

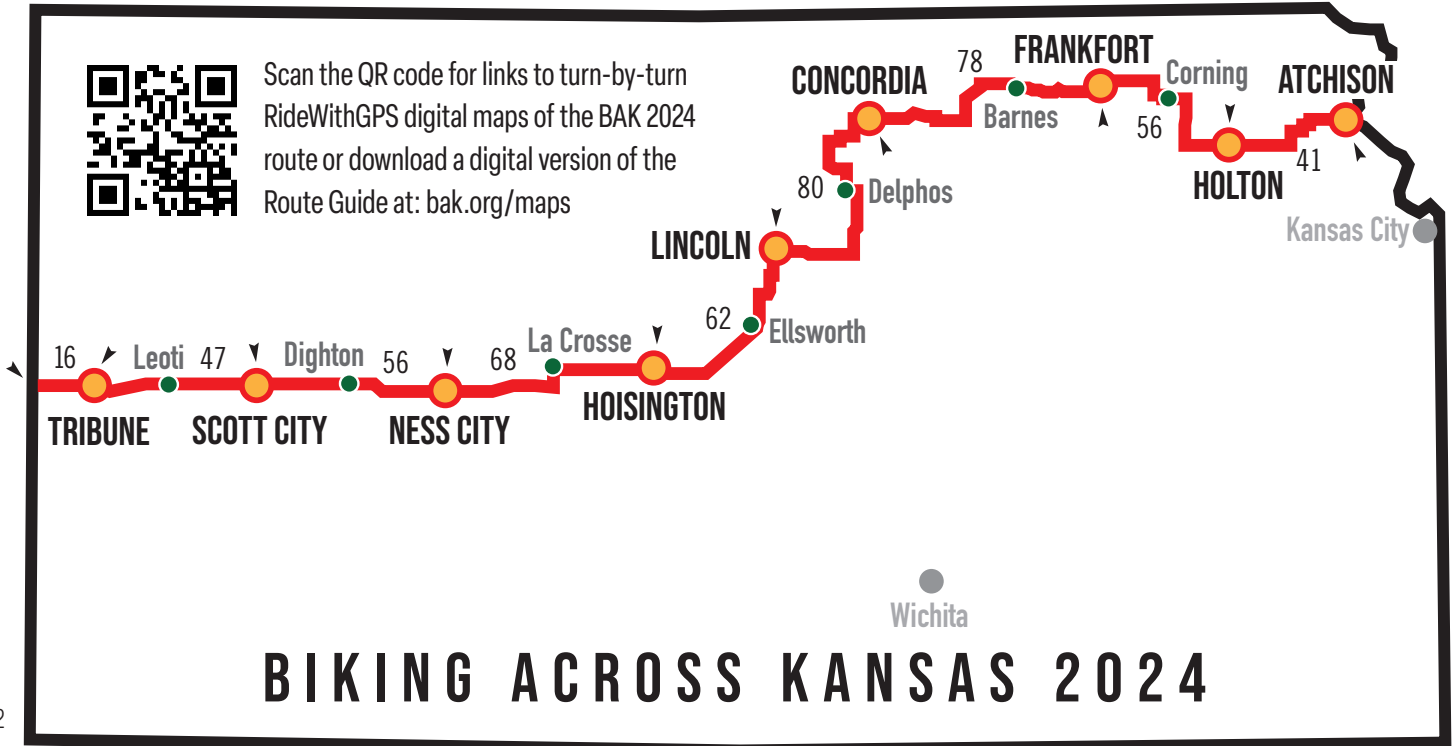
**ROUTE
GUIDE**



2024



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BIKING ACROSS KANSAS 2024

Biking Across Kansas promotes health and wellness through bicycling, the history and beauty of the Kansas landscape, and the warm hospitality of the Kansas towns and people.

Biking Across Kansas, Inc. in no manner warrants the safety of the routes to be used on BAK 2024. All roads suggested are regular roads of the highway system, used by automobiles, trucks and other vehicles, with no special lanes for bicycles.

As no separate lanes are provided for bicycles, the bicyclist assumes the risk for his/her own safety when using the routes indicated for use on BAK 2024.

To report an accident or emergency on the road, FIRST call 911 and then notify BAK staff with the BAK Emergency number:

913-645-2844

Biking Across Kansas 2024

Safety & Sanitation

- WEAR YOUR HELMET at all times when riding.
- Obey all traffic laws.
- Ride single file when traffic approaches.
- Communicate your intentions to other riders.
- Be courteous to other traffic.
- When stopping, pull completely off the highway, especially at SAGs
- Walk over railroad tracks. At minimum, cross perpendicular to the rails
- Prevent the spread of germs and viruses—
WASH YOUR HANDS and/or USE HAND SANITIZER
frequently, especially before accepting food at SAG stops.
- Wear shower shoes and walk cautiously in wet showers and locker rooms.

Illness and Injury Policy

All participants agreed to this policy when signing the waiver: In the event of my illness or injury during Biking Across Kansas, I agree that directorial or medical staff may determine that I cannot continue bicycling or traveling with the event for my own well-being and that of other participants.

If this determination is made, I agree that I will leave the event within 24 hours, making my own travel arrangements, at my own expense, with no refund of entry fees. If my medical condition requires hospitalization in a BAK overnight city, I agree that Biking Across Kansas will not provide transportation to retrieve me after the tour has progressed along the route beyond that city. In this situation, I agree to make my own travel arrangements at my own expense, with no refund of entry fees.

Use of Schools & Overnight Facilities

Schools are alcohol, tobacco, and firearms free environments.

All persons traveling with BAK follow the same while on school property.

Absolutely NO firearms or alcoholic beverages on school property—it's against the law

- BICYCLES ARE NOT ALLOWED ON GYM FLOORS or INSIDE SCHOOL FACILITIES.
- COTS or CHAIRS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON GYM FLOORS.
- PETS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE SCHOOLS/FACILITIES.
- Clean up all trash before leaving in the morning.
- Consideration and respect of others is mandatory.
 - If others are sleeping, please be quiet.
- No smoking in unauthorized areas.
- Check in and out daily.
- Use indoor restroom or portable toilets—NEVER use a school's or individual's lawn as a restroom.

BAK Participant Meetings

Friday, June 10, First-timer meeting at 7:30 pm CDT

All-participant Meet and Greet at 8 pm CDT, High School, Tribune.

All-participant meetings

Saturday, June 8, 8 pm: Scott City Middle School

Monday, June 10, 8 pm: Hoisington Recreation Center

Wednesday, June 12, 8 pm: Concordia High School

Friday, June 14, 8 pm: Holton Courthouse Square

Other meetings

Sunday, June 9, 8 pm: Ness City High School, BAK History Presentation

Tuesday, June 11, 8 pm: Lincoln High School, Spokes of Honor

Biking Across Kansas 2024

SAG Support SAG stops are provided by BAK and staffed by volunteers. Expect the first SAG stop daily to be at approximately 20 miles and other stops at approximately 15-mile intervals. SAG support is from 7 am until 5 pm. If you need support earlier or later, you must make your own arrangements with a private vehicle. If you find yourself getting far behind, consider spending less time looking, talking, and eating until you catch up. Everyone should be prepared to cover the daily mileage under their own power, but if you have a mechanical issue or need assistance and you are not at a SAG stop, raise your left arm straight into the air and make a fist. A BAK SAG vehicle will stop and check on you. Rides in BAK SAG vehicles will be reserved for those persons who have mechanical issues. Expect to wear a mask while loading your bike onto and while riding in the SAG vehicle. Air conditioning will not be available in this vehicle. If you simply get tired and need to “SAG in,” call a family member or friend. If you feel ill or become injured, call 911 FIRST, then alert BAK officials at 913-645-2844.

Senior Living Center Visit Join BAKers Monday, June 10th, 2-4 pm in Hoisington, Credo Senior Living, 259 W. 6th Street. We'll visit with residents, share about bicycling and BAK, and enjoy The BAK Spokesmen.

The BAK Spokesmen (and women) Barbershop chorus meets nightly at 6:30 pm near the BAK Information Station. Anyone is welcome to join! The Spokesmen will sing during the senior living center visit in Hoisington and during select BAK all-participant meetings.

Baggage Truck You are responsible for loading your own luggage. Trucks are unlocked at 5:30 am and locked at 9 pm daily. DO NOT PILE YOUR LUGGAGE OUTSIDE OF THE TRUCK AND EXPECT SOMEONE ELSE TO LOAD IT FOR YOU. (BAK volunteers are NOT allowed to load any bags sitting outside a truck.) Please load as far forward and as high as possible (high and tight). The trucks depart daily at 9 am and arrive approximately at 12 pm at the overnight stop. Please help unload the trucks when you arrive.

Rider Services

Bicycle Mechanic Mechanical support (fee for service) will be daily mid-afternoon-6 pm, Saturday through Friday 7-9 am, some remote repair as needed along the route.

Massage Therapists Available at overnight stops during afternoon and evening hours Friday, June 7, through Friday, June 14 (fee for service).

BAK Information Desk Daily 2-5 pm, the BAK Information Desk will have details on food, entertainment, and events; BAK products for purchase; guest tickets for end-of-the-ride picnic (\$12 in advance, \$15 at the door). Staffed by volunteers.

BAK Information Station Stop by for details on food options, entertainment, events, and local amenities.

Text Messaging System BAK uses a text messaging system to alert you about route changes, meal information, events, weather, etc. Please DO NOT reply stop to the messages, as this would block timely or urgent messages from BAK.

Share Photos and Memories on Social Media

Share your BAK moments by posting photos and videos on social media.

Instagram: Tag your photos with #BAK2024

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/bakphotos/> Join the page, upload directly to the page, and tag your photos and videos with #BAK2024.

Usage: All photos are subject to the BAK's Use of Name/Likeness policy, which you signed/agreed to at the time of BAK registration.

Biking Across Kansas 2024

Spirit Days

Saturday, June 8 - 70s/80s

Sunday, June 9 - Kansas Day

Monday, June 10 - 90s/00s

Tuesday, June 11 - College/Alma Mater

Wednesday, June 12 - 10s/20s

Thursday, June 13 - 50 Years of BAK

Friday, June 14 - Flag Day

Saturday, June 15 - BAK 2024



Selfie Scavenger Hunt

Here, you'll find a daily selfie scavenger hunt for you to capture your BAK Moments! You can post your pics to social media with the tag: **#bak2024**

Take 50 selfies for BAK's 50th year starting today!

1. Welcome Sign - Colorado
2. Welcome Sign - Kansas



BAK50 BINGO

Meet people on BAK! In this section, you'll find prompts that will help you meet other cyclists. When you meet someone who fits, write their name on the blank! Each prompt has a 2-character code that matches a square on the bingo card on the last activity page. Mark the squares that you complete to get a BINGO!

Created by Lydia Byers & Jenniffer Kliever
Design work by Lydia Byers

SAG EXPRESS - Passport and Activity Book

All Aboard! Thank you for choosing to ride the SAG EXPRESS! Throughout the BAK Route Guide, you will find a few special pages for you to record memories of your ride and make connections with your fellow riders & SAG volunteers.

- Half of these pages are like a passport. You can collect a stamp or sticker from each of the SAGs you visit. There is also a little extra space here where you can write notes about your day.

- The other half will have BAK 2024 themed activities. This includes puzzles, fun facts, an ongoing bingo game, and a selfie scavenger hunt!

Have a fun and safe BAK!

You can get your first stamp from Drippy near the info table on Friday!

SAG: _____

SAG EXPRESS



CO Border - Tribune

Biking Across Kansas 2024

Friday, June 7

Colorado Border to Tribune

Today's Destination City:

Tribune

Overnight Lodging at:

Greeley County High School, 400 W. Lawrence

Total Daily Mileage:

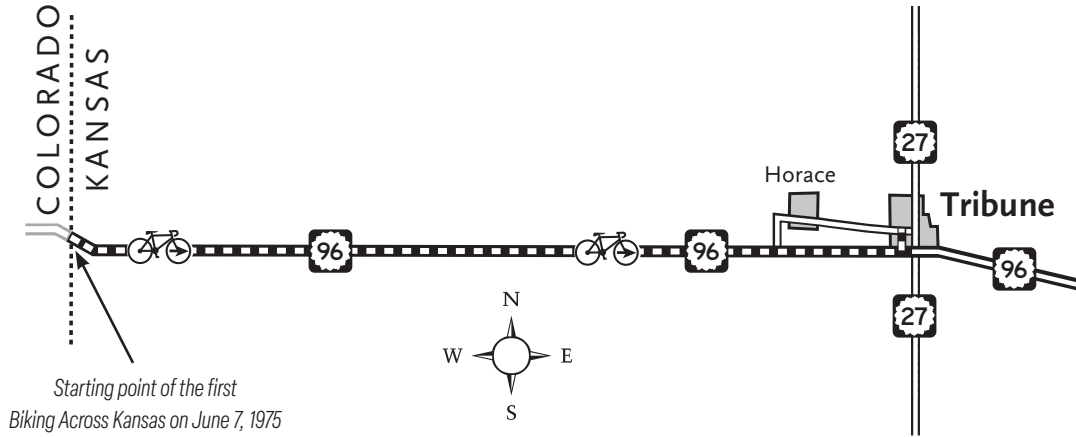
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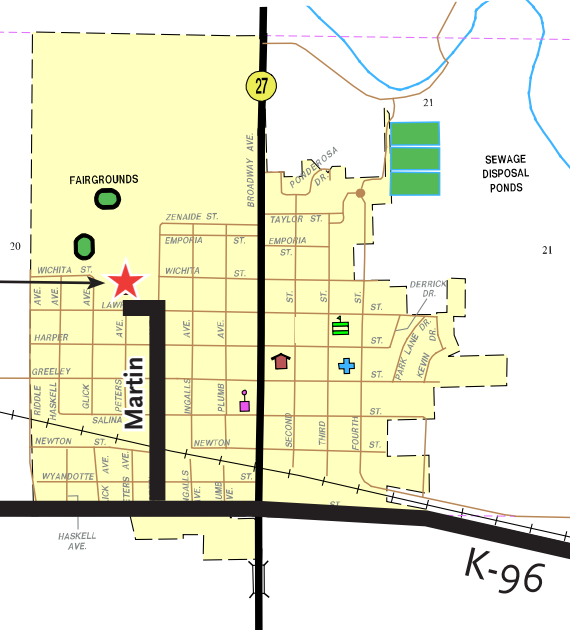
June 7 Map

Directions: Begin at Kansas/Colorado border on K-96—head east to Martin Street in Tribune. Turn left and continue to Lawrence Ave. and Greeley County High School.



Tribune

Greeley County High School
400 W. Lawrence



Tribune Entertainment

Greeley County Swimming Pool

200 Zenaide Street, 2 pm to 6:30 pm CDT
Free admission with BAK name badge

Horace Greeley Museum

214 E Harper, 4 pm - 6 pm CDT

The Alley Bar & Grill (Bowling Alley)

103 Ingalls, 6:30 - 1 am CDT

Star Theater of Tribune

415 Broadway, 8 pm CDT
\$5/adults, \$4/12 & under

BAK First-timers Meeting: Friday, June 7, 7:30 pm CDT , Greeley County High School in Tribune

Tribune Meal Options

Supper: Friday, June 7

Spaghetti Dinner, (fundraiser), 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM,
4-H Building, 1001 Ingalls Ave.,
Greeley County Amusement Association and GCHS Boys Basketball

Fortanel Bakery, wide array of bakery items,
412 Broadway, Friday 12 pm – 3 pm & 5 pm – 8 pm

Eagle Convenience Store, 215 W. Kansas, 8 AM to 12 PM Daily

The Family Kitchen, 416 Broadway, Burgers, Soups, Buffet, Sandwiches

Breakfast: Saturday, June 8

Breakfast Burritos (fundraiser), 5:30 AM, 4-H Building, 1001 Ingalls Ave.,
Greeley County High School Post Prom

Redeeming Grounds, 424 Broadway, coffee, tea, soup, and breakfast items

Eagle Convenience Store, 215 W. Kansas, 8 AM to 12 PM Daily

The Family Kitchen, 416 Broadway, Burgers, Soups, Buffet, Sandwiches

Biking Across Kansas 2024

Saturday, June 8

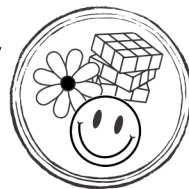
Tribune to Scott City

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BAK 2024 Word Search

Selfie Scavenger Hunt

3. Historic Greeley Courthouse - Tribune
4. Wichita County Courthouse - Leoti
5. Statue of Maria E. DeGeer - Scott City
6. Working circle irrigation unit
7. Feedlot - must be a selfie!
8. Cattle truck - with cattle



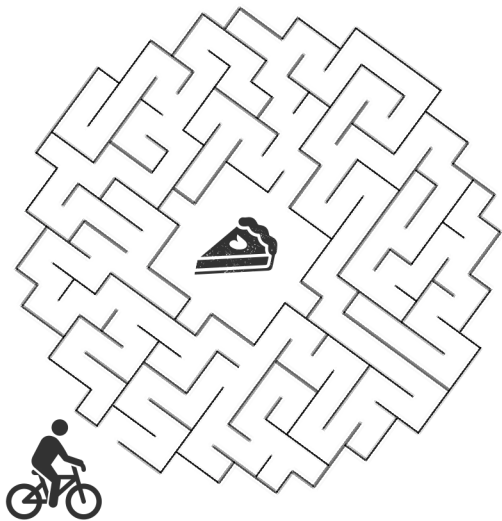
BAK50 BINGO

5B. Has more than 1000 unread emails

KB. Rides the same type of bike as you

KI. Rode BAK in the 1970s

Help the cyclist get to the pie!



SAG: _____

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SAG EXPRESS



Tribune - Scott City

Biking Across Kansas 2024

Saturday, June 8

Tribune to Scott City

Today's Destination City:

Scott City

Overnight Lodging at:

Scott City Middle School, 809 West 9th St

Mid-Day Food Stop:

Leoti, Fundraiser lunch, 600 blk S. 5th

Total Daily Mileage:

47 (Tribune to Scott City)

62 (Colorado border to Scott City)

Directions: Leave Greeley County High School heading east on Lawrence St. Turn right onto K-27. Continue to K-96 and turn left. Continue east on K-96 to Leoti. (*Fundraiser Lunch: Turn right on 5th St. to Earl St. and Wichita County Park*) Leave Leoti east on K-96. Continue to Scott City, turn right onto Russell St. and continue to 9th St. Turn right on 9th to Scott City Middle School.

