



## BIG KANSAS ROAD TRIP UPDATES

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There are a few updates and corrections to the Big Kansas Road Trip guide. Please read and make notes in your guide or in any notes/schedule you might have created for your trip.

**IMPORTANT:** Always call ahead to restaurants you're interested in to find out if their hours have changed and if they are open. Information may have changed since the BKRT guide was published.

### JEWELL COUNTY - ATTRACTIONS

#### BURR OAK

- **Burr Oak School & Museum, CONTACT ADDED** - Pg. 25 - Building is open by appointment only. Call Pat Anderson, 785.647.6241.
- **Wellman House (House Contest), also location for Events - Pie on the Porch and Historic Tour - ADDRESS UPDATE**  
Pg. 25 - Address should read 242 E. South St. The home is located east of KS-128 on South St.

#### JEWELL

- **First National Bank building is in MANKATO, not Jewell**, at the same address listed on pg 25.
- **Maag Memorial Park, ADDRESS UPDATE**, pg 25 - Address is 215 Delaware.

**MANKATO - 1899 Limestone Jail / Jewell Co Museum - HRS/DAYS OPEN UPDATE:** Pg. 25-26 - changed to Thu-Sat 8am-4pm.

### JEWELL COUNTY - EVENTS

**FORMOSO - NEW EVENT: Skating Rink Fundraising Supper, 107 N. Main, Formoso, May 6, Saturday, 5-7pm.** (More info on website)

**JEWELL - Market in the Park, Maag Memorial Park, ADDRESS UPDATE**, pg 25 - Address is 215 Delaware.

#### MANKATO

- **Live Music with Seth Cushing at Possibilities - HOURS UPDATE:** Pg. 32 - Hours are 10am-12pm.
- **Mocktails, Mammoths & Trailer Rides - MUSEUM HOURS UPDATE:** Pg. 32 - Jewell Co Museum is open Thu-Sat 8am-4pm

### JEWELL COUNTY - RESTAURANTS

**JEWELL - CLOSURE: Jewell City Mercantile has closed**, pg 35.

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### REPUBLIC COUNTY - INFORMATION CENTER

**SCANDIA - HOURS UPDATE:** The Scandia Library will be open 10am-5pm on Friday.

### REPUBLIC COUNTY - EVENTS

**BELLEVILLE - NEW EVENT: Live Music - Jon Strowig, in front of North Side Pizza, 1317 18th, Saturday, May 6, 6-8pm.** (More info on website)

#### COURTLAND

- **Depot Market - Asparagus Picking, ADDRESS UPDATE:** Pg. 33 - Address listed is the Depot Market. The actual physical location to pick asparagus is Road 30 and X, 8 miles straight south of Courtland.
- **Soul Sisters Ceramics - Make Your Own Necklace, Days/Hours UPDATE:** Pg. 43, Shop Stops - Event Note reads as Saturday only. Should read Thu-Sat. Listed correctly under Events, pg. 33 - Thu-Sat 10am-5pm.

**CUBA - NEW EVENT: Free Roller Skating, Cuba Community Hall, 216 Baird, Cuba 785.527.0105** - Rental for skates, but free to skate. May 6, Saturday 2-4 p.m.

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## REPUBLIC COUNTY - RESTAURANTS

**AGENDA - Hope Floats, HOURS UPDATE:** Pg. 36 - Hours are Wed-Sat 5am-9pm.; Sun 8am-2pm

### BELLEVILLE

- **Bel Villa, HOURS UPDATE:** Pg. 36 - Mon 4-8:30pm; Tue-Thu 11am-1:45pm/4-8:30pm; Fri-Sat 8am-1:45pm/4-8:30pm; Sun 8am-2pm
- **Los Primos, ADDRESS UPDATE:** Pg. 36 - Address is 2006 E. Hwy 81
- **NEW ADDITION: Cornerstone Cafe**, 18th & Main. Run by volunteers and money goes back into community projects. Open Saturday morning only. 8-10:30am. (Cash or checks only)

**CUBA - Betty's Cafe, HOURS UPDATE:** Pg. 36 - Hours are Thu-Fri 5-9pm; Sat 11am-9pm, closed Sunday.

## REPUBLIC COUNTY - SHOP STOPS

**AGENDA - Cedar Porch, HOURS UPDATE:** Pg. 36 - Hours are Wed-Sat 5am-9pm; Sun 8am-2pm

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## SMITH COUNTY - ATTRACTIONS

**KENSINGTON - NEW ATTRACTION ADDED - Roadside Park & Giant Cottonwood, 313 E US 36, Kensington.** Stop and stretch your legs at this beautiful historic roadside park on U.S. 36 featuring a new playground for youngsters, a covered picnic shelter, and a WPA-era stone shelter house. Be sure and hug the giant cottonwood tree and post a photo with the hashtag, #bkrt2023. Two electrical RV campsites are available for \$15/night and may be reserved by calling the City Office in Kensington at 785.476.2668. Restrooms will be open for public use.

## SMITH COUNTY - EVENTS

### SMITH CENTER - NEW EVENTS

- **THURSDAY, 1-5pm: Blacksmithing Demonstrations - Spirit Sculpture Gardens, 116 N Main, Smith Center.** Blacksmithing demonstrations by local artisans making a variety of functional items, artistic items, and much more! This is an inclusive demonstration on how items are made using both modern and older techniques. Come and go as you please.
- **FRIDAY, 8am-1pm: Scratch Block Workshop - Spirit Sculpture Gardens, 116 N Main, Smith Center.** Create your very own Cast Iron Tile! The workshop will allow participants to create a design in resin bonded sand that will be cast into iron during an Iron Pour event on Saturday, May 6. People who are interested in this event can opt to have their tile mailed to them at the cost of shipping or pick up the tile on Sunday, May 7 at 10 am. No pre-registration required, but tiles will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. Fee is \$35 per tile, with the option of shipping if needed. Maximum number of participants is limited to 30.
- **SATURDAY, 10:30am-6:30pm: Iron Pour - Spirit Sculpture Gardens, 116 N Main, Smith Center.** The Cast Iron Pour is a spectacle to behold! Watch sculptors from around the area and state play with liquid metal like you've never seen before. This is a come and go event but ***you don't want to miss the sight of red hot metal being poured into the scratch blocks our visitors made when the furnace goes full blast at 6pm.***

## ATHOL

### THE STUMP & KANSAS EXPLORERS CLUB MEETING - SUNDAY, MAY 7, 10AM

The Cowboy Church that was to be held at the Home on the Range Cabin at 9 a.m. on Sunday will now be held in the Athol community building, 715 Main, at 8:30 a.m.

**WEATHER ALTERNATIVE:** From Athol, 3/4 mile west on U.S. 36, 1 mile north on K-8, then 1/4 mile west, then north into the Tom James farm driveway to 15061 Hwy 8. To confirm, contact WenDee at 620-937-2101.