



MMOCC Newsletter – JANUARY 2026

***Mid Mo Old Car Club
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Happy New Year! Most new year's seem like a new opportunity to try something new or finally finish something you've been trying to complete for years.



For me....I'm hoping to finally get my 57 convertible (pictured above, the day of the accident) back on the road and do a Rt 66 trip in it. I'm also hoping this will be the first year since I was 18 that every vehicle I own is running, driving, and usable as regular transportation. Who knows? I really think that can finally happen this year.

A couple things that make this year worth celebrating a little more, is the 250th birthday of our nation, and the 100th birthday of Rt 66. Perhaps our club can do a few special trips this summer. See you at our next meeting at Hy Vee!

MMOCC President Nathan Fuller

HISTORIAN MIKE SCHAEFER'S MMOCC TRIVIA:

- MMOCC is the third oldest active antique car club in Missouri.
 1. Horseless Carriage Club of Mo. St. Louis 1944.
 2. Ozark Antique Auto Club. Springfield MO. 1958.
 3. Mid Mo Old Car Club. Jefferson City MO. 1970-71.
- MMOCC was founded May 3, 1971.
- First female President: Stacy Bandelier 2003.
- MMOCC had 5 Co-Presidents in 2010.
- Todd and Linda Slanker started MMOCC Scholarship in 2011.

Imperial Crown Convertible: Big-block power, sleek unibody design

CAR SHOW RELATED:

Accumulate your extra pistons and rods for this year's car show trophies.

Questions, contact Mike Schaefer at 573-645-7802.

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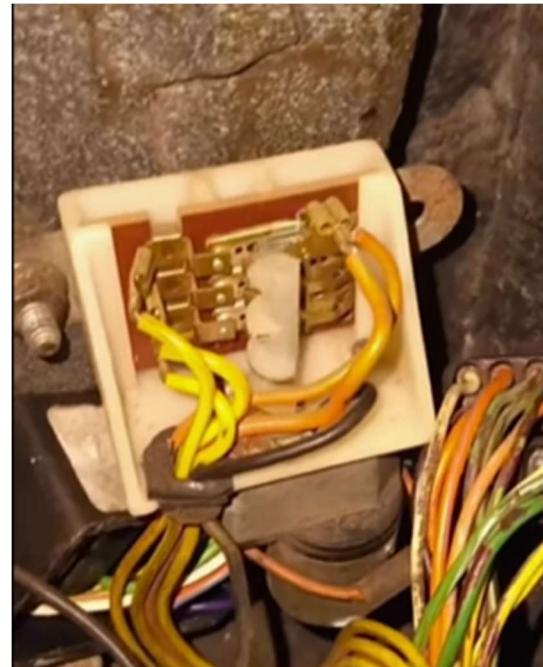


COUGAR SEQUENTIAL TURN SIGNAL

The 1967 Mercury Cougar used a mechanical sequential turn signal system that worked long before modern electronics. Inside the trunk a motor driven mechanism rotated through multiple contacts, lighting each section of the taillight in perfect timed order.

The setup relied on cams, relays and analog circuitry to create the flowing left to right animation that made the Cougar instantly recognizable at night. Every blink was produced by physical parts rotating in sync, not by solid state modules or digital controllers.

This mix of engineering and creativity is why these classic signals still feel special today. They show how inventive mechanical solutions were before electronics took over modern cars.



**Jefferson City
Host Lions**



**HAM & BEAN and CHILI
BOX LUNCH – CURBSIDE or DINE IN**
Wednesday, February 4, 2026

Ham & Bean Box

- Ham & Bean, Sauerkraut, Cornbread, and Brownie.

Chili Box

- Chili, Crackers, Hot Dog, Cornbread, and Brownie.

**Curbside or Dine In Box at
St. Peters Church - Selinger Centre**

11:00am until 1:30pm and 4:00pm until 6:30pm
(while supplies last)

Adult tickets \$11 in advance.
Lyle at 573-291-7159 for 'advance-ticket' information

Day of: \$13 for the first ticket and \$12 thereafter. \$5 children under 12.

Being able to "serve" you enables us to "serve" our community!

MMOCC SHIRTS:

Shirts available at future meetings and events. Contact Doug Stephens at 573-632-2895

The Moylan Arrow

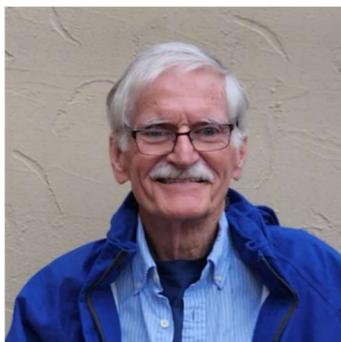
During an April rain shower in 1986, a Ford Motor Company employee checked out a company pool car, and on his way to a meeting stopped at a gas pump to fuel it up. Parking at the gas pump, he became soaked when he realized the fuel cap was on the opposite side. Returning from the meeting and without even removing his coat, he drafted a “Product Convenience Suggestion”.

