



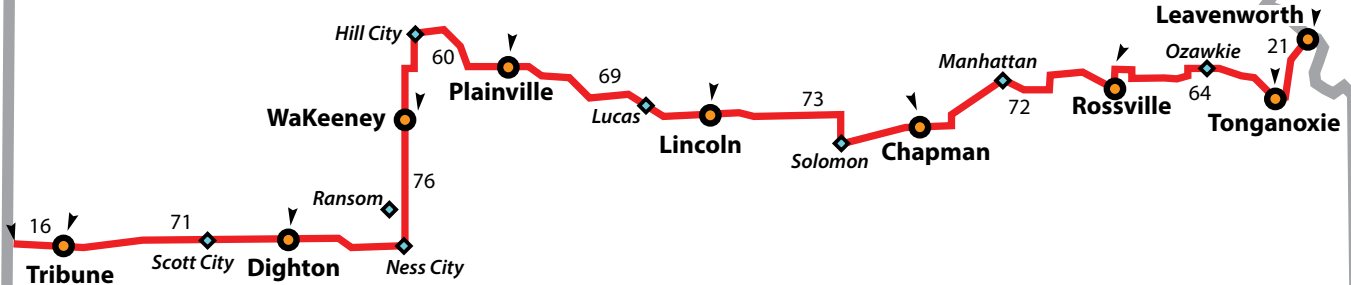
ROUTE GUIDE

TO NAVIGATE TO A MAP, SELECT FROM THE OPTIONS BELOW

- 1** COLORADO TO TRIBUNE
- 2** TRIBUNE TO DIGHTON
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- 4** WAKEENEY TO PLAINVILLE

- 5** PLAINVILLE TO LINCOLN
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- 7** CHAPMAN TO ROSSVILLE
- 8** ROSSVILLE TO TONGANOXIE
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BIKING ACROSS KANSAS 2017



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Biking Across Kansas will post online reports
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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.

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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 2017.

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

(913) 735-3035

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Safety & Sanitation

- WEAR YOUR HELMET at all times when riding.
- Obey all traffic law.
- Ride single file when traffic approaches.
- Communicate your intentions to other riders.
- Be courteous to other traffic.
- When stopping be sure to pull completely off the highway especially at SAG stops.
- Consider walking over railroad tracks or, at minimum, crossing perpendicular to the rails.
- Prevent the spread of germs and viruses—
WASH YOUR HANDS and/or USE HAND SANITIZER frequently, especially before reaching for food at SAG stops.

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.
- 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.
- Remember – please check in and out each day.
- Use indoor restrooms or portable toilets and NEVER the school's grass to void your bladder.

Meetings and Entertainment

First-timer meeting on Friday at 7:30 pm Central Time.

All-participant meet and greet on Friday, June 9, at 8:00 pm Central Time. Come and hear Marci Penner and WenDee Rowe, co-authors of *The Kansas Guidebook 2 for Explorers*, who will offer a preview of the historical and intriguing sites we will see along the BAK route. Enjoy a brief welcome from BAK, light refreshments.

All-participant meetings on Saturday, Wednesday and Friday (8 pm) and Monday (7:30 pm). Most meetings will be at the overnight schools; exact locations to be posted at the BAK information desk.

Mixers and entertainment on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Details, times and locations will be posted at the BAK information desk.

Teen and Tween groups meet most evenings for a casual activity. Info posted at BAK information desk.

SAG Support

SAG stops are provided by and staffed by volunteers. SAG support is 7:00 am until 5:00 pm. There is only one SAG stop on Saturday, June 11. 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. SAG vehicles begin sweeping the route at 3:00 pm for those requesting to be sagged in. If you need to be sagged in and your are not at a SAG stop, raise your left arm straight into the air and make a fist.

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Baggage Truck

You are responsible for loading your own luggage. DO NOT PILE YOUR LUGGAGE OUTSIDE OF THE TRUCK AND EXPECT SOMEONE ELSE TO LOAD IT FOR YOU. Please load as far forward and as high as possible (high and tight).

The trucks depart daily at 9:00 am and arrive approximately at 12:00 pm at the overnight stop. Please help unload the trucks when you arrive.

Text Messaging System

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

Rider Services

Bicycle Mechanic: Mechanical support will be available daily from 7:00 am (approximately) to 7:00 pm (fee for service).

In addition, limited supplies such as helmets, lights, computers, pedals etc. will be available for purchase.

Massage Therapists: Available at overnight stops during afternoon and evening hours Saturday, June 10, through Friday, June 16 (fee for service).

BAK Information Desk: Daily from 2 - 5 pm, the BAK information desk will be staffed by a volunteer at the overnight stop. You will find details on food, entertainment and events; BAK products for purchase; guest tickets for end-of-the-ride brunch (\$10 each through Wednesday); and a digital display with the weather report, route issues, entertainment, photos, and more.

Biking Across Kansas Photo Project and Contest

Capture your BAK Moments through photos and share them via social media. Share your BAK experience—the sense of community; the wonder of Kansas towns, people and landmarks; and your fun, successes and challenges. Think people, places, and things. Capture and share what makes BAK special and unique.

BAK photographers will also share photos throughout the week via social media. At the end of the week, we will select and showcase select BAK Moments photos during our celebration in Leavenworth.

Submit photos for fun, to compete or BOTH!

For the “just have fun” photographer, submit photos for simple sharing by posting to:

- Twitter or Instagram: Tag your photos with #BAK17
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/bakphotos/>.

Join the page, upload directly to the page, and tag your photos with #BAK17. Include interesting details about and the location of the photo. Tag the people in the photo. There is no limit to the number of submissions.

For the “competitive” photographer, submit photos for BAK’s Photo Contest by uploading to Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/bakphotos/>.

Include:

- Your name
- Photo title and location
- Category (people, place or thing)
- #BAK17Moments (Must be included in your tag.)

For the contest, you are limited to one photo per category per person for a total of three submissions. The deadline is Sunday, June 25. One winner and runner-up per category will be announced on Facebook.

Use proper etiquette when photographing on private property and in businesses/museums. Ask about local photography rules (e.g., flash photography usage, etc.).

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.

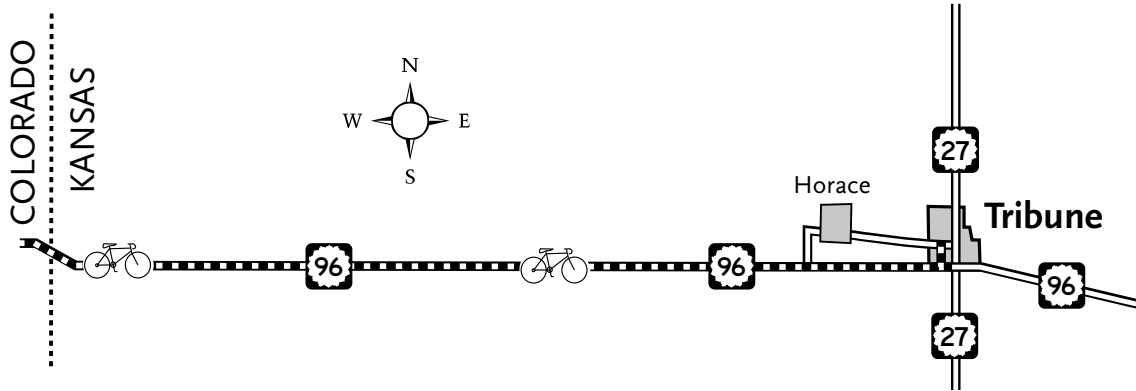
Today's Destination City: Tribune

Overnight Lodging at: Greeley County H.S., *400 W. Lawrence*

Total Mileage: 16

Directions: Begin at Kansas/Colorado state line on K-96 highway.

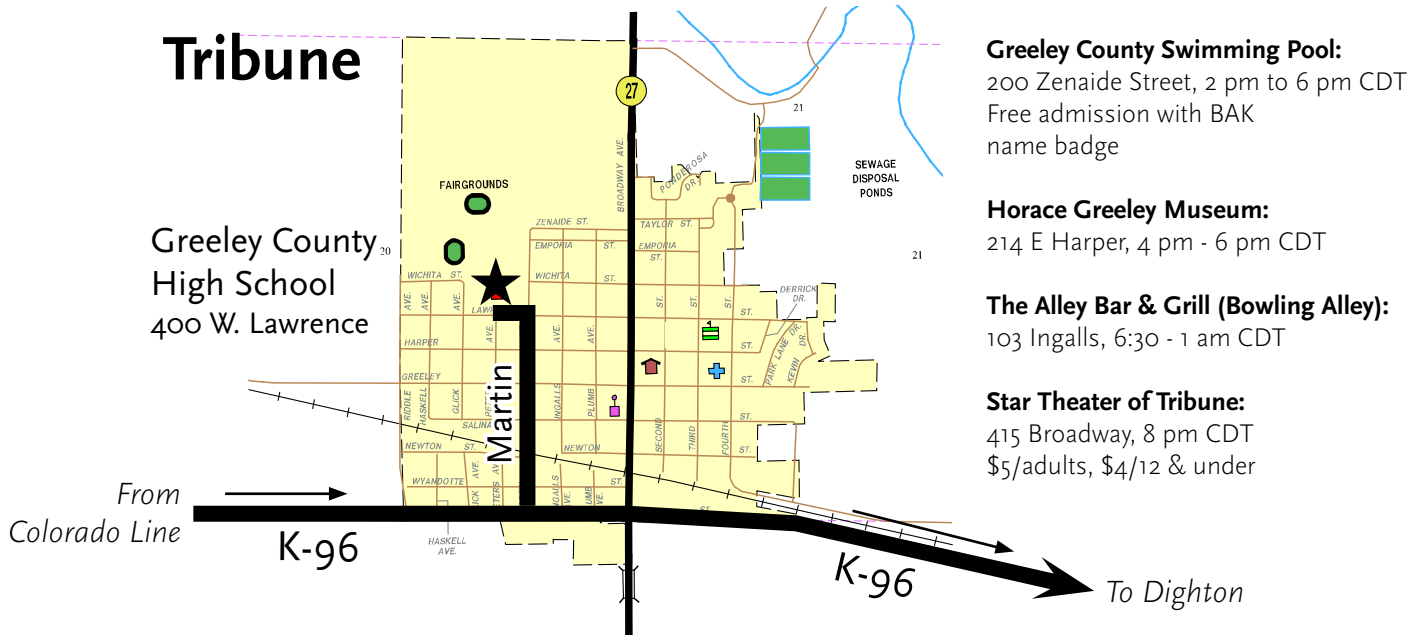
Head east to Tribune. Left turn onto Martin Ave. Continue to Greeley County High School.



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Friday, June 9

Colorado Border to Tribune



Tribune Food Options

SUPPER Friday June 9, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Spaghetti dinner w/salad, bread, drink & dessert
Greeley County 4-H Building, 905 Ingalls Ave
Star Theater of Tribune

BREAKFAST Saturday June 10, 5:30 am to 8:30 am

All you can eat breakfast, VFW 7521, 411 Broadway

Biscuits & gravy and more

Greeley County 4-H Building, 905 Ingalls Ave
Greeley County Straight Ahead Strivers 4-H Club

Tribune Grocery and Restaurants

The Alley Bar & Grill, 103 Ingalls Ave, 6:30 pm - 10 pm

Karen's Kitchen, 416 Broadway, 5 pm - 8 pm

The Trench Bar & Grill, 208 Kansas/K-96, 6:30 - 9 pm

Gooch's Foods, 503 Broadway Ave, 7 am - 6 pm

History Notes: June 9

Greeley County: Organized in 1888 and the last of the 105 Kansas counties to be created. It was named for Horace Greeley, who was once the editor of the *New York Tribune*. During his time as 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 this county. In 1887 there were 2,638 residents but by 1913 the population had decrease by more than 30 percent due to drought.

