, which sunsets this year. I hope to have more news on this next quarter.

I have also been selected to chair a working group with the Route 66: Road Ahead Partnership. This group is designed to get all eight state associations talking together on a regular basis. I'm really excited about this opportunity and look forward to having a consistent open line of communication with my peers from Chicago to Santa Monica.

The road is ever-changing. New attractions, like the Buck Atom Muffler Man in Tulsa, join Oklahoma's unique collection of roadside Americana while others, like Afton Station, come to an end. Please continue supporting your local shops and attractions; without you, they wouldn't be here.

See you on the road!

Rhys Martin, President Oklahoma Route 66 Association

## EASTERN

### **OKLAHOMA**

AFTON Grand Country Lakeside RV Park 55015 E. 270 Road Afton, OK 74331 918-257-5164

BRISTOW Exclusive Collections 920 S. Roland Bristow, OK 74010 918-894-0643 Granny's Emporium 709A S. Roland Bristow, OK 74010 918-367-1727 Hummel Hideaway Homes 414 & 424 S. Rowland Bristow, OK 74010 918-521-5303

CATOOSA **Catoosa Chamber** 650 S. Cherokee Ste. C Catoosa, OK 74015 918-266-6042 **Catoosa Historical** Society 207 N. Cherokee Catoosa, OK 74015 918-266-6592 **City of Catoosa** 214 S. Cherokee Catoosa, OK 74015 918-266-2505 Hampton Inn & Suites 100 McNabb Field Road Catoosa, OK 74015 918-739-3939 Molly's Landing 3700 N. Highway 66 Catoosa, OK 74015

918-266-7853

### **Oklahoma Route 66 Business Directory**

The Blue Whale/ Catoosa Arts & Tourism Society 2680 Highway 66 Catoosa, OK 74015 918-694-7390

CHANDLER **Chandler Area** Chamber 400 E. Route 66 Chandler, OK 74834 405-258-0673 **Community Thrift Shop** 921 Manvel Avenue Chandler, OK 74834 405-258-7382 LD's Automotive 341723 E. Highway 66 Chandler, OK 74834 405-258-2120 Lincoln County **Historical Society** 719 Manvel Avenue Chandler, OK 74834 405-258-2425 Lincoln Motel 740 E. 1st Street Chandler, OK 74834 405-258-0200 Manvel Avenue Coffee Company 905 Manvel Avenue Chandler, OK 74834 405-258-0905 McJerry's **Route 66 Gallery** 306 Manvel Avenue Chandler, OK 74834 405-240-7659 Route 66 **Interpretive Center** 400 E. Route 66 Chandler, OK 74834 405-258-1300

CHELSEA Chelsea Motor Inn 321 E. Layton Chelsea, OK 74016 918-789-3437 Project Chelsea OK 617 Pine Chelsea, OK 74016 918-855-7580

**CLAREMORE** Bennett's Route 66 Pharmacy 700 Lynn Riggs Blvd. Claremore, OK 74017 918-342-8050 J.M. Davis Arms & **Historical Museum** 330 N. J.M. Davis Blvd. Claremore, OK 74018 918-341-5707 **Mayberry Mansion** 303 E. 4th Street Claremore, OK 74017 918-924-0514 **Rogers County Development** 1503 N. Lynn Riggs Blvd. Suite D Claremore, OK 74017 918-343-8959 **Shepherd's Cross** 16752 E. 450 Road Claremore, OK 74017 918-342-5911 **Visit Claremore** 400 Veterans Pkwv. Claremore, OK 74017 918-341-8688 Will Rogers Memorial 1720 W. Will Rogers Blvd. Claremore, OK 74017 918-343-8118

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Allen's Fillin Station 101 S. Main Street Commerce, OK 74363 918-533-1151 City of Commerce 618 Commerce Commerce, OK 74354 918-675-4373 Dairy King 100 Main Street Commerce, OK 74339 918-675-4261

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#### MIAMI Chapters 31 N. Main Street Miami, OK 74354 918-540-0468









Eastern Oklahoma

Stroud Chamber

216 W. Main Street

Stroud, OK 74079

918-968-3321

Miami CVB 101 N. Main Street Miami, OK 74354 918-542-4435 **Ottawa County Historical Society/ Dobson Museum** 110 A Street S.W. Miami, OK 74355 918-542-5388 Pizza Hut Express 101 A Street N.W. Miami OK 74354 (918) 540-2471 Pizza Hut 1320 N. Main Street Miami OK 74354 918-542-6642 Stonehill Grill 1220 N. Main Street Miami, OK 74354 918-542-1679 Waylan's Ku-Ku Burger 915 N. Main Street Miami, OK 74354 918-542-1696 **QUAPAW** 

