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Ozark Section Travels to Petit Jean State Park on Saturday, August 19



Our August event will be a drive to **Petit Jean State Park** on Saturday, August 19. Petit Jean was Arkansas's first state park located near Morrilton. One of Arkansas's historic treasures, Mather Lodge holds the distinction of being the only lodge built in Arkansas by the Civilian Conservation Corps back in the 1930's. This mountain lodge, built of native log and stone, has a rustic warmth that combines with its bluff setting overlooking rugged Cedar Creek Canyon to inspire visitors with its natural beauty.

Lunch will be at the Mather Lodge, on the mountain, at **11:30 a.m.** Since everyone is coming from so many different directions, we will just meet at the lodge by 11:15 a.m. The drive will take approximately 3 hours +/- from NWA and will depend on each individual's location and route. Porfirio Gutierrez and Tanny Jones are coming from Hot Springs, AR. If you would like to travel with them, please email Porfirio at gohikear@gmail.com.

After lunch, we will caravan down the mountain to the "Movie House Winery" in downtown Morrilton for a tour of the winery, wine tasting and visit to the gift shop. The Movie House Winery was founded in 2011 by Ken and Sherrie Sowers; it is housed in the newly renovated Petit Jean Movie Theatre, built in the 1930's.

WHEN: Saturday, August 19, 2017
WHERE: Petit Jean State Park
 1285 Petit Jean Mountain Road
 Morrilton, AR 72110
RSVP: Linda Harrell by August 16
Linda.harrell@sbcglobal.net or 479-644-8087

The Tired Iron of the Ozarks 26th Annual Fall Show in Gentry, AR on Saturday, September 9



Our September event will be held in Gentry, Arkansas, to enjoy the Tired Iron of the Ozarks Fall Show. According to its website; the Tired Iron of the Ozarks is a club dedicated to the preservation and exhibition of antique engines and tractors. The show will include old-time saw-milling and blacksmith work, operating hit-and-miss engines, and home and business antiques. Admission is free; hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

We will meet at the showgrounds at 9:00 a.m. to visit the exhibitions and enjoy the antiques. At 11:00 a.m. we will caravan to Siloam Springs, Arkansas for lunch at the Cotton Patch Café, located at 3451 Hwy. 412 E. Lunch is scheduled for 11:30 a.m., and for those who wish to just meet for lunch, please RSVP Linda, as requested below, for reservations will be needed.

When: Saturday, September 9, 2017
Where: Tired Iron Showgrounds
 13344 Taylor Orchard Road
 Gentry, AR 72734
RSVP: Linda Harrell by September 6
Linda.harrell@sbcglobal.net or 479-644-8087





Star Reflections

Submitted by Kathy Menold,
Section President

I want to remind you once again that this October, the Ozark Section will be celebrating its 20-year anniversary. Roger Shuler's family and the Board of Directors will host the celebration at Shuler Autohaus, in Fayetteville, where it all began. The purpose of this event is for our members to enjoy and reflect on the years gone by as well as look to the future. We are inviting our President and Executive Director from the National Office along with our Regional Director to join us for this event and are also providing a catered lunch. In order to meet these expenses at no cost to our members, all proceeds from fund-raising prior to October will go towards this event. I encourage our members to participate in the silent auctions that you will see at several of our upcoming events.



Do you ever wonder how our Ozark Section members spend their vacations? Our longest and eldest member in the Ozark Section, Vern Sutter, from Bella Vista, had some fun in a saloon in Dodge City, Kansas. He's such a rascal!!



Our Ozark Section has been fortunate to have outstanding advertisers to help support our section. I would like to remind you to please patronize these businesses. Please let them know how much you appreciate their support.



Lunch Bunch at Olde Tyme Hamburgers Restaurant in Rogers, Arkansas

On Friday, May 31, 2017, fourteen Ozark Section members met for lunch at Sam's OldeTyme Hamburgers for lunch in Rogers, Arkansas. The food was excellent, and we spent some quality time being together. Linn and Gary Reusswig drove down from Carl Junction, Missouri, EuGene Smith came from Clinton, Arkansas, and John and Dottie Miller drove up from Greenwood, Arkansas. The others live in Springdale, Rogers or Bella Vista, Arkansas.



Welcome New Members

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Member	Member Since
Jim Endicott	2016
Hank Euler	2013
Jim Knight	2004
John (Terry) Lee	2009
Dane Paulsen	1998
Jose Penagaricao	1998
Gary Reusswig	2010
Paul Springmann	1990
Rebecca Vendel	2015

“Four State Run” from Gravette, Arkansas, to Baxter Springs, Kansas, on May 20, 2017

Submitted by Kathy Menold

Pictures by Linda Harrell

Unfortunately, Mother Nature doesn't always cooperate with the Ozark Section's calendar of events. We had planned a trip to tour the 10,000 natural acres of Dogwood Canyon in Lampe, Missouri, on May 20, 2017. A few weeks before our event, Arkansas and Missouri were drenched with days of heavy rain, and the beautiful park was heavily damaged. We were saddened not to be able to make the trip to Lampe, but Bob Gailey and Linda Harrell saved the day. Bob is from Baxter Springs, Kansas, originally; he suggested we take a trip to the Baxter Springs Heritage Center and Museum.



