



March 5 - March 12, 2013

THIS WEEK IN *Atchison*

AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Notes from the President

As the snow continues to melt away, we turn our focus toward springtime in Atchison. It's a wonderful time of year in our community, filled with exciting events and a return to the outdoors for most of our residents.

It also signals the return of visitors to Atchison.

Our local businesses do a superb job of welcoming visitors and making them feel right at home.

Several of our businesses recently had employees take one of our Historic Trolley Tours in order to learn more about the history of the area, as well as our numerous attractions. Please contact us if you would like to have your employees take the tour so they can be as helpful to

CHAMBER MEETINGS/ EVENTS:

- Mar. 10 Atchison Bridal Show
- Mar. 13 Chamber Board, 4 p.m., Depot
- Mar. 14-16 Spring Open House
- Mar. 16 St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Mar. 26 Farm-City Banquet
- Mar. 27 Ambassadors, noon

Legislative Coffee



Kansas state representative Jerry Henry visits with area citizens at the Chamber's Legislative Coffee event on Saturday at the Santa Fe Depot. The series of meetings, sponsored annual by AT&T, feature elected officials on the state and national level who represent the Atchison area. The final event of this year's series is scheduled for Saturday, April 6.



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Spring Open House set for March 14-16

There may be snow on the ground, but spring is rapidly approaching. To ensure you are prepared, Atchison area retailers are set to host the annual Spring Open House from March 14-16.

The event will feature the latest products and spring fashions available right here in the Atchison area. In addition to the products and services available, local merchants will have plenty of exciting specials — and maybe even a few samples.

Grab your friends and plan a day in beautiful Atchison. You'll find everything you need, whether it involves a spring renovation or decorating projects or gifts for upcoming weddings, graduations and birthdays.

This year, our local shops and eateries will be out to impress you in force. We have 41 businesses signed up to participate. In addition, Hilligoss Shoe Store, Sunsetters of Atchison and The Artist Box will have sidewalk sales.

Participating Businesses

Always Blooming	Hilligoss Shoe Store	Quick Stop west
The Artist Box	Jerry's Again	Ruby's Landing
Birdie's Backyard	Kex Rx	Runyan Jewelers
Blair Milling	Long John Silver's	Sarah Kathryn's
Body & Soul Nutrition	Lopez de Mexico	Schwesers
Casey's General Store	Lutz Brothers Oil	Sears
Cedar Ridge Catering	Main Street Decorating	Snow Ball
Coin Mart	Necessities & Accessories	Subway
Cottage of the Seasons	Boutique	Sunsetters of Atchison
CVS	Nell Hill's	Taco John's
Dairy Queen	Paolucc's	Van Dyke Grocery
Gambino's Pizza	Pepper Mill & Co.	Warming Hut Gift Shop
The Hardware Store	Poor Richard's	Willie's Bar & Grill
Hi-Nails	Quick Stop East	Willow Brook

visitors as possible.

