

BATOC
2018 Route 66 Trip
Planning Meeting
June 24, 2017

We had a great first planning meeting for our 2018 Route 66 trip. There was lots of discussion and great ideas from all and we got quite a bit accomplished! The trip is looking more and more like a reality! A huge thank-you to all who participated.

Below is an outline of the meeting. Our next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 8th at the Buttercup after the Monthly Club Meeting. It is open for all interested to attend.

In Attendance:

John Villanueva (and Alice in absencia)
Joe Devlin (DJ)
Guy Cummins
Paul Grech
Marianne Grech
Paul V. Gravelle
Jean Riley
Maria Guthrie
Jim Guthrie
Mary Cummins

General discussion about Route 66 trip examining route options, travel dates and duration, safety and prep issues, things to do, budget, etc.

Basic concepts of the trip agreed upon are:

1. Travel from Amarillo to California (westbound)
2. Drive approx. 200 – 250 miles per day
3. Examine option to ship cars to Amarillo.
 - a. Make arrangements for car drop off with a local Ford dealer.
 - b. Those not wanting to ship car can caravan out and meet up in Amarillo. (Bud to work on getting quotes for car transport and making arrangements with a Ford dealership)
 - ❖ *Note: there was some discussion around trying to generate some publicity in Amarillo re: Ford Dealership, T-Birds and the start of our Route 66 trek, 60th anniversary and maybe even getting Ford involved.*
4. Travel dates: early October
 - a. Ship cars after Ironstone and Birds on the Wharf. Allow time for car delivery and start trip around October 5th or 6th, depending on car delivery schedule.
5. Have a chase vehicle that can tow if needed.
6. Put together a checklist for car pre-inspection
7. Put together a list of extra parts and supplies needed to take along on the trip. (Paul Grech to help with this)
8. Group recommendations:
 - a. At least 50% of participating cars should be 2 seater T-Birds
 - b. Non-club participants are responsible for making their own hotel reservations.

Bucketlist Items:

1. Maria – Sleep in a Wigwam
2. Paul Gravelle – Cadillac Ranch
3. DJ – See the Big Texan
4. Maria – Las Posada Hotel
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Budget Estimates: (based on a 12 night trip for two people, including car transportation and one-way driving)

Hotel Accommodations:	(\$120/night)	\$1500
Food:	(\$100/day)	\$1200
Gas:	(approx. 1750 mi.)	\$ 300
Entertainment Expenses		\$ 300
One-way airfare to Amarillo	(\$250/person)	\$ 500
Car Transportation	estimated at \$500 - \$1000	
Total:	approximately \$5000 per couple	

Tentative Itinerary:

1. Amarillo (2 nights)
2. Santa Fe (1 night)
3. Albuquerque (1 night)
4. Gallup (1 night)
5. Winslow (1 night) --- Las Posada Hotel (Maria to work on plan for this day)
6. Flagstaff (1 night)
7. Kingman (1 night)
8. San Bernardino (1 night) --- Wigwam Hotel
9. Santa Monica Area (1 night)
10. Return to Bay Area

Next meeting:

Saturday, July 8th after the Monthly Club Meeting @ Buttercup

Agenda Items:

- Follow-up on Car Transportation
- Begin discussion on Activities (bring your ideas!!!)