A group of fourteen Ozark section members met in Gravette, Arkansas and followed Bob and Linda along the back roads of Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri. Our first stop was the Grand Lake Casino in Grove, Oklahoma. There we took a short break to stretch, and do a little gambling just for fun. No big winners! From Grove, Oklahoma, we continued to Baxter Springs



where we met Linn and Gary Ruesswig from Carl Junction, Missouri, for lunch at the Baxter Springs Smokehouse. After lunch, I presented Jim and Fran Endicott from Siloam Springs, Arkansas, with a Mercedes-Benz key chain, as new members to the Ozark Section.



We left the restaurant and drove a short distance to the Baxter Springs Heritage Center and Museum. The museum provided us with the history of Baxter Springs. According to the Center's literature, Baxter Springs is the "First Cowtown in Kansas". Following the Civil War, Baxter Springs became one of the first cowtowns in the West. Drivers bringing herds of cattle northward from Texas to Missouri found

the town a welcome stop after several months on the dusty cattle trail. Leaving the cattle to feed on the prairie grasses in Indian Territory, the drovers enjoyed the saloons and other attractions. The Heritage Center Museum has 20,000 square feet and is a climate controlled facility housing exhibits on Quantrill's Battle and Massacre, the Civil War, World War I and World War II, 1870's Street with Shops, 1930's Brick Street with Shops, Lincoln School Classroom, Native American History, African American History, Route 66 and Tri-State Mining Gallery.



A few of the members chose to drive on their own back to Arkansas, but several of us followed Bob and Linda across the Spring River towards Seneca, Missouri, and on into Arkansas. This was new country for many of us, and the drive was beautiful. Bob and Linda are quite the adventurers and know the back roads well for the Ozark Section to travel. Joel and I thank them so much for helping us plan the event on such a short notice.

“Two State Run” from Bentonville, Arkansas, to Iggy’s Diner in Carthage, Missouri, on June 17, 2017

Submitted by Kathy Menold

Photos by Linda Harrell and Kathy Menold



On Saturday, June 17, fifteen members left from Bentonville, Arkansas, and caravanned traveling the back roads to Carthage, Missouri. Bob Gailey and Linda Harrell led us on a trip through Little Flock and Pea Ridge, until we turned onto Highway 37 North heading to the state line. There we traveled through the small towns of Washburn, Cassville, Purdy and Monett. After a brief rest stop we headed north the remaining 17 miles to Iggy’s Diner in Carthage, Missouri. There two more members from Carl Junction, Missouri met us to have lunch.

Iggy’s Diner originally opened in July 1999 as a 50’s-style classic diner on Route 66. It is a full-service restaurant with American food. The walls are decorated with 45-rpm records, LP albums and memorabilia of Elvis, Marilyn Monroe, James Dean and others; oldies music plays in the background.

One of our Dinner-for-Six groups, consisting of Dave Jones, Ruth Shafer, Mickey and Beth Hickman, and Brenda and Ray Lippig, donated a gardening item for the silent auction; it included seed packets, a gift certificate to Westwood Gardens, and small garden tools tucked into a metal watering can. Linn Ruesswig from Carl Junction, was the high bidder.

After enjoying a wonderful lunch at Iggy’s, we drove into the historical portion of Carthage to the town square. Several of the members enjoyed visiting the Carthage True Value Hardware store, while others did some antiquing, shopped at the farmers’ market and stopped at Annie’s wonderful arts, candy and wine shop.

This trip started out in the rain and ended on a beautiful, hot sunny day in Carthage, Missouri. We want to thank Bob Gailey and Linda Harrell once again for putting this enjoyable event together. Great Job!!





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Lunch Bunch at Grandma's House Café in Winslow, Arkansas



On Thursday, June 22, 2017, ten members gathered for a buffet lunch at Grandma's House Café in Winslow, Arkansas. Some members drove up from Greenwood and Clinton, Arkansas, and also down from Rogers and Springdale, Arkansas. The meal was excellent, and the pies were the best!! These small lunch groups are always enjoyable.

Club business doesn't happen at these get-togethers; they're just for fun, so we try to keep the planning and effort to a minimum. Our commonality is that we're MBCA members, and our purpose is to get to know each other rather than to promote the Section. I hope you'll join us at a Lunch Bunch meeting in the near future. Watch for other gatherings in your email inbox or on our Facebook page.



I would like to share this letter I received from Louella Terrell, who lives in Murfreesboro, Arkansas. She has been a member of the Ozark Section for 25 years. She said she was sorry she couldn't attend our membership event this year.

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TO: Kathleen Menold

Thanks for remembering me for the Membership recognition. I can't come and you can mail it.