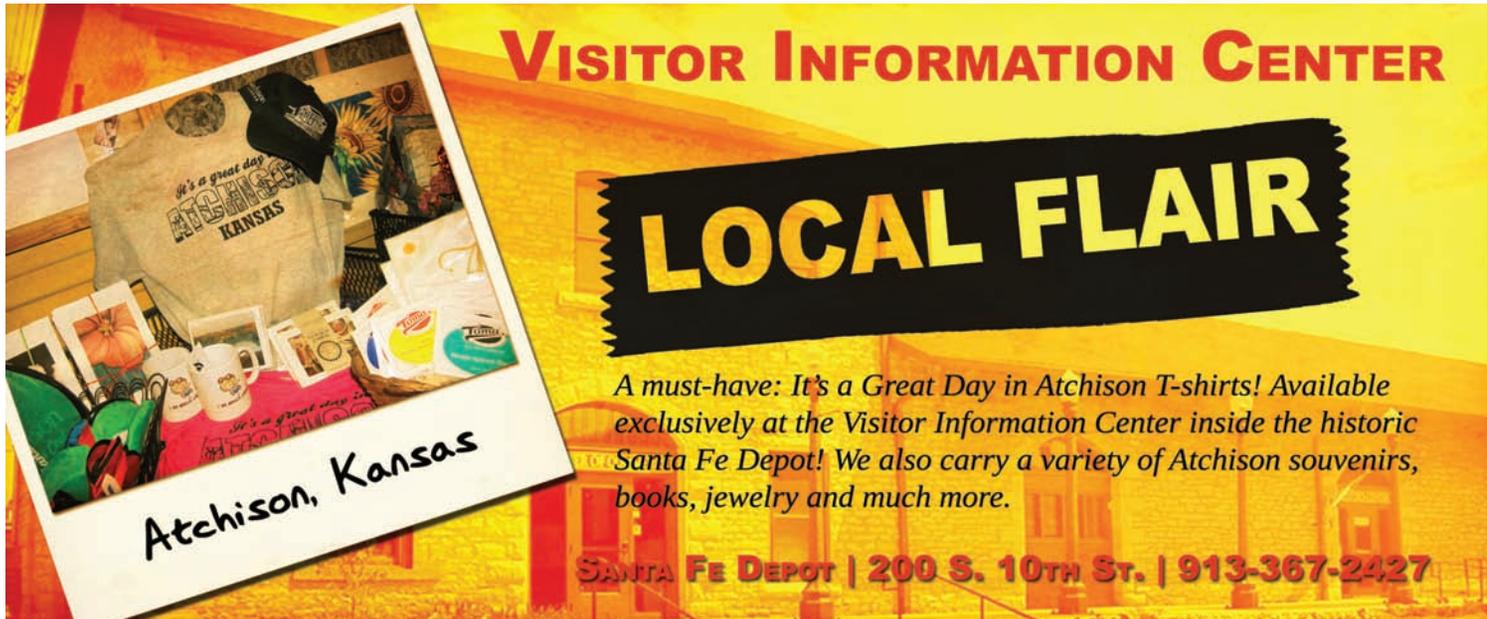
Another way our local merchants roll out the red carpet for visitors — and locals — are the many retail events we organize throughout the year.

Next up is the annual Spring Open House, which has built quite a following over the years. This year, we have had an incredible amount of interest from our business community in this event. Forty-one local businesses will participate in this year's Spring Open House.

Grab your friends and plan a day out in Atchison! Check out the latest products and services, as well as the many special offers available during this event on March 14-16.

Get out there and shop Atchison!

Have a great week!



VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER

LOCAL FLAIR

A must-have: It's a Great Day in Atchison T-shirts! Available exclusively at the Visitor Information Center inside the historic Santa Fe Depot! We also carry a variety of Atchison souvenirs, books, jewelry and much more.

SANTA FE DEPOT | 200 S. 10TH ST. | 913-367-2427

Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce

Member SPOTLIGHT

Carrigan Lumber Company

913 Main Street
Atchison, KS 66002

In business since September 1970

Carrigan
LUMBER CO. Inc.

HOURS OF OPERATION

7:00am-5:00pm, Monday-Friday
8:00am-noon, Saturday

OUR PRODUCTS

A full line of building materials, including lumber, hardware, paint and floor covering.

LOCALS HELPING LOCALS

We are locally owned and operated. Our employees have years of experience and are dedicated to providing personal service.

STAY IN TOUCH

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CHAMBER NEWS

Leadership Council to host Candidate Forum

The Chamber's Leadership Council will conduct a candidate forum at 7 p.m. on March 19 at City Hall.

The forum will feature candidates for USD 409 and Atchison City Commission offices.

The event will be televised on the local cable channel.

Visitors Center Showcase is a great place to advertise

Showcase your business at the Visitor Information Center, located in the historic Santa Fe Depot.

These shelves are located in a prime position inside the Visitors Center and are a focal point for the thousands of travelers who visit the Depot each year.

Space is available for just \$25 per year, but it is worth much more. Space is limited, so contact us today to reserve yours.

For more information or to reserve your space, contact Jann McGregor at 913-367-2427 or email tours@atchisonkansas.net. Stop by the Visitors Center to see how you can put your products and services in front of a captive audience!

