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autocustomz Samba Contributor  Joined: 12 Jul 2004 Posts: 159 Location: Oklahoma City	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 7:10 pm Post subject:</p> <p>guys, the offer is still good for in the morning ... i just need to know what your plans are so i know whether or not to go fishin in the morning ... my brother just called to confirm ... if you guys are going to wait for in the morning here in okc, give me a call on the cell here pretty quick ...</p> <p>thanks, ki</p>	quote report
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bajorek Samba Contributor Joined: 25 May 2003 Posts: 756	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 7:14 pm Post subject:</p> <p>GIVE HIM A CALL!!!</p> <p>This is your only hope!</p>	quote report
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earthmuffin Samba Contributor  Joined: 24 Sep 2003 Posts: 1519 Location: Where the view is long in Washington !!!	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 7:14 pm Post subject:</p> <p>So there really is only 2 options here. Fix it and drive home. or Drive home and add oil all the way.</p> <p>Do you have enough money for either?.....Assuming that it isn't a quick fix (which so far nothing has seemed really quick.)</p> <p>YOU DEFINITELY NEED TO FIND A CHEAP SOURCE FOR OIL AND DO IT NOW. Large quantity packaging for as little as you can get.</p> <p>I'm happy that you guys have made it to Texas. Is Texas even on the way to Illinois from L.A. Have the hippies gone astray?</p> <p>Usdisdwhat royallyt pissed Brad the cufusk off !!!!</p>	quote report
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thenexttownshend Samba Contributor  Joined: 27 Nov 2003 Posts: 355 Location: Rhode Island	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 7:15 pm Post subject:</p> <p>Id call him up guys, he'll be able to diagnose better when he gets there, then we can over the internet</p> <p>Steve</p> <p>-1973 Bus Type II</p>	quote report
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earthmuffin Samba Contributor  Joined: 24 Sep 2003 Posts: 1519 Location: Where the view is long in Washington !!!	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 7:23 pm Post subject:</p> <p>http://www.mapquest.com/directions/main.adp?go=1&do=nw&un=m&2tabval=address&1n=Los+Angeles&cl=EN&ct=NA&1v=CITY&1tabval=address&1y=US&1a=&1c=Los+Angeles&1s=CA&1z=&1ah=&2y=US&2a=&2c=chicago&2s=11&2z=&2ah=&idx=0&id=414cec54-0007c-011f1-400c2544&aid=414cec54-0007d-011f1-400c2544</p> <p>☺ ☹</p> <p>Usdisdwhat royallyt pissed Brad the cufusk off !!!!</p>	quote report
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thenexttownshend Samba Contributor  Joined: 27 Nov 2003 Posts: 355 Location: Rhode Island	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 7:25 pm Post subject:</p> <p>So..they took the senic route....</p> <p>Steve</p> <p>-1973 Bus Type II</p>	quote report

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<p>Back to top</p> <p>livinalive Samba Contributor</p> <p>Joined: 17 Sep 2004 Posts: 12</p>	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 7:39 pm Post subject:</p> <p>okay, apologies for the delay, we we're making phone calls and away for a few. our time at schlotskys deli has come to an end and we must move on. to autocustomz--dude, i so wish we had more time to chill in ok., but we really are in a time crunch. and dude if we had some extra cash you know you'd be gettin' some crazy stereo sales.</p> <p>a group decision has been made that we keep doin what we've been doin'. we're going to get the biggest quantity of oil we can at walmart. we don't seem to lose as much oil when we drive at night either and we're going to drive all night so that should help. we found a person back home on AIRS that said he would help us tomorrow, so we're going to hook up with him. that will give us greater freedom with the financial situation too since we'll be back home.</p> <p>and why did we travel through texas instead of taking I-80????? c'mon guys...we're barely crawling up the hills of arizona and new mexico, how do you think we'd fare in the great and mighty ROCKY MOUNTAINS!!!!!!!</p> <p>so thank you all for your help even though the problem isn't totally solved. well we are off. to all a fond farewell.</p> <p>quote report</p>
<p>Back to top</p> <p>69doublecab Samba Contributor</p> <p>Joined: 28 Mar 2004 Posts: 174 Location: Cedar Falls, Iowa</p>	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 7:58 pm Post subject:</p> <p>Boys: Next time you get oil, get HEAVY oil. Get straight weight 40 or 50. NO 10w- anything! It will drip out much slower. That's why you lose less driving at nite- It's cooler and the oil is thicker.</p> <p>Wal-mart is okay, but one other good place is a TRACTOR store. Probably one in every medium sized town in Texas. You could get it in 3 gallon cans.</p> <p>BTW, I've a little more experience at this than some readers. I once nursed a sick 67-911 from Connecticut back to Iowa. 1200 miles- 88 quarts of oil. at least with a 911, you can wait till it's low and then add 6 quarts at a time.</p> <p>It's possible that the oil is getting sucked into the fan housing by the fan. If there is a lot of blowby and the oil cap gasket is missing.</p> <p>So, where in Illinois are you headed?</p> <p>Al 69 doublecab</p> <p>quote report</p>
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<p>Back to top</p> <p>earthmuffin Samba Contributor</p>  <p>Joined: 24 Sep 2003 Posts: 1519 Location: Where the view is long in Washington !!!</p>	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 8:01 pm Post subject:</p> <p>Hang Loose Dudes !!! Like we need to tell you to do that. LOL</p> <p>Drive safe and remember..... If there isn't any oil on the outside, then there isn't any oil on the inside either. 😊</p> <p>Usdisdwhat royalyt pissed Brad the cufusk off !!!!</p> <p>quote report</p>
<p>Back to top</p> <p>Bottomend Grease</p> <p>Joined: 20 Sep 2003</p>	<p>Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 8:11 pm Post subject:</p> <p>When the cats away,the mice will play...</p> <p>quote report</p>

Posts: 999
Location: Smell Aye! via Nude Hamster!