The proposal which included a drawing, submitted through his chain-of-command, was to add an open fuel door symbol to the instrument cluster.

The employee was James “Jim” N. Moylan. After seven months he received a reply that a symbol would be added, starting with 1989 models, although an arrow would be used.

The Moylan Arrow was first used in the 1989 Ford Escort and Mercury Tracer.

Following that it was used in the Ford Thunderbird and Mercury Cougar. Other domestic manufacturers then adopted it along with foreign auto producers. Now even electric vehicles have indicators for their charge port(s).



James “Jim” N. Moylan

Jim Moylan was born December 19, 1944 in Detroit, Michigan. He started out as a draftsman at Ford Motor Company and retired as an Engineering Manager in 2003 after 34 years of service. He recently passed away on December 11, 2025 at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.



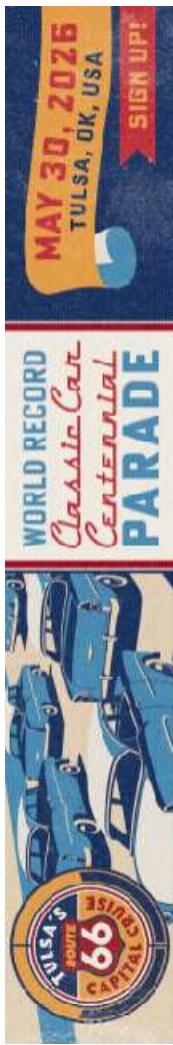
Before Highway 40, traveling across country was difficult. Many roads were dirt and weren't connected to a larger system, leading to a lot of dead ends and doubling back.

On November 11, 1926 the United States Numbered Highway System was signed into law and created an integrated network of roads that could be used to transport goods, livestock, travelers, and more. Highway 40 stitched together a number of trails including the National Road, the Victory Highway and the Old Trails Route, also known as the Boone's Lick Road.

Route 40 originally ran from Atlantic City, New Jersey to San Francisco, California—right through Columbia, Missouri.



ROUTE 66 EVENT IN TULSA, OK



WHAT IS CAPITAL CRUISE

Capital Cruise is a classic car parade celebrating 100 years of the Mother Road in Tulsa, the Capital of Route 66. The cruise will be on **Saturday, May 30, 2026**.

The **Capital Cruise Expo** will take place at Expo Square Thursday and Friday night before the cruise with food, live music, games, and classic cars! More information will be available closer to the event on CAPITALROUTE66.COM.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE CRUISE?

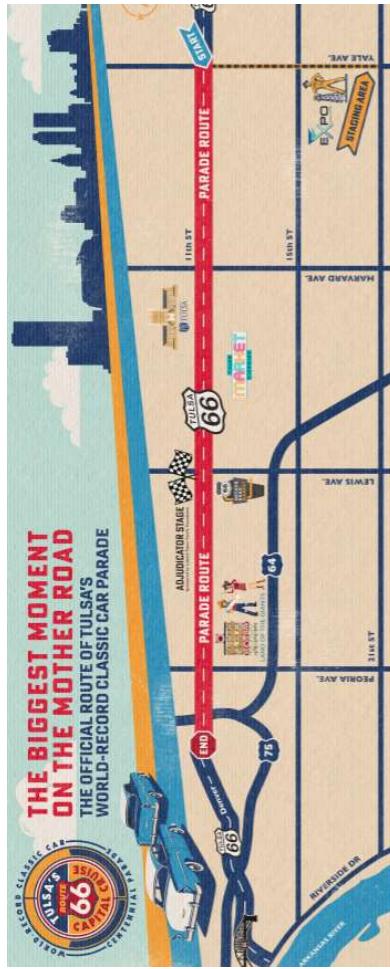
Any car made in 1996 or earlier is eligible to join. Your vehicle must be in safe working condition, insured, and able to idle along the 5.5-mile route.

IS THERE AN APPLICATION FEE?

- Yes.
- Early registration (on or before April 30, 2026) is \$15.
- Regular registration (May 1-30, 2026) is \$25.

READY TO REV UP?

REGISTER TODAY!



LEARN MORE



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The cruise route will encompass 5.5 miles of Route 66 within Tulsa's city limits. After staging at Tulsa's Expo Square, cars will travel to the official start of the spectator route at 11th and Yale. The route will then follow 11th Street (Historic Route 66) just south of the University of Tulsa and through key intersections including South Harvard, South Lewis and South Peoria, offering several high-visibility zones for spectators.