**Route 66 Express** 219 Main Street Quapaw, OK 74363 918-674-6031

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918-224-4301 Gasoline Alley Classics, Inc. 24 N. Main Sapulpa, OK 74066 918-806-1000 **Happy Burger** 215 N. Mission Sapulpa, OK 74066 918-224-7750 Heart of Route 66 Auto Museum 13 Sahoma Lake Road Sapulpa, OK 74066 918-216-1171 **Hickory House BBQ** 626 N. Mission Sapulpa, OK 74066 918-224-7830 Sapulpa Area Chamber 101 E. Dewey Sapulpa, OK 74066 918-224-0170 Sapulpa Community Theatre 124 S. Water Sapulpa, OK 74066 918-227-2169 Sapulpa Historical Society 100 E. Lee Avenue Sapulpa, OK 74066 918-224-4871 Sapulpa Main Street 15 N. Water Street Sapulpa, OK 74066 918-224-5709 Tulsa-Sapulpa Union Railway 701 E. Dewey Sapulpa, OK 74066 918-224-1515 STROUD

**City of Stroud** 220 W. 2nd Street Stroud, OK 74079 918-926-2571

TULSA **Apertures Photo** 1936 S. Harvard Avenue Tulsa, OK 74112 918-742-0500 Cedar Rock Inn at **Redberry Farm** 4501 W. 41st Street Tulsa, OK 74107 918-447-2724 **Circle Cinema** 10 S. Lewis Avenue Tulsa, OK 74104 918-592-3456 Freddie's Hamburgers 9130 E. 11th Street Tulsa, OK 74112 918-836-5600 **Generations Antique Mall** 4810 E. 11th Street Tulsa, OK 74112 918-834-7577 **Gusher Newspaper** 1125 S. 110th East Avenue Tulsa, OK 74128 918-437-7470 **Kendall Whittier Main** Street 2216 E. Admiral Blvd. Tulsa, OK 74110 918-633-1934 Mother Road Market 1124 S. Lewis Tulsa, OK 74104 918-984-9001 **Ollie's Station** Restaurant 4070 Southwest Blvd. Tulsa, OK 74107 918-446-0524

# EASTERN

## OKLAHOMA

Route 66 Main Street 2435 Southwest Blvd. Tulsa, OK 74107 918-445-4457 Sandusky Avenue **Christian Church** 1101 S. Sandusky Ave. Tulsa, OK 74112 918-834-4427 Southwest Tulsa Chamber 4231 Southwest Blvd. Tulsa, OK 74107 918-446-7010 The Campbell Hotel & Event Center 2636 E. 11th Street Tulsa, OK 74104 918-744-5500 **Tulsa CVB** 1 W. 3rd, Ste. 100 Tulsa, OK 74103 918-560-0229 **Tulsa Regional Early** Ford V8 Club of America 17730 E. 116th St. N. Owasso, OK 74055 918-371-2437 VINITA 66 Apparel LLC

117 S. Wilson Vinita, OK 74301 918-256-8573 Clanton's Café 319 E. Illinois Avenue Vinita, OK 74301 918-256-9053 Eastern Trails Museum 215 W. Illinois Avenue Vinita, OK 77301 918-323-1338 **Hi-Way Café** 437918 E. Highway 60 Vinita, OK 74301 918-256-5465

232 S. 7th Street Vinita, OK 74301 918-256-4900 Little Tin Barn 433055 E. Highway 66 Vinita, OK 74301 918-256-5415 Park Hills Motel & RV Park 438415 E. Highway 60 Vinita, OK 74301 918-256-5511 Vinita Area Chamber 105 W. Delaware Vinita, OK 74301 918-256-7133 WARWICK **Seaba Station** 336992 E. Highway 66 Chandler, OK 74834 405-258-9141

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To join the Association or renew an existing membership, please fill out this form, include your check or money order (in US funds, on a US-based bank), and mail to the address below. We also accept MasterCard and Visa for your convenience. NOTE: A\$20 recovery fee will be charged for bad checks.