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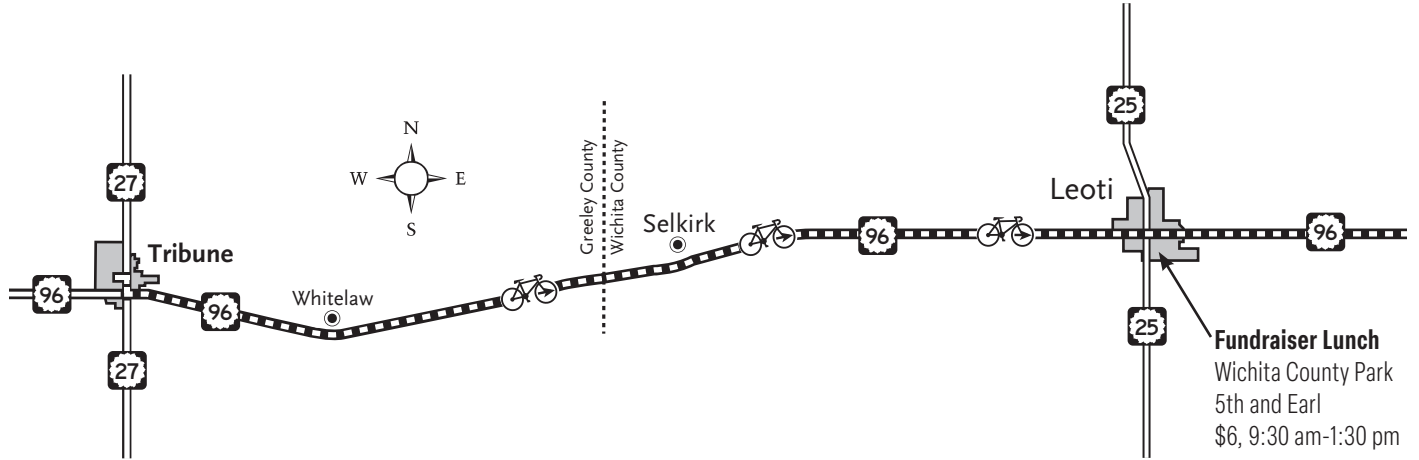
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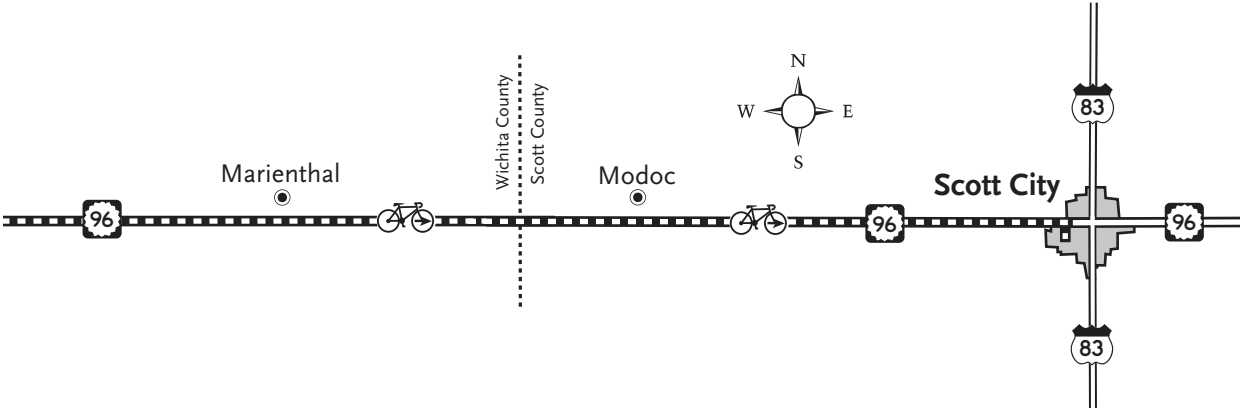
BAK 1970s and 1980s Day

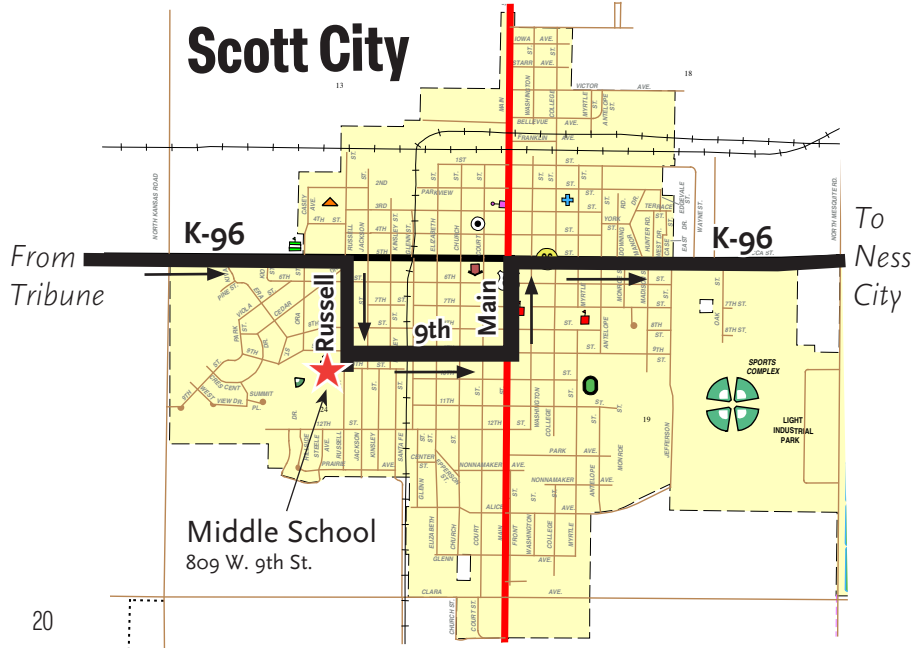
Wear your 70s/80s BAK t-shirt or period cycling apparel (tube socks encouraged)

Point-to-Point Mileage

Tribune to Selkirk	12
Selkirk to Leoti	10
Leoti to Marienthal	8
Marienthal to Modoc	7
Modoc to Scott City	10







Scott City Entertainment

Live Band 1, City Park on Main Street, 4:30-7:30 pm, Free, Classic Rock tunes from 60s-80s w/ a little country.

Live Band 2, 318 Main Street, 8:30 pm-12:30 am, Free

El Quartejeo Museum, 902 KS-96, 1:00-6:00 pm, Free, Will have shuttles set up

Jerry Thomas Gallery, 902 KS-96, 1:00-6:00 pm, Free.

Scott City Municipal Pool, 700 Ruth Avenue, 6:00-8:00 pm, \$2.00

Mom & Pops Burger Stop, 308 W 5th Street, 11:00-8:00 pm. Free; except for food purchases, play pool; corn hole in air conditioning

BAK All-Participant Meeting: Saturday, June 8, 8 pm, Scott City Middle School

Scott City Food Options

Fundraiser Lunch/Dinner, Saturday June 8

Frosty Flavors Sno Cones, City Park Main Street, 4:30

The Tribe, Middle School, 9th St., Noon-7 pm until supply runs out,
Stuffed baked potatoes; giant pretzels; fresh lemonade

SCHS Football Team, City Park, Main Street, 6:00 until supply runs out. Burgers, Beans, Chips, Cookies, & Water - \$10

Fundraiser Breakfast Sunday, June 9

SCHS Cheerleaders, Middle School, 5:30 am until supply runs out,
Breakfast Burritos, Fruit, water and juice

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, SCMS, 5:30 am until supply runs out,
Breakfast Casserole, fruit, water, coffee, muffins

Scott City Restaurants (lunch, supper, breakfast)

El Dos De Oros (lunch & supper), 1213 Main Street,
1:00 - 10:00 pm, Mexican Food

Mom & Pops Burger Stop (lunch & supper), Along K-96, 308 W.5th St.
11:00-2:00 & 5:00 -8:00, American food & Homemade pies

Pizza Hut (lunch & supper), 1304 Main Street, 10:15 - 11:00 pm,
Pizza and Sandwiches

The Steak House (breakfast, lunch & supper), Along K-96, 609 E. 5th St.,
6:00 am - 9:00 pm, American food

The Grill House (breakfast, lunch & supper), Along K-96, 611 E. 5th Street,
8:00 am - 9:00 pm, American food

Peking Garden (Lunch & Supper), 324 Main Street,
11:00-2:30 & 5:00-9:00 pm, Chinese Buffet

La Fiesta, 109 E. Park Lane ,11:00-2:00 & 5:00 -10:00 pm, Mexican Food

The Original Grande 1201 Main Street, 11:00 - 9:00 pm, Tacos and burritos

History Notes: June 8

GREELEY COUNTY (pop. 1,223) Organized in 1888, it was the last of the 105 Kansas counties to be created. It was named for Horace Greeley, a former New York Tribune editor. While editor, he highly encouraged western settlement, specifically with the motto “Go West, young man.” The 1885 state census reported only 10 people, likely buffalo hunters, in the county. In 1887 there were 2,638 residents. By 1913 the population decreased by more than 30 percent due to drought. Today it’s the least populated Kansas county.

TRIBUNE (pop. 737) Founded in 1886 and named for the former New York Tribune. The railroad depot was built in 1887, which led to Tribune’s county seat designation. The Tribune Branch Experiment Station (1911-1964) was started primarily to study the challenge of providing feed as a supplement to grass for winter grazing of livestock. Since 2009, Tribune and Greeley County have operated as a unified government.

Horace Greeley Museum (NRHP): 214 E Harper. Housed in the historic limestone courthouse and built in 1890, it showcases historical memorabilia, artifacts, documents and a prehistoric mammoth skull. The building was the Greeley County courthouse until 1975. 11 - 4, donation

Metal Ring Sculpture: 616 2nd, front of courthouse. This 11-foot metal sculpture was made from 544 wagon wheel hub bands metal ring by local welder Clyde Smith to commemorate county pioneers.

Veterans Memorial: Broadway (K-27) and Zenaide. Dedicated to locals who honorably served our country.

WICHITA COUNTY (pop.2,064) Organized in late 1886 and named for the Wichita Tribe, the county was one of the last organized in Kansas since both railroads were about 40 miles away. In 1887 following a violent county seat battle, Leoti was chosen over Coronado, which is now a ghost town.

SELKIRK (uninc.) Also known as Selkirk Station due to the Santa Fe Railroad's building of a depot here. It had a post office from 1887 to 1980.

Selkirk Hand-Dug Well (NRHP): This rock-lined, 24 feet in diameter and 102 feet deep well, is believed to be the last hand-dug railroad well in existence. Built in 1887 for the Santa Fe Railroad, its location on the north side of the railroad tracks on K-96 also features a 1908 depot and caboose.

LEOTI (pop. 1,418) Founded in 1885 by men from Garden City, Leoti is the county seat of Wichita County. By 1887, the city was known for having the bloodiest county seat fight in the history of the American West.

Museum of the Great Plains: 201 N 4th St. This former municipal auditorium was built by the WPA in 1940. Exhibits include fossils, violins, military, Old West town replica, American cowboy memorabilia, and local NFL player/sports reporter Steve Tasker. 7:30 -11 AM Donation

Washington-Ames House (NRHP): 112 N 3rd St. This 1892 Victorian-era Queen Anne-style house was built/owned by W.B. Washington, a local lawyer who practiced before the county was settled. Peek upstairs at the collection of hundreds of hats, which belonged to the most recent homeowner Margie (and Oren) Ames. 7:30-11 AM Donation

Wichita County Courthouse: 206 S 4th St. This 1917 Modern Eclecticism courthouse lawn includes a Charlie Norton bronze Buffalo Woman, an American Indian woman with her papoose.

MARIENTHAL (uninc.) Founded in 1892 by immigrant Germans from Russia and named after Marienthal, Russia. Today the community has fewer than 100 people.

SCOTT COUNTY (pop. 5,014) Created by an act of legislature in 1873 and named in honor of Major General Winfield Scott, a hero in both the War of 1812 and the Mexican War and commander-in-chief of the army at the beginning of the Civil War. He served under every president from Jefferson to Lincoln or 14 administrations.

MODOC (uninc.) It sprang up with the railroad and was once called Plummer. In 1886, a post office was established. In 1887, it was renamed Modoc. In 2006, Matt Novak restored the 1918 Modoc Township Hall over six years to ensure his hometown and historic building did not die.

SCOTT CITY (pop. 3,927): In 1884, Maria DeGeer came from Chicago and established Scott City. She's likely the only woman to have founded a town in Kansas and was the first woman to be admitted to the Kansas Bar Association. On the site of her claim cabin is a bronze statue of her. Pueblo Indians once ruled this area. The El Quartejejo ruins can be found in the eastern section of Scott Lake (finalist for the 8 Wonders of Kansas).

El Quartejejo Museum: 902 W 5th. See fossils, local Native American and pioneer history, antique farm machinery, horse-drawn buggies. In 2010, the museum added The Jerry Thomas Gallery and Collection, including works of nationally recognized Jerry Thomas, Wildlife and Western Artist. 1 - 6, Free

Scott County Courthouse: 303 Court. This 1924 Modern Eclecticism courthouse covers a full block square.

Cattleman's Harvest: 506 Main. The Charlie Norton bronze sculpture portrays a cowboy carrying a calf to safety during a blizzard.

The White Woman Creek: The legend is that Anna-Wee and other white men were captured by the Cheyenne tribe. She married the chief and bore a son—both who were killed by Fort Wallace forces. Anna-Wee haunts the creek—mourning her dead husband and son.

Kansas Word Scramble

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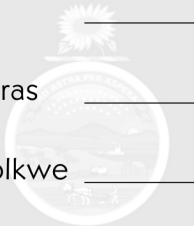
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Selfie Scavenger Hunt

- 9. County line signs - Scott & Lane Counties
- 10. Lane County Courthouse fountain - Dighton
- 11. "Skyscraper of the Plains" - Ness City
- 12. Statue of Corporal Noah V. B. Ness - Ness City
- 13. Historical marker signs - how many can you get?
- 14. Grain elevator

BAK50 BINGO

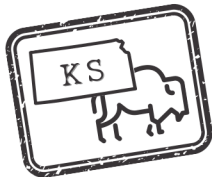
BG. Speaks multiple languages

OO. Has the most relatives who have done BAK

OB. Is from Kansas

Random Acts of Kindness

If you see it, we want to hear about it!
When you see your fellow
BAKers step up by helping
others change a tire or
doing something else nice,
let the Info Desk know!



SAG: _____

SAG: _____

SAG: _____

SAG EXPRESS



Scott City - Ness City

Today's Destination City:

Ness City

Overnight Lodging at:

Ness City Jr/Sr High School, 414 E. Chestnut

Mid-Day Food Stop:

Dighton City Park, BAK provided lunch (turn left on 3rd St)

Total Daily Mileage:

56

Directions: Leave Scott City Middle School on 9th St, head east. At Main St. (US 83), turn left and continue to 5th St. (K-96). Turn right onto K-96 and continue east to Dighton. Turn left on 3rd St for BAK Lunch at City Park. Leave Dighton east on K-96 and continue to Ness City. In Ness City, turn left onto 5th St, continue to Ness City Jr/Sr High School.

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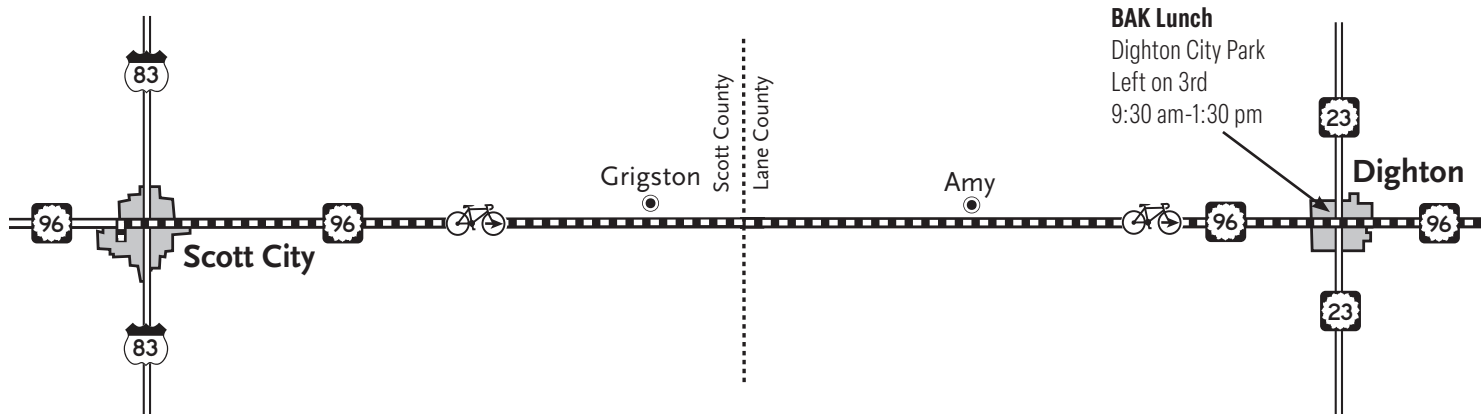
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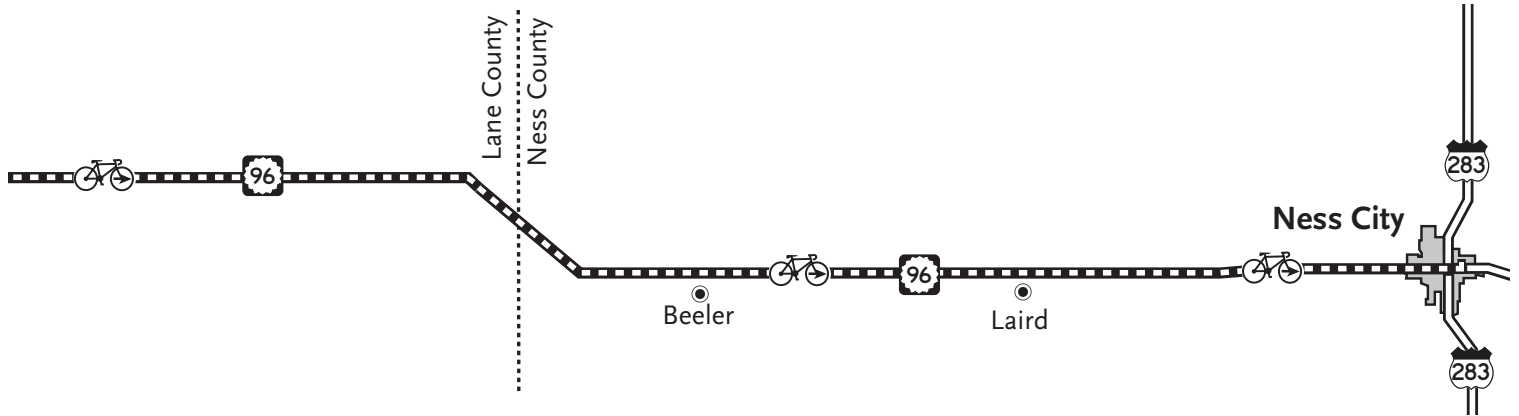
Kansas Day

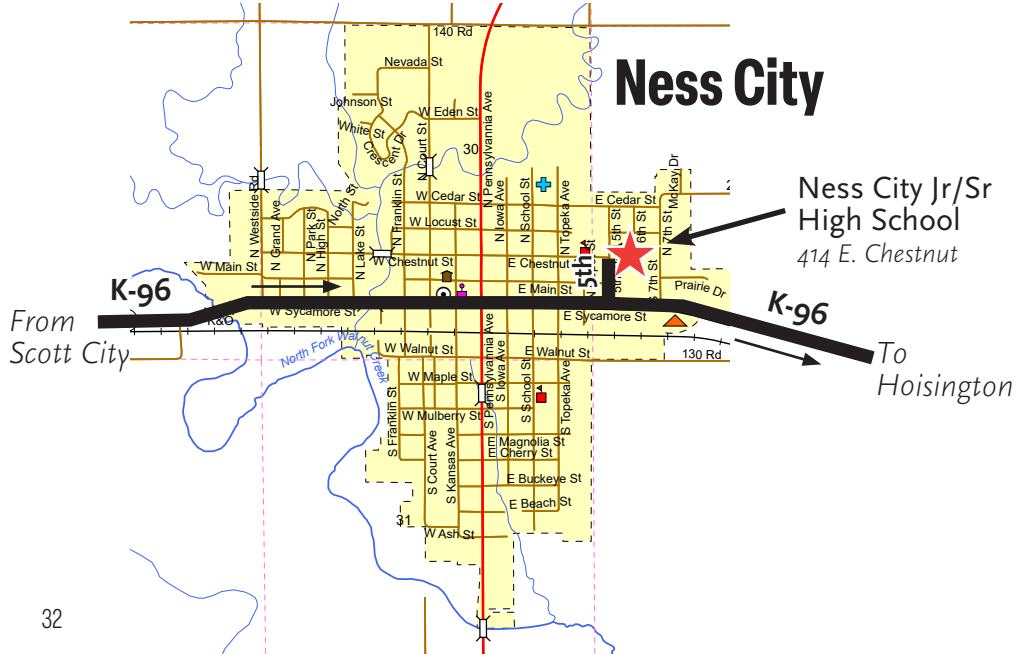
Wear your Kansas-themed apparel today!

