

WELCOME TO THE 2024 ARKANSAS TRAVELER PHOTO CHALLENGE!

THE IDEA BEHIND THIS CONTEST IS TO HAVE A REASON TO GET OUT IN OUR MIATAS AND TRAVEL OUR BEAUTIFUL STATE AND SEE SOME THINGS WE MIGHT NORMALLY MISS IN OUR DAILY TRAVELS. EACH YEAR WE WILL PICK A THEME FOR THE PHOTO CHALLENGE, THIS YEAR IT WILL BE **DAIRY**BARS/DRIVE INNS IN DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE STATE. HOPEFULLY YOU WILL SEE DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE STATE THAT YOU MIGHT NOT

NORMALLY TRAVEL TO AND BE ABLE SEE HOW DIVERSE ARKANSAS REALLY IS. FOLLOWING ARE THE RULES OF THE CONTEST, IT'S PRETTY SIMPLE, TAKE A PICTURE OF YOU AND YOUR MIATA IN FRONT OF THE CHALLENGE SPOTS THEN SEND THEM IN.

THE PRIZES FOR COMPLETEING THE CHALLENGE WILL BE AN ARKANSAS TRAVELER CERTIFICATE AND THE JOY OF BEING OUT ON THE ROAD SEEING NEW THINGS. WE WILL BE WORKING ON A T-SHIRT THAT ONLY THOSE WHO COMPLETE THE CHALLENGE CAN PURCHASE. WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT OUR CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

SO LETS HIT THE ROAD AND BECOME AN "ARKANSAS TRAVELER"

PARTICIPANTS WILL DRIVE TO EACH DESIGNATED ARKANSAS TRAVELER PHOTO CHALLENGE LOCATION, 1-10, IN ANY ORDER AND TAKE PHOTOS.

TAKE A PHOTO OF YOU, YOUR MIATA AND DESIGNATED DAIRY BAR/DRIVE INN IN SAME PHOTO, IF BOTH DRIVER AND CO PILOT ARE PARTICIPATING BOTH CAN BE IN SAME PHOTO OR EACH ONE CAN HAVE A PHOTO.

TO COMPLETE CHALLENGE YOU CAN TRAVEL SOLO OR GET GROUPS TOGETHER TO SHARE THE FUN, SOME OF THE CHALLENGE SPOTS CAN BE PICKED UP ON OUR REGULAR DRIVES AND EVENTS.

YOU CAN EMAIL THE PHOTOS WHEN ALL ARE COMPLETED OR EMAIL AS YOU GET THEM, YOU CAN EVEN SHARE THEM TO OUR FACEBOOK OR INSTAGRAM PAGES TO SHARE THE FUN WITH OTHERS

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MUST BE RECIEVED BY DECEMBER 1, 2024

ARKANSAS TRAVELER PHOTO CHALLENGE 2024 ADDRESSES OF PHOTO CHALLENGE SPOTS

ALPHABETICAL ORDER

- 1. BARNETT'S DAIRYETTE 111 WEST TULSA ST. SILOAM SPRINGS, AR 72761
- 2. BULLDOG DRIVE IN RESTAURANT 3614 HWY 367 BALD KNOB, AR 72010
- 3. BURGE'S TURKEYS HAMS AND ICE CREAM 526 SPRUCE ST. LEWISVILLE.AR 71845
- 4. DAISY QUEEN DRIVE IN 614 HWY 65 NORTH MARSHALL, AR 72650
- 5. DIAMOND DRIVE IN 1206 W MAIN ST. CLARKSVILLE, AR 72830
- 6. ED WALKER'S DRIVE IN 1500 TOWSON AVE. FORT SMITH, AR 72901
- 7. FELTNER'S WHATTA-BURGER 1410 ARKANSAS AVE. RUSSELLVILLE. AR 72801
- 8. FROSTY TREAT 1020 E GRAND AVE. HOR SPRINGS, AR 71901
- 9. SALEM DAIRY BAR 6406 CONGO RD, BENTON, AR 72019
- 10. YELLOW JACKET DRIVE IN 101 ROCK ST. SHERIDAN, AR 72150

1. BARNETT'S DAIRYETTE- SILOAM SPRINGS, AR

The first day of business for Barnett's was June 3, 1957.

The founder Ervie Barnett retired in December 1977. The daily operation of Barnett's was passed to Janice Barnett and stayed in the family for 3 generations from 1957-2002.

Barnett's Dairyette was again sold in February 2002, and for the very first time, the business was not under the ownership of the Barnett family, but instead Reid Carroll.

Jacob Frese purchased Barnett's Dairyette June 27th, 2017.

His goal is to continue the rich history of Barnett's Dairyette.

Where summer fun meant an ice cream cone at Barnett's Dairyette and cruising down the long quiet roads. Where community spirit was alive and everyone knew the Soda Jerks by name! Barnett's Dairyette became part of those forgotten summers and Jacob will keep the memory alive by breathing fresh air into old traditions.



2. BULLDOG DRIVE IN RESTAURANT - BALD KNOB, AR

Bulldog Restaurant is family owned and operated. We are much cheaper than regular restaurants. We have a wide variety on our menu of food and desserts. We are open 7 days a week from 8-10. The only days we are closed are Thanksgiving and Christmas day.

