



To the membership-at-large of the Oklahoma Route 66 Association;

On behalf of the Joplin planning committee for the 2013 Route 66 International Festival, we extend to you this formal invitation to attend the celebration of the heritage of Route 66 in Joplin, Missouri, on August 1-3.

Downtown Joplin will be the central location for the *Main Street Marketplace*, which will house the authors, artists, collectors and crafters of everything Route 66. Each day of the International Festival, Joplin's Route 66 will be busy with family-related activities, historical sites to see, good food, and Joplin's trademark Southwest Missouri Hospitality. Saturday evening, we will be hosting a combination car, working truck, military vehicle and motorcycle show and capping off the weekend with an exciting concert event, all right on Route 66!!

Additional activities are being planned with our regional Route 66 neighbors. Thursday night, we kick off the International Festival with a cruise to Carthage, Missouri's 66 Drive-In. Friday evening, our neighbors to the west host a welcome party and concert in downtown Galena, Kansas.

The most current schedule of events for the 2013 Route 66 International Festival can be found at [www.route66internationalfestival.com](http://www.route66internationalfestival.com).

If you are unable to attend the International Festival, please know the door is always open. Stay connected with us at [www.visitjoplinmo.com](http://www.visitjoplinmo.com). We would enjoy meeting you.

Hope to see you all along Joplin's Route 66.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Patrick W. Tuttle".

Patrick W. Tuttle  
Director