

## I'm always gonna need an oil change !



Let's see, since I visited with you last time, so much has happened to me.

For instance, on May 26th I packed everything I own in a U-Haul truck and 2 days later moved to Oklahoma!

I know, what was I thinkin'? Well, I was thinkin' I've lived in the same town my entire \*cough, cough\* 29 years, I've worked the same job since I was 2 years old and frankly, I'm not getting' any younger and it was time to shake it up a bit!

I think I shall entitle the next series of articles 'Jeanie's Big Adventure'... what'cha think?

I really thought I'd have a hard time leavin' Texas. I love Texas, I'm proud to be a Texan and no matter where I live, I'll always be Texas Born, Texas Proud and if you doubt it for even one second, check the sticker on the back window of my 'Sploder', aka Explorer!

So, here we go, headed due north and I'm happy, excited and doin' great 'til 4-5 hours later and we get north of Paris, Texas and I start seein' the 'State Line Bar & Grill', 'State Line Transmission' and the signs for the Red River bridge and the tears just hit me like a wave and I broke. But by the time I got to the 'Welcome to Oklahoma' sign, I was OK! (pun intended)



Well, life rocked on for an entire week before the 'adventure' continued . . . Midnight Drags at Tulsa Raceway Park. What a buncha fun! This is a 'run what ya brung' kind of event and you see everythin' from a Willys, a Tri-5, a Dodge truck, our '66 Galaxie, to a 2011 Focus on the strip. What a great way to spend a Saturday night, unless like us, you twist off an axle! Oh yeah . . . it's part of the 'Big Adventure'!

You gotta love a friend you can call at midnight and say "bring your trailer and

come haul us home." Needless to say, it was after 2am when we got home.



Car went up on the rack and parts were ordered.

So, a few days later I went down to the Sonic for cruise night. Nice little group that meets every week and its just a couple miles from the house. It's excitin' to have a whole new group of cars to get familiar with.



I really enjoy car shows that take place in small towns and downtowns. Collinsville, Oklahoma, incorporated in 1899, has one of those perfect store front lined Main St. and they had over 100 cars fillin' the streets.



10 days later, we finally got the Galaxie off the rack and back together . . . and not a minute too soon!

June 16th marked the start of the 37th Mid-America Ford/Team Shelby Nationals in Tulsa and I had plans to be all up in the middle of it!

Thursday night we gathered, several 100 of us, at the host hotel and cruised over to The Brady Arts district for a wonderful gatherin' that included food, music, vendors and great cars.

Friday was the big banquet with about 500 of our closest friends! Hey, I got called for a door prize and I was so excited . . . I got to pick anything I wanted off the prize table. So what did I pick? Duh, I took the 5 quarts of synthetic oil AND a filter! All the guys at our table laughed at me when I came back. I told 'em 'who needs another t-shirt or cap? But I'm always gonna need an oil change!' Saturday was drag race day and Sunday car show but I think I'll wait and tell you 'bout that next time 'cause I'm tired and it's late!

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*The nickname 'Car Show Diva' was given to me by one of my guy friends... I really don't think he thought it'd stick! But I took it and ran with it, and I'm hoping to take you on this 'road trip' too. Who knows where you might see me and where we'll go.....*