



April 2 - April 9, 2013

THIS WEEK IN *Atchison*

AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

200 S. 10th
P.O. Box 126
Atchison, KS 66002

913-367-2427
www.atchisonkansas.net



Notes from the President

Happy Spring! I think this time it's here to stay :)

I love this time of year... new life springs up from the ground and we go from brown to beautiful green everywhere. We are already seeing more traffic in the Visitor's Center as people get out to enjoy the seasonal change.

If you haven't voted, you have until 7 pm to cast your vote in local elections. It's a great privilege we have in the United States. Let your voice be heard at the polls!

We have several ribbon cuttings and After Hours coming up in the next few weeks. It's so much fun to welcome new businesses

CHAMBER MEETINGS/ EVENTS:

- Apr. 5 Retail, 8:15 a.m., Pepper Mill & Co.
- Apr. 5 After Hours, Atchison Art Association, 5-7 p.m., Muchnic Art Gallery
- Apr. 9 Ribbon Cutting, Trusted Care Chiropractic, 12:15 p.m., 310 Commercial
- Apr. 10 Chamber Board, 4 p.m., Depot
- Apr. 11 After Hours, The Hardware Store/Atchison Auto Parts, 5-7:30 p.m., 609-613 Commercial
- April 13 Spring Clean-Up, 8 a.m.-noon
- April 14 Mount St. Scholastica Sesquicentennial Atchison community event, 12-4 p.m., AHCC
- April 16 American Family Insurance — Keri Armstrong, Ribbon Cutting, 12:15 p.m., 601 Commercial, Ste. 109

FARM-CITY BANQUET



More than 300 people attended the 37th annual Farm-City Banquet on March 26 at the Atchison Heritage Conference Center. In addition to browsing booths of local businesses (left), a meal, pie-baking contest and auction, attendees were entertained by Sound Masters of ACCHS.



SAVING THE BRICK & MORTARS
OUR NATION IS BUILT ON

the350project.net

CHAMBER NEWS

The Hardware Store & Atchison Auto Parts to host After Hours preview of grand re-opening

The Hardware Store and Atchison Auto Parts invite you to a special Chamber After Hours, Ribbon Cutting and sneak peek at its exciting grand re-opening!

Both Atchison stores have been redesigned both inside and out, have a number of new and exciting products, and are throwing a huge party to show it all off.

Chamber members are invited to participate in a special event from 5:00-7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 11. Several downtown eateries will provide refreshments for the event at 609 and 613 Commercial. The commemorative ribbon cutting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

There will be inflatables for the kids on The Mall and product giveaways for those in attendance. See the many new products in action as well. There will be outdoor demonstrations of the new chainsaws, trimmers and blowers, Holland Grills, Country Clipper riding mowers and party set-ups.

Don't miss this chance to see the new look and new products at The Hardware Store and Atchison Auto Parts - everything you need for that home improvement project or keeping your vehicle running smoothly. Same great customer services, including our NAPA 5 Star Award-winning service at Atchison Auto Parts.

New Look. Lower Prices. Larger Selection.

THANK YOU

For investing in your community

Welcome to our newest member

American Family Insurance

Keri Armstrong

601 Commercial, Ste. 109

Atchison, KS 66002

Falk Plumbing

15115 286th Rd.

Atchison, KS 66002

Businesses that have renewed their membership for 2013

Big Jim Tours

Maria's Mexican Restaurant

Morrill & Janes Bank — Atchison & Lancaster

Strong Body Shop

Atchison
AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

and celebrate newly expanded ones. We have some great merchants...be sure to spend some time visiting them. Shopping with our locally owned businesses is a great way to support your community. Make some time to acquaint yourself with the new and newly remodeled and enlarged businesses!

Our last Legislative Coffee is scheduled for this Saturday at 9 am. We hope to see you here at the Santa Fe Depot to discuss your concerns with our legislators. Thank you to AT&T for sponsoring our Legislative Coffees again this year.

Have a great week. Enjoy the warmer weather.



Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce

Member SPOTLIGHT

Urban Lawncare, LLC

5537 U.S. Hwy. 73
Atchison, KS 66002

In business since August 1991



HOURS OF OPERATION

Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

OUR SERVICES

Landscaping, tree trimming and removal, stump removal, 6 step chemical program, Bobcat services, pest control and extermination, water features, irrigation design and installation, brush and shrub trimming, lawn mowing, outdoor Christmas lighting, paverstone wall design & distributor.