Tribune (pop. 774): Founded in 1886 and named for the former New York Tribune. The railroad depot was built in 1887, at which time Tribune was designated county seat. Tribune is the county seat of Greeley County. The last several years, Tribune and Greeley County have operated as a unified government.

Horace Greeley Museum (NRHP): 214 E Harper. Housed in the historic limestone courthouse built in the 1890s, the museum showcases historical memorabilia, artifacts, documents and a prehistoric mammoth skull. The building served as the Greeley County courthouse until 1975. 4 - 6 pm CDT

Today's Destination City: Dighton

Overnight Lodging at: Dighton Jr/Sr High School, *200 S. Wichita*

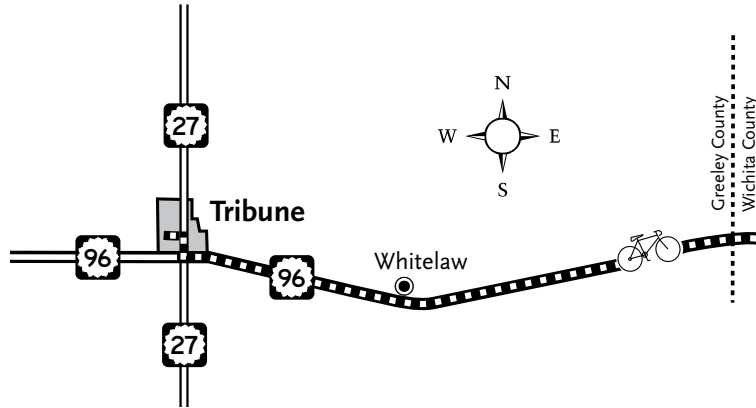
Food Stop: Scott City

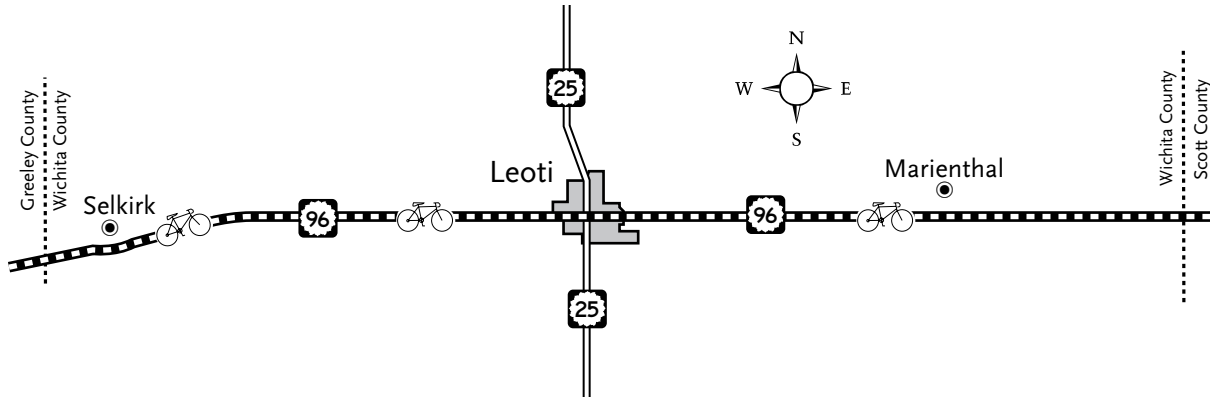
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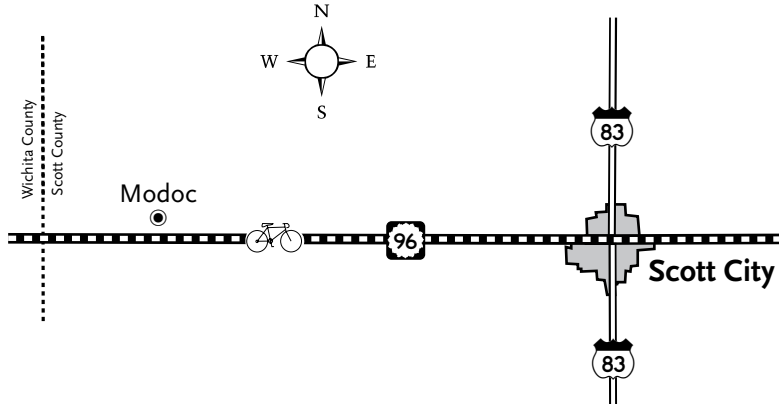
Directions: Leave Tribune heading east on K-96. Continue to Dighton.
Right turn onto Wichita St. Continue to Dighton Jr./Sr. High School.

Point-to-Point Mileage

Tribune to Whitelaw	5
Whitelaw to Selkirk	7.5
Selkirk to Leoti	10
Leoti to Marienthal	7.5
Leoti to Scott City	17
Scott City to Dighton	24







Scott City Food Options

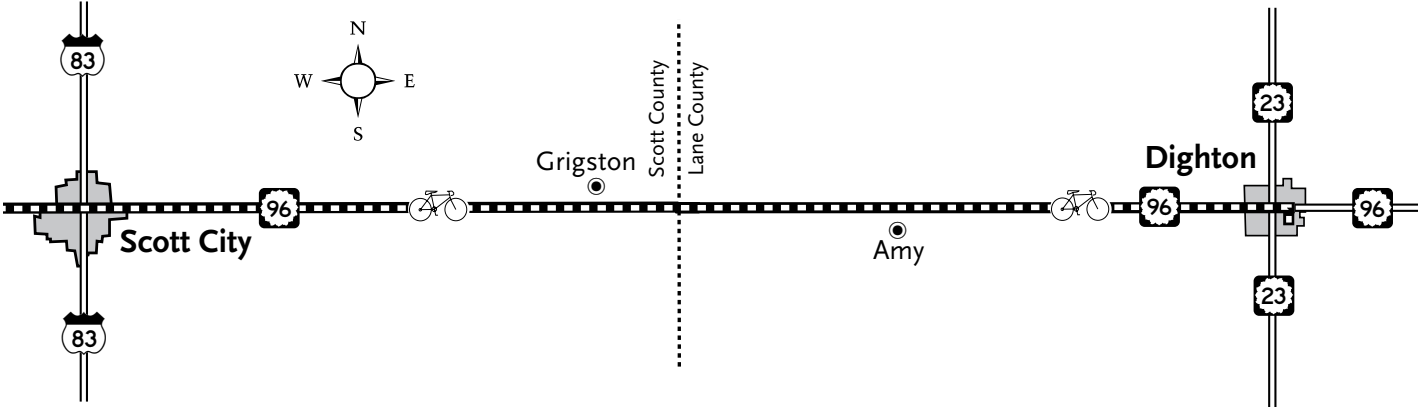
Fundraisers:

- Holy Cross Lutheran Church

- Relay for Life

Several Restaurants

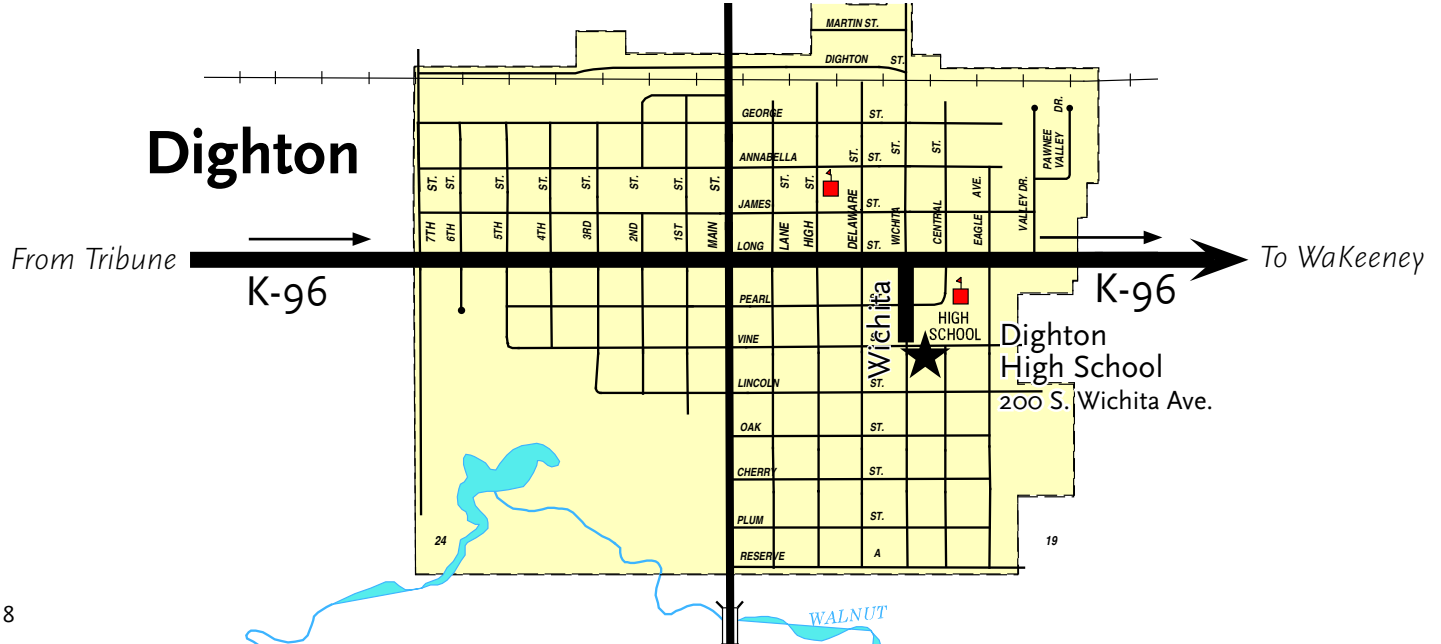
Check BAK Info Board for more details.



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Saturday, June 10

Tribune to Dighton



Dighton Food Options

Grocery: K&J Foods, 101 W Long St, 7 am - 7 pm

Snacks at School, starting 2 pm

Bottled water and Gatorade, Community Foundation

Cookies, Girl Scouts

Homemade treats, Dighton Cheerleaders/Dance Team

SUPPER Saturday, June 10, starting 5:30 pm

Dighton Bowl & Diner, serving 7 am - 2 pm

What's Up Sport Bar, 645 W Long St, 4 pm - midnight

Picnic & beer garden, Dighton Bowl & Diner,
100 block of S Central, 2 pm - 10 pm, chicken, hot dogs,
brats & beer garden

Walking tacos, Dighton High School Band,
High School Commons Area

Potato bar, Lane County Economic Development, School

Hamburgers, First Baptist Church, NW side football field

Sloppy Joes & chips, Saddle Club, School

Homemade pies, Shields Jayhawks 4-H Club, School

Freshly grilled items, Kwik Shop, 1 - 4 pm

BREAKFAST Sunday, June 11, High School, 5:30 am

Breakfast burritos, biscuits & gravy, muffin/cinnamon rolls, Dighton Jr./Sr. High School, Catholic & Methodist Churches.