Point-to-Point Mileage

Scott City to Grigston	10
Grigston to Amy	6
Amy to Dighton	7
Dighton to Beeler	16
Beeler to Ness City	17







Ness City

Ness City Jr/Sr High School
414 E. Chestnut

T O N I G H T

THE ORIGINS OF BIKING ACROSS KANSAS

History Presentation/Panel Discussion

Ness City, June 9, 8 pm

High School Auditorium

Presented by Pete Simonson and Charles Walther

“Flash back to 1974. A small group of friends are sitting around a campfire outside Winfield, Kansas after riding a century. The conversation turns to what rides they’d like to do in the future. One of them, Larry Christie of Wichita, suggests biking across the state, thinking it would just be six or so of them with a support vehicle. Over the next months, however, the idea grew, driven by Larry and his wife Norma...In June 1975, to the Christies’ delight, 76 cyclists showed up in Tribune, aged 13 to 70. Most were from Kansas, with the bike clubs of Wichita, Topeka, and Lawrence highly represented.”—excerpted from “Fifty Years of Biking Across Kansas,” by Pete Simonson and Charles Walther

Learn more about BAK’s 50-year history

Simonson and Walther’s full article about the early beginnings of BAK and the 1970s cycling scene will be published later in June on the BAK.org web site and the link emailed to all participants.

Plan to attend their presentation in Ness City:

“The Origins of Biking Across Kansas.”

Sunday, June 9, 8 pm, High School Auditorium



Original 1975 BAK
logo designed by
Larry Christie and
Ben Issacman

Ness City Food Options

Fundraiser Supper, Sunday June 9

Potato Bar, Ness City PEO, High School, 5:00 pm until supply runs out

Fundraiser Breakfast Monday, June 10

Oatmeal Bar, Ness County Fairboard, High School, 5:30 am to 7:30 am

Ness City Restaurants (lunch, supper, breakfast)

Cuppa Joe, 108 E Sycamore, 9:00 am to 2:00 am, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Sunday, daily special, breakfast special, free wifi

The Cozy, 5 Prairie Drive, 117 E Sycamore, 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm Sunday,
bar food

More Than Coffee, 119 S Penn, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm Sunday,
coffee, smoothies, light sandwiches, free wifi

El Dos, 201 E Sycamore, 11:00 am to 9:00 pm Sunday, Mexican

Frigid Crème, 801 W Cedar, 501 E Sycamore, 11:00 am to 9:00 pm
Sunday, fast food/small ice cream cone - \$.99, Cheeseburger/
Hamburger, fries, small Sunday - \$10 plus tax

Pizza Plus, 108 S Penn, 11:00 am to 1:30 pm, 4:30 -8:30 pm
Sunday, pizza, sandwiches

Cactus Club, 124 S Penn, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Sunday,
6:00 am to 11:00 am Monday, breakfast buffet

Louie's Bar and Grill, 917 S Penn, opens 11:00 am, special, bar food

Ness City Entertainment

Ness County Historical Museum, 3:00 to 6:00 pm, free

Ness County Bank Building, 3:00 to 6:00 pm, free

Ness City Swimming Pool, 1:00 to 5:00 pm

History Notes: June 9

LANE COUNTY (pop. 1,556) This is the third-least populous county in Kansas. It was established in 1873 and named after James H. Lane, a Free State partisan from Kansas who served as one of the first U.S. senators from Kansas.

DIGHTON (pop. 956) This county seat was founded in 1862. Its open fields and promise of freedom drew settlers. Life was tough, and houses were built from sod and dry dirt. The city grew rapidly and by 1900 over 100 people lived here. Dighton is in the great American Bison range. Buffalo Bill Cody, the US Cavalry, and the railroad did their hunting here. The UFO sightings of the 1970s are also part of Dighton's history.

Lane County Historical Museum: 333 N Main St. Includes replicas of area buildings and businesses as well as a sod house. 8 - 11, donation

Old Bank Gallery (RHKP): 146 E Long. In 1981, This restored 1888 building was once the First National Bank of Dighton. Drive by only.

Lane County Community High School and Stadium (NRHP): 200 S. Wichita. The 1936 Art Deco school and 1937 stadium were WPA projects. Look for architect Glen Thomas' signature bas-relief panels of carved bison on the entrance sides. The limestone stadium was built with stone from Ravanna's former courthouse in nearby Finney County.

ALAMOTA (pop. 82) The town was a station and shipping point on a division of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe. A post office opened in 1877, closed in 1894, reopened in 1902 and closed again in 1992.

NESS COUNTY (pop. 2,645) The county between the Arkansas and Smoky Hill Rivers was founded after the Civil War during westward expansion. It's named in 1876 for Corporal Noah V. B. Ness, a veteran of G Troop, 7th Kansas Cavalry who was killed at Abbeville, Mississippi, during the Civil War.

“Homestead of a Genius” Kansas Historical Marker: 15 miles west of Ness City, the marker recognizes the George Washington Carver Homestead Site. Carver, whose parents were slaves, was one of America's greatest scientists and has been called a genius. As a brilliant inventor, he made paint, soap, medicines, cosmetics and 500 other products from sweet potatoes and peanuts alone. (8 Wonders of Kansas People)

BEELER (uninc.) Founded in 1886 as Beelerville and with only a post office. Beeler is the hometown of BAK co-founder Norma Christie. The George Washington Carver Homestead Site is south of here.

NESS CITY (pop. 1,322) Founded in 1878. During prohibition, the use of “medicinal” alcohol from the drugstore reached great proportions. It's said that a local newspaper editor tracked buyers of the “medicine” and published their names in the newspaper. To stop this, a group stole and dumped the press, which has not been located to date, in Sunset Lake.

Local Smoky Joe Wood pitched for the Boston Red Sox, where he won three 1912 World Series games. After a shoulder injury in 1915, when he appeared in a second Series, he became an outfielder for the Cleveland Indians. In 1920, he was part of his third World Series Champion Team, making him the only player besides Babe Ruth to win as both a pitcher and outfielder.

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Sunday, June 9

Skyscraper of the Plains (NRHP): 102 W. Main. When it was built in 1890, the Old Ness County Bank building was said to be the tallest building between Topeka and Denver. This native limestone, 4-story, ornate building was designated one of the 8 Wonders of Kansas Architecture by the Kansas Sampler Organization in 2008. 3-6 pm, donation.

Ness County Historical Museum: 123 S. Pennsylvania Ave. Shows history of the county. Exhibits include George Washington Carver, major league baseball players Chief Hogsett and Smoky Joe Wood, former Kansas Governor and US Senator Andrew Schoeppel, and much more. 3-6 pm, donation

Scott City to Ness City

Noah Ness Statue: 212 E Sycamore. Sculpted in bronze by H.T. Holden in honor of the county's namesake and those who served their country.

Veterans Memorial and Park: From Pennsylvania, 1 block west on Main.

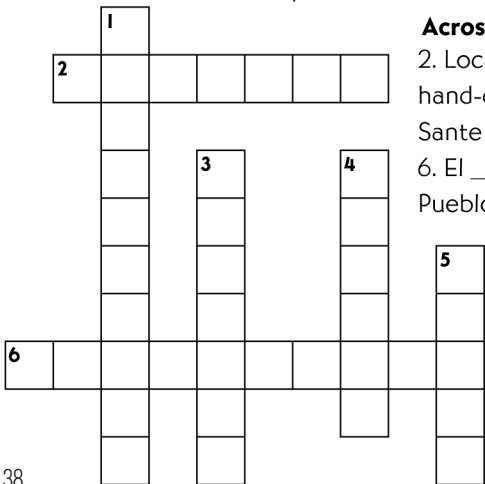
Down

1. Tallest limestone bulding (1890)
3. Great American Bison Range
4. Birthplace of Norma Christie
5. "Prairie Flower" sculpture location



Across

2. Location of last hand-dug well for Sante Fe RR
6. El _____, Pueblo remains



Kansas History Crossword

Selfie Scavenger Hunt

15. "Christ Pilot Me" hill - Bazine
16. Rush County Courthouse - LaCrosse
17. St. Ann's Catholic Church steeple - Olmitz
18. Folk art gravestones by Phil Webb - Hoisington
19. "Wheat Center" mural - Hoisington Post Office
20. Inside any historical museum

BAK50 BINGO

50. Has introduced a person by the wrong name

- 0G. Has broken a bone during a ride

- 5N. Rode BAK when there were three routes

SAG: _____

SAG: _____

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SAG EXPRESS



Ness City - Hoisington

Biking Across Kansas 2024

Monday, June 10

Ness City to Hoisington

Today's Destination City:

Hoisington

Overnight Lodging at:

Hoisington Recreation Center, 1200 Susank Road

Mid-Day Food Stop:

La Crosse, fundraiser in City Park, 10 am-2 pm

Total Daily Mileage:

68

Directions: Leave Ness City and continue east on K-96 to Rush Center. Turn left here onto US 183 to La Crosse. At junction with K-4, turn right. Continue east on K-4 to Hoisington. In Hoisington, turn left on Susank Road and continue to Recreation Center.

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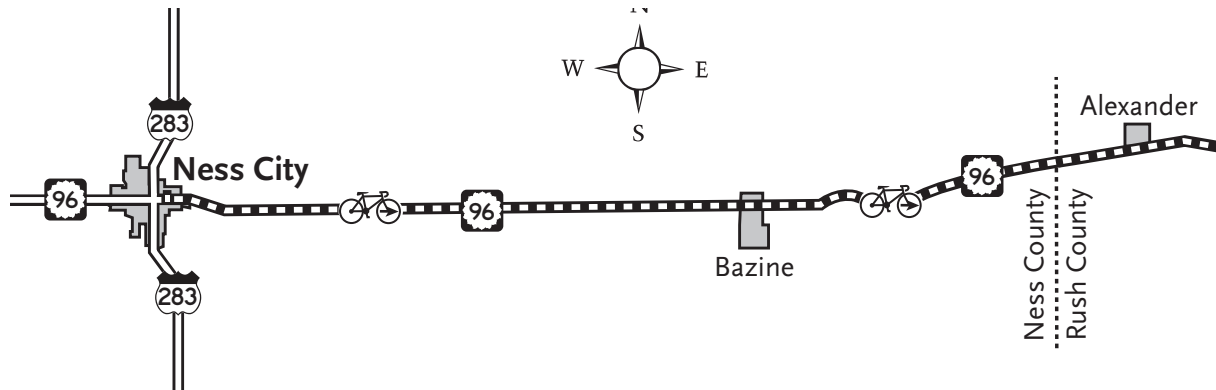
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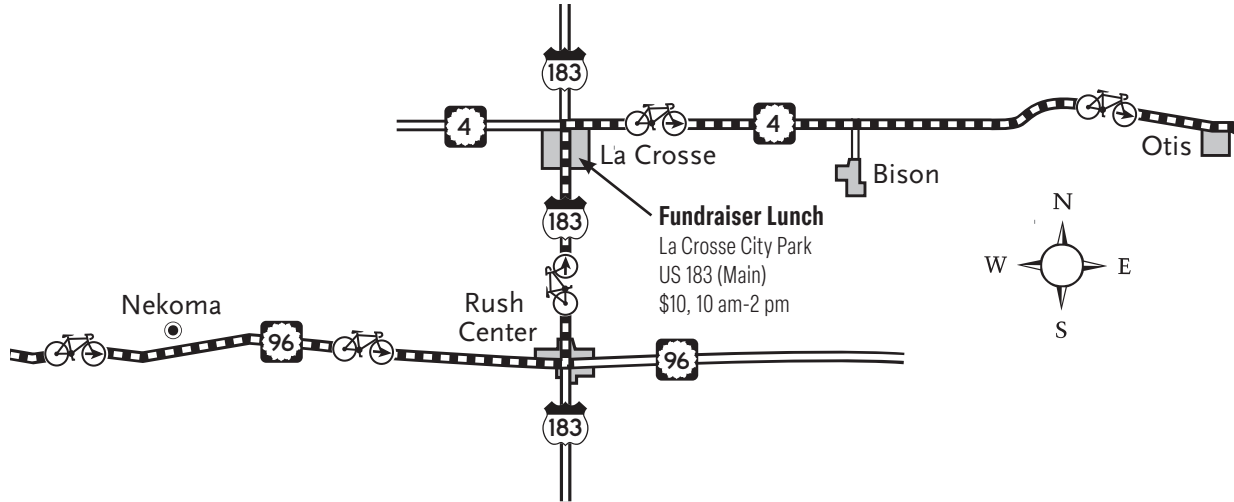
1990s and 2000s Day, Monday, June 10

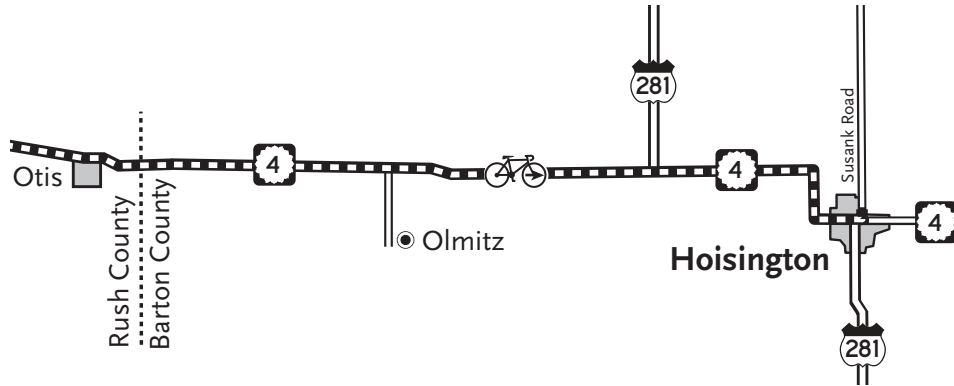
Wear your jerseys or other attire from the 1990s and 2000s today!

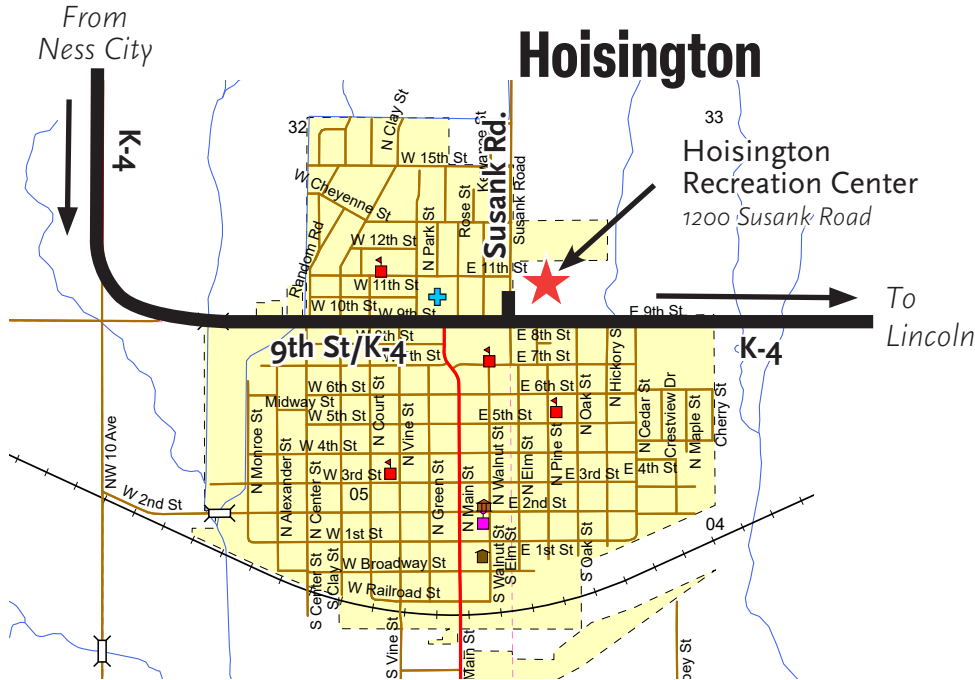
Point-to-Point Mileage

Ness City to Bazine	12	Rush Center to La Crosse	4
Bazine to Alexander	8	La Crosse to Otis	15
Alexander to Nekoma	6	Otis to Hoisington	16
Nekoma to Rush Center	7		









Senior Living Center Visit
 Monday, June 10th, 2-4 pm
Credo Senior Living
 Hoisington, 259 W. 6th Street

BAK All-Participant Meeting
 Monday, June 10, 8 pm
 Recreation Center

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Monday, June 10

Ness City to Hoisington

Hoisington Food Options

Refreshments, Monday, June 10

(all at Recreation Center)

Walker's Snowcones

Pies and Ice Cream, Clara Barton Auxiliary

Elementary Music and Art, Water/Drinks

Trail Mix, The Cow Creek 4-H Club

Supper, Monday, June 10

(all at Recreation Center)

Bran 17 BBQ

Lana's Catering

Flatlanders

Cajun Connection

Breakfast, Tuesday, June 11

(all at Recreation Center)

Breakfast burritos, cinnamon rolls, muffins and fruit.

5:30 am, Concordia Lutheran Church

Biscuits and Gravy, Kennon's

Easy Fast Breakfast, Fruit, Coffee, Volunteers in Action

Hoisington Restaurants

Dairy Queen, 301 E 9th Street, Hoisington, 9 AM to 9 PM

Mi Tierra 9 (Mexican), 118 E 1st Street, 11 AM to 9 PM

Pizza Hut, 56 West St #4, Hoisington, 10:30 AM to 9 PM,

Pizza, Pasta and Wings

Casey's Pizza and Subs, 250 S. Main Street, 4 AM to 12 AM,

Pizza, sandwiches and breakfast

American Legion, 204 N Main Street, 9 AM to 6 PM, Bar Food and Beer

Tap Room, 170 S. Main Street, 9 AM to 12 AM, Bar Food and Beer

Hoisington Attractions

Live Music at Recreation Center, *Sponsored by BAK*

Hoisington City Pool and Centennial Park, 718 W. 7th Street,

1 pm to 5 pm and 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Hoisington Historical Society, 120 E 2nd Street

Hoisington High School (on Historical Registry) 218 E. 7th Street

Ehler Chevrolet (on Historical Registry) 271 S. Main Street,

8 AM to 5:30 PM

Cheyenne Bottoms, Curtis Wolf Wetlands Education Center,

Shuttles to Cheyenne Bottoms

History Notes: June 10

BAZINE (pop. 274) The town started as a station on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad and was named for French General Francois Achille Bazaine. Many of its early settlers were Volga German families.

Model Stock Farm: 3 blocks south on Main. Similar to today's experiment stations for researching improvements in agricultural techniques, there are three native limestone buildings from circa 1900.

Hilltop Crosses: 2 ¾ miles east of town, south side of U.S. 96. Three rock crosses mark the hillside where the words "Christ Pilot Me" are laid in stone. Most visible from the west, the crosses date back to 1940 and were a Bazine church project.

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Monday, June 10

RUSH COUNTY (pop. 2,927) Established in 1867 and organized in late 1874 by Kansas Governor Thomas Osborn, the county was named in honor of Captain Alexander Rush, Company H of the 2nd Kansas Colored Infantry. Early settlers lived along the Walnut Creek near a trading post and stockade on the Fort Hays-Fort Dodge Trail.