EXPERIENCE COUNTS

Our company has 30 years of experience in the landscape design business. Our employees are all certified and we are DOT compliant. Experience counts!

STAY IN TOUCH

Phone: 913-367-4478 | email: michelle@urbanlawncarellc.com
Website: www.urbanlawncarellc.com

Program explores Kansas 10,000 years ago

Kansas Archeology Month program to feature local archeologist Brendon Asher – Sat. April 13th 5:30 p.m. in the Museum in the Santa Fe Depot

The Atchison County Historical Society and the Kanza Chapter of the Kansas Anthropological Association will sponsor a special program Saturday, April 13th as part of Kansas Archeology Month featuring Brendon Asher who speak on his experiences working at the Snowmass (Colo.) Mastodon Site and looking back at Kansas during the Ice Age.

Asher's talk, *Kansas During the Late Pleistocene: A Context for Understanding "Ice Age" Environments and Fauna* will explore environmental conditions and large mammals, commonly termed megafauna, that roamed Kansas during the Late Pleistocene, or the last "Ice Age". Recent work at the Snowmass Mastodon site near Aspen, Colorado will be used as a case study to provide images and examples of archaeological and paleontological salvage of well-preserved megafauna remains. These remains will be correlated to known sites in Kansas, providing a glimpse into the landscapes of Kansas prior to 10,000 years ago.

Brendon Asher was born and raised in Atchison, Kansas and is currently completing his Ph.D. at the University of Kansas in archaeology/anthropology. He has conducted archaeological investigations in two countries and eleven states, but focuses primarily on Kansas, Colorado, and Nebraska. His primary interest is in researching the earliest peoples



Local archeologist Brendon Asher holds up a Mastodon vertebrae in Snowmass, Colo.

in North America within the Great Plains region.

The program is free and open to the public – refreshments – including barbecue hors d'oeuvres and beverages. For more information contact Chris W. Taylor at the Atchison County Historical Society 913-367-6238 or email GoWest@atchisonhistory.org.

Atchison, Kansas
Spring Clean Up
Saturday, April 13 | 8:00am-noon

Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce
913-367-2427 • www.atchisonkansas.net

Pick-up Service	1100 Main St. Drop	Recycling Center Drop
Metal	(site of old MGP flourmill)	(2505 W. US Hwy 73)
Appliances	Tires (6 per load; no limit after	Paint
Air Conditioners	10:30 until truck is full)	Glass
Batteries	Computer Equipment*	Newspaper
Yard waste (bundled, 5ft max)	Televisions	Plastic
Wood	Electronics	

*Computers will be refurbished. It is your responsibility to completely erase the hard drive.

Celebrate new exhibit with After Hours at the Muchnic Art Gallery

The Atchison Art Association invites Chamber members to join them for a Chamber After Hours from 5:00-7:00 p.m. on Friday, April 5.

Experience one of Atchison's most magnificent structures, while you take in the organization's latest exhibit: "Women of the West."

Self-taught artists Meredith Lockhart, Julie Rice, Patty Boldridge, Jenny Schmalstieg, Margaret Sundby and Diana Volk bring together an impressive collection of art represented in ink, metal work, fashion, oil, pastel, pottery and photography. All are inspired by the culture of the American West. Experience their journey at the Muchnic Gallery from April 3-June 2.

Join your fellow members for conversation, networking, catching up and much more at the stunning Muchnic Art Gallery.

Help us welcome three new business with Ribbon Cuttings in April!

Three new businesses will cut the ribbon in April, beginning with **Trusted Care Chiropractic** at 12:15 p.m. on April 9. Trusted Care is located at 310 Commercial. Keri Armstrong will launch her American Family Insurance agency on April 16. She is located at 601 Commercial, Ste. 109. **Gateway to Kansas Shops**, 504 Commercial, will have their ribbon cutting at 12:15 p.m. on April 19.

Chamber members are encouraged to attend and show their support for our new businesses.

Chamber Golf Classic information available online

Brochures for the annual Chamber Golf Classic are finished and are being delivered to member businesses and supporters. Feel free to stop by the Chamber to pick one up if you don't receive one in the next two weeks.

