



July 30 - Aug. 6, 2013

THIS WEEK IN Atchison

AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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CHAMBER MEETINGS/ EVENTS:

- Aug. 2 Retail, 8:15 a.m., Marigold
- Aug. 3 Haunted Trolley Tours, 6 & 7 p.m.
- Aug. 5-10 Atchison County Fair, Effingham
- Aug. 6 Leadership, 12:15 p.m., Depot
- Aug. 6 Atchison County Fair Parade
- Aug. 14 Chamber Board, 4 p.m., Depot
- Aug. 15 Tourism, 9:15 a.m., Depot
- Aug. 20 Workforce, noon, Depot
- Aug. 22-24 Willow Brook Open House
- Aug. 22 Back-to-School Reception
- Aug. 28 Ambassadors



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MEETING AT THE MINE



Coby Cullins (left) begins a recent tour of Citadel Caverns by showing visitors a large map of the old limestone mine commonly known as the Atchison Caves. Cullins is in the process of selling part of the facility to Vivos Survival Shelter and Resort, while he entertains other options for the remainder of the space. Citadel Caverns recently joined the Chamber and held a ribbon cutting on July 24.



Notes from the President

What a wonderful break in the weather! We hope you have enjoyed the cooler days and the beautiful rain!

Congratulations to Muscotah on a GREAT event over the weekend. Joe Tinker Day was a huge success!

We're heavily into planning for the last half of 2013. Haunted activities are just around the corner. Tickets for all events are available online. Invite family and friends to visit and treat them to a haunted tour on Atchison's trolley!

Don't forget next

CHAMBER NEWS

Visitor Information Center seeking volunteers

The Atchison Visitor Information Center and gift shop is looking for volunteers. Volunteers play a critical role in welcoming visitors to Atchison, providing directions and giving information to visitors about our many local attractions. If you would like to help make Atchison a more welcoming city and help the Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce in a variety of exciting projects, please contact Tourism Coordinator Angie Parker at 913-367-2427 or send her an email at tours@atchisonkansas.net. We have shifts to fill from 9 a.m. to noon on Mondays and Fridays, but can work around your schedule.

Amelia Earhart Bridge lane closures this week

EXPECT DELAYS! LANE CLOSURES: Eastbound and westbound U.S. 59 over the

new Amelia Earhart Memorial Bridge will have the right lanes CLOSED, one direction at a time, for bridge inspection work on Thursday-Friday, August 1-2 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. each day, weather permitting. High winds and rain could delay or postpone this closure. Thursday-Friday's inspection will be underneath the bridge via the snooper truck. (These lane closures were originally scheduled to take place on Wednesday-Thursday, July 24-25.)

Seasonal work available during Haunted Atchison season

If you're intrigued by the excitement of Haunted Atchison season, consider doing some part-time work as a host or driver on the Haunted Trolley Tour.

Hosts manage the audio production, add other tidbits of information and make visitors feel welcome. Drivers must have a valid CDL and airbrakes endorsement.

Please call Angie Parker at 913-367-2427 for more information.

Free Labor Law posters available for Chamber members

Thanks to a generous donation from Coby Cullins and MO-KAN Underground, the Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce will offer free 2013 Labor Law posters to all of its member businesses.

The State of Kansas made some changes to the laws, so all businesses will need new posters this year.

Stop by the Santa Fe Depot at 200 S. 10th Street to pick up your set of two posters.

Cullins, the owner of MO-KAN Underground, recently purchased the Atchison Strategic Storage Facility, also known as the Atchison Caves, and renamed it Citadel Caverns.

week is the Atchison County Fair! We hope to see you all in Effingham!

Watch for details on upcoming special events like Fall Open Houses, Kiwanis Flea Market, A Taste of Atchison, Kansas City Catfish Midwest Open Championship, Oktoberfest, Atchison County Corn Shucking Contest, Witches Night Out and so much more!! Don't miss any of the excitement!

Have a great week!



VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER SHOWCASE

Showcase your business at the Visitor Information Center, located in the historic Santa Fe Depot. These shelves are located in a prime location in the Visitors Center and are a focal point for the thousands of travelers who visit the Depot each year. Space is available for \$25 per year. Space is limited, so contact us today to reserve yours!

Contact: Angie Parker | 367-2427 | tours@atchisonkansas.net

MEMBER NEWS

Get your season passes for an exciting year coming to Theatre Atchison!