ALEXANDER (uninc.) Established in 1869, was a key stopping point on the Fort Hays-Fort Dodge Trail (part of the Santa Fe Trail), and is the oldest city in Rush County. It was named for Alexander Harvey, a Scottish emigrant who operated a stockaded trading post on the trail crossing of the Wet Walnut Creek.

Fort Hays-Fort Dodge Trail Kansas Historical Marker: K-96 rest area in Alexander. The 1867 trail passed near here and was first used by the military and some civilian traffic in 1868.

Historic School: From Main, 3 blocks east on Kepner. This two-story Collegiate Gothic school was built in 1916. A 1930 gymnasium was built in the same style.

Ness City to Hoisington

RUSH CENTER (pop. 140) Formerly Walnut City and the original county seat.

LA CROSSE (pop. 1,247) The land belonged to patentee and surveyor, Denman A. Stubbs, and wife, Ellen Jewell Stubbs, who came from Wisconsin and settled in 1874. The county offices were moved here in 1876, and the present courthouse was erected in 1888.

Barbed Wire Museum: 120 1st St. After hosting a swap and sell convention in 1967, La Crosse eventually became known as The Barbed Wire Capital of the World. On exhibit are 2,400+ varieties of wire, complete with their specific names, patent numbers, and patent dates, along with 500+ varieties of tools used to construct fences. Look for the display of a nest that a crow made out of barbed wire. 10-4:30, donation

Post Rock Museum: Grass Park, 202 1st St. The museum was moved here from Nekoma stone by stone and displays photos of post rock being quarried and area buildings made of this native material. An exhibit also demonstrates how to

extract post rock using feathers and wedges. An average post-rock fence post is nine inches wide on each of its four sides, five to six feet long, and weighs 250-450 pounds. (8 Wonders of Kansas Custom) 10-4:30 pm, donation

Rush County Historical Museum: 202 W. 1st. The old Santa Fe depot from nearby Timken houses the museum. Included is the Pleasant Point one-room schoolhouse and items from pioneer/innovator educator Howard Barnard. 10-4:30 pm, donation

Nekoma Bank Museum: 202 1st St. This 1916 bank was transported from the town of Nekoma. Open 10-4:30 pm, donation

Rush County Courthouse (NRHP): 715 Elm. This 1889 Romanesque Revival is built of red brick with limestone trim and is one of the older courthouses in Kansas.

WPA Projects: 1937 Barnard Library at 521 Elm, a school vocational building at 511 Elm, and a variety of structures in the city park on S. Main. All are constructed of native limestone.

Statue of Liberty Replica: City Park on S. Main. In 1951, the Boy Scouts placed this landmark here.

BISON (pop. 175) It was platted in 1888 by the Missouri Pacific Railroad and named for the American bison, which once grazed there. Look for the bison-shaped street signs in town. Notice the post-rock influence, especially on E 1st. The county's first gas well was drilled here in 1903. Watch for bison pastures in the area.

WPA Projects: 1936 post-rock former city hall downtown area, 1937 stone grade school on S. Main, 1920 brick high school across from grade school, and the old city jail in the alley behind the library/museum.

OTIS (pop. 294) Founded in 1886 by Major E. C. Moderwell of Salina, KS and named for his son. The Major donated the ground where the first grade school was built and the present school still stands. A 1922 cigar factory was once rated one of the best in Kansas. Natural gas was discovered south of here in 1928. In 1943, the U.S. government built The Otis Helium Plant, one of the largest of its kind, and a community south of Otis to house workers. A privately-owned helium plant, the second largest of its kind, operates near here today.

Peter Brack Memorial band shell: City Park at 101 S. Main. A nearby plaque shares about Brack, a Russian immigrant to Rush County.

Otis-Bison High School: 3rd & Eagle. Notice the decorative terra cotta entrance above the doors of the 1931 school.

BARTON COUNTY (pop. 25,080) Established in 1867 and named for Clara Harlowe Barton (1821-1912), who provided medical supplies to soldiers during the Civil War founded the American Red Cross in 1881. She is the only woman to have a Kansas county named for her.

OLMITZ (pop. 89) The post office opened in 1881 and remains open today. Austrian Catholic and Volga German families settled here and named the town after the city of Olomouc in Austria-Hungary, which is the Czech Republic today. Look for the landmark church which features a clock tower.

National Wetlands & Wildlife National Scenic Byway: We'll travel the Scenic Byway just west of Hoisington to west of Claflin. It connects The Cheyenne Bottoms and Quivira National Wildlife Refuge. More than 60,000 acres of wetlands along the Byway host millions of migrating birds each year, including waterfowl, shorebirds, Whooping Cranes, and more.

HOISINGTON (pop. 2,642) In the 1870s prior to establishing the town, pioneers of Homestead Township initiated the laying of the Kansas and Colorado Railroad. The first work-train arrived in 1886. Hoisington is the only town in the Cheyenne Bottoms Basin. Explore the 62 handcrafted Metal Pole Art installations along Main Street.

Hoisington High School & Stadium (NRHP): 218 E 7th. These structures are WPA projects—1937 and 1940 respectively.

Post Office Murals (NRHP): 121 E 2nd. “Wheat Center” is the title of the large farm scene, a 1938 Section artwork by Dorothea Tomlinson. Also in the lobby are three scenes by a local artist Bob Booth illustrate the modernization of harvest.

Municipal Building Sundials: 109 E 1st. The art deco building, a 1939 WPA project, has sundials on each side of the tall column. They keep perfect time!

Hoisington Community Historical Museum: 120 E 2nd.
Explore the history of Hoisington and the surrounding area.

Cemetery Folk Art: E 9th & Cedar, enter eastbound drive in Hoisington Cemetery, take first drive north to the end, then east to Post 21. You’ll see several folk art gravestones by local Phil Webb, who noticed graves with no headstones.

William Lebert Park: 149 N Main. Signs tell of the Wetlands & Wildlife National Scenic Byway and the 2001 tornado that hit Hoisington.

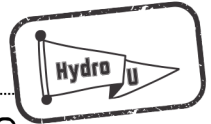
Manweiler Chevrolet dealership (NRHP): 271 S. Main. This is a 1944 Streamline Art Modern building that includes a colorful neon Chevrolet sign.

Fill in the ___ Kansas History

1. Cavalryman _____ Harvey built a trading post along the Fort Hays- Fort Dodge Trail. The town was later named after him.
2. After a convention in 1967, _____ became known as the Barbed Wire Capital of Kansas.
3. Founder of the Red Cross, Clara Harlowe _____ is the only woman to have a KS county named for her.
4. _____ is the largest marsh of the US interior and is the most important to shorebird migration.
5. _____ was a main terminus of the Texas cattle trade and was dubbed the “wickedest” of cow towns.
6. In 1879, _____ was officially named “Post Rock Capital” of Kansas.

Selfie Scavenger Hunt

21. Cheyenne Bottoms Scenic Overlook
22. White Eagle Filling Station - Claflin
23. Geographic Center of Kansas - Bushton (century)
24. Hodgden House Museum Complex - Ellsworth
25. Cow with a yellow ear tag
26. Adopt a highway sign



BAK50 BINGO

AG. Had their picture printed in a newspaper

KO. Rides a recumbent

KG. Went to the same school as you

SAG: _____

SAG: _____

SAG: _____

SAG: _____

SAG EXPRESS



Hoisington - Lincoln

Today's Destination City:

Lincoln

Overnight Lodging at:

Lincoln Jr/Sr High School, 701 E. North St.

Mid-Day Food Stop:

Ellsworth: Fundraiser lunch at Health & Recreation Center, 10-2 pm
Grab & Go lunch or sloppy joes. Several local restaurants available.

Total Daily Mileage:

62 (or 100-mile century route)

Directions: Leave Hoisington heading east on K-4. Continue through Claflin to junction with K-156. Left turn on K-156 for 62-mile route, **Century Riders** continue straight on K-4. **Regular route** riders will continue on K-156 through Holyrood and to junction with K-14. Left on K-14 to Ellsworth and lunch options. **Century Riders** continue on K-4 through Bushton, Frederick, Geneseo to junction with K-141. Left turn on K-141 past Kanopolis Lake to junction with K-140. Left turn on K-140 to Ellsworth. Lunch options here. From Ellsworth, all cyclists ride north on K-14 to Lincoln (see city map on pg. 61).

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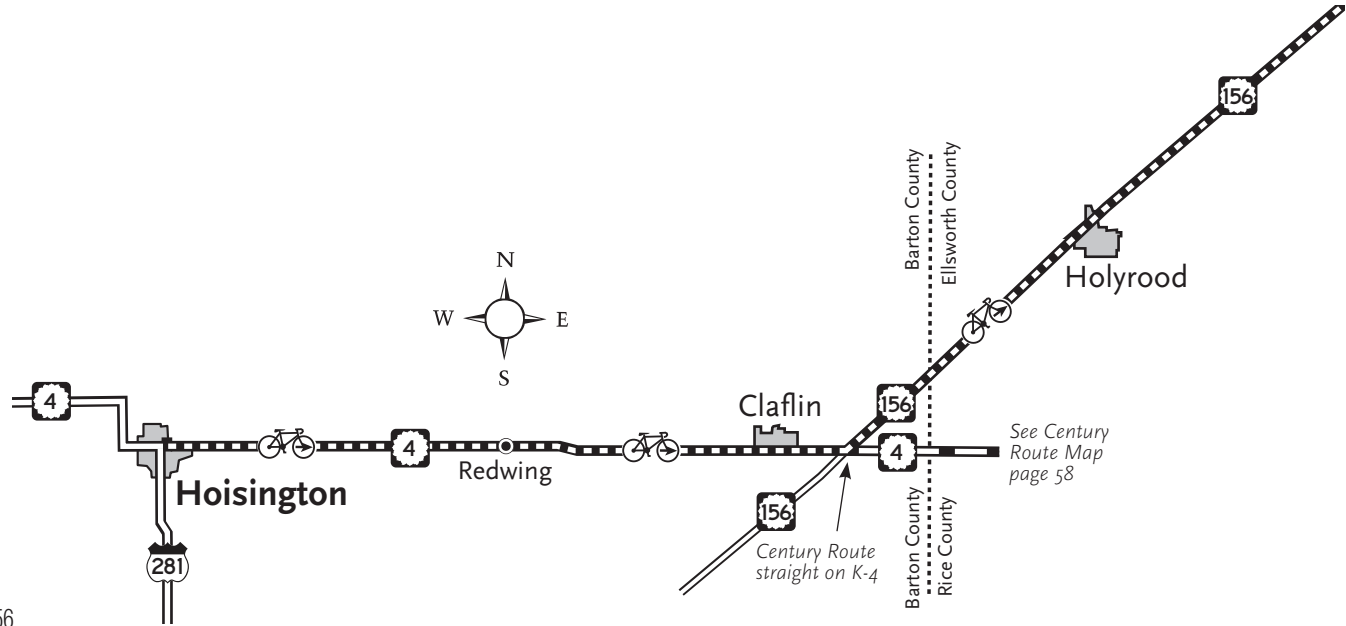
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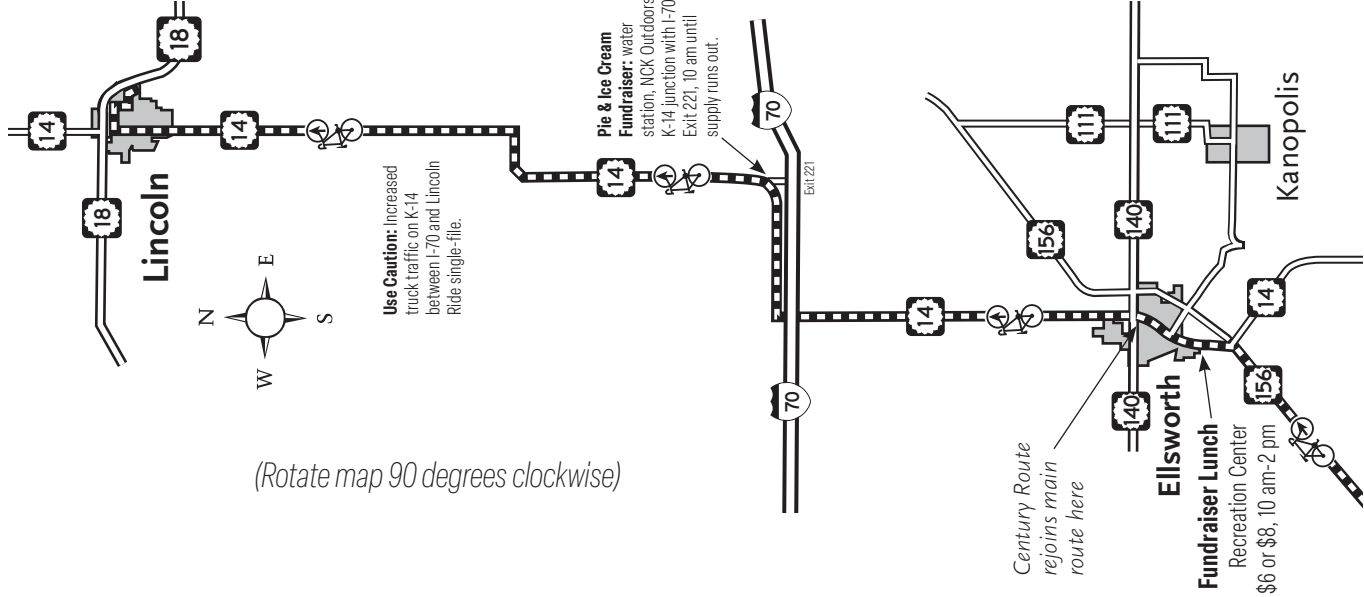
College Jersey Day, Tuesday, June 11

Celebrate your alma mater by wearing your college jersey today!

Point-to-Point Mileage (regular route)

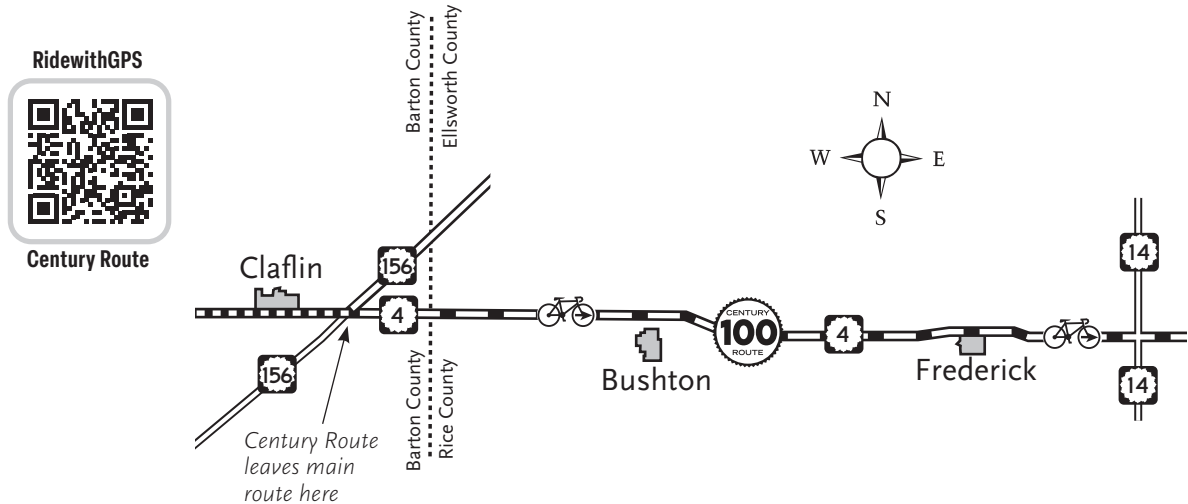
Hoisington to Redwing	6	Holyrood to Ellsworth	14
Redwing to Claflin	7	Ellsworth to Junction I-70	8
Claflin to Junction K-156	2	Junction I-70 to Lincoln	18
Junction K-156 to Holyrood	7		



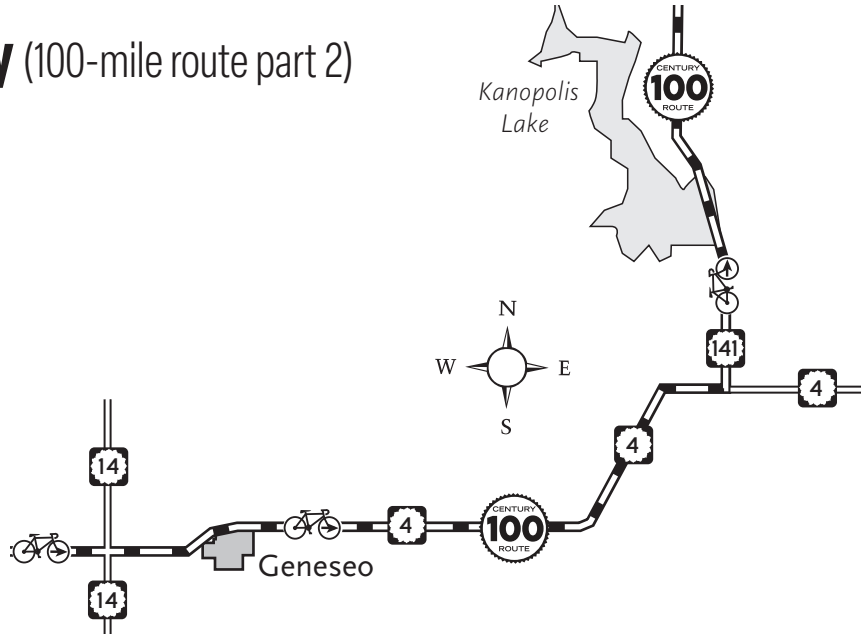


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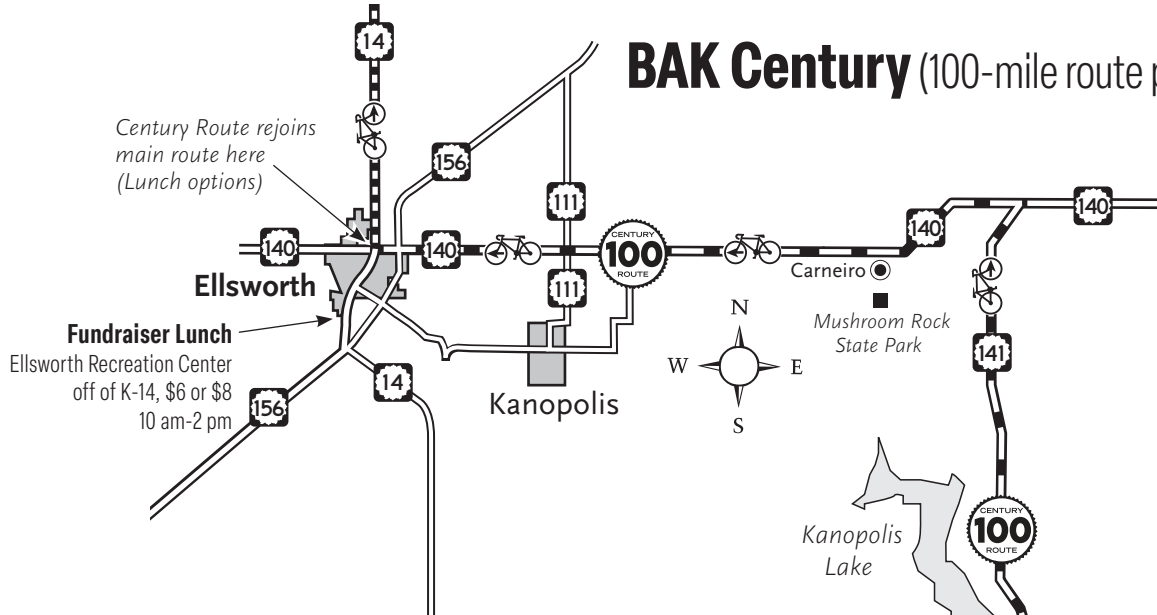
BAK Century (100-mile route part 1)