We provide a very close environment and consider each other and our customers family. We are ready to serve you in the best possible way that we can. We would love to give you an experience that lasts you a lifetime. We want you want to feel at home every time you stop by. We have daily specials and many more tasty treats!



3. BURGE'S TURKEYS HAMS AND ICE CREAM - LEWISVILLE, AR

Celebrating 61 Years in Business - 1962-2023

A little dairyette on the corner of Hwy 29 and Hwy 82 opened as the original Burge's selling barbeque, burgers and ice cream, and the business has been a success story ever since.

Burges now offers two Arkansas dining locations, the original location in Lewisville, as well as a location in Little Rock. Each location offers a vintage-style experience, a delicious, fresh to order full menu, and products to go. Besides their restaurants, Burges is famous for their smoked turkeys and smoked hams, available to purchase online and direct from the Lewisville distribution center. Burges was honored to be recognized for their long-standing achievements with the induction into the Arkansas Food Hall of Fame in 2018.



4. DAISY QUEEN DRIVE IN - MARSHALL, AR

This past summer, the Daisy Queen in Marshall celebrated its 50th birthday. Owned by another family beforehand, the Mays purchased the tiny dairy diner along US Highway 65 back in 1966. It sat on the highway's east side, serving burgers and ice cream to customers. Bill andPatsy Mays already had another restaurant, but while they owned the building, they didn't own the land, and they wanted something that would last, so they bought the dairy bar that year, the year after their son Jeff was born.



The Daisy Queen has certainly lasted. Expanded far beyond its original diminutive presence along the road, the popular dining spot now boasts two dining areas, a game room, restrooms and a patio.



5. DIAMOND DRIVE IN - CLARKSVILLE, AR

This restaurant may please you with perfectly cooked hamburgers, onion strings and catfish. Nothing can be better than trying good ice cream. Some visitors like great milkshakes or delicious tea at *Diamond Drive In*.

This place is famous for its great service and friendly staff, that is always ready to help you. In accordance with the guests' opinions, prices are low. You may pay your attention to the cool atmosphere. Google users who visited this spot state that the most suitable rating is 4.4.



6. ED WALKERS DRIVE IN - FORT SMITH, AR

Ed Walker's Drive-in and Restaurant at 1500 Towson Avenue in Fort Smith (Sebastian County) is a thriving icon of the local pop culture/dining scene with its classic drive-in vibe and coinoperated mechanical razorback. Known as the "Home of the French Dip" and famous for its five-pound burgers, Ed Walker's continues a long history dating back to at least the early 1930s. Ed Walker's is thought to be the oldest continuously operating restaurant in Fort Smith and the only restaurant in the state with curbside beer service.

It is sometimes difficult to separate fact from fiction regarding Ed Walker's. Some sources claimed that Ed Walker's opened in 1943, but this year appears to be the date of the liquor license (number 972) still in use in the twenty-first century. The *Southwest American* newspaper records an eating establishment by this name appearing in 1933 as Ed Walker's Café, located on the 300 block of Towson Avenue. According to local newspapers, the café was the scene of a police raid in January 1933 concerning illegal beer sales. In December of that same year, the café was mentioned as hosting a dinner and dance party in the establishment's Black and Gold room with Jimmy Graces "Ozarkins" providing entertainment.

According to Fort Smith city directories, the existence of an Ed Walker's eatery on Towson Avenue is sporadic, with gaps throughout the years. Finally, in 1957, the Fort Smith city directory listed a Walker's Drive-in Restaurant at the present location of Ed Walker's at 1500 Townson Avenue.



7. FELTNER'S WHATTA-BURGER - RUSSELLVILLE, AR

Feltner's Whatta-Burger was first formed back in 1967, when Mr. Bob Feltner saw the potential to thrive in the Russellville area. The story goes that he sat in a chair on the side of the road counting cars, until he was satisfied with the decision that had to be made.

GOAL

With a new idea, a new building, and a Whatta sized portion of passion, Mr. Feltner set out to make the best burgers the River Valley had ever seen!

EXPANSION

Initially, Whatta-Burger was only take-out but, in recent years we have expanded and now offer a dining room that is always full of satisfied customers. From friendly, knowledgeable service, to our freshest of ingredients, who could resist stopping by to chow down on a Whatta-Cheese!



8. FROSTY TREAT - HOT SPRINGS,AR

Welcome to history! Frosty Treat was established in 1951 making us the fourth oldest dairy bar in Arkansas. We still do things the way they were back then. Everything is cooked as it's ordered., Eliminating us as a fast food joint. Most wait times are 10-15 minutes but occasionally as long as 20. But we hope your food is worth the wait! Thank you for supporting small hometown businesses like Frosty Treat!



9. SALEM DAIRY BAR-BENTON, AR

Located in the heart of Benton is Salem Dairy Bar, an old-fashioned drive-in that will bring you back to your childhood.



Salem Dairy Bar/Google

For more than 50 years, Salem has been the quintessential drive-in, serving patrons delicious food and desserts. Don't be surprised when you pull up and there's a line outside. This dairy bar attracts folks from miles away just to taste the yummy goodness made inside.



10. YELLOW JACKET DRIVE IN- SHERIDAN, AR

This small town drive in is just what you'd expect. And ice cream stand that serves hamburgers hot dogs in a variety of other all American comfort foods. This is one of those places where you walk up to the window and order, they call out your number when your orders ready, and you pick it up and eat it at their picnic table or in your car.