37th Farm-City Banquet scheduled for March 26

The Atchison business community is invited to join us in celebrating generations of cooperation with the agricultural community in the Atchison area during the 37th annual Farm-City Banquet on Tuesday, March 26.

The annual event will be held at the Atchison Heritage Conference Center and includes vendor booths, dinner and an entertaining program. We will also

have the popular pie-baking contest again, so get those recipes ready!

The Chamber is currently looking for sponsors. Businesses can sponsor the event by purchasing tickets that will allow farm families to attend the event free of charge. We are also looking for door prize donations and booth exhibitors.

For more information or to inquire about sponsorships and donations, please contact Mary Jane Sowers, Chamber Projects Coordinator, at 913-367-2427 or send an email to projects@atchisonkansas.net.

Please join us in this special, long-standing tradition!

Legislative Coffee series wraps up on April 6

The Chamber's annual Legislative Coffee series, sponsored by AT&T, will wrap up with a Saturday, April 6 event at 9 a.m. at the Santa Fe Depot.

Area residents are invited to attend the event, during which area legislators will speak about the issues being discussed in Topeka and Washington. This is also an opportunity to offer your insights to your representatives in state and national government.

We have invited the following elected officials: U.S. Senators Pat Roberts and Jerry Moran, U.S. Congresswoman Lynn Jenkins, State Representatives Jerry Henry and Randy Garber, State Senator Dennis Pyle and Governor Sam Brownback.

Coffee, juice and donuts will be served.

Older Worker nominations due March 18

The Kansas Department of Commerce and the Older Worker Task Force will be

hosting its annual Older Worker Awards Ceremony on April 9, 2013 from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Topeka Shawnee County Public Library. This event honors older workers and their employers who continue to play an important role in the Kansas workforce and economy. Honorees will include older workers who are

employed in both public and private sector jobs and businesses and companies that regularly employ workers age 55 and older.

This is your opportunity to recognize the value of these experienced workers and their employers.

Visit www.kansascommerce.com to fill out a nomination form.

THANK YOU
For investing in your community

Welcome to our newest members

Vintage Gypsy
521 Commercial

&

Marie's Mystics
719 U St.

**Businesses that have renewed
their membership for 2013**

Atchison Public Library
Jeffery A. Thorne, CPA, P.A.
Marie's Tax & Bookkeeping
Sears
Snap Fitness

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MEMBER NEWS

First Annual Atchison Area Bridal Show

The First Annual Atchison Area Bridal Show is set for Sunday, March 10, from 1-4 p.m. at the Atchison Heritage Conference Center.

Tickets are \$3 in advance and \$5 at the door. Vendor booths will be open from 1-4 p.m. There will be a fashion show at 3 p.m. Giveaways throughout the day and a \$500 grand prize at 4 p.m.!

You can purchase your tickets at the Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce, Poor Richard's, Heritage Tractor's Atchison location and Midwestern Lace by Sarah Bell and Melissa Koontz.

Follow us on Facebook for updates and other ticket locations.

Juneteenth Celebration benefit and concert

There will be a dinner and concert to benefit the annual Atchison Juneteenth Celebration on Saturday, March 16 in the Atchison High School commons area, 1500 W. Riley.

Dinner will be served from 5-6 p.m. The menu includes fried chicken, macaroni & cheese, green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy, salad, rolls, punch/ coffee and cake.

The concert is set for 6-7:30 p.m.

Your \$20 donation will help fund the 2013 Juneteenth Celebration on June 8-9 at LFM Park.

News from Riverwood Winery

From delicious food, amazing music and great wines, Riverwood Winery has plenty going on this month to keep you entertained.

Join us for free live music with Dan

Bliss from 1-4 p.m. on Saturday, March 9. Return on Saturday, March 16 for a free live performance from the Jeff Lux Duo.

Visit the winery for some exciting St. Patrick's Day fun on Sunday, March 17.

In honor of St. Patrick's Day this year, fresh from our kitchen we'll have rich and fudgy Irish Brownies made with Irish Cream Liqueur. We'll also have on hand some interesting Irish beers to celebrate the occasion. Try a luscious, chocolatey brownie with an Irish Stout! Of course the brownies would pair well with a glass of Riverwood Red Eminence or our Cynthiana or Chambourcin as well!

