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Breakfast? What the Heck Happened?

We got a surprise when we all showed up for breakfast at the Daybreak Café on August 5th and they were CLOSED! The sign in the window said they have ceased operations as of Aug 1. Well. There we were, milling around in the parking lot until someone called the Silver Skillet at 61st and Memorial, who fortunately, said they had room for us.

So, we did get to eat and it was only a little chaotic. Next problem, where do we have breakfast in September. Our fearless leader, Mike Webb said he would scout a few places and so our next breakfast on **SEPT 2ND** will be at

Talley's 61st and Sheridan

We will have a couple of options as they do have an upstairs room or they can seat us all in one area downstairs and they also have a patio if it is a lovely fall morning. So we are going to give it a try. Be there on **Sept 2 at 9:00 am** and we will decide if this might be our new breakfast meeting spot.

MADE YOUR RESERVATIONS FOR THE FALL DRIVE? OCTOBER 27,28,29

The British Iron Group, the Tulsa Club, the Little Rock area and OKC are invited to attend

The Mountain Home Retreat

The group will be starting off from Springdale, AR and from there it is on to Mt. Home, Arkansas and the Americinn by Wyndham, our host hotel for the weekend. Here is the important part, so pay attention!

This is a new hotel and we got a special rate of \$107.50 per night, plus taxes, For Reservations at this Special Rate, call (870) 701-1776 and <u>you</u>

MUST mention British Iron Car Club to get the special rate.

If you plan to make this trip, you need to get your hotel reservations in NOW because this is a busy weekend and is also peak fall color time in Arkansas. There are a limited number of rooms and once they are gone you may be out of luck.

AFTER you have made those hotel reservations, you need to contact **Greg Bunch at (479) 530-2792** because he needs to know how many will be attending each dinner/brunch and the cave tour to make reservations.

This is going to be a fun weekend of music, festivals, good food and craft beer and interesting places to see and I haven't even touched on the great roads in this part of the Ozarks.

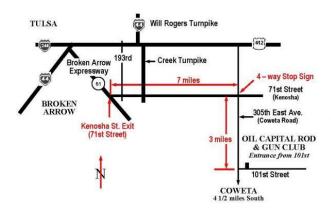
Going to be a great trip so make your plans and reservation ASAP!



Sept 16th - Saturday Picnic Oil Capitol Gun Club

Yes, we are expecting cooler weather and a great evening for a cookout. The club will be supplying the hot dogs and hamburgers and the beverages and we are asking the members bring a side that goes well with a picnic.

The gun club is located at S 305th East Ave Coweta OK 74429



The picnic will start at 5:00 pm and run until 8:00 pm. We will plan to eat at 6:00 pm. This is a very nice facility with a covered patio and rest rooms.

Don't be surprised if we have some extra fun and games arranged (Spam toss, anyone?)

We would like to know if you are coming so we have an idea of how many burgers to prepare so call, text or email Linda Young at 918 640-3726 or mmra@windstream.net

Oct 5,6,7 Brits in the Ozarks

Yes, it's that one weekend when the Razorbacks aren't playing at home so let's have a CAR SHOW!!

As many of you already know this is the <u>Premier British</u> <u>Car Show</u> in the 5 state area and always draws at least 100 entrants and you want to be one of them.

Of course they have a full 3 days of activities with drives and tailgate parties, the car show and the awards banquet and you can take part in all that or if you just want to go to the show on Saturday, we will be having a caravan over on Saturday morning.

If you have not received a registration form in the mail, you can go to the club web site at www,britishironnwar.org, go to "show", "registration information" and "download registration"

Scott Young will be leading the caravan of Jaguars (and other Brits) on Saturday morning and more info on that will be emailed out in September.



We Went Shopping!

On a hot Saturday morning in July, the 15th to be exact, we made a trip to Supulpa to "Gasoline Alley Classics". What a unique place! Half retail store, half museum the place is quite different from the usual Route 66 souvenir store.

This building has been taken down to the brick walls and redone to bring back the essence of the Ford dealership and assembly facility that once occupied the space.



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There was a huge selection of items ranging from new Tee shirts and hats to brand new original designed items that are perfect for decorating the "man cave" or garage. Antique items including gas cans, air pumps, gas pumps and display racks full of the well known products of past motoring service.