I am 93 yrs young and had knee and hip surgery in 2015. My other knee is bad and br taking shots in it and

My eye sight is bad and I haven't driven since 2015.

I still have my beloved Mercedes 1981, the first car I ever bought. I have owned another Mercedes when

My grandson is driving in Atlanta. I have bought several cars since and just gave my son the last car a

a Jeep and I gave a grand daughter a GMC Terrain.

I read your letters about your trips and dreamed wish I could go.

I still keep books for this hardware and we have celebrated the 100 y. anniversary this year 2017

Thanks
 Louella Terrell
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**Silver Star Preservation Class Program
September 9, 2017, in Carrollton, Texas**

I received the email below from our Regional Director, Gene Jurick, and I know there are some of our members that would be interested in attending. Please let Gene know if you have any questions.

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Hello South Central Region Presidents,

Recently I have had calls from several members in the region relative to the Silver Star Preservation Class Program. This is not a particularly new program, but is one that has not received a lot of publicity. The essence of the program is to recognize largely original untouched and non-restored cars that are at least 25 years old for special awards.

The North Texas Section holds a car show in conjunction with their Annual Members Picnic each year. This year we will hold a Silver Star Preservation Class in conjunction with the picnic and car show. The picnic and show is held September 9<sup>th</sup> 2017 at Sandy Lake Park, 1800 Sandy Lake Rd, Carrollton, TX 75006, This is in the Dallas area.

Complete information about the Silver Star Preservation Class can be found at the national MBCA website, [mbca.org](http://mbca.org). Click: *For Enthusiasts>silver-star-preservation-class*. The document fully explains the concept and the program. Next Click: *Our Community>mbca resources>event forms>Silver Star Preservation Class Score sheet*. This sheet explains the scoring procedure and is the actual scoring sheet. The member fills out the score sheet and it is reviewed by a certified MBCA judge and in this case the Regional Director. If the required score is met, the forms will be submitted to the Chief Judge and the awards made.

While this may sound complex, it really isn't and flows very well. Now, where do you come in? This email is going only to the South Central Region Presidents. I would greatly appreciate you circulating this opportunity information to all your section members. This can be done via your regular email information blasts, a special email blast or any other form you choose. Feel free to use this email in its entirety, cut and paste, any way that you would like.

Advise your members that they may contact me directly at their convenience. I will go through everything they need to know and to do to certify their car as a Silvers Star Preservation Class Award winner.

The North Texas Annual Picnic is free to section members and their families. It will also be free to Silver Star Preservation Class entry members, too.

I know you don't really need an extra job and I do appreciate help with this project. Call me anytime.

Thanks,  
Gene

[gjurick@tx.rr.com](mailto:gjurick@tx.rr.com)

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Gene Jurick

Regional Director / South Central Region

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**2017 Upcoming Ozark MBCA Events**

| <u>Date</u>    | <u>Event</u>                                                                | <u>Location</u>  |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| August 19      | Petit Jean State Park<br>Lunch at the Lodge                                 | Morrilton, AR    |
| September 09   | Tired Iron of the Ozarks                                                    | Gentry, AR       |
| October 14     | 20-Year Anniversary Celebration for the<br>Ozark Section at Shuler Autohaus | Fayetteville, AR |
| November - TBA |                                                                             |                  |
| December 09    | Christmas Party<br>Fred's Hickory Inn Restaurant                            | Bentonville, AR  |



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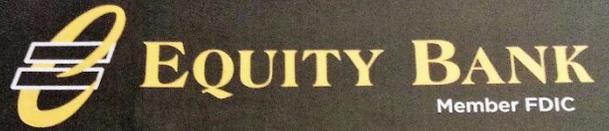


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|-----------------|--------|
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| Marty Anderson  | Aug 06 |
| Mike Irwin      | Aug 11 |
| Larry Altman    | Aug 15 |
| Andrew Spranza  | Aug 15 |
| Joel Menold     | Aug 16 |
| Cathi Cody      | Aug 16 |
| Luke Lippig     | Aug 20 |
| Robin Retzlaff  | Aug 21 |
| Ruth Shafer     | Sep 05 |
| Mary Baker      | Sep 14 |
| Janet Showalter | Sep 14 |
| Sandra Rosales  | Sep 25 |
| Al Gulseth      | Sep 28 |
| EuGene Smith    | Sep 29 |
| Lori Lee        | Sep 30 |

**Ozark Section Anniversaries**

|                     |        |
|---------------------|--------|
| Carl & Cathi Cody   | Aug 07 |
| Jim & Becky Deitz   | Aug 12 |
| Mike & Evelyn Irwin | Aug 31 |
| Eric & Aimee Duca   | Sep 20 |
| Joel & Kathy Menold | Sep 24 |
| Congratulations!    |        |



If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, contact our Hospitality Chairman, Diane Paulsen at 479-790-5643 or [diane.kcrealty@gmail.com](mailto:diane.kcrealty@gmail.com)

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