All the information about the tournament is also available on our website, www.atchisonkansas.net. Just click on the golf tournament logo on any page. Find out what sponsorship packages are available, learn more about our

Atchison Art Walk canceled

Chamber changes focus to support of Atchison Art Association events

The Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce has announced the cancelation of the annual Atchison Art Walk, originally scheduled for April 26. The organization will instead focus on supporting and promoting new events organized by the Atchison Art Association.

The Art Walk was originally organized to replace the Riverbend Art Fair, which disbanded after nearly 40 years in Atchison.

The Atchison Art Association has two events scheduled for April 26-27. Pop-Up Body Art, scheduled for April 26 in downtown Atchison, features a 20 art sculptures that will pop up all over town for the day. The Art Association describes the event as "a traveling exhibit of public art produced and sponsored by our community that promotes social interaction and civic dialogue through a visual message to the community."

On Saturday, April 27, the Atchison Art As-

sociation will present the first Open Air Fair from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the Atchison Riverfront. The event presents a fresh approach to the exchange of ideas, innovations and creation in a European-style market on the riverfront. The Open Air Fair will feature booths by artists/artisans, farmer/growers and vintage and repurposed items, along with performance art, music, classes and demonstrations from artists.

Information on these events, including registration packets for artists, can still be found on the Chamber's website, www.atchisonkansas.net. For more information, contact the Atchison Art Association at 913-367-4278 or email atchison-art@gmail.com.

"We're excited to support the efforts of the Atchison Art Association and the new event they are bringing to Atchison's Riverfront. Having the arts as an integral part of our calendar is always a goal of ours," said Jacque Pregont, president of the Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce. "We encourage artists to be a part of this new event and look forward to its growth as an annual event."

silent auction and make sure you register! If you would like to learn more or would like to donate an item, please contact Mary Jane Sowers at 913-367-2427.

Legislative Coffee series wraps up this Saturday

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.

Coffee, juice and donuts will be served.

Chamber logo available

The Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce logo is available for all member businesses for use on websites or promotional materials. Call us at 913-367-2427 for available formats.

If you would like to use the logo, which is available in multiple formats, please contact Jason at 913-367-2427.

MEMBER NEWS

Art Association seeking variety of vendors for Open Air Fair

Atchison Art Association Seeking VENDORS OF HAND-MADE ITEMS ARTIST/ARTISANS/FARMERS/GROWERS/VINTAGE REPURPOSE for our Open Air Fair April 27th, 2013.

WHEN: April 27th, 2013

WHERE: Atchison Riverfront. Atchison, KS (Commercial & River Road, Veterans Memorial Park)

TIMES: Set Up 8:00 a.m. to 10a.m. Open to public 10a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday. 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Saturday. (pack up and clean up 2:30 to 5:00 p.m.)

PRICE: \$25.00 for booth size 10 ft. X 10 ft. \$50.00 for food vendor booths. (electricity available, first come, first served)

THIS WILL BE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO SELL YOUR VINTAGE REPORPUSED ITEMS, ART, HERRITAGE CRAFTS, PLANTS & PRODUCE, AND OTHER ARTISAN MERCHANDISE.

CONTACT: Deborah Geiger, atchisonart@gmail.com 913.367.4ART by April 10th, 2013. First come, first served for booth location.

Upcoming activities at Atchison Library

Tuesday, April 2

Twisted Stitchers (6:00-8:00PM), Knitting, needle-point, cross-stitch, crochet group.

Atchison County Genealogy Society (6:30-7:30PM), showing film on the Civil War in St. Joseph

Thursday, April 4

Storytime (10:30-11:15AM), featuring the letter "U"

Saturday, April 6

Daughters of American Revolution Genealogy Workshop (9:30-3:00PM), Seating is limited, call 785-548-7775

Monday, April 8

Storytime (10:30-11:15AM), featuring the letter "V"

Kansas Humanities Council Talk Book Series (6:00-7:30PM), featured book is "So Long a Letter", by Marjama Ba

Tuesday, April 9

Twisted Stitchers (6:00-8:00PM), Knitting, needle-point, cross-stitch, crochet group.

Wednesday, April 10

Early Out Teen Game Day (2:00-4:00PM), Wii, Playstation, board games, and snacks

Thursday, April 11

Storytime (10:30-11:15AM), featuring the letter "V"

National Safe Digging Month

This April marks the sixth annual National Safe Digging Month, reminding residents to always call 811 before any digging project. Striking a single line can cause injury, repair costs, fines and inconvenient outages.