The route was determined through meetings and collaboration with city officials, Tulsa police, road closure personnel and Route 66 Commission members. Research into infrastructure, public safety and operational considerations led to the final decision.

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Springfield, Missouri: The Birthplace of Route 66

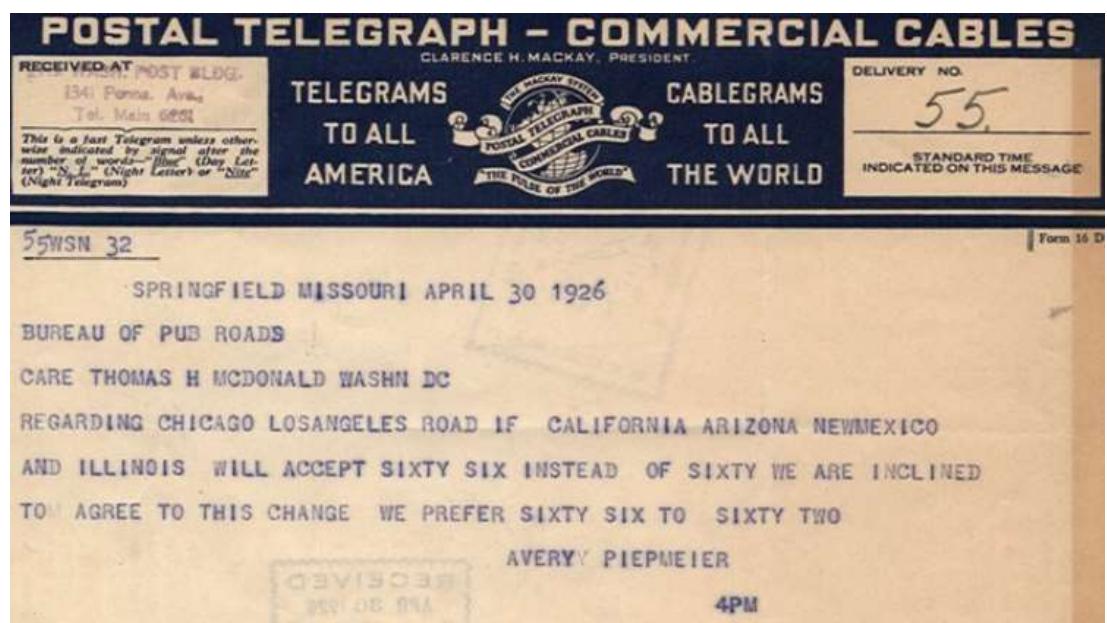
If you've spent even a few hours in Springfield, you're bound to see a sign declaring it "The Birthplace of Route 66". This may sound like a bold claim, considering that the route begins and ends in Chicago and Los Angeles. While our city is not the start of the physical highway, it is where the name was finalized.

In September of 1925, a group of federal planners proposed "Route 60", from Chicago to Los Angeles. William J. Fields, the governor of Kentucky at that time, was upset at Kentucky's alienation from other states. He felt that a transcontinental highway through Kentucky would serve to end the alienation. In 1926, Fields won out and the new Route 60 would take drivers from Virginia, through Kentucky, and end in Springfield, Missouri. The Chicago – Los Angeles highway was then named "Route 62".



John T. Woodruff, a Springfieldian entrepreneur, and Cyrus Avery, the Oklahoma Highway Chairman, led the group of federal planners, who disliked the name "62". In April of 1926, the group met in Springfield, Missouri at the Colonial Hotel. They decided that "Route 66" was a catchy name, and sounded better than "62", which made them think of a second rate road. They sent a telegram from the Colonial Hotel to Washington D.C., which said "Regarding Chicago-Los Angeles Road...if California, Arizona, New Mexico and Illinois will accept Sixty-Six instead of Sixty we are inclined to agree to this change. We prefer Sixty-Six to Sixty-Two."

While Springfield isn't the origin of the idea of The Mother Road, it is where the iconic name was declared. Travelers from all over the world flock to Route 66 for a fun road trip, and to experience the Americana, bringing them right to Springfield.



Upcoming Events that MMOCC Plans to Attend:

A. January MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, January 22.
- HyVee-JC Community Room (upstairs). Room available at 5pm with meeting at 6pm. Grab your meal and eat together!
- Topic: Dennis Smith talks Locks.

B. February MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, February 26.
- HyVee-JC Community Room (upstairs). Room available at 5pm with meeting at 6pm. Grab your meal and eat together!
- Topic to be determined.