This month's free International Wine Tasting features wines perfect for Easter and Passover. The tasting will be held in the auditorium from 12-4 p.m. on Sunday, March 24.

Soup at Sermon at the Atchison United Methodist Church

The Atchison United Methodist Church is offering its annual Soup and Sermon events every Wednesday during Lent.

From noon to 1 p.m., warm up with homemade soup provided by local churches and listen to a sermon by area pastors. Enjoy spiritually uplifting music as well.

The Atchison United Methodist Church is located at 501 Kansas Ave.

Register for these exciting classes at The Artist Box!

The following classes are available at The Artist Box in March. The Artist Box is located at 731 Commercial. Call 913-367-1037 for more information.

- March 9 & 16 — Paper Mache' Eggs, 10 a.m., \$15.00 (must attend both classes to complete project)
- March 23 — String Eggs, 9 a.m.-3

p.m., \$5.00

- March 30 — Dye eggs, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., \$2.00

Spring Break Giveaway at Necessities & Accessories Boutique

Necessities & Accessories Boutique is celebrating the season with a Spring Break Giveaway. Register from now until March 11 to win a Classy & Sassy Cover Up of

your choice. The drawing will be held at 4:30 p.m. on March 11.

Necessities & Accessories Boutique is located at 117 N. 5th St. For more information, call 913-674-3160.

You do not need to be present to win and no purchase necessary!

CELEBRATING PARTNERSHIP FOR 37 YEARS

ATCHISON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
FARM-CITY BANQUET

37TH ANNUAL BANQUET
TUESDAY, MARCH 26
367-2427 FOR DETAILS

BOOTHS • DINNER • PIE BAKING • ENTERTAINMENT

Workshop promotes knowledge about Traumatic Brain Injury

A Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) educational workshop will be held at the Atchison Elementary School on March 6. Two sessions are planned for community members. The first session will start at 4:00 pm; a repeat session will be offered at 5:40 pm.

The program will include a series of topics including the “basics” of traumatic brain injury; the impact of TBI on survivors physically, cognitively, emotionally, and behaviorally; the consequences of TBI for survivors in relationships, activities of daily living, and work; and how individuals and communities can support survivors and their families. Dr. Deb Sellers, K-State Research and Extension Specialist and Kansas TBI Advisory member will share information with interested community members. CEUs will be available for nurses, teachers and para-educators and human service professionals. The program is sponsored by K-State Research and Extension-Atchison County, Atchison Hospital and the Atchison Recreation Commission. Walk-ins are welcome but pre-reg-

Workshop focuses on eBay sales

Area entrepreneurs are invited to attend a four-part workshop on eBay sales on March 13, 20, 27 and April 3.

The classes are scheduled to run from 5:30-8:30 p.m., on four consecutive Wednesdays, at All Around Sweets, 409 New York in Holton.

The fee for the workshop is \$90, but a \$40 refund is possible. For information about this

istration is encouraged to allow for adequate seating. Atchison Elementary School is located 825 North 17th Street. Parking is available in back of the school; enter the building through the south west entrance. For more information, call the K-State Research and Extension Atchison County office at 913-833-5450. Sellers will speak in Troy at 2:00 pm on the 5th.

More than 1.7 million people sustain a traumatic brain injury (TBI) nationwide every year.

Injuries may result from falls, sports, car accidents, farm accidents, and a wide variety of other bumps, blows, or jolts to the head. Concussions are considered to a TBI. Annually, traumatic brain injuries affect more people than heart attacks or strokes. Older Americans are disproportionately affected by a traumatic brain injury. While providing an overview about traumatic brain injuries, this presentation will focus on ways communities and family members can support TBI survivors.

grant, call Mary Ann at 785-207-0267.

Online registration is available at <http://ksbdc.ecenterdirect.com>.

Informational flyers are available at the Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce, located in the Santa Fe Depot, 200 S. 10th St., in Atchison. For a digital copy of the flyer, email Peggy Scholz at officemgr@atchisonkansas.net.

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LakeFest 2013

FRIDAY, JULY 19, 2013
GATES OPEN AT 4:00 PM

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