

It's the National Road's 200th Birthday

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A caravan of historic vehicles makes its way down the Old National Road west of Zanesville, Ohio. The group was making its way from the western terminus of U.S. 40 in Vandalia, IL to its starting point in Cumberland Maryland. (Chris Crook/Times Recorder OH)

CUMBERLAND, Md. (AP) — A caravan of antique wagons and [vehicles](#) is making its way from Vandalia, Ill. to Cumberland, Md. for a parade to mark the 200th birthday of the nation's first federally funded interstate highway.

The National Road Bicentennial parade is set for 1 p.m. Saturday.

The parade will culminate in the groundbreaking for commemorative marker.

Fireworks will follow in the evening. And on Sunday, a time capsule will be sealed.

The National Road ran from Cumberland to Vandalia, Ill. along a route largely followed today by U.S. 40.

It connected in Cumberland to the National Pike, leading to Baltimore.