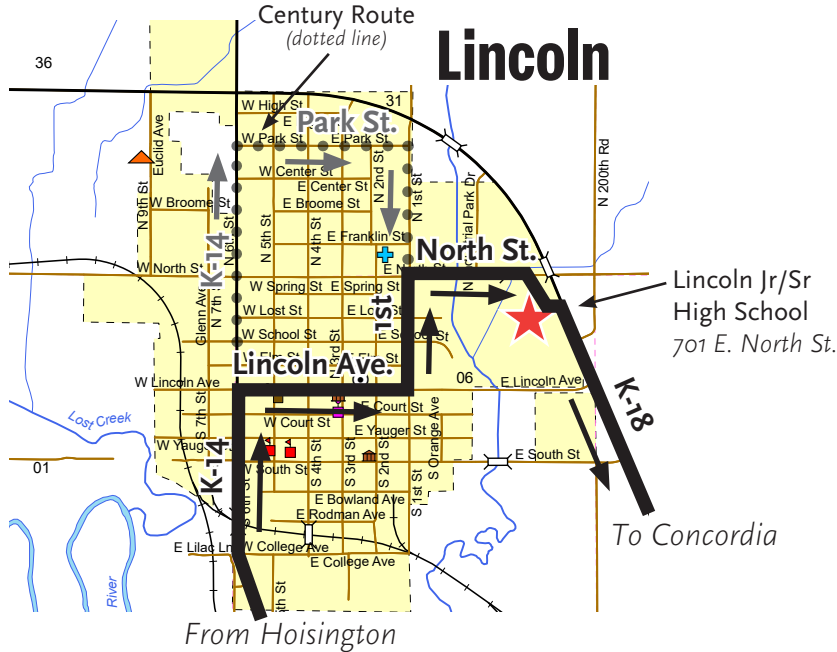


BAK Century (100-mile route part 2)



BAK Century (100-mile route part 3)





Lincoln Food Options Refreshments, Tuesday, June 11

Pop floats, pickle pops, ice cream, lemonade, water and bake sale. City Park (adjacent to school), 702 E Lincoln Avenue, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Light Keepers Youth Group (Central Christian Church)

Ice cream, including dairy-free selections, carbonated fruit drinks, cinnamon spice tea, coffee, Downtown, 139 W Lincoln Ave., 11:00 am-7:30 pm, Village Lines

Afternoon Pie and ice cream, City Park (adjacent to school), 702 E Lincoln Avenue, NCK Outdoors,

Biking Across Kansas 2024

Tuesday, June 11

Hoisington to Lincoln

Supper, Tuesday, June 11

Pasta Bake (choice of chicken alfredo or ziti, meatless options available) with salad, dinner roll, and strawberry jello poke cake. \$10/meal, Lincoln Center Improvement Committee, Downtown / Lincoln Senior Center, 110 W Lincoln Avenue, Lincoln, 4:00-7:00 pm

Walking tacos for \$5, dessert available by free will donation, Light Keepers Youth Group, Central Christian Church, 211 N 5th Street, 5:30-8:00 pm

Vegan power bowls and dessert bars (made by an actual vegan!) Village Lines, Downtown/Village Lines, 139 W Lincoln Avenue, 5:00-7:30 pm, (limited supply)

Pulled pork sandwiches, chips, salad/fruit, desserts, Lincoln PTCO, School Cafeteria, 701 E North Street, Lincoln, 5:00-8:00 pm

Burgers, hot dogs, and other concession stand food (4-8 pm) plus a beer garden (5-8 pm) while watching a fun double-header of adult coed softball! Lincoln Recreation Department, City Park/Baseball Field, 702 E Lincoln Avenue, 4:00-8:00 pm

Baked potato bar for \$10/plate plus drink specials! Toppings include pulled pork, rotisserie chicken, chili, cheeses, bacon, black beans, sour cream, butter, chives, onion, jalapeno, BBQ sauce, and salsa. Lincoln VFW Post 7928, Downtown/VFW, 144 S 4th Street, 4-9 pm

Breakfast, Wednesday, June 12

5:30-8:00 am Biscuits and gravy, oatmeal, yogurt, fresh fruit, juice, coffee, Lincoln PTCO, School Cafeteria, 701 E North Street,

Lincoln Restaurants

Post Rock Motel & Restaurant, Near Hwy 14 & 18 intersection, 1907 East Highway 18, 8:30 am-8:30 pm. Excellent Himalayan cuisine featuring chicken tikka masala, butter chicken, fried rice, momos! American food also an option.

Violette's, Downtown, 146 E Lincoln Avenue, 8:00 am-2:00 pm, Coffees and lattes, baked goods, breakfast, sandwiches and salads.

El Tres Mexican Restaurant, Near Hwy 14 & 18 intersection, 1025 N 6th Street, 11:00 am - 9:00 pm. All the Mexican food you love from tacos and burritos, to fajitas and margaritas!

Biggie Biggs Pizza & Pub, Downtown, 120 S 4th Street, 11:00 am-8:00 pm, Pizza (by the slice or whole), pasta and a full bar.

Mity Mart, Near Hwy 14 & 18 intersection, 1903 E. Hwy 18, 5:00 am-10:00 pm, Hunts Brothers pizza

Lincoln Grocery, Downtown, 123 N. 4th St, 7:00 am-8:00 pm, Grab-n-go bierocks available all day in the deli.

Lincoln Entertainment and Attractions

City Pool, City Park, 702 E Lincoln Ave, 1-8 pm, Free for BAK

Movie at Finch Theatre, 122 E. Lincoln Ave, 6 pm, \$5 adults, \$4 children 12 & under, Public restrooms, community room will be open too.

Bodywork by Kara Serrien, Family Hair Flair, 146 E Lincoln Ave, 10:00 am-5:00 pm, Fee dependent on session length, Short sessions available for sports massage and assisted stretching. Call or text Kara to make an appointment at 785-420-0220.

Double-header adult coed softball game, Park, 702 E Lincoln Ave, 5-8 pm

Disc Golf, Pickleball, and Horseshoes, Free. City Park, 702 E Lincoln Ave, Daylight hours, Paddles and balls available to use at the court. Horseshoes available at the horseshoe court.

Lincoln County Historical Museum complex, 216 W Lincoln Ave, 12-5 pm By Donation, Public restrooms, wifi available,

Drug Store & Scout Museums, 161 E. Lincoln Ave, 1-6 pm, By donation.

History Notes: June 11

Cheyenne Bottoms Scenic Overlook: East of Hoisington, 827 E, KS-4. Along the Wetlands and Wildlife National Scenic Byway. This spot offers spectacular views of the Cheyenne Bottoms Basin.

REDWING (uninc.) A post office operated in Redwing from 1892 to 1955.

CLAFLIN (pop. 549) Settled in 1870 and became an 1880s railroad town. It's the hometown of Jackie Stiles, who was the first NCAA Division I women's player to score 1,000+ points in a season, WNBA rookie of the year and all-star in 2001, and collegiate coach. Look for the White Eagle filling station in the 200 block of Main.

Miller's of Claflin: 200 Main. A furniture tradition since 1903, the business has duplicated the look and color of many buildings in Claflin which once

stood prior to a series of fires. The interiors showcase new furniture and serve as warehouses.

Cheyenne Bottoms Wildlife Area: South of K-4 and near K-156. Get a glimpse of the largest inland salt marsh in the U.S. It's considered the most important shorebird migration point in the Western Hemisphere, with around 45 percent of the North American shorebird population stopping at the Bottoms during spring migration.

ELLSWORTH COUNTY (pop. 6,355) Created in 1867 and named for Lieutenant Allen Ellsworth, who built Fort Ellsworth, later named Fort Harker, on the Smoky Hill River in 1864. The Fort protected early settlers and was a shipping point for the Santa Fe Trail.

HOLYROOD (pop.388) Established in 1886 about a half-mile south of today's town. Dugout homes were prevalent. The first settlers were Irish but

soon people of German and Czech origin arrived. The post office, spelled Hollyrood, opened in 1874. The first postmaster was from Holyrood, Ontario, Canada. The name changed in 1898.

Holyrood Depot (NRHP): N Main St. Built in 1886 as an early Santa Fe depot.

ELLSWORTH (pop: 3,133) This county seat was founded in 1867 and was called the “The Wickedest Cattle town in Kansas.” It has since been said, “Abilene, the first, Dodge City, the last, but Ellsworth the wickedest”. In the 1870s the Kansas Pacific Railroad operated a stockyard here for shipping cattle to eastern markets.

Ellsworth Downtown Historic District (NRHP): Blocks between N Main & 3rd Streets from Lincoln to Kansas Aves & the W. side of Kansas Ave.

Ellsworth: The Cowtown and Fort Historical Marker K-14, N Main St.

Hodgden House Museum (NRHP): 104 SW Main St.: This two-block complex is Ellsworth’s original commercial district. Features: 1878 Victorian Hodgden House, 1886 livery stable, train depot, one-room schoolhouse, log cabin, and a wooden windmill. 10-4 pm, donation

Ellsworth County Courthouse (NRHP): 210 N Kansas. The 1951 building is an architectural example of the Modern Movement.

Ellsworth Area Arts Council Gallery: 223 N Douglas. Includes works by local and regional artists. 12:30-4:30 pm

1873 Jail: 110 Court. The limestone jail is only a shell now, but it boasts as the oldest building in town.

Wellington & Brundage Building (NRHP): 115 N Douglas Ave. This ornate building will one day be the home of National Drivers Hall of Fame to pay tribute to the cattle industry.

Saline River Waterfall: K-14, south of Lincoln. It's visible from Highway 14 from the bridge over the Saline River.

LINCOLN (pop. 1,171) Founded by settler George Green in 1870 as "Lincoln" after the county. In 1879, "Center" was added to indicate its location in the central part of the county and is still officially referred to as such in the U.S. Census. Known as the "Post Rock Capital" of Kansas.

Lincoln County Courthouse (NHR): 216 E Lincoln Ave. This post rock courthouse was built in 1900 after fire destroyed the original building in 1898. Designed in the Richardsonian Romanesque style.

Post Rock Scout Museum: 161 E Lincoln Ave.
Exhibits and historical artifacts featuring Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Pioneer Girls, Campfire Girls, etc. 1-6, donation.

Crispin's Drug Store Museum: 160 E Lincoln Ave. The museum showcases 1880-1920s pharmacy artifacts and quackery equipment. 1-6 pm, donation.

Lincoln County Historical Museum: 216 W. Lincoln Ave.
The museum complex features the history of Lincoln County and includes the Topsy School and Kyne House. 12-5 pm, donation.

History Notes for the Century Route

RICE COUNTY (pop. 9,407) Organized in 1871 and name for Samuel Allen Rice, Brigadier-General, U.S. Army volunteer, who was killed April 30, 1864 at Jenkin's Ferry, Arkansas. The Santa Fe Historic trail runs east to west through Rice county along highway 56.

BUSHTON (pop. 202) The Kansas Geological Survey the Geographic Center of Kansas about 1 ½ miles southeast of here. Originally, it was named Sorghum and renamed Bushton in 1887 after the wild bushes growing here.

Lustron home: 385 6th. This and other post-WWII prefabricated houses were built in response to the shortage of homes and were known for their enamel-coated, all-steel construction.

GENESEO (pop. 233) Founded in 1886 and named after Geneseo, Illinois. Today it's known as the UFO Capital of Kansas. It was a crossing point between the Missouri Pacific & the Santa Fe Railroad.

Geneseo City Museum: 907 Silver Ave. Once the home of Dr. Elmer D. Janzen, who graduated from the Moody Bible Institute, learned ventriloquism and braille, and obtained degrees in Chiropractic, Naturopathy, Swedish massage, and auctioneering. The museum Includes local folklore, UFO memorabilia, and artifacts and exhibits on the early settlers of Geneseo. Be sure to look for the "Roswell Compass" embedded in the curb outside the museum! 8-11

Smoky Hills Wind Farm: This 250-megawatt wind farm produces electricity to power 36,000 average Kansas homes.

Match the Landmark!



“Great White Way”

“Enormous Concreations”

“Round” Town Square

“Whole Wall Mural”

“Orphan Train”

“Pride of the Central Line”



Selfie Scavenger Hunt

- 27. Lincoln County Courthouse - Lincoln
- 28. Rock City Park - Minneapolis
- 29. Orphan Train rider statues - Concordia
- 30. “Whole Wall Mural” - Concordia
- 31. Tractor working in a field
- 32. Pie - you eating one



BAK50 BINGO

AB. Plays a musical instrument

ON. Has ridden a bicycle tour in another country

BI. Participated in BAK 2014 on the diagonal route

SAG: _____

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SAG EXPRESS



Lincoln - Concordia

Today's Destination City:

Concordia

Overnight Lodging at:

Concordia Jr/Sr High School, 436 W 10th St

Mid-Day Food Stop:

Delphos, City Auditorium 213 N. Washington, 10:30 am-2 pm

Total Daily Mileage:

80

Directions: Leave Lincoln High School on K-18. Continue east to junction with K-106. Turn left onto K-106. Continue to Minneapolis. In Minneapolis, turn right onto 1st St. and continue to Rock St. Turn left onto Rock St. and continue north to junction with K-41. Turn left on K-41 to Delphos. Lunch in City Auditorium. Leave Delphos heading north on Stricklers Ave (90th Rd). Continue to US 24. Left turn onto US 24, continue past Glasco to 40th Rd. Turn right onto 40th and continue north to junction with K-9. Turn right onto K-9 and continue to Rock Road. Turn right onto Rock Road/11th St. and head east to Concordia. At Republican St. turn left to 10th St. Right turn on 10th to Concordia Jr/Sr High School.

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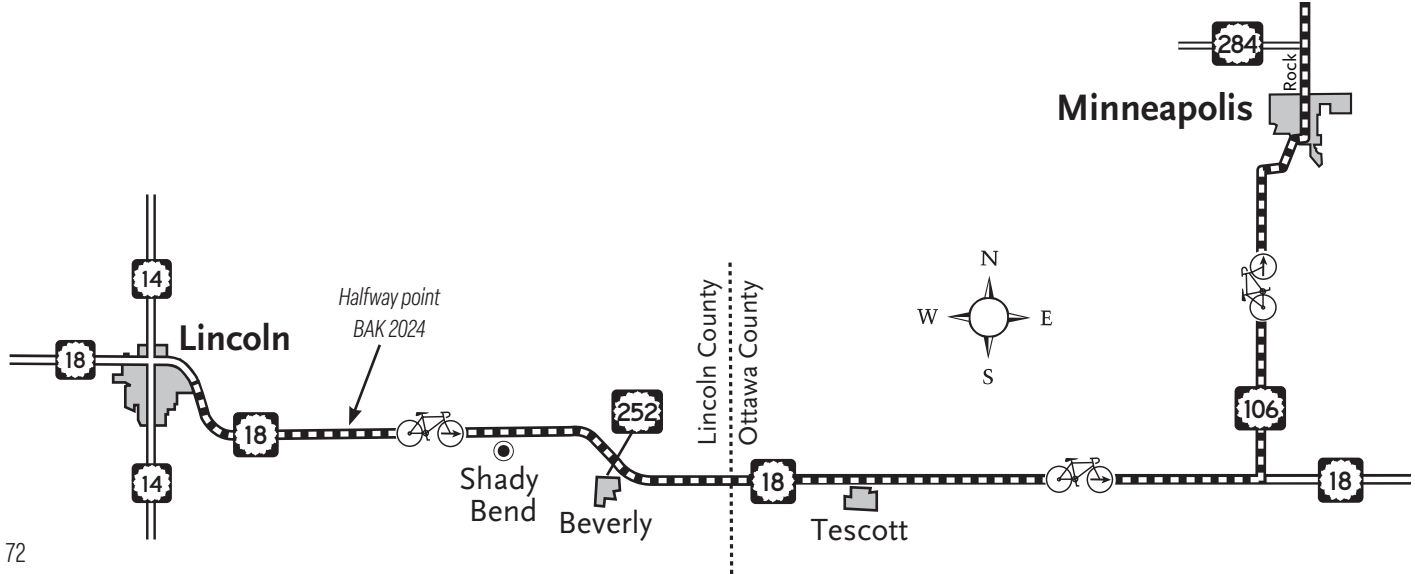
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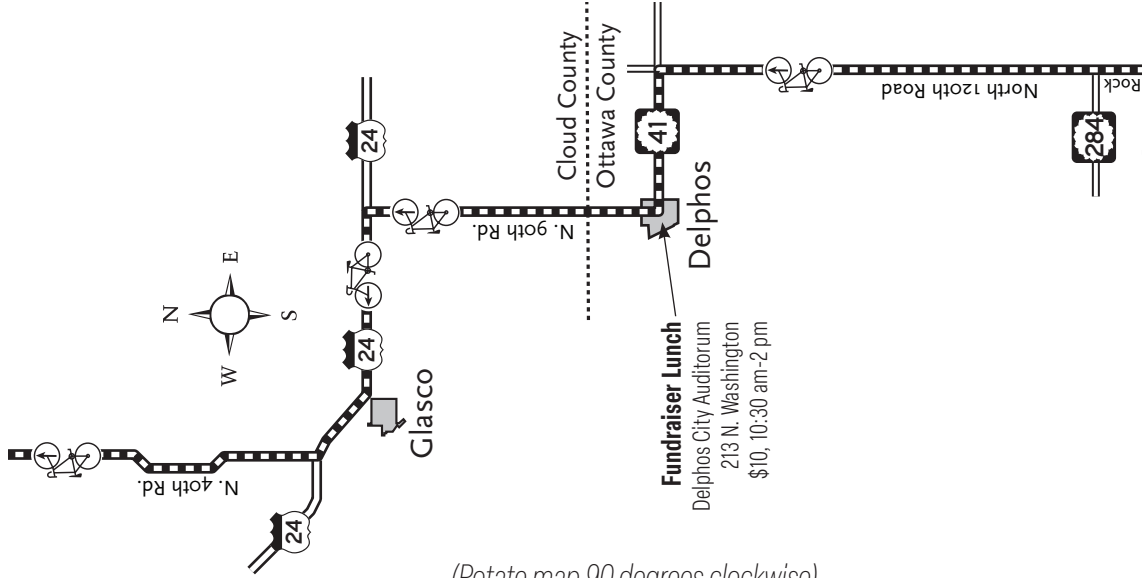
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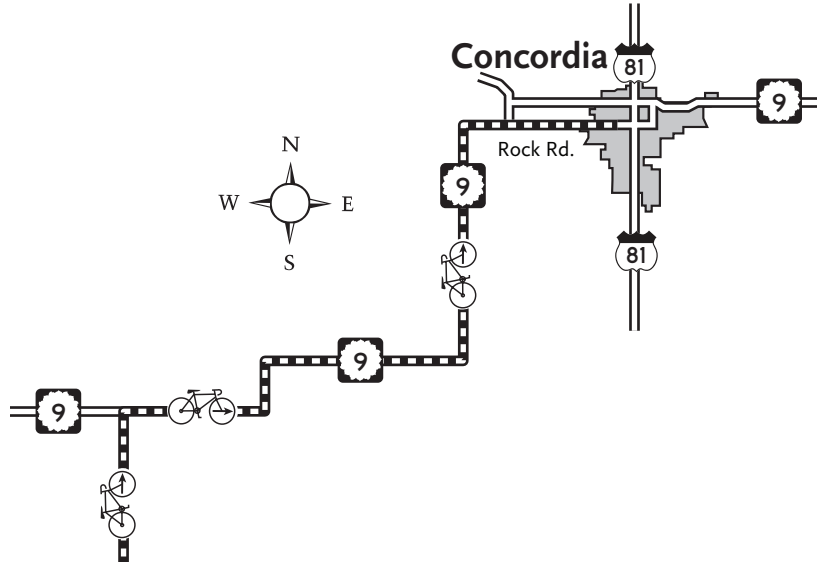
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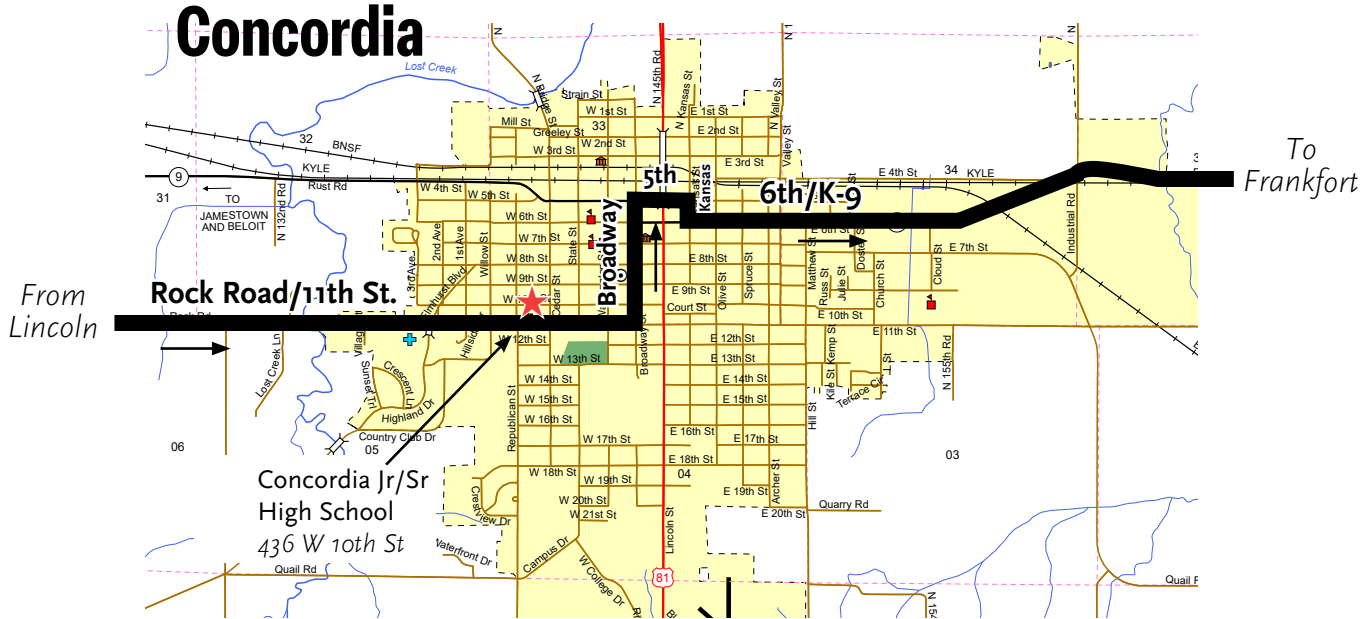
Point-to-Point Mileage