Remember when gas was .32 cents a gallon? That is the price still showing on this antique pump.

While stripping the building down to it's barest bones, the owner also saved the original wood floor and all of the wood lathe from the walls. If you have done any "this old house" remolding, you know what a task this is! The restrooms were quite unique and here you see some of the lathe used as wainscoting on the wall of the Ladies.





There are also two early Fords on display. Both cars belong to Sapulpa residents and have been in the families for a long time. That is Scott and Linda Young standing in front of one of the cars.

After we finally exhausted ourselves looking at all the interesting things and talking to other store visitors who happened to be touring Route 66, (as I recall once couple was from Australia) we moved onto the American Dinner for lunch.



Waterfront Grill

A large group of club members met at the Waterfront Grill in Jenks for dinner on a Tuesday evening. My, this bunch sure does like to eat!

Yes it was still a blistering hot evening but we had the lovely glass enclosed, *airconditioned*, room that looks out over the Arkansas river.



At one end of the table we had the **Snoke's, Ken and Georgia** and **Shelia and Phillip Dooley** and a little farther down were **Todd and Marybeth Coady**.



Enjoying the variety of appetizers Les and Joan Neidell, Berneal and Steve Flach, Bob Triffo and Marybeth Coady



Scott Young, Carol and Don Wright. Don was wearing a really snazzy Jaguar racing shirt!



Patrica and Ed Brett and Karen and Bob Triffo and the Flaches.

The room was pretty full and there were actually a couple of people in attendance that I did not manage to snap a picture of including Mike and Denice Webb, Gary and Maxine Grover and Todd Coady.

As usual the noise level was high until the food arrived but that seems to be the norm for this group as we really enjoy our evenings of good food and conversation. If you were not able to make this dinner, you don't want to miss the next one!

By the way, where were you, Stan? Everyone was expecting you!





I'll bet in all this heat you haven't even given your Christmas shopping a thought! Well, here is the first thing to put on your list. **SOCKS and UNDERWWEAR!!**

It has been a hard year on the streets of Tulsa, what with all the heat piled on top of everything else a homeless person has to deal with on a daily basis. One of the biggest problems the homeless have is getting a shower and some fresh clothes. While we can't help out much with the temperatures and providing showers, we can help with supplying some much needed socks and underwear.

So keep and eye out and watch for those sales and load up! We will be collecting these donations of men's, women' and children's socks and underwear through November and at breakfast on Dec 2nd.

This is one of the ways the club gives back to our Tulsa area community so put these items at the top of your shopping list and let's make this the biggest donation to the Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless yet!

If you have any questions, call or text Linda Young at 918-640-3726.



Barn Finds Do Happen

There was a large article in the latest issue of **Autoevolution**, an on-line auto enthusiast magazine about a car found buried under a mass of "stuff" in garage.

A man living in Burbank, California, died under unknown circumstances in his home. Since the neighbors didn't know any of his relatives, the Police were called to do a report. Upon entering the residence, officers discovered a place filled with so much stuff that they could barely go inside and search for what had caused this guy's passing.

But the Police did their job. They contacted the family, searched the place, and cataloged everything of importance

they found in the cluttered home. Once they got to the garage, the officers noticed a car under a pile of stuff. They didn't move anything but noted that the man owned a vehicle. It could barely be seen, so they didn't give it much thought. Photo: Jay Leno's Garage on YouTube



After the family came, they talked with the officers. They didn't know what make and model was hidden in there. The only detail the family members spilled was that it was of English origin.

One of the officers knew Jay Leno personally. He called the TV star and told him about what he had seen, and that the family didn't know what to do with that car. The comedian enquired about it and eventually struck a deal.

The vehicle hidden under water heaters and old TVs was a 1963 Jaguar XKE. It was bought brand-new by the guy that passed. He used it for around five years. After becoming addicted to alcohol, the iconic roadster got put away in the garage, and it has never seen the light of day again — until Jay Leno got his hands on it. That's how he discovered a new barn find, one that could make any of us envious.

