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ILLINOIS' FIRST
Electric Vehicle Cruise-In
ATLANTA, ILLINOIS

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2013

10:00am-4:00pm

Along the Original Mother Road in Historic Downtown Atlanta, IL

**All Electric and Hybrid Cars Invited • Vintage Music • Great Food
50/50 Drawing • Hourly Drawings • Free & Open to the Public**

When Rt. 66 was commissioned in 1926 it helped develop the gas and service stations that today we take for granted. Back then, however, these fixtures of the highway didn't exist. If you wanted gas for your new automobile, you had to go to the local hardware or grocery store where you'd find a single gas pump the owner had put in to earn a little extra cash. With the huge increase in automobile traffic created by Rt. 66, the need for businesses dedicated solely to serving the traveling public arose - and service stations were born. Rt. 66 is now poised to help create the next big transportation infrastructure needing to be developed: charging stations for electric vehicles. Atlanta is interested in helping other Rt. 66 communities discover how to better serve the traveling public that will be searching not for a pump, but a plug-in. Attend Illinois' first Electric Vehicle Cruise-in on June 8th, check out some cool EV cars, and learn more about how the Mother Road is working to give birth to a new travel infrastructure.

While in Atlanta be sure stop at the Palms Grill Café for a piece of blue ribbon homemade pie, tour the J. H. Hawes Grain Elevator Museum, get your picture taken with the Bunyon Giant, pick up a Rt. 66 souvenir at the Gunnar Mast Trading Post, have a cheeseburger at Chubby's, visit the Atlanta Museum, enjoy a cold one at "The Korner", buy some homemade candy or a one-of-a-kind item at the Arch Street Artisans shop, then stroll around and see all the assembled Cruise-In cars.

The Atlanta Rt. 66 EV Cruise-In is sponsored by the Atlanta Betterment Fund.

DETAILS

- **Space for 40+ Vehicles**
- **Two - Level 2 Eaton Charging Stations — Available by Advanced Reservation* — No Fee**
- **Sixteen - Level 1 Charging Stations — Available on a 1st Come 1st-Served Basis — No Fee**
- **Overnight Accommodations — Available at Atlanta Rt. 66 Inn — 217-648-2322**

**For more information or to make advanced reservations to use a Level Two Charger, contact:*

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