

Anyone up for a drive?? Yes! I thought so! Well we are gearing up for the April meeting/drive. I think we should get an earlier start so how about we meet at 9:30 a.m., on April 8 at Traveller's House Coffee, 2151 W Republic Road in Springfield (West of Kansas Expressway, but just a block). That way we can grab a nice coffee and a pastry or something and hit the road? Bring some snackies too cause Allan will be leading us on a drive to Mammoth Spring, Arkansas (only about 2 ½ hrs) and seeing the lovely sights there; and then we will have a late lunch at Fred's Fish House, 215 Main St, Mammoth Spring! This will be a real treat!



Free Admission. Open Tuesday - Saturday 8 am - 5 pm.

1886 Frisco Depot Museum - In one of the most unique museums in Arkansas, take a step back in time to the 1900s as you stroll through the oldest railroad station in Arkansas, the circa 1886 Frisco Depot at Mammoth Spring State Park. This restored, turn-of-the century Victorian depot features custom-sculpted lifelike figures that portray the train crew, depot crew and train passengers of the early 1900s period. Hear the stories that each one shares. Two short videos tell the history of Mammoth Spring. The baggage room includes exhibits of railroad artifacts. A Frisco caboose parked just outside is open for touring, too. The park is on U.S. 63 in Mammoth Spring. Donations accepted.



Mammoth Spring State Park - Mammoth Spring is Arkansas's largest spring and the second largest spring in the Ozark Mountains. A National Natural Landmark, the spring

flows nine million gallons of water hourly. Forming a scenic 10-acre lake, it then flows south as the Spring River, a popular Ozark trout and float stream. Located near the spring, the park's 1886 Frisco depot will take you back in time to an early 1900s train station. Parked just outside the train station is a Frisco caboose to explore, too. Kayaking, pedal boats, a playground and a hiking trail are available. Be sure to stop by the welcome center and pick up some free literature about Arkansas. There is also a robust gift shop with unique gifts.

Upcoming Events

Ap 21-23: Don't forget, the Northeast Arkansas Miata Club has invited us to join them in Eureka Springs. This can be a weekend trip or just go for the day on Saturday. Info was handed out at Feb. meeting.

May 13: Meet at Village Inn on South Campbell at 9:30 a.m. After breakfast/meeting will drive out to Dick & Sharon Carter's farm and see their Alpacas and other animals.

Historic Route 66 trip

June 5: Meet at Whole Hog Café, 224 W Sunshine, 6:00 p.m. for dinner & last minute details. ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO BE THERE FOR DINNER AND at Cracker Barrel the next morning for the "send off."

June 6: Meet at Cracker Barrel at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast; leave out at 8:30. Anyone who is available can come for breakfast and send our members off with a cheer and a prayer!

July 8: Annual club BBQ. Lunch & meeting will be at Lonnie's house in Tunas. He will cook hot dogs & burgers, we will bring the "go withs." Make your plans – this is always so fun!

Aug 12: Dr. Lee is looking into Dogwood Canyon. Will discuss further details.

Sept. 9: Maybe a shopping trip to Old Towne St. Charles?