Dighton: Activities and Entertainment

BAK All-Participant Meeting, 8 pm

Lane County Historical Museum, donation, 333 N Main St,
1 - 5 pm. (Ice cream available.)

Dighton Swimming Pool, \$1.50 kids under 14; \$2 for 14 & up
300 W Annabella, 1 - 9 pm

Dighton Bowl & Diner, 530 E Long St, 2 pm - 10 pm

Old Bank Gallery, 146 E Long, 10 am - 5 pm

Worship Opportunities (Saturday, June 10 in Dighton)

Protestant worship service, High School Auditorium,
4:30 pm, Dighton Ministerial Alliance

(No Catholic service in Dighton this evening. Mass in Ness City at
5:30 pm Saturday or Sunday evening in WaKeeney, 5 pm.)

History Notes: June 10

Wichita County: Organized in late 1886 and named for the Wichita Indians. Cattlemen did not want to see the county organized, and two different messengers that were sent to Topeka with the census were never seen again. Finally, the governor sent a group west for the census.

Selkirk (unicorp.): The Selkirk Hand-Dug Well, which was built in 1887 for the Santa Fe Railroad, is 24 feet in diameter and 102 feet deep and is believed to be the last hand-dug railroad well in existence. The well is located on the north side of the railroad tracks on K-96 and also features a 1908 depot and caboose.

Leoti (pop. 1,496): 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.

Leoti: Museum of the Great Plains: 401 S. 4th St. This former municipal auditorium was built by the WPA in 1940. Included are fossil, violin, military, and American cowboy exhibits. 8 am - 5 pm.

Washington Ames House: 3rd & J, Victorian home
Wichita County Courthouse: 206 S. 4th St.

Marienthal (unincorp.): Founded in 1892 by immigrant Germans from Russia, the town is named after Marienthal, Russia. Today, the community of fewer than 100 people, houses Heartland Mills, the only organic mill in Kansas.

The White Woman Creek: Per the Kansas Historical Society, the legend “tells of a white woman captured by Indians near the creek. The woman was then beheaded but never buried. Her apparition continues to wander up and down the creek searching for her head.”

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Modoc (unincorp.): A post office was established in 1886 when the town was called Plummer. The year following Plummer was renamed Modoc. Matt Novak, who moved back to the area after college in 2006, and began restoring the 1918 Modoc Township Hall. His goal: ensure his hometown and historic building did not die.

Scott City (pop. 3,927): Founded in 1886 and named for U.S. General Winfield Scott, who was known best for winning battles in the Civil War and the Mexican-American War. This county seat was founded in 1885. Pueblo Indians once ruled this area. The El Quartejejo ruins can be found in the eastern section of Scott Lake. Scott City attractions include: *El Quartejejo Museum:* 902 W 5th. Opens at 9:30 am. *Scott County Courthouse:* 303 Court.

Dighton (pop. 1,038): This county seat, which was founded in 1862, drew settlers because of its open fields and the promise of freedom. Life was tough, and houses were built from sod and dry dirt. Once established, the city grew rapidly and by 1900 over 100 people lived here. Dighton is in the great American Bison range. Here, Buffalo Bill Cody, the US Calvary, and the railroad did their hunting. 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. 1 - 5 pm.

Old Bank Gallery: 146 E Long. In 1981, Patricia Ann Herndon purchased the 1888 building that was once the First National Bank of Dighton. Today it's her art studio and gallery. 10 am - 5 pm.

Today's Destination City: WaKeeney

Overnight Lodging at: Trego Community High School, *1200 Russell*

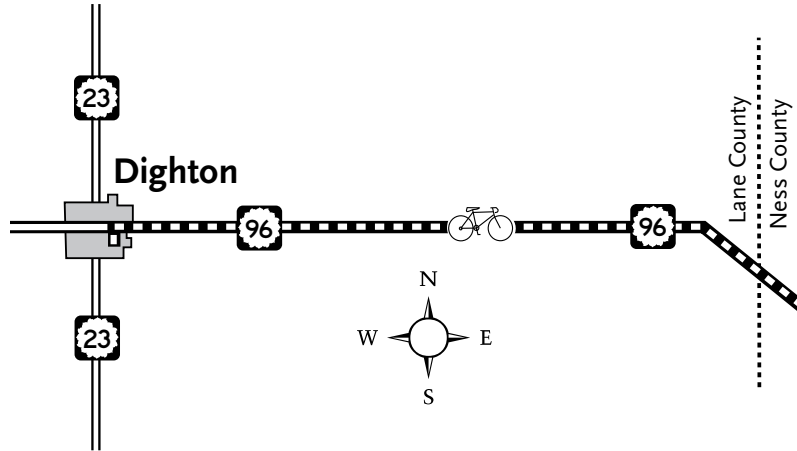
BAK Food Stop: Ransom, *VFW 516 Vermont*

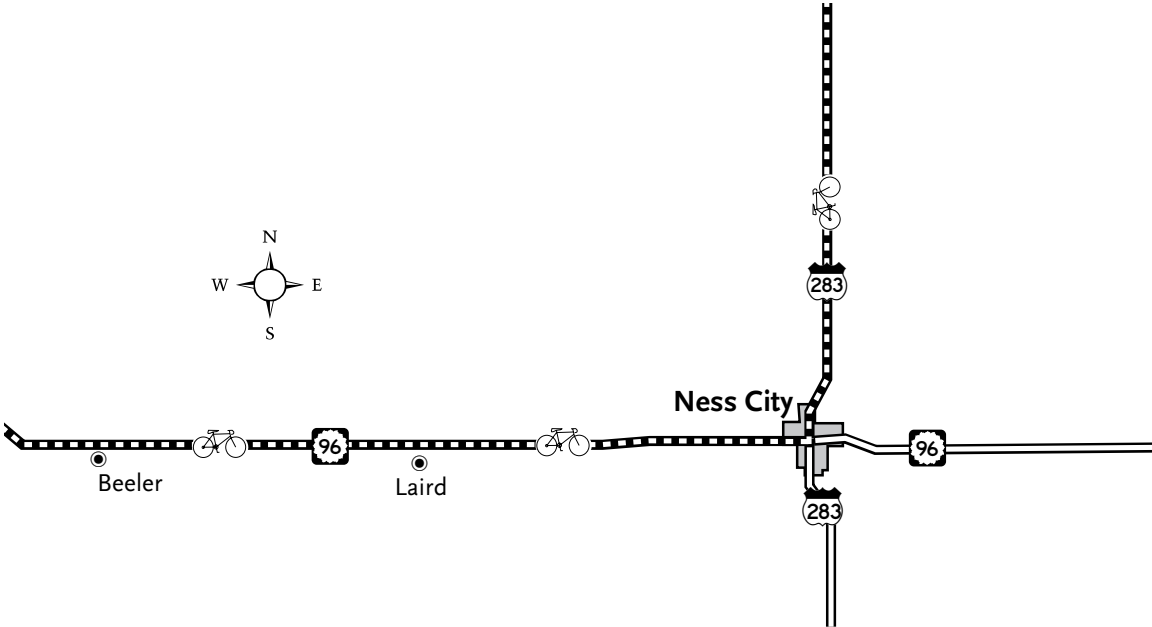
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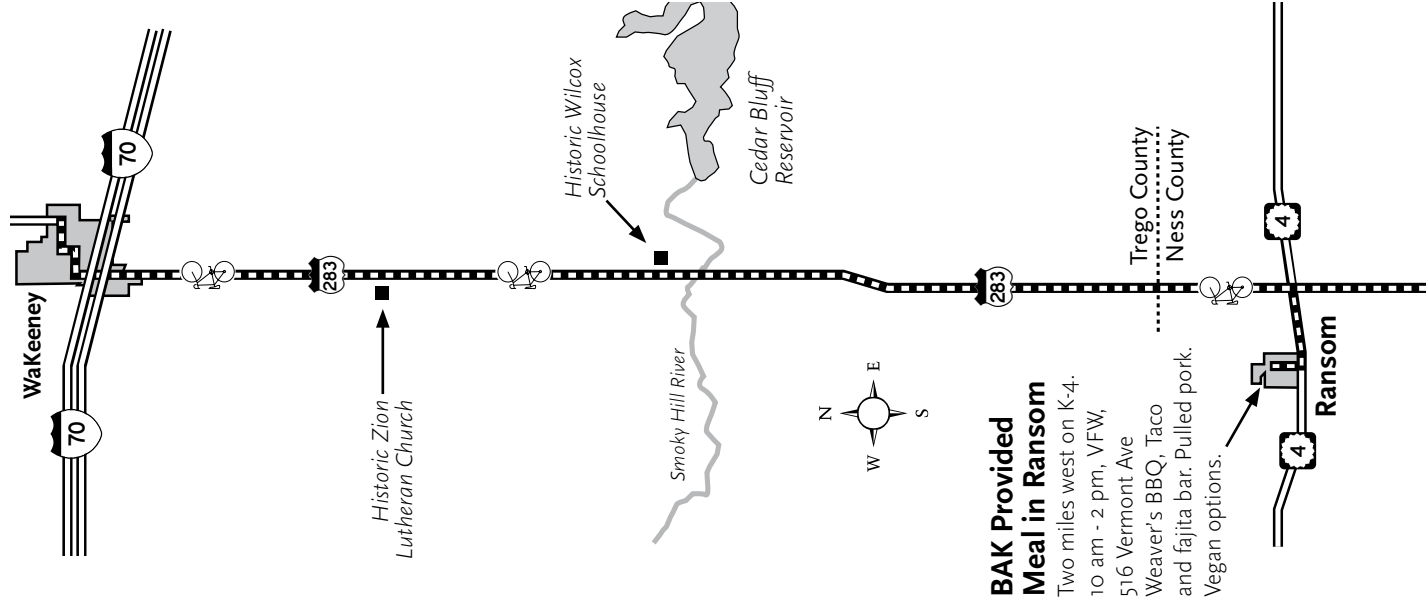
Directions: Leaving Dighton High School, head north on Wichita St. Turn right onto K-96 and continue east to Ness City. At Ness City, left turn onto US 283. Continue north on US 283 to junction with K-4. Left on K-4 to BAK provided food stop in Ransom. Returning from Ransom, head east on K-4, to US 283. Left turn onto US 283 and continue north. In WaKeeney, stay on US 283/US 40. Left turn onto Main St. and continue to Russell Ave. Right on Russell Ave. and continue to Trego County High School.

