

# THE ORIGINAL ROUTE 66 GIFT SHOP NEWSLETTER



June 2017

## Our Favorite Barber Turns 90!



On April 19th 2017 Angel celebrated his 90th birthday! Above are pictures from his party on that day. Thank you to everyone who sent cards, brought gifts, sent Facebook or email wishes, and came to see Angel on or close to his special day. Angel was overwhelmed and overjoyed that so many people took the time to think of him on this momentous occasion.



Angel & Vilma Delgadillo's Route 66  
Gift Shop & Visitor's Center

### *"A landmark in its own right"*

A must-visit place for any Route 66 aficionado! The place is a time capsule, with the original barber shop preserved, and even Angel's cardboard figure still standing next to the customer's chair. Wonderful friendly people, nice gift shop, carefully preserved landmark.

*TripAdvisor Review from  
"TravelGal\_Munich" from Munich  
Germany on May 25th 2017*



### *Our Recent 5-Star Facebook Review*

I have been to America 10 times and we always make sure we visit Seligman on Route 66! Angel and Vilma have kept this little town alive! They are good value! I went to the Fun Run in May and I bought a t-shirt and Angel and Vilma had a raffle, bugger me dead on the way back to our accommodation to Kings Inn in Kingman! My sister answered my phone while we were in the petrol station and they said that I had won! They had made my day and my prize made it back to Australia. Thanks again Angel and Vilma.

From Linda Becker on June 4, 2017

# Never Lost, Always Found

*We always feel fortunate to have so many international visitors travel great distances to make our shop one of their destinations. We are even happier when they come back years later to visit again. We must be doing something right because it happens a lot! And because of our unique collections of business cards, money, and photo albums our visitors can prove they were here before. (And we can prove that we never get rid of anything!) Here are a few examples that occurred in just one day: June 6th 2017.*

One day in 1994, a pregnant Swiss tourist named Manuela Oechslin watched Angel give her husband, Daniel, a haircut. Afterward, Daniel added his business card to the collection on the barbershop wall. Twenty-three years later on June 6th of this year Manuela decided to surprise Daniel for his 60th birthday by bringing him back to Angel's Barber Shop for another haircut. This visit they brought their two sons, including the eldest who had been here in utero. Somehow, he must have been paying attention during that first visit because he is the one who found his father's 23 year old coffee stained business card on the wall!



**The Surprise Birthday Haircut**



**Daniel's 23 year old business card still on the wall**

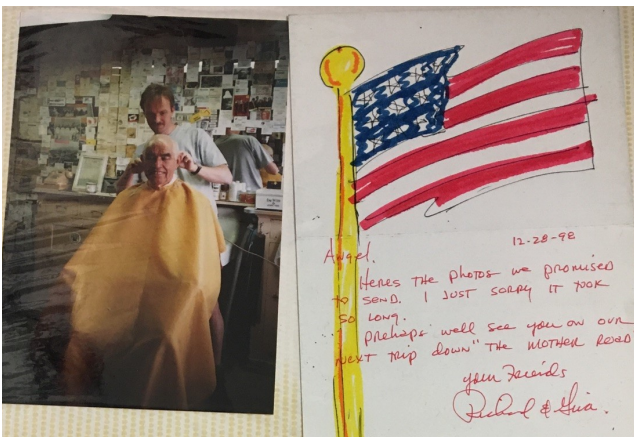


**Angel, Daniel, Manuela, Sebastian and Nicolas**



**Daniel's new business card added to the collection**

Only a few hours after the Oechslin family visit, Richard Huub, a Dutch barber and his family stopped by on their way to the Grand Canyon. Huub told us the story that instead of Angel cutting his hair, he had in fact cut Angel's hair in 1998! He was excited to show his family the pictures he had sent to Angel of his barber shop in the Netherlands as well as the picture of him cutting Angel's hair. Unfortunately, the old photo album that held his pictures was in storage due to the limited space we have here in the store. Mauricio promised Huub he would find the photo album and bring it to the store so he could show it to his family on their way back from the Canyon. Mauricio was as good as his word but did not see Huub again. But, as is the custom, Huub left his new business card this visit so we will send him this newsletter to prove that we still have his photos!



**Huub giving Angel a haircut in 1998 & his letter to Angel**



**Photos of Huub's Hair Salon in The Netherlands**



**Huub's New Business Card: Back and Front**

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## Never Lost, Always Found (continued)

Also on this very day, June 6th 2017, we were visited by Peter from Hungary who had visited previously nine years ago on August 23, 2008. How do we know the exact date? Because he left a 500 Hungarian Forint note with us on that day in 2008 which he signed and dated. On this visit he found his bank note on the ceiling and signed it again!



We would like to thank all of our repeat visitors. It is so nice to know that you had such a good experience the first time at our shop that you took the time during your next vacation in the area to come and see us again. And some of you have visited us many times! Because of you, we feel part of an international community every day.

## Alp Horn Serenade

Clarissa recently came in to work bright and early one morning and came upon a scene of man playing a gigantic horn for a small crowd including Angel. She later found out that the name of the man was Franz and the name of the instrument was an Alphorn. Thank you to Franz Kaslin and Klaus Froehls for visiting us from Switzerland, broadening our knowledge of international musical instruments, and reminding us that we never know what we are going to encounter at our unique workplace!





# History Page

*because getting here has  
been half the fun!*

## Angel Delgadillo: A Photographic Retrospective

In honor of Angel turning 90 this year we decided this newsletter's history page would feature photos of Angel over the years!



# 30th Annual Fun Run in Seligman!



Angel's Impromptu Haircut



Grand Marshalls: Tom Spears and Angel Delgadillo



# New Products Online at [www.route66giftshop.com](http://www.route66giftshop.com)



**Rockabilly Route 66 Ladies' Shirt \$34.99**

**Wood Route 66 Sticker \$5.99 \* 8 State Shield Set \$99.99**

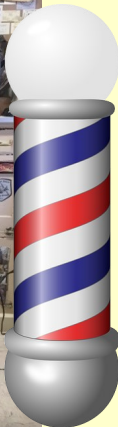
**Men's Route 66 Lyrics T-shirt \$20.99**

**SMALL 8 State Shield Set \$59.99**

**Mother Road Wings T \$20.99**



**All Made  
in the  
U.S.A.!**



## SOMETIMES A BARBER NEEDS A BARBER

On June 1st Angel was informed he had an appointment for a haircut. But this time it was to receive one, not to give one!

Angel's latest barber, Karl Stöcker, came all the way from Germany for this hair cut house call.



## Famous Handsome French Men: Keep them coming!



Not one but TWO famous French Radio & Television hosts visited us recently: Jean-Pierre Foucault (left) on April 22nd and Jean-Luc Reichmann with his wife Nathalie (right) on June 4th.

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subscribing to  
our newsletter.

Happy Travels!



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