C. St. Patrick's Parade – Paddy Malones on West Main.

- Saturday, March 14 lining up around 1:30pm with parade starting at 2pm.
- Meeting, starting, and returning at Paddy Malones at 700 West Main Street / JCMO.
- Downtown Jefferson City route (the parade, itself, is small, but it brings a lot of smiles!)

D. March MMOCC Meeting.

- Thursday, March 26.
- Annual Scholarship Auction. Bring donated items to auction off and cash to buy some bargains! (Baked goods have been a big hit in the past.) All proceeds benefit the Scholarship Fund.
- Auction at 7pm at Tom Winters' Kustum Signs shop at 507 E. Buchanan in California, Missouri.
- Bring your own chair. Enter the parking lot on an angle to avoid dragging.
- Bring items to sell and money to buy.

E. Holts Summit Pizza Hut Old Car Cruise In.

- First Saturday of each month from April to October. 4:30-8pm.

F. Missouri Moonshiners Street Rod Club Cruise In.

- Second Saturday of each month from April to October. 5-8pm.

G. Sonic Hot Summer Nights.

- Third Saturday of each month from May to September from 6-10
- Sonic in Versailles.

H. Capitol Cruise In (JC) East Capital at Madison.

- Last Saturday of each month from March to September. 5-9pm.

I. Monthly Capital Mall (JC) Cruise In.

- Last Saturday of each month from April to September. 3-7pm.
- Thriftway in Linn. Contact the Evens at 573-291-6209 if questions.

J. MMOCC Monthly Meetings.

- Fourth Thursday of Each Month at 6pm (except November and December).
- January, February, April, May, September, and October at the HyVee-JC Community Room (upstairs).
- Suggest a topic, present a topic, etc.

K. Nichols Career Center Car Show.

- Sunday, April 26 from 12-3pm.
- JCHS Adkins Stadium Parking Lot at 610 Union Street / JCMO.
- All proceeds benefit Nichols Career Center SkillsUSA Chapter.
- Lots of student cars and projects on display.

L. Sheriff's Barbeque Car Display.

- Old Car display at the annual Cole County Sheriff's Barbeque.
- Tuesday, June 2 serving from 4-7:00 pm. Arrive when you can. Leave when you want. Bring a chair. Contact Lyle at 573-291-7159 if questions.

- BBQ pork steak or chicken available.
- Old Car parking inside the Cole County Fairgrounds near the flagpole.

M. Hemming Great Race Route 66 Lunch Stop Road Trip.

- Road trip! Sunday, June 21, 2026 12:00pm - 3:00pm.
- Carpooling from Schultes, leaving 10:15am.
- Waynesville Square at 301 Historic Route 66 / Waynesville, MO.

N. Lohman Cruise In.

- Sunday, June 28 from 10:30am to 2pm in Lohman on Front Street “by the big tree”.
- Bring a chair and cooler. Come and go as you please. Contact Lyle at 573-291-7159 with questions.
- Lions Club BBQ available at the Community Center from 10:30am until out.
- Fireworks at the Church at 9pm by Dennis and Laura Even.

O. “Salute to America” Cruise In.

- West Capitol Avenue and north of the Capitol.
- Saturday, July 4. 3-6pm. <https://www.salutetoamerica.org/>
- Help requested to park cars. No judging duties.
- Contact Larry Rhea (573-606-9266).

P. Sacred Heart Parish Picnic Cruise In Car Show.

- Sunday, August 23 11am-6pm.
- 540 N Mill Street / Eldon
- Sonny Evers. 573-338-0552.

Q. Cruisin’ to Folk – Fall Festival and Car Show.

- Sunday, September 7. 11am-6:30pm.
- Car show at Laura and Dennis Even’s house (173 Hwy EE) in conjunction with the Church’s Fall Festival.
- Contact the Evens at 573-291-6209 if questions.

R. Wheels for Meals Car Show Fundraiser.

- Saturday, September 12 at 8:30am.
- Russellville High School / 13600 Route C.

S. MMOCC Old Car Round Up and Show.

- 57th annual.
- Saturday, September 26, 2026.
- In conjunction with JC Oktoberfest.

T. No November Meeting.

U. December Meeting / Christmas Party.

- Thursday, December 17, 2026. Arrive as early as 5pm. Meal about 6pm.
- American Legion off Tanner Bridge.
- Meal provided by the Club.
- Bring a rob-your-neighbor gift for your gender valued around \$25. Be creative!



... and many more as the year progresses.

Plans in process:

- Route 66 Day Trip to include Hooker's Cut (see October 2025 MMOCC Newsletter) and the Route 66 Museum in Lebanon.
- Boonville Day Trip with the Studebaker Club to the Mitchell Antique Motorcar Museum.
- Evening tour of the Jefferson City Fire Department Museum with dinner at Daisy Delight.
- Do you have an idea? Let's do it!



Officers:

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