Point-to-Point Mileage

Dighton to Beeler	15
Beeler to Ness City	16
Ness City to Jct. K-4	13
Jct. K-4 to Ransom (VFW, 516 Vermont)	2
Ransom to Jct. US 283	2
Jct. US 283 to WaKeeney	28

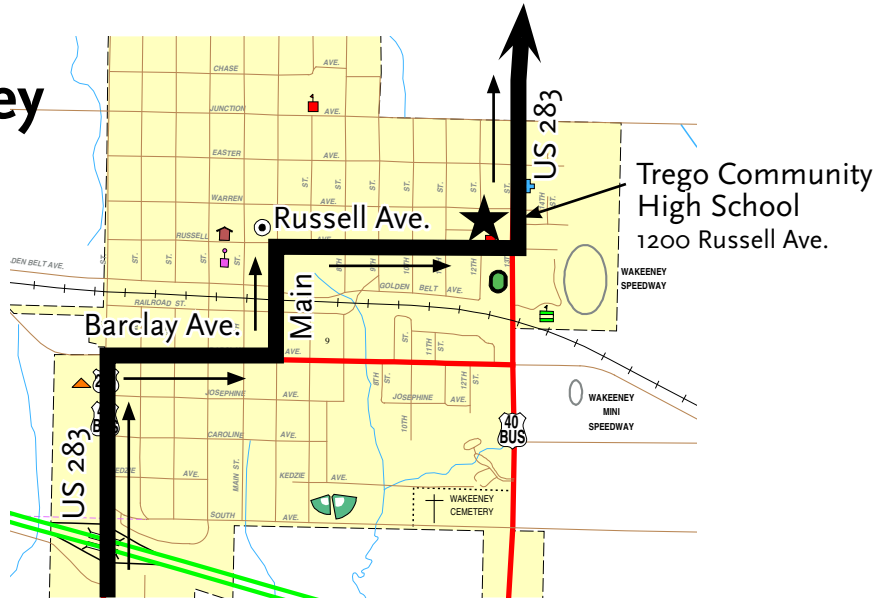






To Plainville

WaKeeney



From Dighton

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Sunday, June 11

Dighton to WaKeeney

WaKeeney Food Options

Sunday June 11, 1 pm - 8 pm (unless otherwise noted)

All at Swimming Pool Park, 716 N 6th St

Beer garden & brats, Eagles Lodge

Hamburgers & hot dogs, K-18 Baseball Team

Water, lemonade, ice tea & snacks, Keeney Queens Red Hats

Soft-serve ice cream, Trego Manor

Sloppy Joes, salads & desserts, UMC, Eve Circle, 5 pm - 8 pm

Homemade pies, cakes & cookies, Trego County 4-H, 1 - 3 pm

Beef/chicken noodles, mashed potatoes, Leap of Faith Catering

BBQ, Rods and Ribs BBQ

Sno-cones, Sno Days

BREAKFAST Monday June 12, 5:30 - 8:30 am

Biscuits & sausage gravy. Vegan option.

Trego County Historical Society, Fairgrounds, 116 N 13th St.

WaKeeney Grocery and Restaurants

Dairy Queen Brazier Mike's Place

Hometown Bakery Pizza Hut

Jake & Chet's Café Subway Sandwiches & Salads

Lock's Restaurant Tropical Mexican Restaurant

McDonald's Western Kansas Saloon & Grill

WaKeeney Heartland Foods, 401 Russell Ave, 8 am - 9 pm

Activities

Water Park @ Pool, \$1 with BAK name badge,
716 N 6th, 1 - 8 pm

Trego County Historical Museum, donations welcome,
128 N 13th St, 1 pm - 6 pm. New exhibits and fossils

Old-Fashioned Soda Fountain, Gibson Health Mart
125 N Main, 1 pm - 5 pm, Cold treats & drinks

Live music with Gypsy Kansas, free, 716 N 6th St
5 pm - 8 pm. Mix of bluegrass, country, rock, Freewill Donation

Home on the Range documdrama and Ken Spurgeon, producer,
donations welcome, 8:30 pm, High School.

Catholic Mass: 5 pm, Christ the King, 412 N 9th

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Ness County: The county between the Arkansas and Smoky Hill Rivers was founded during the westward expansion of settlement following the Civil War. It is named for Corporal Noah V. B. Ness, a veteran of G Troop, 7th Kansas Cavalry who was killed at Abbeyville, Mississippi, during the Civil War.

Beeler (unicorp.): Beeler is an unincorporated community founded in 1886 with only a postal office. A George Washington Carver Homestead Site can be found here. Carver was one of America's greatest scientists who invented things such as paint, peanuts, sweet potatoes, soap, and 500 other products. Beeler is the hometown of BAK co-founder, Norma Christie.

Ness City (pop. 1,449): Founded in 1878. During prohibition, the use of "medicinal" alcohol from the drugstore reached great proportions. It's told that a local newspaper editor tracked persons buying the "medicine" and publishing 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 moved to the Cleveland Indians and became an outfielder. 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.

Ness City Attractions:

"Skyscraper of the Plains" (NRHP): Main St & Pennsylvania Ave.

When it was built in 1890, the Old Ness County Bank building was said to be the tallest building between Topeka and Denver.

Made of native limestone the large, ornate building was designated as one of the 8 Wonders of Kansas Architecture by the Kansas Sampler Organization in 2008. 8:30 - 11 am.

Ness County Historical Society & Museum: 123 Pennsylvania Ave.

Farm and ranch exhibits display the way of life of a time gone by.

Ness County Oil and Ag Museum: 210 E Sycamore.

Open 8:30 - 11 am.

The Smoky Valley Scenic Byway consists of 60 miles of western central Kansas through the Smoky Hill River Valley. It got its name from their “hazy” appearance at sunrise and sunset. The Smoky Hills provide a transition between the mixed-grass prairie and the short-grass prairie of the Western Great Plains. The Byway travels through the Smoky Hill River Valley, a showplace of windmills, wildflowers, native grasses, limestone bluffs, and Western history.

Ransom (pop. 294): The city was named for Thomas E.G. Ransom, a surveyor, civil engineer, real estate speculator, and a general in the Union Army during the American Civil War. The first post office was established in 1887 but was called Ogdensburgh until 1888. It was not incorporated as a city until 1905.

Cedar Bluff State Park, Reservoir & Wildlife Area: 13 miles south of I-70. this area is named for 100-ft tall, cedar-covered, limestone bluffs along south shoreline. The drive to the Bluff Overlook provides spectacular views.

Smoky Hill Trail/Butterfield Overland Despatch Marker:

Marker located on Hwy 147 below dam. BOD followed Smoky Hill Trail along Smoky Hill River. Shortest route to gold fields in Colorado but not always the safest. Threshing Machine Canyon: West of State Park Office. Station on Butterfield Overland Despatch. Site of Native American attack on freighters delivering threshing machine. Remains of machine at Trego County Historical Museum.

Wilcox School (NRHP): Hwy 283 & X Rd. Limestone school built in 1886 and used until 1947. Later it was used as a club house for Hi-Plains Gravel Grinders Motorcycle Club. It is currently under restoration.

Trego County: Trego County, which is part of Kansas that was once called the Great American Desert, was organized in 1879 and named for Captain Edgar Poe Trego, who was killed in Civil War battle. In 1879 an influx of settlers arrived from Chicago and the population grew to over 3,500, which led to county organization.

WaKeeney (pop. 1,862): WaKeeney is the county seat of Trego county and was founded in 1877 by Warren, Keeney & Co, a Chicago land company. WaKeeney was originally planned as “The Queen City of the High Plains.” The founders had grand ideas for their city, including 80-foot wide brick streets. Since 1950, WaKeeney has been known as the Christmas City of the High Plains with its 35’ tree, 4 square blocks of garlands, lights, & handmade decorations. The North Pole Park & mural located on Main St.

WaKeeney Attractions:

Trego County Courthouse: 216 N Main. This 1889 limestone courthouse still in use today with historic interior.

WaKeeney City Building: 408 Russell Ave. Constructed of native limestone by WPA in 1937.

Train Depot. This depot, which was built in 1879, was the first major building built with Saline River and Big Creek limestone.

Western Kansas Saloon & Grill: 121 N Main. It features 6 large historic paintings by a local artist. Ask about triangle-shaped hole in the floor! In the basement of this restored 1925 hardware store, Christmas tree decorations are designed and built.

Main Street Nature Trail: Main & Railroad. Features antique wooden windmill, walkways, and more.

Trego County Fair Exhibit Building (NRHP): 116 N 13th St. Built in 1916, recently restored & still in use.

F-14 Tomcat Fighter Jet: Eisenhower Park, I-70 at Exit 127. Restored jet is tribute to veterans and all branches of the military.

Trego County Historical Museum: 128 N 13th St. New exhibits, fossils, murals, former bank stones. 1-6 pm.

Old-Fashioned Soda Fountain: 125 N Main in Gibson Health Mart. 1 - 5 pm.

Today's Destination City: Plainville

Overnight Lodging at: Plainville High School, *202 SE Cardinal Avenue (3rd)*

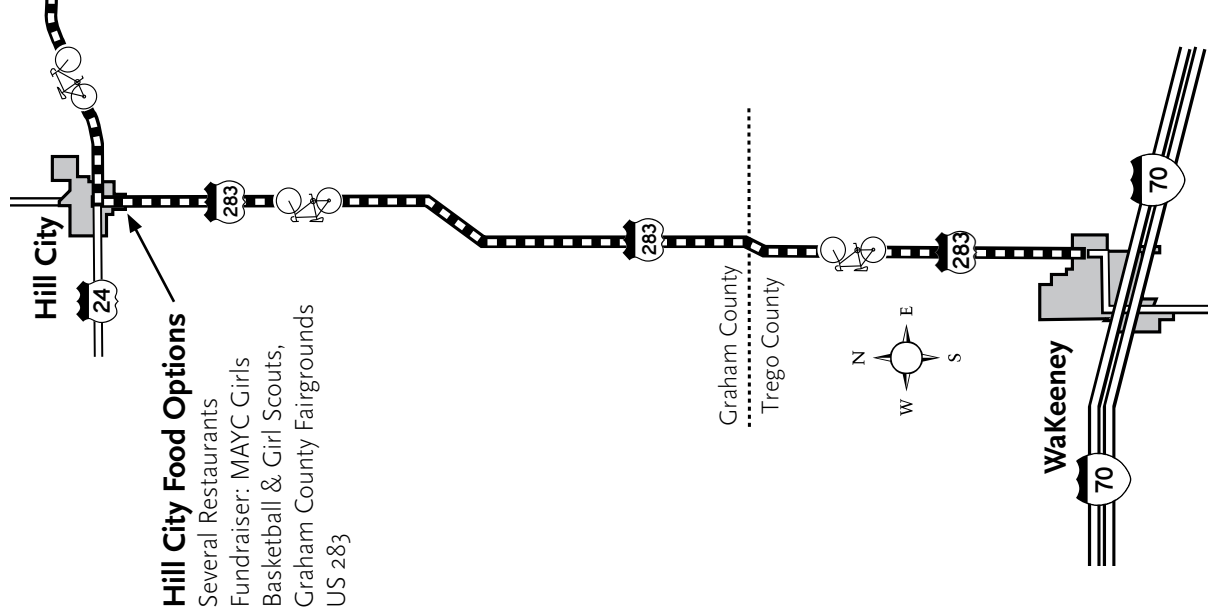
Food Stop: Hill City

Total Mileage: 60

Directions: Leave Trego County High School, east on Russell Ave to US 283. Left turn on US 283 and continue north to Hill City. Right turn onto US 24. Continue on US 24 to K-18. Right turn on K-18. Continue on K-18 to Plainville. In Plainville, turn right onto Main St. Continue to 3rd St. Left turn onto 3rd St. and continue to Plainville High School.