After an initial inspection, the verdict was clear. It was an all -original XKE with only 17,000 miles on the odometer! The car needed some help to return to its former glory, but nothing was missing. The TV star found even the original jack that nowadays is sold by people online for over \$1,000. The manuals, books, tool kit, and the Dunlop bleeder hose were also in the trunk



Photo: Jay Leno's Garage

All this happened almost one year ago. Since then, the Jaguar underwent a careful restoration process, ultimately bringing the XKE to its former glory. (cont'd on page 6)

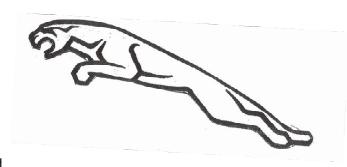
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Some worn-out parts, like the clutch and brake master cylinders and fuel and brake lines, had to be replaced. The differential was pulled out, disassembled, cleaned, and technicians replaced the gaskets and seals. The dents were fixed with great care, and no repainting was done.

But the best thing about this barn find is that the car was kept under a lot of stuff. Thus, water didn't get to it. The XKE survived for 54 years without showing signs of corrosion or severe upholstery damage. Even the factory body markings survived to this day! It is a marvel and sheer luck because Jaguar didn't really focus on reliability when it manufactured this astonishingly fantastic two-door.

Moreover, Jay Leno learned from his recent mishaps and didn't try to fool around this time. He saw the corroded wire rims and elected to put new ones on the roadster. Leno also went for a wider tire. As you may expect, the original ones were stored away.

Finally, this is one grand, if not ideal, barn find. It's a revived piece of history that's fortunately in great hands. The TV star also has a Jaguar XKE Coupe in his famous garage, so he's accustomed to this iconic machine. Now watch Jay Leno driving it around. He's sharing some interesting tidbits about the marque and the era when the car arrived in the US.

As previously stated, this is an excerpt from a long and interesting article about Jaguar cars and this car in particular. If you would like to read it you can find it in it's entirety at: https://www.autoevolution.com/news/jay-leno-s-rescued-and-restored-1963-jaguar-xke-is-one-epic-barn-find-218924.html. There is also a You-Tube video at https://youtu.be/bcER13bCWIY?si=45bfd_1qnX6bpeGO where you can see the rebirth of this car or just get on You Tube and search for Jay Leno's 1963 XKE and you will find it.

Tina's Jaguars

The Queen of Rock 'n' Roll, Tina Turner, who died on May 24 at the age of 83, loved the freedom that cars provided. They represented a blessed escape for the musical superstar, who couldn't go anywhere in public without being recognized. Turner always found solace in automobiles, most notably her white Jaguar XJ6, which she received as a gift from Sammy Davis Jr. in 1970. She also had a silver E-Type, given to her in 1973 by then-husband lke Turner.

"I'll never forget the moment I got behind the wheel and pulled out of the dealership," she wrote of her XKE. "It was late and a little misty when I drove the sleek silver Jaguar on Wilshire Boulevard. As far as I was concerned, there was no one else on the road—just me, driving with the windows down, looking and feeling fabulous. I can still hear the sound of the motor, the vroom that signaled it was ready to take me anywhere I wanted to go." For Tina, Jaguars were "Simply the Best."

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For Sale by original owner; purchased in Oklahoma City from Benchmark Motors. 1994 XJS convertible 2+2 6 cylinder with 62,306 miles. Always kept in a garage. The transmission was replaced 10 or so years ago and the A/C has not worked for probably 8 years. The drivers seat leather and the leather cover on the console storage are worn or damaged. It has some leaks, needs rear shocks and sway bar bushings. \$5000 you can contact me at: conrad joseph@hotmail.com







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Sept 16- Oil Capitol Gun Club - target shooting and picnic Oct 7- Breakfast at Tallys Café 61st and Sheridan 9:00 am Oct 7th - Brits in the Ozarks Car Show - Fayetteville Ar Oct 27-28 - Mt. Home Retreat Weekend drive - details on page 1

Nov 4 - Breakfast at Tallys Café 61st and Sheridan 9:00 am Nov 17th - Friday night dinner at Safron

Dec 2 - Breakfast at Tallys Café 61st and Sheridan 9:00 am Dec - Date TBA - Christmas party

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Where they burn books, they will ultimately burn people.

> Heinrich Heine German Lyric Poet

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Really important info about the fall drive on October 27-29 on page 1

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