



**Route 66 Heritage  
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## **GET YOUR GARAGE SALE FIX ON ROUTE 66!**

Logan County, Illinois – “37 Miles of Smiles” is how Route 66 of Logan County Garage Sale event founder Bruce Huskins describes the upcoming two-day garage sale extravaganza on June 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> along the 37 mile stretch of Route 66 in Central Illinois that includes Atlanta, Lawndale, Lincoln, Broadwell, and Elkhart.

Huskins, a Lincoln, Illinois resident, brought the idea to the newly formed Route 66 Heritage Foundation of Logan County so that the proceeds could go back into preservation and promotion of historic sites in the county along Route 66. The primary projects funded from this year’s proceeds will be the restoration project at the historic Mill Restaurant site in Lincoln ([www.SaveTheMill.org](http://www.SaveTheMill.org)), and the placement of a marker tribute at the recently burned-down site of the Pig Hip Museum at Broadwell ([www.PigHip.com](http://www.PigHip.com)). Money raised from the event in the other participating communities will help fund future Route 66 projects in those communities as well.

All the participating communities will have town-wide garage sales, but in Lincoln, the emphasis will be on garage sales at residences along the four different alignments of Route 66 and at special Route 66 vendor locations located on Route 66 (watch for the Rt. 66 Garage Sale signs). The vendor locations include the Information Station (Corner of Lincoln Parkway & 5<sup>th</sup> St.), the Abe Lincoln Wagon Site (Corner of Lincoln Parkway & Woodlawn Rd.), Postville Park (5<sup>th</sup> St.), Logan County Courthouse Lawn (Downtown Lincoln), McDonald’s (Lincoln Parkway), McEntire’s Roofing (1909 N. Kickapoo St.), and Latham Park (Downtown). Sanctioned spots are also located in Atlanta at Best Value Inn, Broadwell at Route 66 Park, and Elkhart at the Old Gas Station. Vendor spaces will be available on a limited basis for \$10, but to be eligible for a map listing, spaces should be reserved by May 21<sup>st</sup>.

“The vendor locations are designed for people who aren’t directly located on Route 66 or who aren’t from Logan County to set up shop and participate with us as well. We have vendors signed up from all over Central Illinois,” said Geoff Ladd of the Route 66 Heritage Foundation of Logan County.

The event corresponds with the Illinois Route 66 Association Motor Tour that same weekend (June 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>) along Illinois Rt. 66. The statewide association is celebrating their 18<sup>th</sup> year for the Motor Tour. Also that weekend is the Broadwell, Illinois Sesquicentennial celebration, featuring the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday of Ernie Edwards of the Pig Hip. There will be presentations, guest speakers, a huge birthday cake, and a rare opportunity to have a Pig Hip sandwich! The Broadwell ceremony event starts at 2pm on Sunday. The same weekend as well will be the Atlanta Spring Celebration, which starts on Friday June 8<sup>th</sup> with a walleye dinner and live music. City-wide garage sales will also be held Saturday in Atlanta, with the Big Kidz Toyz fundraiser for the Atlanta Museum project to be held on Sunday from 1-3 pm. The communities of Lawndale and Elkhart will have city-wide garage sales the same weekend as well.

Event founder Bruce Huskins encourages you to attend this great event! “Come one, come all. You can have a ball. Get your kicks on Route 66. At your own pleasure, come and find your treasure,” said a poetically speaking Huskins!

For further information, contact the Route 66 Heritage Foundation of Logan County at 217-732-8687 or visit [www.SaveTheMill.org](http://www.SaveTheMill.org).