Point-to-Point Mileage

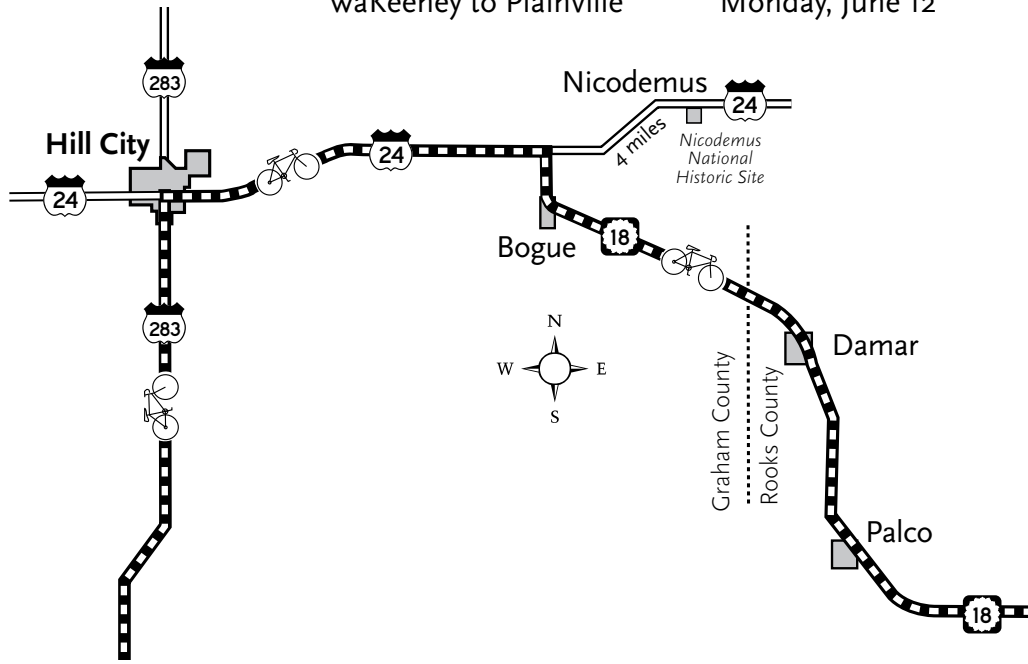
WaKeeney to Hill City	24
Hill City to Bogue	10
Bogue to Damar	6.5
Damar to Palco	4.5
Palco to Zurich	7
Zurich to Plainville	8

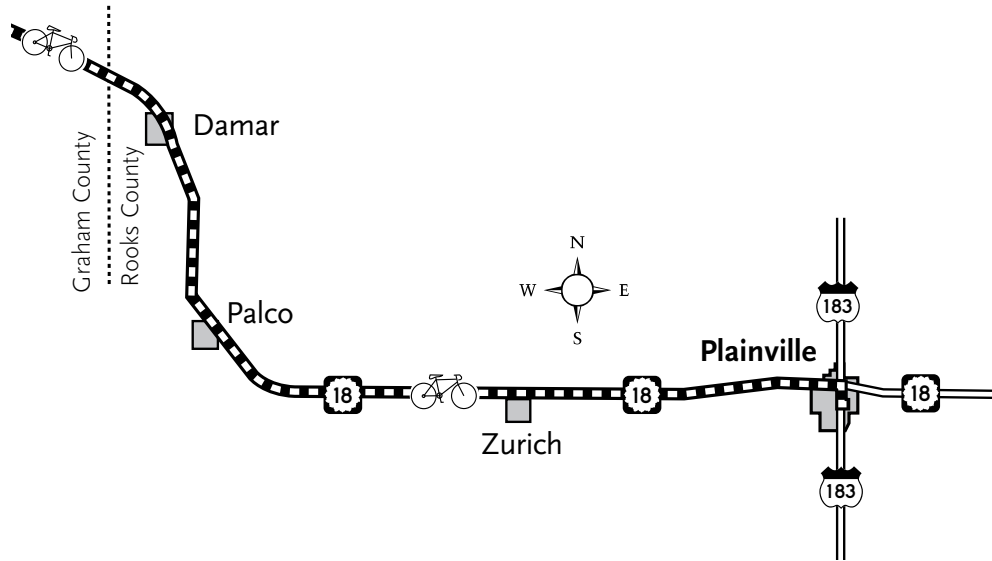


WaKeeney to Plainville

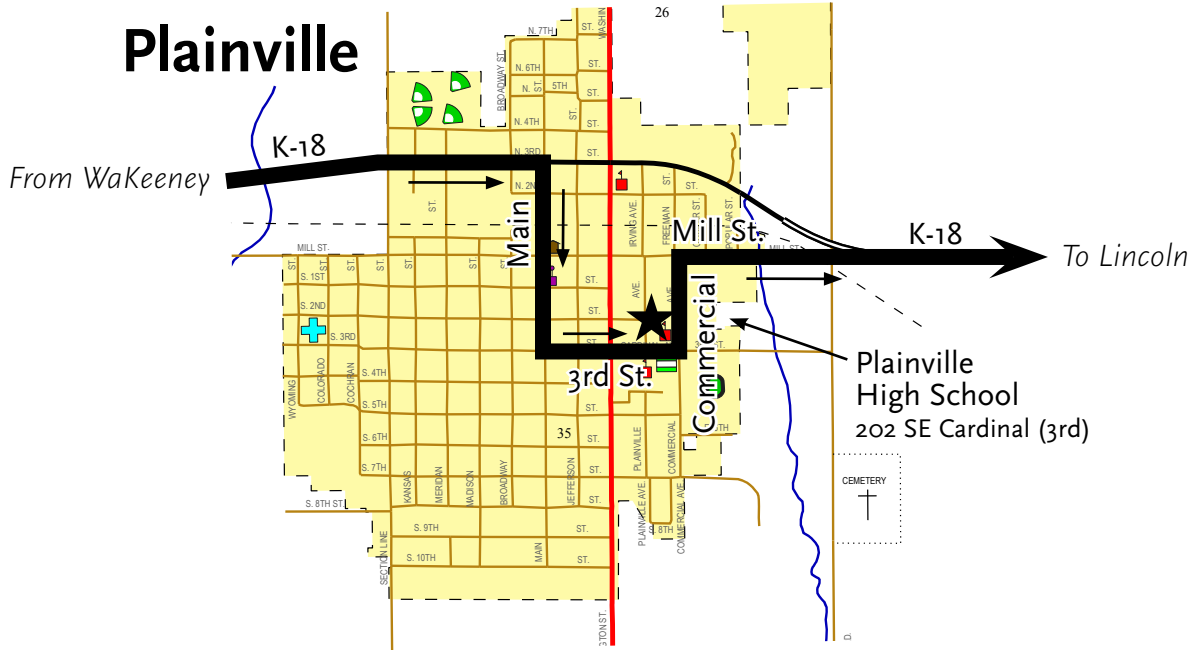
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Route Guide





Plainville



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WaKeeney to Plainville

Plainville Food Options

LUNCH Monday June 12, School Parking Lot (11 am to 3 pm)

Drinks, candy bars and snacks, PHS Boys Basketball Team
Watermelon slices, Plainville High School Sophomore Class
Homemade snacks, protein balls, etc. Snacks on the Go with PEO
BBQ beef sandwiches, Plainville High School FFA Chapter
Bierocks, chips, Sacred Heart Grade School Home and School
Walking tacos, Plainville United Methodist Church
Hamburgers, hot dogs, corn dogs, French fries, K of C
Fruit cobblers and desserts, Rooks Cty. Health Center Hospital

SUPPER Monday June 12 , School Parking Lot

Spaghetti supper, Plainville High School FFA & FCCLA, 5 to 7 pm
Pulled pork, Eager Beaver 4-H, 3 to 8 pm
Bacon wrapped pork tenderloin skewers, Plainville Wrestling Club
Sno-cones, specialty grilled cheese, HT Livestock Mem. Foundation
Hamburgers, hot dogs, corn dogs, French fries, K of C

BREAKFAST Tuesday June 13

Breakfast burritos, fruit, Elementary School teachers
Pancakes, eggs, sausage, Plainville Lion's Club
Biscuits and gravy, Knights of Columbus
Variety, HT Livestock Memorial Foundation

Plainville Grocery and Restaurants

Mr. K's Food Town, 109 S Jefferson, 7 am - 8 pm
B & B (Burgers & Beer)
Dairy Queen
Pizza Hut
El As De Oros
Plainville Short Stop
Mike's Moonshine Grill (food truck)
Plainville Sale Barn Café
Wild West Saloon
Cardinal Drive Inn

Entertainment

BAK All-Participant Meeting, 7:30 pm

*NOTE: meeting is changed to 7:30 pm
to accommodate band at 8 pm.*

Live music featuring

Lucas Maddy & the Kansas Cartell,

School Football Field, 8 - 9:30 pm

Free will donation

Swimming Pool, Plainville Recreation Commission

100 S Section Line

Free Admission, 1 - 5 pm & 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Retirement Center Visit

Monday, June 12, 2-4 pm

Redbud Village

1000 S. Washington

Plainville

History Notes: June 12

Graham County: One of 34 counties created by the legislature in 1867, the county was named for Captain L. Graham, Company D, Eighth Kansas Infantry, who was killed in action in Chickamauga, 1863. The area was originally occupied by the Comanche Tribe of Indians. The first white settlers arrived in 1873 and 1874.

Hill City (pop. 1,474): County seat for Graham County. The area was discovered in 1876 by W.R. Hill and was later named after him. The city draws people to its oil museum, which is one of the very few oil museums in the world.

Longfellow Middle School: 203 N 2nd Ave. Built in 1923 as the Memorial High School, it was renamed in the 1960s for the well-known poet. The school was built of granite-like Ogallala quartzite, which was mined northeast of Hill City.

Linda Louise Doll House: 124 E Mulberry. The doll house includes an extensive collection of dolls and doll accessories. 10 am - 3 pm.

Nicodemus National Historic Site (NHL, NRHP):

304 Washington Ave, Nicodemus. The town was established in 1877 by formerly enslaved African Americans who came in search of freedom in the “promised land” of Kansas. Nicodemus was named after the first black slave to purchase his freedom in the United States. It grew to be the largest community established by freed slaves. It is the oldest and only remaining Black settlement west of the Mississippi River.
9 am - 4:30 pm.

Bogue (pop. 142): Platted in 1888, the town is named after Virgil Gay Bogue, a civil engineer for the Union Pacific Railroad. It originally was named Wild Horse. Bogue was established when a railroad was constructed from Salina to Oakley, Kansas. Mr. Bogue bought a piece of land on which to locate the railroad depot, and later the town developed around the depot.

Rooks County: Rooks County, which is located halfway between halfway between Denver and Kansas City, was named for John Calvin Rooks, a private in the Union army during the Civil War.

Damar (pop. 132): In 1884, a presidential signature authorized Francis St. Peter to 160 acres of land, and many Canadian French Catholic followed. The town quickly became known as the “Acadia of the West.” Damar’s French Canadian heritage and culture is prevalent today. St. Joseph’s Church (NRHP): 107 Oak St, Damar. The church with its Romanesque architecture was nominated as one of the 8 Wonders of Kansas Architecture. The church was built in stages over several years due to hard financial times. Its limestone was quarried in Waldo, Kansas and shipped to Damar.

Palco (pop. 282): Established in 1888 as a railroad depot for Union Pacific Railroad. In the late 1870s and early 1880s, people and businesses from Cresson a nearby township, moved to where they thought the railroad depot would be build and called it “New Cresson.” Instead, the railroad depot was built in the “old” Cresson, so people moved back. The town was name using the first few letters of the last names of two railroad officials, Palmer and Cole. Palco has suffered a history of prairie fires in 1893 and 1923. Palco City Park Mural, by Annie Marcotte, portrays the scenic countryside around rural Kansas.

Zurich (pop. 99): In 1880, President Hayes granted the “French Settlement,” in the Logan Township, a post office. This area was inhabited by French Canadians who had moved to western Kansas in 1877. Armenda Webb was given the position of the first postmaster at the new post office, and she was appointed the duty of submitting a name for the new town. She and her husband decided on Zurich, named after their birthplace Zurich, Switzerland.