Every digging project, no matter how large or small, warrants a call to 811.

More information is available on the Kansas Gas Service website: <http://www.kansasgasservice.com/en/Safety.aspx>.

April specials at Necessities & Accessories Boutique

We are having 50% off on all Sports theme Fleece Blankets, 25% off on Beaded Scarfs, 10% off on Pillows, Bath Soap, Bath Bombs, and Body Mist. Students show they're School I.D. and they will get 10% off they're purchase.

DAR to host Genealogy Workshop this Saturday

The Atchison Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will host their 2nd Annual Genealogy Workshop Saturday, April 6th from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Atchison Library downstairs meeting room.

The workshop will provide one-on-one assistance to anyone wishing to further explore thier own family history. Three genealogists will be on hand to assist anyone from beginners to those needing help finding their next step in researching their roots.

Glenda Torkelson, local DAR member, said that anyone wishing to attend can come anytime during the day and will meet with a genealogist who will help them with their own research.

"You don't have to be searching for your own connection to join the DAR," said Torkelson. "They will help

each person one-on-one... You should bring your documentation of what you have gathered already and they will help you from that point."

The workshop is set up to provide assistance for anyone from beginners to more seasoned family history researchers and will help in developing ideas of where to search next and methods of documenting information you are searching for. While space is limited and reservations are requested, Torkelson, said that walkins are welcome and will be worked in as quickly as possible during the day.

To reserve a spot email <carolduercochran@kc.rr.com>

Tickets available for Theatre Atchison's annual Spring Tea Fundraiser

Theatre Atchison's 4th Annual Spring Tea Fundraiser on Sunday, May 5, 2013, in the lower level of the Heritage Conference Center, 710 S. 9th St., Atchison, KS 66002. The tea begins at 2:00 PM with champagne punch followed by a delicious full tea menu consisting of tea, tea sandwiches, delicacies and sweets from 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM. This event also includes a "something for everyone" silent auction and prizes for best hats. Ticket reservations will be available Tuesday, April 2nd and Wednesday April 3rd. Call Darlene Dulac (913) 367-6177 or email: c.dulac@sbcglobal.net. Ticket price is \$18.00 and payment is required when making reservations. We accept all major credit cards. Make plans to come and enjoy a fun afternoon!

River Cities Community Credit Union putting on an luau for its annual meeting

River Cities Community Credit Union's Annual Meeting will be on Thursday, April 4th at 6:30 p.m. Members will meet at the Trinity Lutheran Church lower meeting room. Please join us for a luau party! Good food, a short business meeting, prizes and Bingo! Be sure and have your photo taken in the tropics that evening. Please RSVP to the CU and let us know if you'll attend. Email manager@rivercitiesccu.com or call us at 913-367-1488.

MEMBER NEWS

Vintage Park Provider Awareness Social

Get informed and protect your loved ones with important information on senior health services you may not be aware of!

Join us for the first annual Provider Awareness Social from 1-3 p.m. on Friday, April 19 at Vintage Park at Atchison.

We have a fun-filled day full of information, including those providing hospice, home health services, oxygen, mobile diagnostics, pharmacy services, counseling services and advanced directives.

No ride? No problem! Free shuttle bus service will be available from the Senior Center starting at 12:30 p.m.

The first 100 visitors through the door will receive a free tote bag from Vintage Park. All visitors will have the chance to win fabulous prizes from multiple drawings. Refreshments will also be served.

For more information, contact Cheryl or Jennifer at 913-367-2655 or avintageparkatchison@skilledhc.com.

Genealogy workshop offered by DAR

The second annual Genealogy Workshop, open to the public and sponsored by the Atchison Chapter DAR and the Kansas Society Daughters of the American Revolution, will be held on April 6 at the Atchison Library from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The workshop will provide assistance for beginners wanting to start tracing their lineage back to the Revolutionary War.

This is a one-on-one workshop and reservations are necessary by calling 785-548-7775 or emailing carolduerchochran@kc.rr.com.

'The Dining Room' on stage at Theatre Atchison

Theatre Atchison is pleased to present "The Dining Room" by A.R. Gurney, a delightful theatrical experience of humor and humanity.

Through a series of vignettes, we get to see that this dining room has quite a few stories about the generations of people who lived in the house for more than a hundred years. In its telling, we experience slices of everyday

people's lives as they meet the challenges and joys of life, love and family. A pattern of American living through a century comes to life on stage. This show is sure to have audience members laughing and remembering times gone by.