Lincoln to Beverly	10	Minneapolis to Delphos	14
Beverly to Tescott	6	Delphos to Glasco	10
Tescott to junction with K-106	8	Glasco to junction with K-9	9
Junction K-106 to Minneapolis	8	Junction K-9 to Concordia	15









Concordia Food Options

Supper, Wednesday, June 12

Brown Grand Theatre Fundraiser, 310 W. 6th Street,
5:00 pm-7:00 pm, Baked Potato Bar & Desserts
w/ Vegan Options, \$10/person (Cash Only).

Breakfast, Thursday, June 13

Concordia High School Booster Club Fundraiser,
High School Cafeteria, 436 W. 10th Street, 5:30 am-8:30 am,
Breakfast Burritos, Fruit (Cash Only)

Jitters Coffee House, 221 W. 6th Street, 6:30 am-5:00 pm
Coffee, Baked Goods, Hot Breakfast, etc.

Me & Ma's Bakery, 134 W. 6th Street, 6:00 am-10:00 pm
Coffee, Daylight Donuts, Biscuits & Gravy

Scooter's Coffee (Drive-thru only), 1802 Lincoln Street,
5:30 am -9:00 pm, Coffee, Smoothies, Pastries

Concordia Restaurants

Arby's, 1707 Lincoln Street, 10:00 am-11:00 pm

Britt's Fountain & Gifts, 118 W. 6th Street, 8:30 am-6:00 pm,
Ice Cream, Smoothies, Soda Fountain Drinks, Baked Goods

Common Grounds Coffeehouse, 104 E. 7th Street,
6:00 pm-8:00 pm, Coffee, Baked Goods

Dairy Queen, 1005 Lincoln Street, 10:00 am-9:00 pm

Dragon House, 1560 Lincoln Street, 11:00 am-8:30 pm,
Chinese Cuisine (vegetarian options)

Easy G's Sports Grill, 107 W. 6th Street 11:00 am-Midnight,
Burgers, Salads, Appetizers, Full Bar

El Puerto, 217 W. 6th Street, 11:00 am-9:00 pm

Authentic Mexican Cuisine (vegetarian options), Margaritas, Beer

Gambino's Pizza, 130 W. 6th Street, 11:00 am-9:00 pm

Little Miss B's, 216 W. 6th Street, 10:00 am-8:00 pm,
Baked Goods, Hand-scooped ice cream (Dairy-free options)

Maverick's Steakhouse, 103 W. 7th Street, 4:00 pm-8:00 pm,
Burgers, Salads, Appetizers, Entrees, Full Bar

McDonald's, 1420 Lincoln Street, 5:00 am-11:00 pm

Mi Ranchito, 512 State Street, 6:00 am-3:00 pm,
Authentic Mexican Cuisine (Breakfast options)

Pizza Hut, 2112 Lincoln Street, 10:30 am-10:00 pm

Sonic, 1302 Lincoln Street, 7:00 am-11:00 pm

Subway, 1511 Lincoln Street, 8:00 am-10:00 pm

Taco Grande, 1421 E. 6th Street, 11:00 am-9:00 pm

Taco Johns, 2122 Lincoln Street, 7:00 am-10:00 pm

Concordia Entertainment and Attractions

Tour: Brown Grand Theatre, 310 W. 6th Street, 1:00 pm-5:00 pm,
Free Will Donation, Enjoy a sneak peak of the upcoming Lovewell
Youth Theater production (Cash Only).

Tour: National Orphan Train Complex, 300 Washington Street,
10:00 am-Noon & 1:00 pm-5:00 pm, Free Will Donation.

Tour - Nazareth Motherhouse, 1300 Washington Street,
Free Will Donation, Gift Shop (Cash Only).

Tour: POW Camp Concordia (WWII era), 1557 Union Road,
Free Will Donation, Cash Only.

Pie at the Plaza w/ screening of E.T.

Broadway Plaza, 600 Broadway Street, Cash Only

Art Exhibit: "From the Seat of the Bike," Panther Pride Pharmacy,
124 W. 6th Street, June 10-June 23.

Evening Swim: Concordia Municipal Swimming Pool,
318 W. 11th Street, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Free for BAK Participants,
Bathhouse will remain open until 10:00 pm for showers.

VIP Majestic Theater, 229 W. 6th Street, See website for show times
\$8.75 adult, \$7.25 child, <https://vipcinemas.com/vip-majestic-4>

Youth Baseball: Concordia Sports Complex, 1500 E. 7th Street,
6:00 pm-10:00 pm, Free Admission, Concessions (cash only).

History Notes: June 12

Frontier in Lincoln County Kansas Historical Marker: K-18, 3 miles east of Lincoln. This marker tells of wars and treaties with local Indians.

BEVERLY (pop. 135) First settled in 1886; incorporated in 1904. Named for Beverly, West Virginia, a pioneer settler's native hometown.

TESCOTT (pop. 266) Settled in 1865 by sheepherder T.E. Scott, who built a house east of town on what is now known as "Scott's Hill." In 1891, Scott sold the town to Colonel Dean of Kansas City. The town is named in T.E. Scott's memory. A historical mural (120 S Main St) features its early days.

MINNEAPOLIS (pop. 1,946) Founded in 1866 as Markley Mills for the grist mill at the Elk Horn Dam on the Solomon River. It was renamed Minneapolis in 1871, meaning City of Waters in some Indian languages of the Minnesota region. After two votes, both of questionable validity, Minneapolis was chosen as the county seat over the now extinct town of Ayersburg.

Rock City (NNL): 1051 Ivy Rd. One of the 8 Wonders of Kansas Geography. Rock City is home to 200 ancient and enormous concretions made up of Dakota sandstone. Dawn to dusk, donation

Markley Dam: 170 S K-106 Hwy next to fairgrounds. Former site of Elk Horn Mills built at the founding of Minneapolis.

Ottawa County Historical Museum: 110 S Concor. Includes display of the life of Minneapolis High School graduate George Washington Carver, one of the 8 Wonders of Kansas People. Open 8-5, Donation

DELPHOS (pop. 302) Founded in 1867 by brothers Levi and Dan Yocky who named it after their hometown in Ohio.

CLOUD COUNTY (pop, 9,032) Known as the Stained Glass Capitol of Kansas. Originally organized as Shirley County in 1860. It was originally named for Governor William Shirley, colonial Governor of Massachusetts from 1741 to 1756. The name was changed to Cloud in 1867 in honor of Colonel William F. Cloud, of the Second Regiment, Kansas Volunteers.

GLASCO (pop. 498) Settlers first arrived in 1865. The town site came in part from a Revolutionary Land Grant provided by the U.S. government. The was first named **Del Ray** because it was first incorporated by the Dell Ray Town Company in 1871.

The Hodge Podge: 113 E Main has an authentic antique soda fountain including a six-stool counter, back bar, and mirror. 9 am-5 pm

CONCORDIA (pop. 5,054) James M. Hagaman founded the town and named it after Concordia, MO where he had lived and because it paid homage to the coming settlers' German heritage. It became a city in 1871.

Cloud County Courthouse: 811 Washington, Built in 1958-59, this Modern style structure features an 1,800-pound granite sphere cradled in a water fountain in front. Look closely, this giant ball is moving!

Brown Grand Theatre: (NRHP): 310 W 6th. Restored to its 1907 glory, this 650-seat theatre features gold decorative molding and lights around the proscenium arch and brass rails in front of the box seats. Open 1-5 pm.

Cloud County Historical Museum: 635 Broadway. Housed in a 1908 Carnegie Library, the museum features exhibits on the POW World War II camp, the Nazareth Convent and Academy, orphan trains, a 1928 Lincoln Page biplane, and agricultural equipment. Open 1-5 pm, donation.

Orphan Train Heritage Society of America (NRHP): 3rd and Washington. From 1854 to 1929 more than 200,000 orphans traveled west on "orphan trains" to relocate from overcrowded cities in the East. This 1917 Union Pacific depot is the centerpiece for the National Orphan Train Complex, a historical research facility. Open 10 - 12 & 1-5 pm, donation.

Nazareth Motherhouse (NRHP): 1300 Washington. This mammoth architectural landmark is a Gothic-style Motherhouse, built in the early 1903 by the Sisters of St. Joseph and serves as their spiritual home.

Fill in the ___ Kansas History

- 7. In 1867, _____ moved one mile south because the railroad refused to go uphill.
- 8. In 1858, John Brown “won” a bloodless battle called _____, as he liberated slaves.
- 9. Free state settlers from Wisconsin built a bridge over Elk Creek, and founded _____.
- 10. _____ is one of the oldest towns in its county.
- 11. Named after a MO Senator, _____ is one of the first settlements in the Kansas Territory.
- 12. _____ was the first female aviator to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean.

Selfie Scavenger Hunt

- 33.** Reflections Park - Clyde
- 34.** Smallest Bandshell in Kansas - Barnes
- 35.** Central Branch Railroad - Waterville
- 36.** Blue Rapids Public Library - Blue Rapids
- 37.** Wildflowers
- 38.** Cat - not roadkill



BAK50 BINGO

- BB.** Shares a birthday with you

- AO.** Has ridden another state's ride

- AI.** Has participated in the most BAKs

SAG: _____

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Biking Across Kansas 2024

Thursday, June 13

Concordia to Frankfort

Today's Destination City:

Frankfort

Overnight Lodging at:

Frankfort High School, 604 N Kansas Ave

Mid-Day Food Stop:

BAK Lunch in Barnes, Firehouse (Highway 9 & Main) 10 am-2 pm

Total Daily Mileage:

78

Directions: Leave Concordia High School and head east on 11th St. to Olive St. Turn left on Olive and head north to 6th St. (K-9). Turn right onto 6th and continue east on K-9 through Clyde and Clifton to junction with K-15. Turn left onto K-15 and head north to junction with K-9. Turn right onto K-9 and continue east to Barnes and the lunch stop. Leave Barnes heading east on K-9 through Waterville and Blue Rapids. Continue east on K-9 to Frankfort. Turn left onto Kansas Ave, continue to High School.

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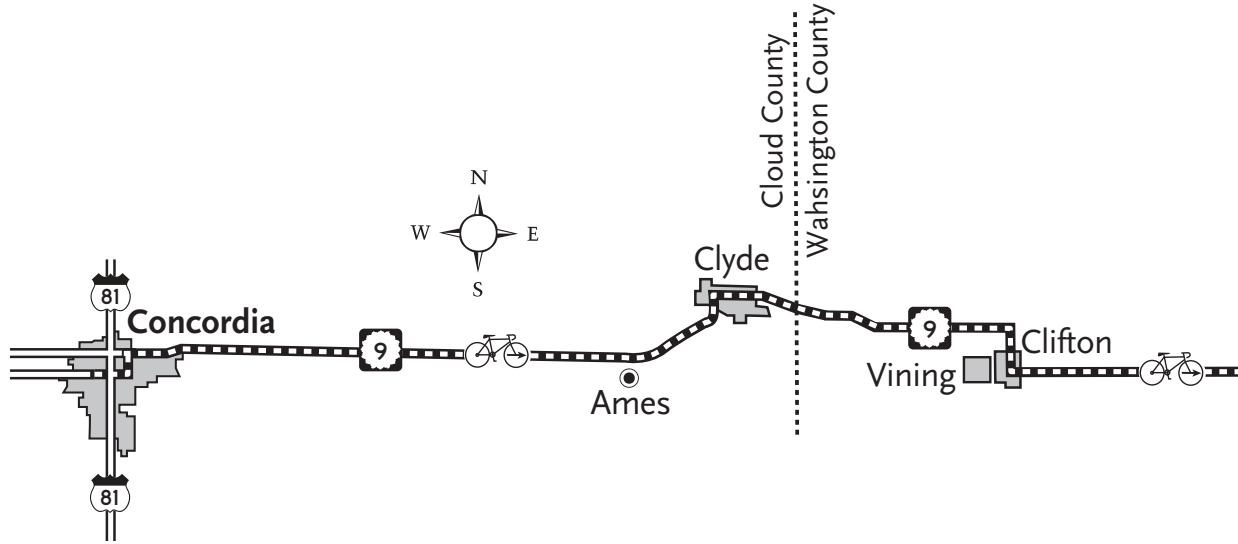
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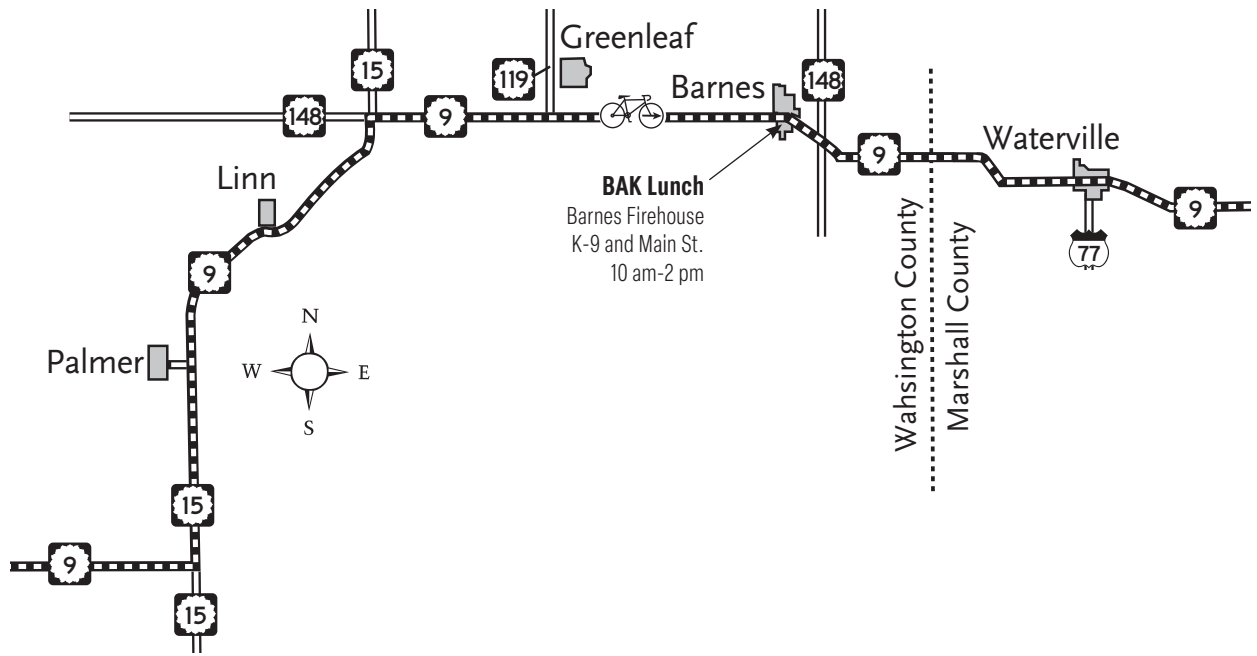
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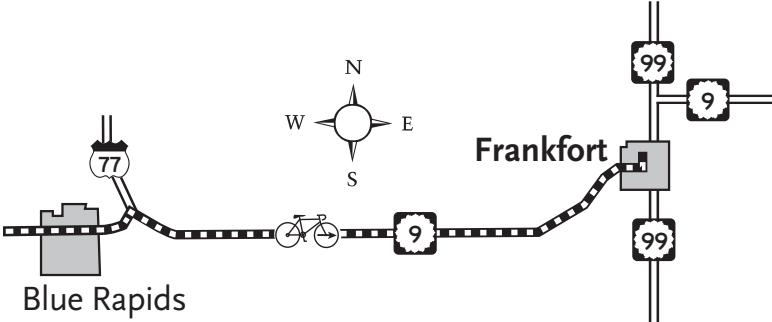
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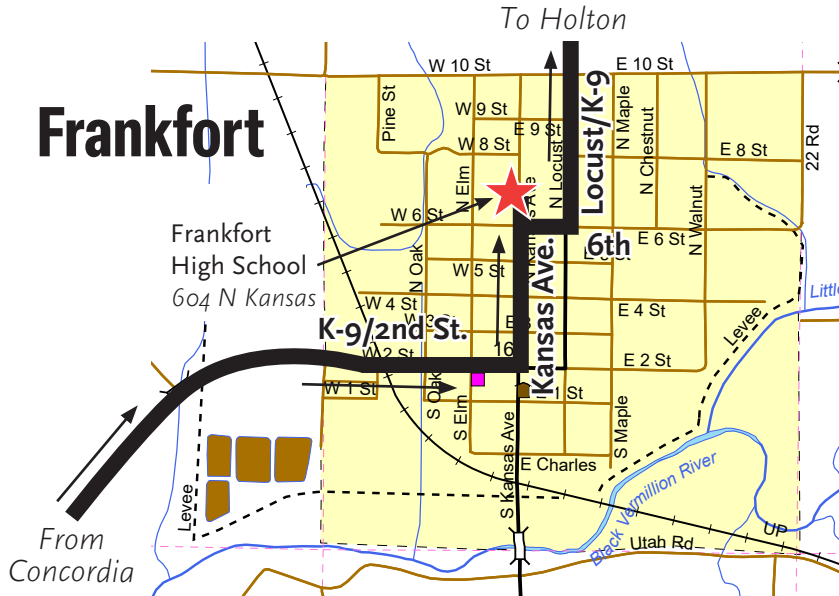
Point-to-Point Mileage

Concordia to Clyde	15	Linn to junction with K-9	3
Clyde to Clifton	8	K-9 to Barnes	9
Clifton to junction with K-15	8	Barnes to Waterville	7
Junction K-15 to Palmer (K-115 junction)	4	Waterville to Blue Rapids	5
Palmer to Linn	5	Blue Rapids to Frankfort	14









Frankfort Swimming

Frankfort Swimming Pool, 219 W. 3rd, 1-8 pm, \$3

Food Options

Desserts & Snacks, Thursday, June 13

Healthy Snacks, 105 East 2nd St, Noon-5,
Healthy Snacks Pkg To Go!