Plainville (pop. 1,903): Named for its setting upon the plains. Plainville was first settled in 1877 by Hiram Keas and was originally known as Paradise Flats. Since the level plain was situated at the head of the Paradise Creek, where buffalo, deer and antelope were once plentiful. The business district was destroyed by fire in 1909. In 1927, oil was discovered. The Bemis-Shutts oil field in the Saline River Valley south of Plainville is one of the largest oil producers in Kansas. In a House & Garden magazine poll, Dessin Fournir, a finalist for the 8 Wonders of Kansas Commerce, was voted as one of the top three design and manufacturing firms of furniture.

Today's Destination City: Lincoln

Overnight Lodging at: Lincoln Jr/Sr High School, *701 E. North St.*

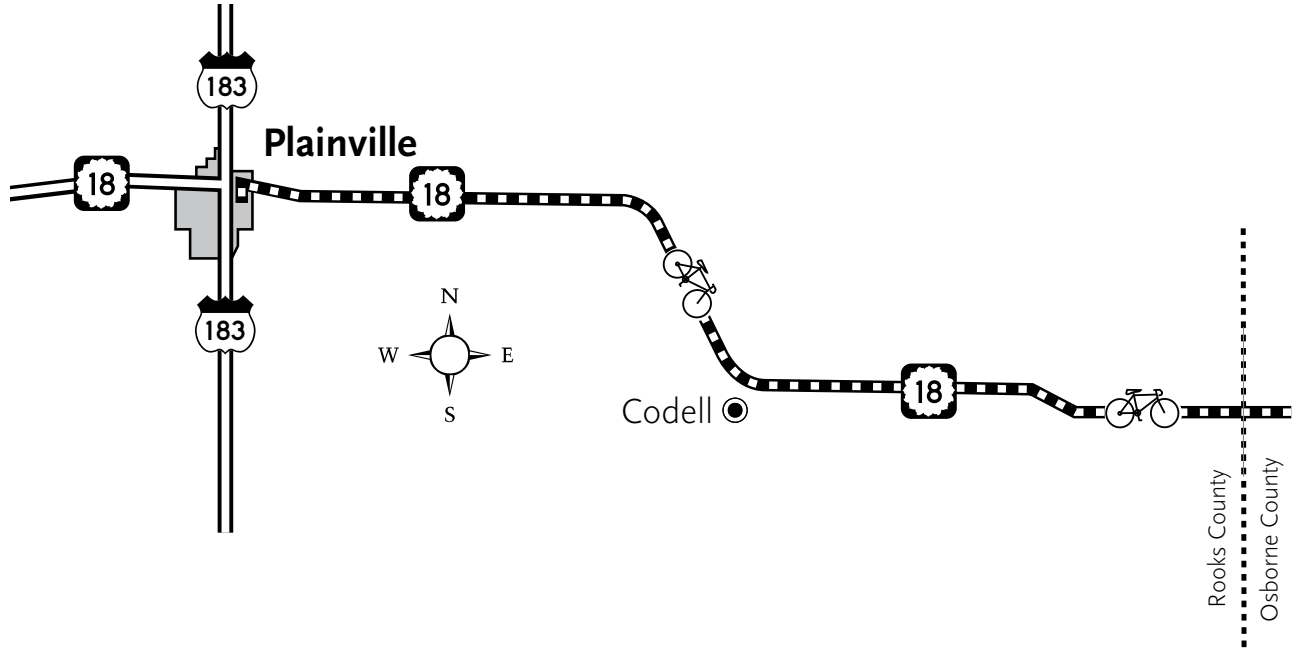
BAK Food Stop: Lucas, *Lucas Theater, 116 S. Main*

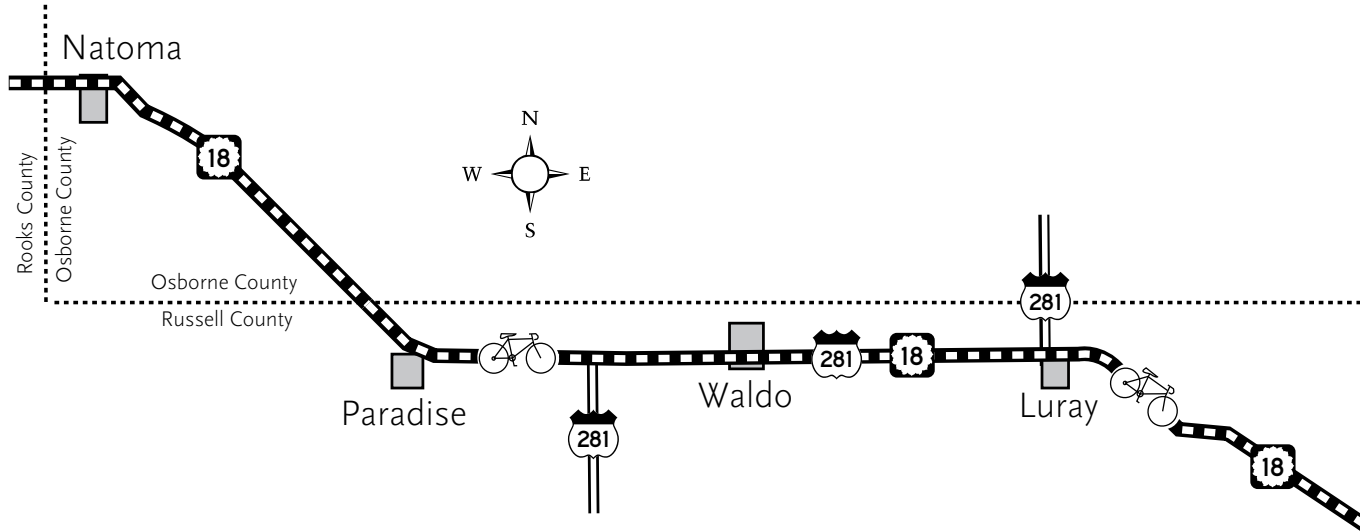
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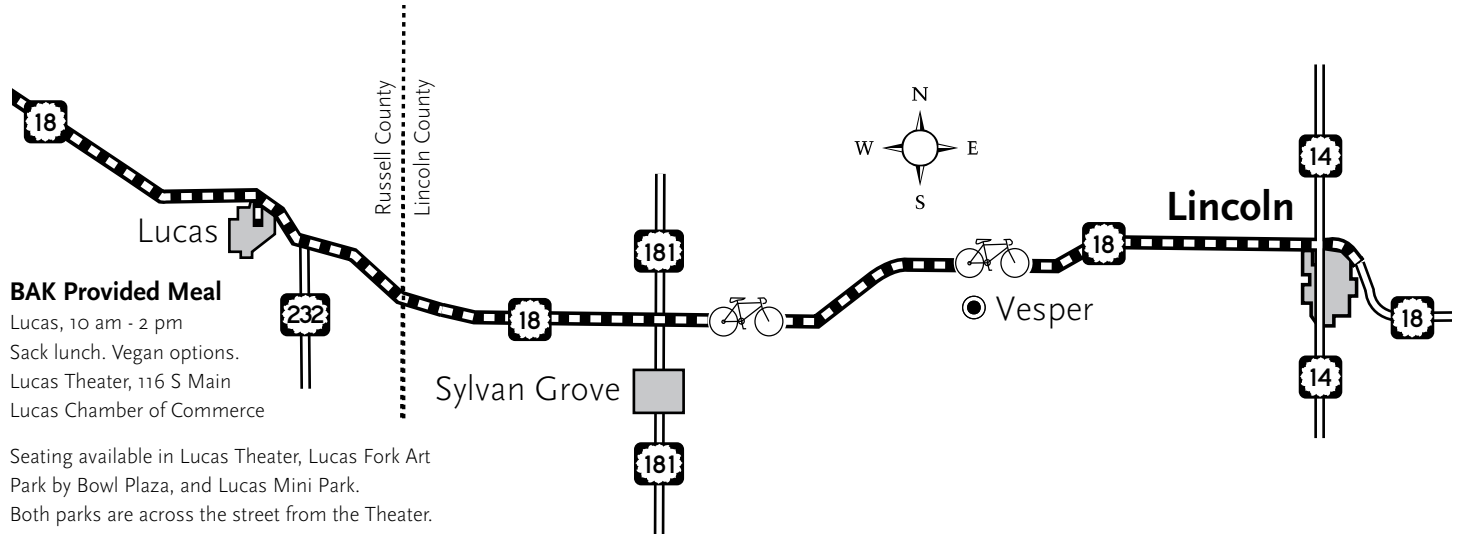
Directions: Leave Plainville High School head east on 3rd St. to Commercial Ave. Left turn on Commercial to Mill St. Turn right on Mill St. to junction with K-18. Continue east on K-18 to Lincoln. In Lincoln, turn right onto North St., continue to High School.

Point-to-Point Mileage

Plainville to Codell	8.5	Waldo to Luray	6
Codell to Natoma	8	Luray to Lucas	9.5
Natoma to Paradise	8	Lucas to K-181	8.5
Paradise to Waldo	6	K-181 to Lincoln	14.5



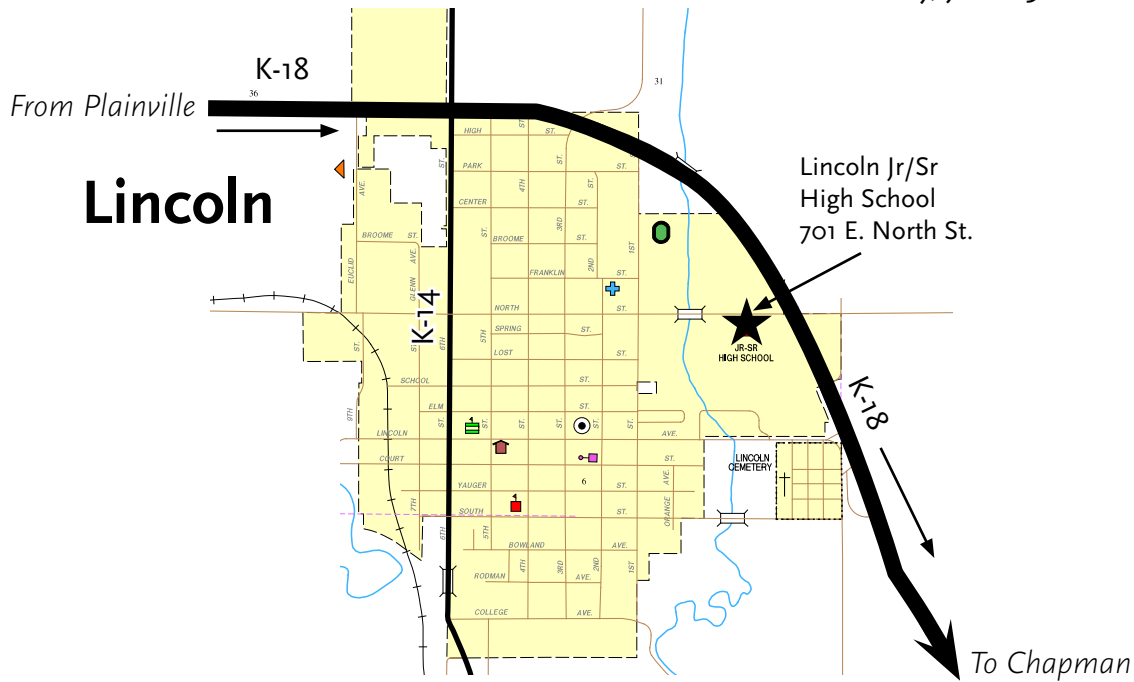




BAK Provided Meal

Lucas, 10 am - 2 pm
Sack lunch. Vegan options.
Lucas Theater, 116 S Main
Lucas Chamber of Commerce

Seating available in Lucas Theater, Lucas Fork Art Park by Bowl Plaza, and Lucas Mini Park. Both parks are across the street from the Theater.