We're excited to announce our line-up for the 2013-2014 season! This is our 30th year of entertaining Atchison audiences and providing quality programs for youth. We truly appreciate your support. Here is our line-up of shows and dates for our 2013-2014 season:

- Bye Bye Birdie: Sept. 20-22 and 27-29
- It's a Wonderful Life: Dec. 6-8 and 13-15
- On Golden Pond: Feb. 14-16 and 21-23
- Big River: April 4-6 and 11-13
- The Dixie Swim Club: May 30 – June 1 and 6-8

Each season membership includes five show passes and entitles you to many benefits, including the "Flex-Tix" advantage: use your show passes at your convenience. You may choose to use two, three or four tickets for a single show when treating friends to live theatre, or use a single ticket for each show of the season. It's your choice! Just call us at your convenience to reserve seats for the performance date you want to attend. We track the number of tickets you use throughout the season. Your member benefits also include free beverages during intermission at our productions and discounts on Summerstage, class/workshop tuition, and special events.

We appreciate and value our members and contributors. Your continued support makes our programming possible. We look forward to seeing you at the Theatre!

Season ticket forms are also available at the Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce, 200 S. 10th St.

Special features at the Atchison Farmers' Market

On Saturday, August 3, the Atchison Farmers' Market will host fundraisers for three organizations: The Atchison Art Association; Traveling Tigers (Washington, D.C.), and Traveling Tigers (Great Britain).

Going out of business sale at Sarah Kathryn's

We'd like to thank you all for the support you've

Underground Welcome



Chamber Ambassadors joined owner Coby Cullins and some of his family for a ribbon cutting ceremony at Citadel Caverns on July 24 at the facility popularly known as the Atchison Caves. Cullins has invited local business people for ideas and collaboration in populating the large facility with business.

shown Sarah Kathryn's over the past nine months, but unfortunately the business will close on July 31. Merchandise is now 50 percent store-wide! Again, we can't thank you enough for your business.

Sarah Kathryn's is located at 12184 Kansas Hwy 9 in Lancaster.

Shop for school supplies at The Artist Box

Don't forget to do some back to school shopping at The Artist Box. We carry recorders, reeds, valve oil, sketch pads, pencils (colored and graphite), Prang watercolors, and many more items on your school supply list.

MEMBER NEWS

Marie's Mystics every Saturday at The Artist Box

Marie's Mystics will be available every Saturday at The Artist Box for tarot readings and other services. The Artist Box is located at 731 Commercial and is open from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Go online to www.theartistboxllc.com to learn more about The Artist Box.

Contact Marie's Mystics at 913-360-0494.

Let KANSASWORKS help with your hiring needs

As we are moving into the busy time of the year and employers in your area begin to hire, please refer them to KANSASWORKS for posting job opportunities at no cost. Employers can create an employer account at www.kansasworks.com and enter job openings easily to find qualified and skilled candidates matching their job specifications. If the employer needs assistance with posting job openings, they can call (877) 509-6757 and ask Workforce Center staff for assistance with this process. Employers can also search for resumes of job candidates by experience, keyword, and other search criteria once they have created an account on KANSASWORKS.

If you have any employers in your area struggling to fill specific positions, please contact Kansas Department of Commerce Workforce Response Coordinators for further assistance: Debra Rodenbaugh-Schaub at drodenbaugh@kansasworks.com or phone # 785-224-6664; or Phyllis LaShell at plashell@kansasworks.com or phone # 785-577-4610.

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Auditions for Theatre Atchison's 30th Anniversary Season Opening Musical



The first musical performed
at Theatre Atchison in 1984!

LARGE CAST

12-17 males (ages 10 to 45+)

17-20 females (ages 14 to 45+)

Especially looking for 10-15 teens (13-19)

Bye Bye Birdie, loosely based on the story of Elvis, is one of the most captivating musical shows of our time! Kim MacAfee wins the chance to meet rock-and-roll teen idol Conrad Birdie before Birdie is drafted into the army. Excitement follows when the worldly ways of Birdie turns Kim's small town upside down, parents gather a search party for their missing children, and Birdie's caretakers find romance despite an overbearing mother! Familiar songs include *Put On a Happy Face* and *Rosie*.

- Some non-singing roles available.
- Auditioners will be requested to sing a prepared song, with piano accompaniment (accompanist provided) or a karaoke track.
- Readings will be from the script for speaking roles.

AUDITIONS

Sunday, August 4th & Monday, August 5th

7:00-9:00 PM

Callbacks Tuesday, August 6th

Performances September 20-22 & 27-29

Can't sing? Never been on stage? No problem....we can teach you.

Directed by Rumi Dodson

Musical Direction by Jennifer Stammers

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