Performances scheduled for April 12, 13, 19 and 20 at 8 p.m., and on April 14 and 21 at 2 p.m. Adult tickets are \$12 and youth tickets are \$8. For reservations, call Theatre Atchison's box office at 913-367-SHOW (7469).

Prom tuxedos available at Rox's Images

Rox's Images has the perfect tuxedo for you as you get ready for prom. Tuxes \$40 off! Choose from more than 60 jacket styles and 175 vests!

Special prom hours at the studio are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays, and from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. If those times don't fit your schedule, just call 913-367-ROXS(7697) to schedule an appointment.

Rox's Images is located at 8475 Highway 59 in Atchison.

Summer blood drive sponsors needed

The Community Blood Center, the provider of blood to the Atchison Community Hospital is in need of summer blood drive sponsors.

The flu and snow has had a significant impact on our overall collections. Unfortunately, we continue to experience a significant decline in our collections. We need the help from all blood donors to ensure we maintain a safe, dependable blood supply

for hospital patients.

The Community Blood Center in St. Joseph Missouri is currently seeking church, clubs, organizations, businesses, and schools to help meet the demand for summer blood. We are in need of summer blood drive sponsors. If you or your group could sponsor a summer blood drive please contact Betty Tinker, Community Blood Center Donor Recruitment Representative at bat@cbckc.org or 816-351-9308 for more information.



Fashion Show

April 5th at 6:00pm
At
Cottage of the Seasons

515 Commercial
Atchison, KS 66002
913-367-6171
www.facebook.com/cottageoftheseasons

Please join us for a small fashion show.

See all our new spring and summer collections and accessories.

Local business Hilligoss's will help us out by coordinating shoes for our outfits.

We will have refreshments.

Looking forward to seeing you,

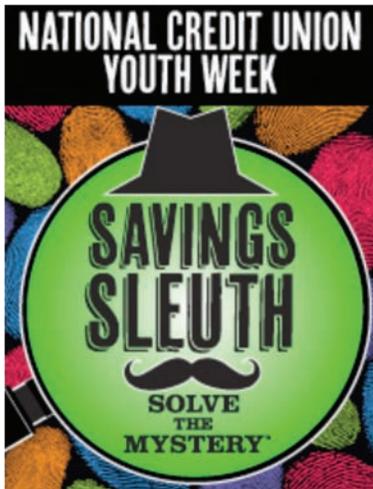
Melissa & Karen

River Cities Community Credit Union celebrates youth savers

What kid wouldn't want to throw on a trench coat, dust off an old magnifying glass and slap on a play mustache to become a detective for a day? Children everywhere are intrigued by the thrill of mysteries and the detectives that solve them. Little do these kids know they also have the ability to tap into detective mode by investigating ways to save and becoming a credit union savings sleuth during the month of April at River Cities Community Credit Union.

Introducing children to their inner savings sleuth will help lead them down the path of saving. Visit RCCCU during the week of April 21-27 and help us celebrate National Credit Union Youth Week™. This year's theme, "Savings Sleuth, Solve the Mystery,™" shows youth and teens how River Cities can help them use their own instincts and credit union resources to meet financial goals.

Whatever young sleuths are saving for, we at River Cities can give them



the clues they need to investigate ways to save. By going on a scavenger hunt, the young savings sleuths in your life will uncover the mystery of saving. Five area businesses will help young savers (under age 18) solve the mystery. Visit Snowball Ice Cream Shoppe, WOW, Poor Richard's, The Artist Box and Atchison Cham-

ber of Commerce to collect the clues and bring the solution to the credit union to be entered into a drawing for an Ipod Shuffle!

So stop by and get in on the action at our Youth Week events, games and refreshments on April 24th and our Savings Scavenger Hunt! RCCCU will also have a coloring contest. You may pick up the picture at our office, on our website or on Facebook. Several drawings will be held.

Bring your young Savings Sleuths into River Cities Community Credit Union and choose from the many "gadgets" we offer to unravel the mystery of saving.

GARY ALLAN

LEE BRICE &
LAUREN ALAINA



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

AT SCENIC
WARNOCK
LAKE
ATCHISON, KS



ADVANCED TICKETS: \$25 | AT THE GATE: \$30
CHILDREN AGE 10 & UNDER ADMITTED FREE

ATCHISONKANSAS.NET