Biking Across Kansas 2017

Tuesday, June 13

Plainville to Lincoln

Lincoln Grocery and Food Options

LUNCH Tuesday June 13

Sloppy Joe sandwiches, veggies. Bake Sale/

Girl Scout Cookies, 161 E Lincoln Ave,

Girl Scouts Lincoln Chapter

Snow cones, Lincoln Carnegie Library, 203 South 3rd

Hot dogs, hamburgers, garden burgers, chips, dessert,

City Park Cabin, East Lincoln Ave, Boy Scout Troop 90

Coffee, tea, pie and gluten-free snacks, Village Lines,

139 W Lincoln Ave

Snow cones, , Lincoln Avenue,

Lincoln Rec & Bank of Tescott

Cold cuts sandwich, chips, drink,

East Lincoln Ave, Lincoln Business Women

Pie by the slice, 110 W Lincoln Ave, Jo "B" Pies

Lincoln Grocery, 123 S 4th St, 7:30 am - 8 pm

SUPPER Tuesday June 13, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Taco salad. Vegan options, 216 N 4th St,

Methodist Church Ladies

Buffalo stew meal. Cherry pie and ice cream, Lincoln Day

Reenactment /Historical Society Committee, School Commons

Potato bar, 144 S 4th St, VFW Post 7928, 4 - 7 pm (food);

3 pm - midnight (bar)

Ham and cheese sliders, broccoli/cauliflower salad, sides

126 E Lincoln Ave, Lincoln Art Center

BREAKFAST Wednesday June 14, 5:30 am to 9:00 am

Breakfast casseroles, with or without side of bacon sausage

patty. Fruit, yogurt parfait with granola, mixed fruit cups.

High School Commons, Central Kansas Football League.

Lincoln Entertainment/Activities

*Shuttle Service, LHS to/from downtown, Noon - 10 pm.
Departs from front entrance of school.*

Live Music on the Avenue

Lincoln Avenue, 5 - 8:30 pm, Free

Lincoln Art Center

126 E Lincoln Ave, Noon - 8 pm, Free

Finch Theater

\$4/children under 12; \$6/adults
122 E Lincoln Ave, 6 - 7:30 pm

Post Rock Scout Museum

161 E Lincoln Ave, 1 - 8 pm, Free

Drug Store Museum

160 E Lincoln Ave, 1 - 8 pm, Free

Lincoln County Historical Complex

216 W Lincoln Ave, 1 - 7 pm, Freewill donation
History of Lincoln County, Topsy School, Kyne House

Lincoln County Courthouse (NHR)

216 E Lincoln Ave, 8- 5 pm, Free
Built over 100 years ago

Lincoln Golf Club, 2058 E Milo Drive, 8 to dark

Swimming Pool, 1 - 7 pm

Free admission with BAK name badge
Lincoln Center City Park - East Lincoln Avenue

WPA Band Stand and City Park,

Free, Noon - 8 pm, WPA Projects and large
cottonwood tree (5th in Kansas).

Lincoln Restaurants

Pizza Hut

Mity Mart Gas/Food Service

Java Junction

3 Amigo Mexican Restaurant

Biggie Bigs

Lincoln Grocery and Deli

Ronnie's Diner

History Notes: June 13

Codell (unicorp.): Codell's "claim to fame" includes being hit by tornados on May 20 of three successive years, 1916, 1917, and 1918. The 1918 tornado nearly demolished the entire town.

Natoma (pop. 335): The city was founded in 1885 and named after Native American railroad employee. The name means "new born." The first post office opened under the name Tapley in 1878 but changed its name to Natoma in July 1890. Natoma Presbyterian Church, 408 N 3rd St, was built in 1899 and added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2006.

Russell County: Organized in 1872, the county was named for Captain Avra P. Russell, Second Kansas Regiment. Turkey Red Wheat was introduced in 1880 and increased agricultural production in the area. In 1923, oil was discovered and let the county to become a leading producer in Kansas. Former U.S. Senator Robert Dole was born and raised in the City of Russell.

Paradise (pop. 49): This beautiful little town on Paradise Creek was founded around 1888. The Paradise Water Tower, a WPA project, is truly a work of art and is in the National Register of Historic Places. Standing 65 tall and holding 58,000 gallons of water, this project was completed in 1938 and is the only one of its kind in Kansas.

Waldo (pop. 30): The town was established in 1888. It was previously known as Pleasant Run before the railroad arrived. Named after a railroad executive, the population grew to 300 in the 1920s and then it started a decline.

Luray (pop. 194): Established as Lura in the 1870s, the spelling of the town's name was changed to Luray in 1887. Jonathan Wesley Van Scoyoc, a Civil War veteran, and his wife built the first log cabin in the county in 1870-71. Luray was also the hometown of Albion Britt (1898-1955), the first NWA World Junior Heavyweight Champion Wrestler.

Lucas (pop. 393): Lucas was established as the community of Blue Stem in 1877. It was renamed Lucas in 1887 after Lucas Place in St. Louis MO. The town is known as the Grassroots Art Capital of Kansas.

Garden of Eden: 305 E 2nd St. S.P. Dinsmoor, a retired Civil War veteran, started building the Cabin Home and Garden of Eden in 1904, at the age of 64. Over 150 three-story-high concrete structures tell his political and Biblical views. The Cabin Home is built of local limestone logs (some up to 21 feet long), and 40-foot tall trees hold larger-than-life figures in the sculpture garden. Dinsmoor also built a mausoleum to house his remains! He stopped building in 1929 when he went blind. One of the 8 Wonders of Kansas Art. 9 am - 5 pm.

Grassroots Art Center: 213 S Main St. 9 am - 5 pm.

Bowl Plaza: 121 S Main St, 7 am

World's Largest Things: Across from Art Center. 9 am - 5 pm.

Lincoln (pop. 1,266): Incorporated as the city of Lincoln Center in 1879 and is still officially referred to as such in the U.S. Census. "Post Rock Capital" of Kansas.

Lincoln Attractions

Lincoln County Courthouse (NHR): This post rock courthouse was built in 1900 after fire destroyed the original building in 1898. It is designed in the Richardsonian Romanesque style.

Lincoln Art Center: 126 E Lincoln Ave. 8 am - 5 pm.

Post Rock Scout Museum: 161 E Lincoln Ave. Exhibits and historical artifacts featuring Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Pioneer Girls, Campfire Girls, etc. 1 - 8 pm.

Crispin's Drug Store Museum: 160 E Lincoln Ave. The museum showcases 1880-1920s pharmacy artifacts and quackery equipment. 1 - 8 pm.

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. 1 - 7 pm.

Today's Destination City: Chapman

Overnight Lodging at: Chapman Middle School, *624 Marshall Ave.*

BAK Food Stop: Solomon City Park, *Old US 40*

Total Mileage: 73

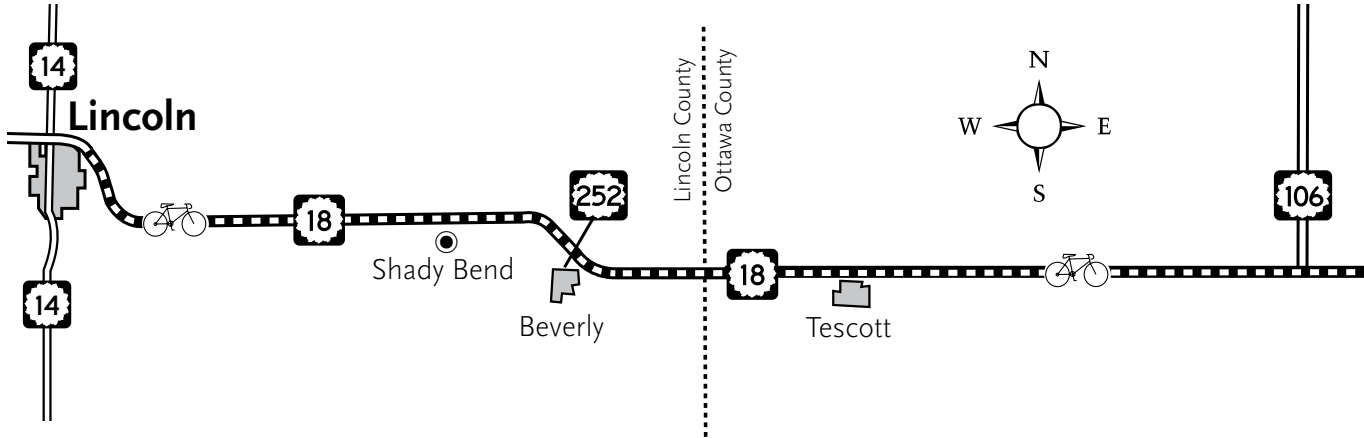
Directions: Leave Lincoln High School and head east on K-18. Continue to Solomon Road and turn right. Continue to town of Solomon and turn left on Old US 40. Continue east to 3rd Street in Abilene. Turn right onto 3rd St. Continue to Cedar St. and turn left. Continue to 14th St. (Old US 40) and turn right. Continue east to Detroit. *Century riders turn right at Detroit onto K-43.* Riders on the main route continue east on Old US 40 to Chapman. Turn left onto Marshall Street and continue north to Chapman Middle School.

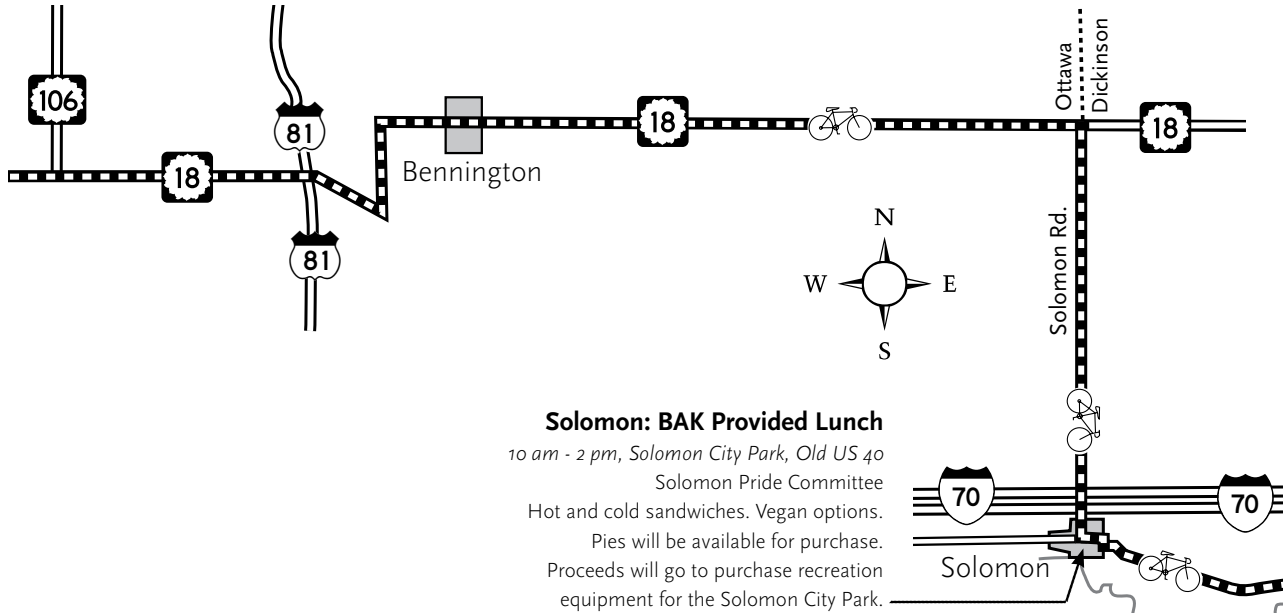
Flag Day Celebration!