Sorry everyone, I was at work all day. I just got home. Heres an update:

Leader called me and left a message on my phone. As I was driving home when he called again. I felt a little guilty driving down the road at 75 MPH while they are "broken down" ... but I got over it real quick.

Anyway, I'll try to clear up the speculation about the oil leak. Please remember, I spent almost two weeks with this 'green dream' (I liked that name...thanks!)

The dip stick boot is flawless. I replaced my "hippy fix" version after the 2nd or 3rd time I pulled the fan shroud off. I RTV'd it GOOD. 99% sure that it is not leaking.

The oil cooler is not leaking either. I searched for ANY signs of leakage BEFORE and AFTER I degreased the engine.

The rear main seal is not leaking. Again, it was already dry and looked like it was in great shape. (probably the only critical part on this entire engine that looked that way!)

I replaced the Push rod seals. the tubes were new so, they fit in good and I'm confident in my ability to do a good job on them. Again, we're talking 99%.

Valve cover gaskets. I had Residue clean the sealing surfaces till they were like new, then I put a bit of white grease on the gaskets and installed them. The balls were VERY tight probably due to the fact of this engine being a hydrolic engine. (Theres not much need to take the covers off, right?)

The oil filler spout has a new hose clamp on it that has been tightened down nicely. I can assure you, this aint leaking.

The "SUPER GASKET" stayed dry for the few days we're parked in the cul-du-sac and for the little bit of running around town they we're doing. I dont recommend taking it off. Wait till someone who knows what they are doing can help. The sealing surfaces are messed up and I was VERY particular in my approach to setting this part into it's new home.

The taco plate was dry. Dont touch it. (Hippys, the 'taco plate' is the smaller round cover that is under the engine. It's over near the alternator side) (now, dont you wish you had paid more attention to me while I was "babbling"?)

The oil drain plug felt like it was stripped when I first tried to unscrew it. I never removed it. DO NOT TOUCH THIS SCREW!!! It might never go back in. You know what that means?... the oil will never stay inside the engine ... not even for five minutes.

There is only one thing left. (am I missing anything?) the auxillary oil cooler and hose that connect it.

It is connect by two hose's to the place where the oil filter goes. Residue should have a pretty good idea when this area is because I showed him how to do an oil change... He did it one time all by himself (sort of). Look at the thing that holds the oil filter to the engine block and you'll see where the two rubber hoses attach. Put a hose clamp on each hose. Dont screw it on too tight or you could tear the rubber.

The actual cooler is stuffed on the drivers side where the extra battery used to be. (arnt you glad I got rid of all that wiring now?...you're welcome) (dripping oil and strange wiring dont mix well)

This vehical will live or die by YOUR hands. You guys dont have enough money to pay someone to fix the bus in this situation, environment or under these circumstances. People will come and go and lend a helping hand (as I did) but at the end of the day you will either become your own mechanic or the bus will end up as a lesson in "Field Art". (you know those cars you see in the weirdest of places...just abandoned? Sometimes all it would've taken is a few tools and an afternoon ...)

You guys are now learning what EVERY bus owner will learn, should learn, has learned. I held your hand but I'm not there to do it now. It's time to step up to the plate and get GREASY!

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Joined: 24 Sep 2003
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Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 8:45 pm Post subject:

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bottomend wrote:

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GatorBeetle
Samba Contributor



Joined: 15 Sep 2004
Posts: 9

Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 8:51 pm Post subject:

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earthmuffin wrote:

bottomend wrote:

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JavaJoe
Samba Contributor



Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 9:08 pm Post subject:

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I didn't think they were from Chicago, I thought they were from the southern part of the state, in which case their route makes more sense. Although Peoria sounds familiar. Where are they from?!


Either way, I know what Leader is saying about avoiding the mountains. When I drove my '68 from SF to Chicago, we had some problems the first day of our 3 day drive, and considered dropping down south just to avoid the high mountain passes. At the worst point we were doing 20mph in

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DurocShark
 Samba Contributor



Joined: 05 Apr 2004
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 Location: In the thin air

Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 9:10 pm Post subject:

GatorBeetle wrote:

earthmuffin wrote:

bottomend wrote:

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
That would be awesome, except they were already planning their east coast trip when I saw 'em.

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 71 Deluxe
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GatorBeetle
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Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 9:13 pm Post subject:


Well, if they make it down to Jacksonville, they definately have a place for a rest-stop, and a place to at least camp under a nice oak tree on a quiet street, if I can convince my wife...

That could always be the sequel...I'm telling you, Bottomend needs to call his friend Cindy Williams and ask if she wants to produce...Penny Marshall could direct...it could be the next Easy Rider...or something...

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Jeremysmithshawdotca
 Samba Contributor



Joined: 11 Feb 2002
 Posts: 1479
 Location: Edmonton, AB

Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 10:23 pm Post subject:

Hey man, get your kicks on Route 66! Their route makes perfect sense, because the Colorado Rockies would probably take forever, much faster to drive through the relative flatness of Texas and Oklahoma!

Jeremy

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dr no
 Samba Trainee

Joined: 06 Aug 2004
 Posts: 4
 Location: Fort Worth

Posted: Sat Sep 18, 2004 10:49 pm Post subject:

"relative flatness"

They could probably SEE the lights of Oke City before leaving Amarillo. Guys, if you stay in Amarillo long enough to read this, there's a guy on the highway on thenorth end of town, just past the high school, with about twenty VWs in his yard. I could promise he could help, but with that many dubs he's gotta know who could.

"It winds from Chicago to LA"

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