Desserts, Ice Cream, Pie, Cobbler, Brownies,
Freshman Class, High School, Afternoon-Evening.
Pie, Gluten Free Desserts, Peo, shelter house in the
park, 2 pm until gone.

Cinnamon Rolls, Cedar Hill Floral And Bakery,
Just across bridge south of Frankfort,
2192 Utah Rd, 8 am-5 pm, Made To Order Ahead!,

Herbalife Loaded Teas, City Park, Corner Of
Hwy 9/Elm, Noon-Evening

Biking Across Kansas 2024

Thursday, June 13

Concordia to Frankfort

Frankfort Food Options

Supper, Thursday, June 13

Highway 9 Pizza and Grill, Downtown, 124 West 2nd, 4 pm-8 pm,

Pizza, Pasta, etc. *Live music sponsored by BAK.*

Boomers, Downtown, 104 North Kansas, Burgers, etc.

Frankfort Development Trust, Altstadt Gallery, 200 North Kansas,

4-7 pm or until gone, Hamburgers, Brats, Ice Cream

Avenue Of Flags, Ed Center-Downtown, 119 North Kansas, 11-7 pm,

Hamburgers, Veggie Burger, Salad Bar, Pulled Pork

Fire & Ice-Food Truck, City Park, Corner Of Hwy 9/Elm,

11 am-evening, Hamburgers, Pork Tenders, Fries, Fried Pickles, etc.

Annunciation Altar Society, Cigna Center, 402 North Maple, 3 pm-8 pm,

Open Face Beef Sand, Mash Potatoes, Green Beans, Desserts, \$10

Frankfort Cub Scout Troop, 1 block south of park, 110 North Elm,

4-9 pm, Pork Chop Meal

Beta Epsilon, across street from school (to east), 603 North Kansas

(front yard), Noon-until gone, Taco Bar, Fried Ice Cream

Breakfast Friday, June 14

Avenue Of Flags, Ed Center, Downtown, 119 North Kansas, 5 am-10 am,

Biscuits & Gravy, Breakfast Burritos, Juice

FCCLA/FFA, High School Ag Shop, Pancake Feed Breakfast

Frankfort Development Trust, Altstadt Gallery, 200 North Kansas 6 am,

Breakfast Tacos, Boiled Eggs, Fruit Turnovers, Coffee

History Notes: June 13

CLYDE (pop. 694) Town was laid out in 1867 and named either after the River Clyde in Scotland or Clyde, Ohio.

Clyde Historical Museum Square: Green and Campbell. The complex includes a small museum about Clyde life, a jail, a schoolhouse, and the Presbyterian church. The first pipe organ in Cloud County is found in this church.

Clyde Arboretum: 204 Campbell. At the northeast corner of Clyde you'll find the start of an arboretum anchored by a big burr oak.

WASHINGTON COUNTY (pop. 5,530) Organized in 1873 and named in honor of President George Washington. Swedes, Germans, Dutch, Danes, Bohemians, French, Scots, English, and Irish settled in the county. Crops grown include mainly wheat, milo or grain sorghum, corn, soybeans, alfalfa, prairie hay and some sunflowers. Many cow-calf herds roam the beautiful prairie grasslands. The geography of the county finds it located in three geologic regions: the Smoky Hills, Flint Hills, and Glaciated Regions.

CLIFTON (pop. 454) Founded in 1870, it bears the name of the surveyor who platted the original town in 1859. Important shipping point at the junction of three railroads. One of the curiosities about Clifton is that Parallel, the main street, divides the town (and neighboring Vining) between two counties. The south side of the street is in Clay County, the north side in Washington County.

Shirl's Doll and Toy Museum: 305 Linden, Collection of over 6,000 items dating from the early 1900's to today, Pop culture items ranging from Betty Boop to Superman, focus on TV characters and movies like *The Wizard of Oz* and *Gone with the Wind*.

PALMER (pop. 108) Founded in 1882, E.A. Thomas laid out the town naming it for J. Palmer, the first superintendent of public instruction in the county. Look for the 1920s jail located east of the post office.

LINN (pop. 387) Founded in 1877, this town was named for Lewis F. Linn, a U.S. Senator from Missouri. Look for the mural at 4th and Main depicting clothes hanging on a clothesline.

GREENLEAF (pop. 337) Founded in 1876, this railroad town was named for A.W. Greenleaf, the treasurer of the Central Branch Union Pacific Railroad. Find the words "Community Club-House" on the limestone building at 308 N 4th. This building and the jail next door are 1939 WPA projects.

BARNES (pop. 160) Originally called **Elm Grove** when it was founded in 1870, but it was renamed Barnes in 1876 in honor of A.S. Barnes, a stockholder of the Central Branch Union Pacific Railroad.

Sunflower Mercantile of Barnes: 15 N. Center. Clara Dearborn opened the original Barnes Mercantile in 1895 and operated the Dearborn Opera House on the second floor. 11-3 pm.

Always Christmas Shoppe: 107 W. Railroad. Housed in the historic 1911 Barnes State Bank Museum. 11-3

Barnes Shell and Fountain: 1st and Center. This 1940 WPA band shell might be the smallest in the state.

MARSHALL COUNTY (pop. 10,038) was organized in 1855 and named after General Frank J. Marshall, who established a ferry on the Big Blue at the crossing of the old Independence-California road in 1849. He was a prominent member of the first Legislature, and had his own name applied to the county.

WATERVILLE (pop. 646) Established in 1870 as a pioneer town at the end of the railroad. It was named by William Osborne, a railroad superintendent, for his hometown of Waterville, New York.

Weaver Hotel (NRHP) 118 S Kansas. Beginning in 1905, this grand hotel was the hub of activity for the railroad. It was restored in 2009 and is still in use today.

Waterville Opera House (NRHP) 200 E Front, This 1903 limestone building seats 300 for theatrical productions & community events. 11-3, donation

Caboose Museum: 200 E Front, this 1925 wooden caboose preserves local railroad history: potbelly stove, ice box & bunk beds. 11-3 pm, donation

Waterville Railroad Depot Museum: 101 Kansas St., Kenny Winkenwader painted several murals dedicated to area railroad history. Includes county and railroad exhibits. 11-3 pm, donation

Victorian Homes: Samuel Powell House (NRPH) at 108 W Commercial and on Banker's Row (three Victorian houses in the 200 block of East Hazelwood built in the late 1880's and 1903).

BLUE RAPIDS (pop. 928) The town was established below the junction of two rivers in order to harness the power of water and was incorporated in 1872. One of two remaining gypsum mines in the state is located north on K-77. In 1858 Frank Marshall, for whom the county is named, recognized the rock as gypsum. He burned it and produced plaster from the powder, which he used to build his house.

Round Square: The only one in the state. High school kids that drag the square call it the “squircle.” It acts as the town hub with streets projecting from it like wheel spokes. In 2012, “The Monument to the Ice Age” was dedicated.

Blue Rapids Museum: 36 Public Square. Exhibits & archives of prehistory, trails, gypsum industry, Currently on exhibit are the different types of trains that passed through town such as those carrying POWs and orphans.
11-3, donation

Holm Cabin: South side of the square. Built elsewhere in 1876 by Swedish emigrants, was later moved to this site.

Oldest Library (NRHP): 14 Public Square. A two-story limestone structure built in 1876, this is the oldest public library west of the Mississippi in continuous operation in the same building. Drive-by only.

Outdoor Murals: North side of the square. Two Winkenwader murals.

Round Barn: Visible from the road east of town on K-9, just east of the Big Blue River bridge. Built in 1913, it measures 92 feet in diameter and is approximately 60 feet tall with a large cupola on top.

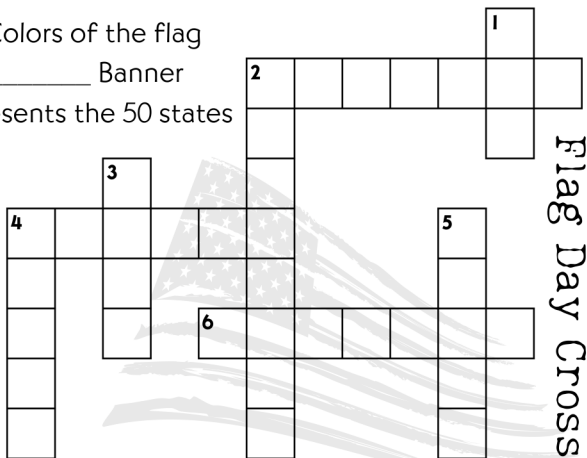
FRANKFORT (pop. 730) Originally called **Frank’s Ford** when the town was laid out in 1867. Dating back to 1922, K-9 has been known as the “Great White Way.” A marketing plan was developed to promote businesses along what was then a gravel route. Every other telephone pole from Chicago to Colorado Springs, 1,161 miles, was painted white to draw attention to the highway. A few of the poles remain.

Historic Jail (NRHP): E 1st & Locust. This restored 1890 stone jail still stands but ended its lockups in the early 1950s.

Frankfort Grad School (NRHP): 400 Locust. This 1903 Renaissance-style former school was last used for classes in 1998.

Down

- 1, 3, 4: Colors of the flag
- 2: Star-_____ Banner
- 5: Represents the 50 states

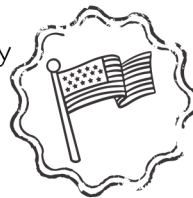


Across

- 2: Represents the 13 original colonies
- 4: President who established Flag Day
- 6: June 14

Selfie Scavenger Hunt

- 39.** Old Frankfort City Jail - Frankfort
- 40.** State Bank of Holton - Holton
- 41.** With a flag, or in your flag day jersey
- 42.** Large rotary hay bales
- 43.** Unusual mailbox
- 44.** Gravestone from the 1800s



BAK50 BINGO

5G. Has milked a cow by hand

5I. Is riding their first BAK

BO. Has been to the most states

Whimsically Celebrated

Observe and add your nominations!

~Kansas Spirit Award~

Keeps a positive attitude through hardship

~Training Wheels Award~

Goofed up but is laughing about it

~The MacGyver Award~

Has innovative solutions & accessories

SAG: _____

SAG: _____

SAG: _____

SAG EXPRESS



Frankfort - Holton

Today's Destination City:

Holton

Overnight Lodging at:

Holton High School, 901 New York Ave

Mid-Day Food Stop:

BAK Lunch in Corning City Park, 10 am-2 pm

Total Daily Mileage:

56

Directions: Leave Frankfort heading north on K-9/K-99. At K-9 junction, turn right. Continue east to Centralia. Turn right on 2nd Street in Centralia. Head south to 56th Road, turn left and continue to K-63/K-9 intersection. Turn right for 1/2 mile and then left onto K-9 at Corning. For BAK Lunch, turn left on Atlantic St. to Corning City Park. Leave Corning heading east on K-9 to junction with K-62. Turn right onto K-62 and continue south to junction with K-16. Turn left onto K-16, continue to Holton. Left turn onto Wisconsin St and continue to High School.

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June 14 Map

Flag Day

Wear your patriotic jerseys, display your US flags.

Point-to-Point Mileage

Frankfort to Vermillion

10

Corning to Soldier

12

Vermillion to Centralia

7

Soldier to junction with K-16

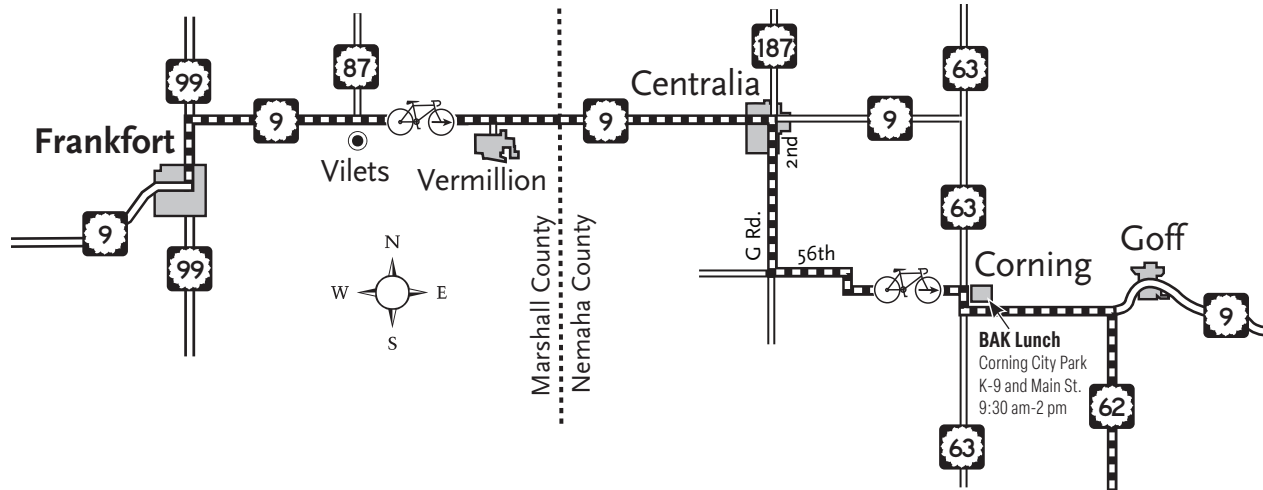
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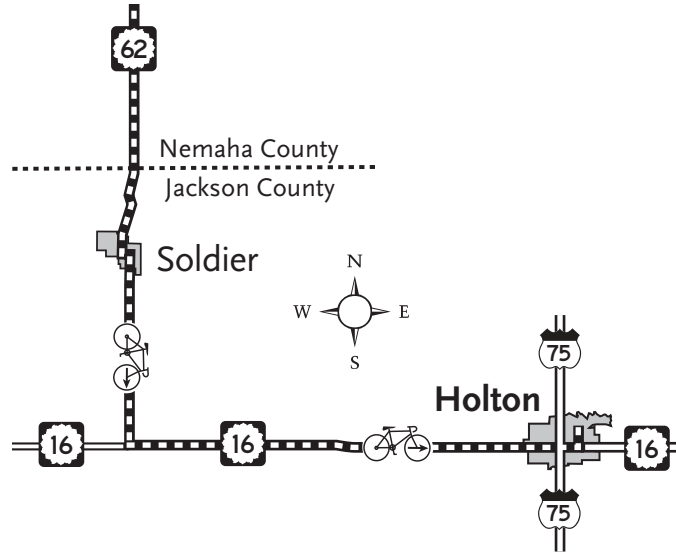
Centralia to Corning

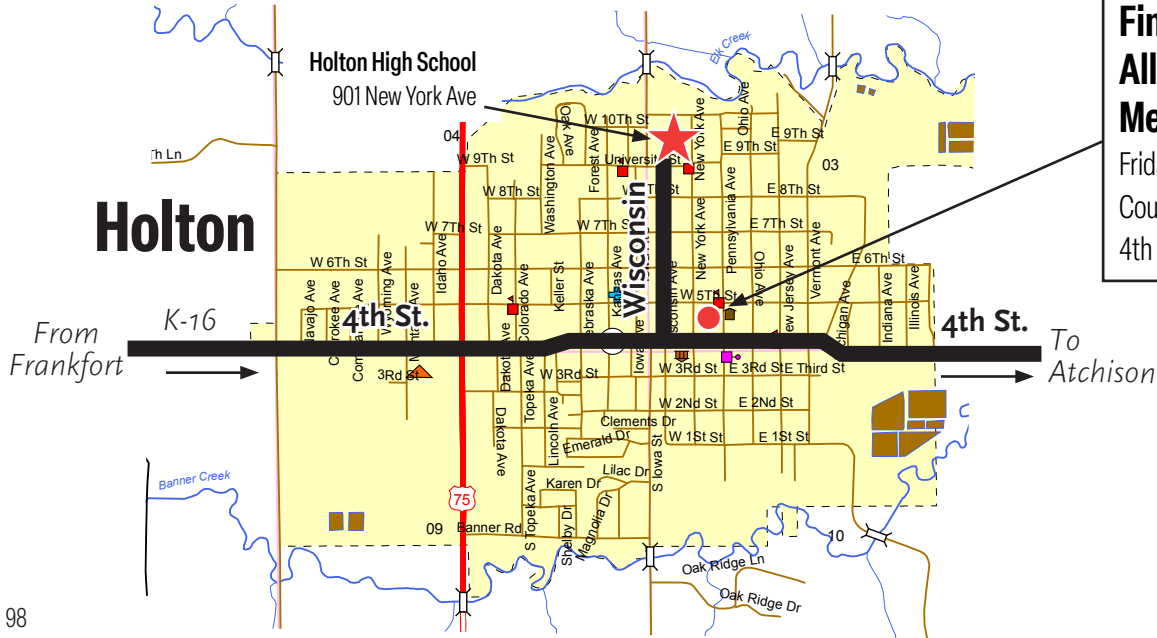
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K-16 junction to Holton

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**Final BAK 2024
All-Participant
Meeting**
Friday, June 14, 8 pm
Courthouse Square,
4th & New York

Holton Food Options

Welcome Tent at Holton High School, 9th & New York, Noon-5:00 pm
water, ice, granola bars, fruit, 125 free swim passes, local information

Lunch (High School), Friday, June 14

Ministerial Alliance, Taco Salad

Sylvia's Kitchen, 9th & New York, 11 am - 2 pm, variety of Mexican dishes

Jackson County Democrats, 11-2 pm, Chicken salad

Evans Family, 11 am - 2 pm, Bierocks

Dessert The Pine Tree Acres Chuck Wagon Ice Cream
Noon-7:00 pm, Chocolate and vanilla ice cream

Supper (West side Courthouse Square), Friday, June 14

Willcott Brewery (Beer Garden w/2 bands) 5 pm - 9:30 pm, Beer, Coke
products, water, lemonade, wine

Charitable Vending, 5 pm - 8 pm, Popcorn and Snow Cones

Girls Wrestling Teams, West side courthouse square, 5 pm-8 pm,
Beef burgers, pork hot dog meal; freewill donation

Bullmasters, 4H Group, 5 pm-8 pm, Spaghetti and Breadsticks,
Giant Communications Fundraiser for Jackson County Community
Foundation, 5 pm-8 pm, Baked Potato Bar with fixings

JA County 4H Groups, 5 pm-8 pm, Pies, homemade ice cream,
freewill donation

Mercer 'Cue, Barbeque sandwiches

Sylvia's Kitchen, 5 pm-8 pm, variety of Mexican dishes

Breakfast, Saturday, June 15

Kiwanis, 5:30-8:00 am, High School Commons, Breakfast sandwiches,
yogurt, fruit, coffee, water.