#### Type of annual membership (checkone)

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BETHANY Anderson Productions P.O. Box 1032 Bethany, OK 73008 405-341-1646 Apple Tree Antique Gallery 6740 NW 39th Expressway Bethany, OK 73008 405-495-0602

CALUMET Cherokee Trading Post 301 S. Walbaum Road Calumet, OK 73014 405-884-2502

CLINTON Clinton Chamber 101 S. 4th Street Clinton, OK 73601 580-323-2222 Oklahoma Route 66 Museum 2229 W. Gary Blvd. Clinton, OK 73601 580-323-7866 Route 66 Café at the Market 301 Gary Blvd. Clinton, OK 73601 580-445-7008 EDMOND



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El Reno, OK 73036 405-834-5632

#### ELK CITY Elk City CVB

1016 E. Airport Industrial Drive Elk City, OK 73644 580-225-0207 Elk City/Clinton KOA Kampgrounds I-40 Exit 50

> 21167 E. Route 66 Foss, OK 73647 580-592-4409

National Route 66 Museum

2717 W. Third Street Elk City, OK 73644 580-225-225-6266

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Voorhees, Voorhees & Byers 1625 Greenbriar Place, Suite 700 Oklahoma City, OK 73139 405-682-5800 Watches, Etc. 5934 NW 39th Expressway Oklahoma City, OK 73122 405-789-2824 **Will Rogers Theatre** 4322 N. Western Oklahoma City, OK 73118 405-525-2294 SAYRE Gallery@ 112 112 W. Main Street Sayre, OK 73662 580-928-0002 Western Motel 315 NE Highway 66 Sayre, OK 73662 580-928-3353

#### TEXOLA

**Tumbleweed Grill** 16726 Route 66 S. Texola, OK 73668 580-526-3914

#### WEATHERFORD Best Western Plus

525 E. Main Street Weatherford, OK 73096 580-772-3325 **City of Weatherford** 522 W. Rainey Weatherford, OK 73096 580-774-4505 **Downtown Diner** 123 W. Main Street Weatherford, OK 73096 580-744-1234 **Heartland of America Museum** 1600 S. Frontage Road Weatherford, OK 73096 580-774-2212

# Western Oklahoma

Stafford Air & Space Museum 3000 Logan Road Weatherford, OK 73096 580-772-5871 Weatherford Area Chamber 210 W. Main Street Weatherford, OK 74096 580-772-7744

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City of Yukon 500 W. Main street Yukon, OK 73099 405-350-3939 Green Chile Kitchen Route 66 12 E. Main Street Yukon, OK 73099 405-265-4346 Yukon's Best Main Street 500 W. Main Street Yukon, OK 73099 408-350-3939



In April, a Route 66 enthusiast named Sam Murray took time out of his journey along the road to clean up a landmark in Lincoln County, just outside of Stroud. If you've ever taken the old dirt road south of the highway, you've seen the tall, black Ozark Trail obelisk. For a long time, it has been covered in graffiti. Sam took several hours to clean and repaint the obelisk back to its original white color!

Although we have recently heard reports that some graffiti has once again shown up on the marker, we are hopeful that Sam's efforts inspire more attention to keep this century-old artifact looking clean and refreshed for our travelers. (photo courtesy of Rhys Martin)



The new Muffler Man at Buck Atom's Cosmic Curios on 66 in Tulsa was unveiled on Saturday, May 11th. Attendees included Lt Governor Matt Pinnell and historian Michael Wallis, seen here speaking to the crowd. (photo courtesy of Rhys Martin)

# WESTERN

### OKLAHOMA

Yukon Chamber 10 W. Main Street Suite 130 Yukon, OK 73099 405-354-3567

### ELSEWHERE

**Ariston Café** 413 Old Route 66 Litchfield, IL 62056 217-324-2023 **Boom-A-Rang Diners** 2330 N. Harrison Shawnee, OK 74804 405-788-4303 **Carousel Advertising** 512 Lou Allard Drive Drumright, OK 74030 918-798-6176 **Cozy Dog Drive Inn** 2935 S. 6th Street Springfield, IL 62703 417-588-4466 Hidden Treasures PB&J 12425 S. 273rd East Avenue Coweta, OK 74429 918-951-7579 Mother Road Music 428 Hill Top Road Lobelville, TN 37097 931-626-7998 **RJ's Route 66** 3467 S. Bellhurst Springfield, MO 65804 417-839-6755 **Rising Star Productions, Inc.** P.O. Box 3779 Muskogee, OK 74402 918-571-8179 Route 66 "Mother Road" Museum 681 N. 1st Avenue Barstow, CA 92311 760-255-1890

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# Upcoming Events 2019

### **Oklahoma Route 66**

### Association of Board Meeting Schedule for 2019

July 14, 2019, 1:30 p.m. Quarterly Board Meeting-Dobson Museum, 110 A SW, Miami; Open to the general membership and the public. *Agenda:* any new business.

Mark Your Calendars!

October 20, 2019, 1:30 p.m. Quarterly Board Meeting-Historic Fort Reno, 7107 W. Cheyenne Street, El Reno; Open to the general membership and the public. *Agenda:* Set Annual meeting date and place; set 2020 meeting dates and places; any new business.