National Educators Association, 5:30 - 8:00 am, High School Commons,
Breakfast sandwiches, yogurt, fruit, coffee, water.

A Group, 5:30-8:00 am, High School Commons, Protein Bars, Protein
Shakes

Holton VFW, VFW Building, 926 W 6th St., 7 am-10 am

Holton Restaurants

Boomer's Bar & Grill, Highway 16/4th Street, 401 Colorado, 11 am-10 pm
sandwiches, salads, seafood, steak

Burger King, Highway 75, 403 Arizona, 7 am - 9 pm, burgers, fries

Casey's General Store, NW corner of Square; HWY 75, 7 am-10 pm

Cecil K's Hometown Market, Highway 75, 423 Arizona, 10 am - 7 pm

Dairy Queen, Highway 75, 915 W 4th St., 10 am - 9 pm

El Ranchito Mexican Restaurant, East side of courthouse square
420 Pennsylvania, 11 am-10 pm, traditional Mexican food and drink menu

Holton Mercantile and Soda Fountain, 415 New York, 9 am - 7 pm,
ice cream soda fountain, shakes, sundaes, cones

Hot Mess Nutrition, North side courthouse square,
126 W 5th St., 7 am-7 pm, Protein Shakes and coffee

Hotspot Specialty Coffee, SE corner of square next to USPO,
316 Pennsylvania, 7 am - 2 pm, specialty coffee drinks, sandwiches

Jhett's Pizza, West side courthouse square, 401 New York. 11 am-9 pm,
Pizza (gluten free available), salads, sandwiches

Kat Ballou Bar & Grill, SW Corner of square next to museum,
325 New York, 11 am-midnight, burgers, sandwiches, beer

Penny's Coffee Shop, West side courthouse square, 409 New York,
7 am-7 pm, sandwiches, baked goods, specialty coffee drinks

Pizza Hut, Highway 75, 730 Arizona, 10:30 am-10 pm, pizza, calzones, wings

Sonic, Highway 75, 107 Hwy 75, 7 am - 11 pm

Subway, 111 S 75 Hwy, 9 am-10 pm, sandwiches, chips, cookies

Taco Bell, 105 Hwy 75, 10 am - 10 pm, Tacos, burritos

Trails Cafe, 601 Arizona, 11 am - 9 pm, sandwiches, salads, seafood, steak

Holton Entertainment

Bus Service to Square from high school (4 block walk),
12:30-6:30 pm, Free

Bands: EZ Pieces and Undercover, west side of square,
5:30 pm-9:30 pm, Free, 2 fun bands! *Sponsored by BAK*

Retail Shopping on Courthouse Square, all day

Beer Garden by local Willcott Brewery, west side of square
5 pm-9:30 pm, varies, variety of local beers, wine, pop

Swimming Pool at Rafter's Park (WPA building), 711 Nebraska
(1 block W of high school), Noon-5 pm, 125 free passes for BAK,
Pick up free passes at Welcome Tent (high school)

State Farm Helmet Giveaway, West side of square, 5:00 pm, Free

Jackson County Historical Society, 216 New York (SW corner of square)
10 am-8 pm, Free/donation, Jackson County memorabilia and history

Jackson County Flutes, High School, 5:30-8:00 am, Free
Flute trio playing during breakfast on Saturday

Rafter's Park, 711 Nebraska (1 block W of high school), all day, Free
pickleball, picnic tables, playground

Linscott Park, 4th & Iowa, all day, Free, tennis courts, picnic tables

Banner Lake, 1075 KS Hwy 16, Holton, all day, entry fees, fishing,
swimming, picnic tables, RV Park

Prairie Lake, 12824 246th Rd., Holton, all day, overnight fees for RV,
fishing, swimming, picnic tables, RV Park

Prairie Band Casino RV Park, 12305 150th, Mayetta, all day, overnight fees

History Notes: June 14

NEMAHA COUNTY was organized in 1873 and named for a river in Nebraska—the Nemaha, one of whose branches drains the northern half of the county.

CENTRALIA (pop. 600) Rex Maneval was born here in 1890 and dreamed of becoming a mechanical engineer, but his parents preferred a business career and enrolled him in a banking school. Among Maneval's projects was a helicopter which he designed in 1939, the same year Sikorsky designed the VS-300 which eventually became the first successful commercial helicopter. Maneval's helicopter was completed in 1941, but there were a couple of problems (among them excessive vibration) which he could not resolve to his satisfaction. Although he occasionally flew his helicopter tethered to the ground, he never attempted a free flight.

Centralia City Museum: Located inside City Hall at 517 4th St, it features donated artifacts from local residents. 8-12:30, 1:30-4, free

CORNING (pop. 212) Founded in 1867 and named for New York politician Erastus Corning.

WPA projects: 7th and Atlantic. Originally the shop building for Corning High School, this structure now serves as the library. The limestone gymnasium on Franklin was built in 1938.

SOLDIER (pop. 102) Named for Soldier Creek, the first settlement was made in 1877 and incorporated in 1896. This small community has been struck twice by a tornado in 1883 and again in 2008, both ending sadly in fatalities.

JACKSON COUNTY (pop. 13,232) Originally named Calhoun, but patriotically renamed for President Andrew Jackson at the beginning of the Civil War. The Battle of the Spurs in 1858 took place in the county between Free Staters and pro slavery forces. John Brown and the underground railroad operated in the county prior to statehood. The Rock Island Railroad arrived in 1886.

NETAWAKA (pop. 169) The town was laid out in 1866 on what was originally a part of the Kickapoo Reservation on the Central Branch of the Union Pacific Railroad. Netawaka is the Kickapoo word for “high view.” You will find one of the highest points in the vicinity at US 75 and K-9 junction.

HOLTON (pop. 3,401) Holton was chosen as the Jackson county seat in 1858. In that same year, a group from Milwaukee, Wisconsin started their trek to take Free State settlers to Kansas. The Kansas Society of Milwaukee, which was headed by E. D. Holton financed the expedition. They arrived at Elk Creek just west of Holton, made a bridge of timbers, crossed it, and made camp where Central School now stands, between 4th & 5th, New Jersey & Ohio Streets.

Historic Bank Building (NRHP): 101 W 4th. Built in 1906. It features the original wooden and marble counter and iron radiator embossed with a child’s face. 8–5 pm.

Jackson County Courthouse: 400 New York. Built in the Modern Eclecticism style, the interior has marble walls, staircases, and the original tile floors. The Fallen Soldier Memorial is on its grounds.

Jackson County Museum: 327 New York. Home to a tin shop, which opened in 1905 the building has its original pressed-tin ceiling. Artifacts date back to 1854. Displays include bottles manufactured in Holton, unique WPA dolls, silk spun from silkworms raised in the county, hand-carved wooden canes, and more. 10-2 pm, donation.

Holton Mercantile: 415 New York. Built in the 1920s, this fountain still has the original tile counter, five stools, and mirror. 9 am-7 pm.

	B	A	K	5	0
B	BB	AB	KB	5B	0B
I	BI	AI	KI	5I	0I
N	BN	AN	Free	5N	0N
G	BG	AG	KG	5G	0G
O	BO	AO	KO	5O	0O

BAK50 BINGO Card

Selfie Scavenger Hunt

- 45. Art Deco Grade School - Effingham
- 46. An Amelia Earhart attraction - Atchison
- 47. Tire in the Missouri River / Welcome sign - MO
- 48. Church with a stained glass window
- 49. Local cemetery sign
- 50. Dog - not roadkill



BAK50 BINGO

BN. Has the most letters in their middle name

AN. Rides a tandem

OI. Is wearing this year's BAK shirt or jersey

" A S A S

D H Z O F V B Y O H U K Z

' G S S !"

K V U A I L N Y V Z Z



- Drippy

SAG: _____

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SAG EXPRESS



Holton - Atchison

Biking Across Kansas 2024

Saturday, June 15

Holton to Atchison

Today's Destination:

Atchison/Missouri River

Celebration Picnic:

Atchison Riverwalk Park, 100 Commerical St.

Total Daily Mileage:

41

RidewithGPS



June 15 Map

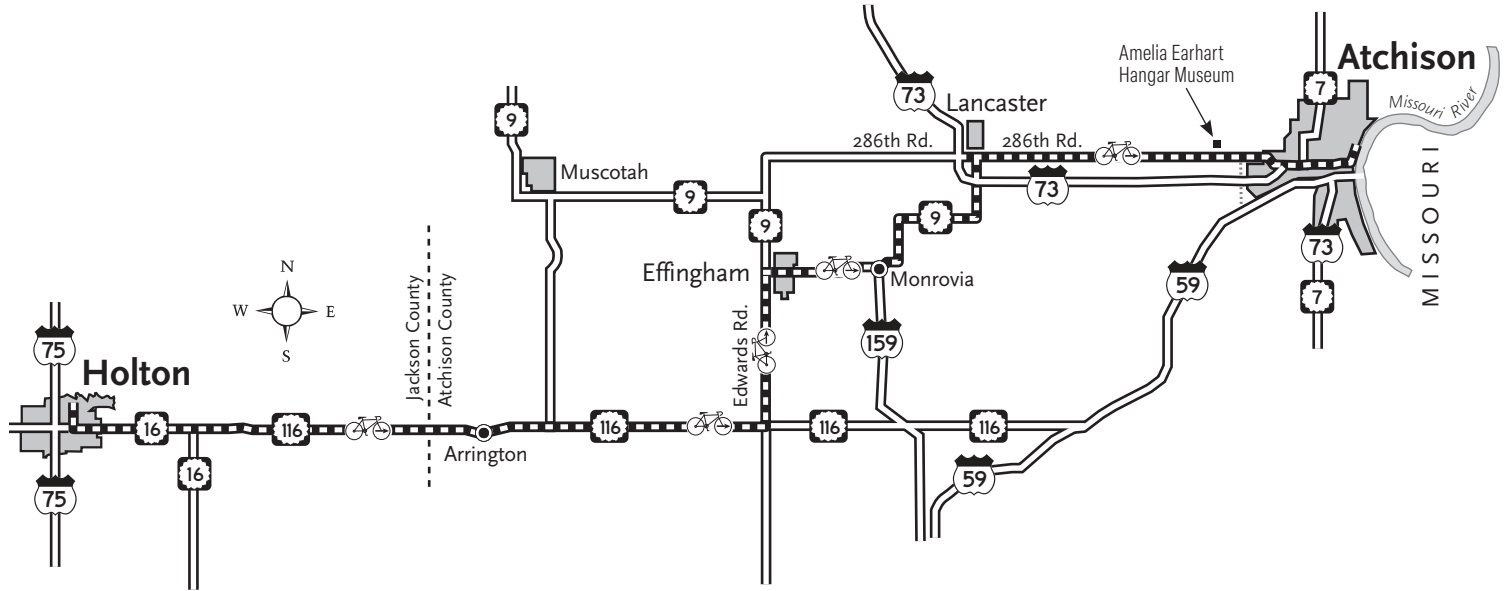
Directions: Leave Holton High School heading south on New York Ave to 4th St/K-16. Turn left onto K-16 and head east (in approximately two miles, highway intersects with K-116, continue straight on K-116). Continue east to Edwards Road and turn left. Continue north to Effingham and junction with K-9. Turn right onto K-9 and continue east through Monrovia. Cross US 73 (*use caution here*) to 286th Rd. Turn right onto 286th Rd and continue to Pratt Rd. Turn right onto Pratt Rd. which becomes Main St. Continue east on Main St to 9th St and turn left. Continue one block on 9th St to Commercial St and turn right. Go two blocks to 7th St and turn left. Go one block to Kansas Ave. and turn right. Go three blocks to 4th St and turn right. Go one block and turn left onto Commercial St. Go three blocks to River Rd. and turn left. Continue on River Road to Riverfront Park and continue north to the boat ramp for the end of Biking Across Kansas 2024.

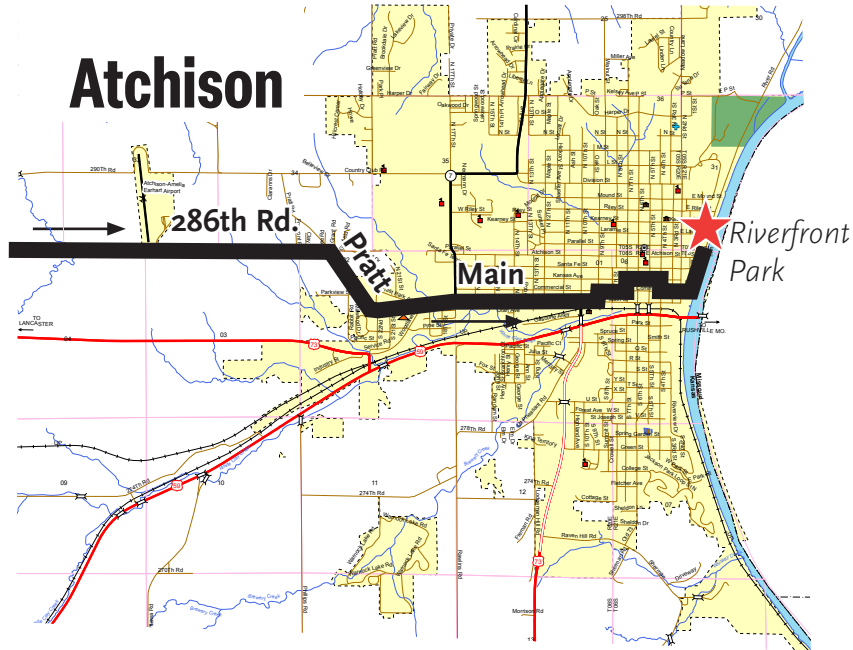
BAK 2024 Jersey Day

Wear your BAK 2024 jersey or BAK 2024 t-shirt!

Point-to-Point Mileage

Holton to Arrington	11
Arrington to Effingham	11
Effingham to Monrovia	3
Monrovia to Lancaster	5
Lancaster to Atchison	11
Total Mileage from Colorado Border to Missouri River:	505





BAK Celebration Festivities

Celebration Picnic

BAK Picnic begins in Riverfront Park along River Rd. at 11:30 am.

Your BAK name badge is your ticket to lunch. Everyone must show their name badge. Yellow name badge needed for vegan/vegetarian meal. Guest tickets can be purchased at the BAK Info Desk for \$12 or \$15 at the picnic.

Showers for BAK participants are available at the Atchison YMCA. 321 Commercial St. Photo ID required, Free of charge.

History Notes: June 15

ATCHISON COUNTY (pop. 16,348) Named for David Rice Atchison, a Missouri U.S. Senator. The Lewis and Clark expedition traveled up the Missouri River in the summer of 1804, but the first expedition came in 1724 and was led by Etienne de Bourgmont, military commander of the French colony of Louisiana. The first permanent resident settled along Stranger Creek in 1839. The Glacial Hills Scenic Byway runs through the county.

ARRINGTON (uninc.) Platted in 1884 and on the Union Pacific Railroad. Sometime before 1890, medicinal springs were located here as was a mill on the Delaware River.

EFFINGHAM (pop. 485) First platted in 1868 by A. William Osborne, who built the hundred miles of the Central Branch Union Pacific Railroad. He named the town after Effingham Nichols, an early advocate of the railroad. In 1938, with just six votes to spare, a bond passed to build the Art Deco Effingham Grade School (306 Main).

LANCASTER (pop. 246) One of the oldest towns in the county. In the October 16, 1858, issue of Freedom's Champion, an advertisement was published to attract people to the new city.

SHANNON (unic.) Platted in 1883, this town had a post office until 1941.

Amelia Earhart Hangar Museum: 16701 286th Rd. The museum tells of the adventure of the trailblazing aviator. See **Muriel**, the world's last remaining Lockheed Electra 10-E aircraft, which is identical to the plane Amelia piloted on her fateful round-the-world flight. 10-5 pm, donation.

ATCHISON (pop. 10,636) Lewis & Clark celebrated the first Independence Day here on July 4, 1804. The Kansas Territory was opened 50 years later; Atchison was one of its first settlements. Named for Missouri U.S. Senator Atchison, who served as U.S. President for one day on March 4, 1849 when Zachary Taylor refused to take the Oath of Office on a Sunday. Atchison is the birthplace of Amelia Earhart and the city boasts 20 sites on the National Register of Historic Places.

Atchison County Courthouse: 423 N 5th, Designed by George Washburn, this 1897 limestone Romanesque Revival structure features a seven-story clock tower. Note the plaque on a rock in front stating Abraham Lincoln spoke nearby on his campaign tour in 1859.

Lewis and Clark Pavilion at Riverfront Park: Commemorates the Lewis and Clark Expedition of 1804.

Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum (NHRP): 223 N Terrace. Recognized as an 8 Wonders of Kansas People, Amelia Earhart was born in her grandparents' 1860 home on July 24, 1897 and spent much time here through age 12. Hanging inside is a model Electra, the type flown by Amelia Earhart on her ill-fated around-the-world expedition in 1937. 1-3 pm, donation.

Atchison County Historical Society Museum and Rail Museum (NRHP): 200 S 10th. Learn about early Atchison, including Lewis and Clark journey, trains, Amelia Earhart, and more. 10-4 pm, donation.

Cultural Center for the Arts, 111 N. 8th St. Providing access to the arts and avenues for artistic expression. 10-4 pm.

BAK Phonetic Alphabet

Phonetic Alphabet - A list of words used in communication to represent the letters of the alphabet, as in: B for Bravo, A for Alpha, K for Kilo.

What words would you use to create a “BAK Phonetic Alphabet?”

A _____	J _____	S _____
B _____	K _____	T _____
C _____	L _____	U _____
D _____	M _____	V _____
E _____	N _____	W _____
F _____	O _____	X _____
G _____	P _____	Y _____
H _____	Q _____	Z _____
I _____	R _____	

BAK Mad Lib

Oh give me a _____, where the _____ _____,
[NOUN] [NOUN] [VERB]

Where the _____ and the _____ _____;
[NOUN] [NOUN] [VERB]

Where _____ is heard, a _____ word,
[ADVERB] [ADJECTIVE]

And the _____ are not _____ all day.
[PLURAL NOUN] [ADJECTIVE]

Oh give me a home, where the buffalo roam
Where the deer and the antelope play,
Where seldom is heard, a discouraging word
And the skies are not cloudy all day.

Puzzle Hints:

BAK 2024 Word Search - Tribune, Scott City, Ness City, Hoisington, Lincoln, Concordia, Frankfort, Holton, Atchison

Kansas Word Scramble - Capitol, Flower, Motto, Bird, Tree, Song, Animal

Kansas History Crossword - Ness Co. Bank, Dighton, Beeler, Leoti, Selkirk, El Quartejejo

Fill in the ___ Kansas History Word Bank - Alexander, Amelia Earhart, Atchison, Barton, Battle of the Spurs, Centralia, Cheyenne Bottoms, Ellsworth, Holton, LaCrosse, Lancaster, Lincoln



Match the Landmark! - "Great White Way", Frankfort; "Round" Town Square, Blue Rapids; "Orphan Train", Concordia; "Enormous Concreations", Minneapolis; "Whole Wall Mural", Concordia; "Pride of the Central Line", Waterville

Flag Day Crossword - Red, White, Blue, Spangled, Stars, Stripes, Wilson, Flag Day

Drippy's Cryptogram - H = A, I = B, J = C, etc.



2024

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This certifies that

Successfully crossed the
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_____ miles completed.