Celebrate Flag Day by wearing your patriotic jersey today!

Point-to-Point Mileage

Lincoln to Beverly	9	Jct. Solomon Rd to Solomon	8
Beverly to Tescott	5	Solomon to Abilene	9
Tescott to Jct US 81	12.5	Abilene to Detroit	6
Jct US 81 to Bennington	4.5	Detroit to Chapman	7
Bennington to Jct. Solomon Rd.	12		





Solomon: BAK Provided Lunch

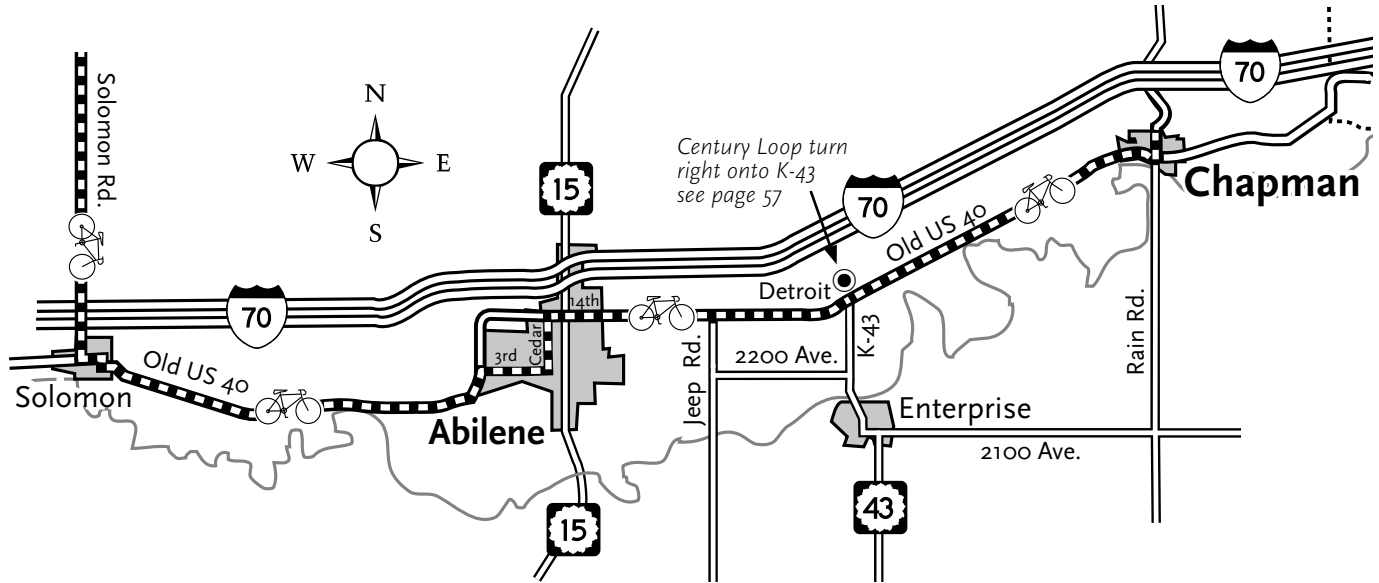
10 am - 2 pm, Solomon City Park, Old US 40

Solomon Pride Committee

Hot and cold sandwiches. Vegan options.

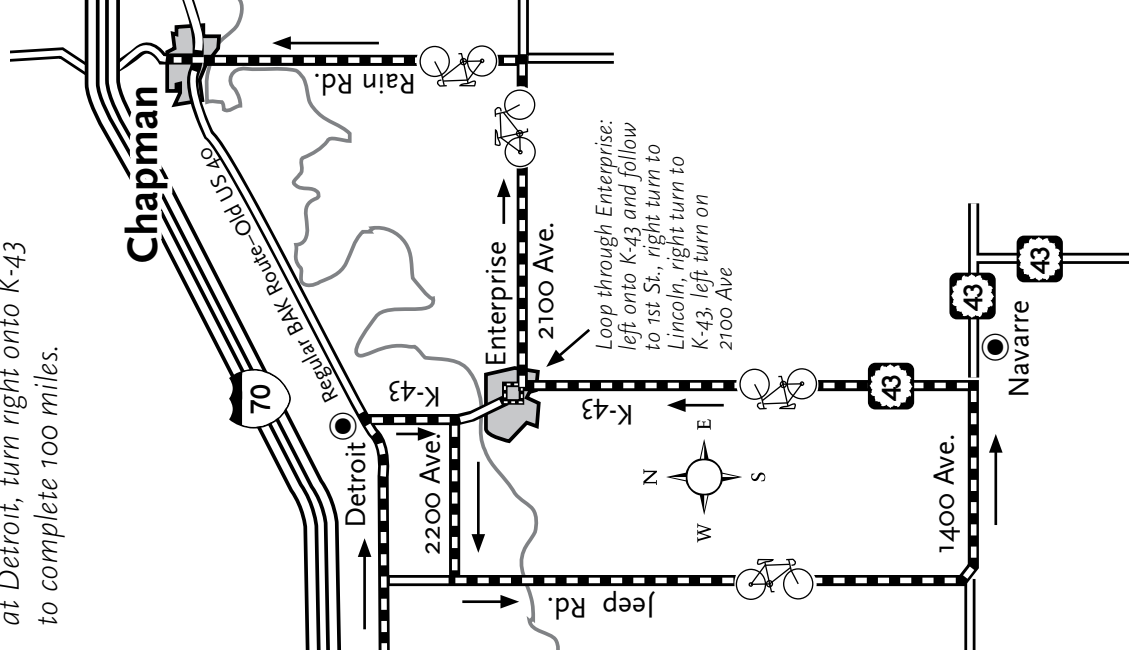
Pies will be available for purchase.

Proceeds will go to purchase recreation equipment for the Solomon City Park.



Flag Day Century Loop

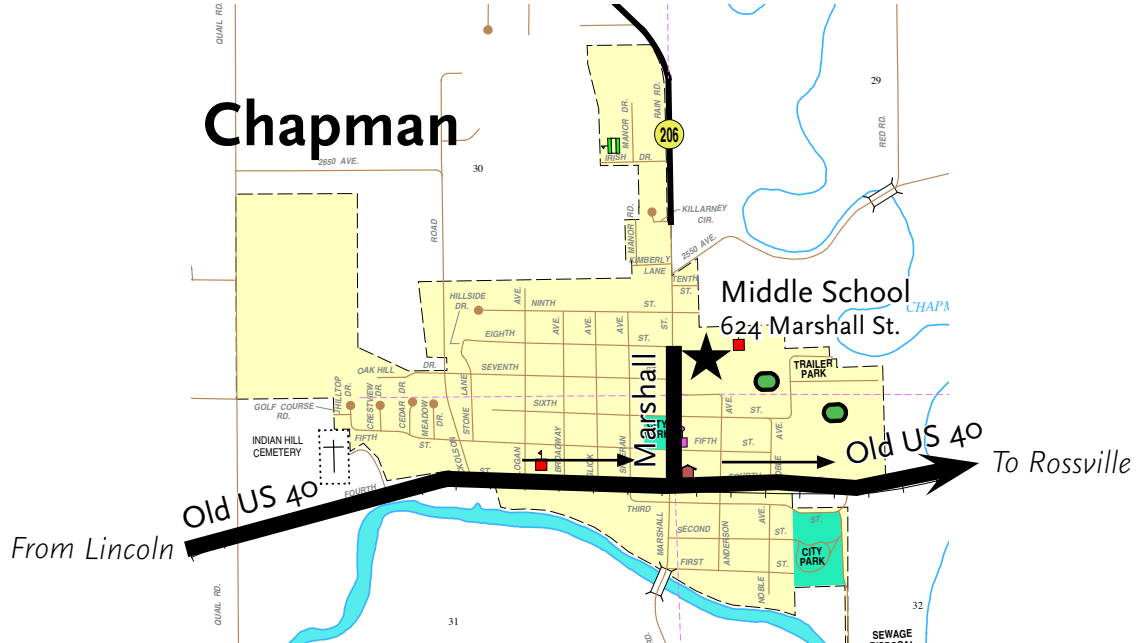
Optional loop: Leave main route at Detroit, turn right onto K-43 to complete 100 miles.



Biking Across Kansas 2017

Tuesday, June 14

Lincoln to Chapman



Retirement Center Visit

Wednesday, June 14, 2 - 4 pm

Chapman Valley Manor

1009 Marshall

Chapman Activities

BAK All-Participant Meeting, 8 pm

Londeen's Hardware and Furniture, 445 N Marshall, 8 am - 12 pm, 1 - 5 pm

Chapman Area Preservation Society, 436 N Marshall, open all afternoon

St. Patrick's Mission Church, east 1/2 mile on 2650 Ave

Swimming Pool, City Park, Free with BAK name badge, 100 E 2nd St, 1 - 8 pm

Indian Hill Golf Course, green fees plus cart (if applicable), 522 Golf Course Rd.

Barn Quilts of Chapman, Self-guided tour. See pamphlet at BAK Info Desk.

Live Music by April Zieber, Sheeran Park, Marshall Ave & 6th St, 6 - 8 pm

April Zieber singing country songs

St. Michael's Catholic Church, 210 E 6th St

Open for viewing: 2 pm; Guided tours: 4:30 pm - 6:45 pm. Mass: 7 pm

Kansas Auto Racing Museum, 1205 Manor Dr., 9 am - 5 pm

Chapman Public Library, 402 N Marshall St

9 am - noon; 1 - 7 pm

Chapman Food Options

SUPPER Wednesday, June 14, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Grilled hamburgers/cheeseburgers, veggie burgers, bratwurst and chicken. Baked potato bar. Tossed green salad, pasta salad, fresh fruit. Homemade pie and cobbler. Ice cream.

*Chapman Archery Club, North side of Chapman Middle School
624 N Marshall Ave*

BREAKFAST Thursday June 15, 5:30 am

Egg casserole, breakfast burritos, fresh fruit, yogurt parfaits, cinnamon rolls, coffee, juice, milk. Vegan options.

*St Michael's Catholic Church, Parish Center (east of Church),
210 E 6th St*

Southern Comfort Restaurant, 114 E 4th St, open 6 am, diner food.

Chapman Grocery and Restaurants

Chapman Food Mart, 170 Irish Dr, 11 am - 2 pm

Southern Comfort Restaurant, 114 E 4th St, 6 am - 7:30 pm

Tossed N Sauced Pizza, 138 W 4th St, afternoon until 8:00

Casey's General Store, 1002 N Marshall St

History Notes: June 14

Beverly (pop. 159): First settled in 1886; incorporated in 1904. Named for Beverly, West Virginia, a pioneer settler's native home.

Tescott (pop. 318): Settled in 1865 by Thomas Eugene 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 citizens named the town Tescott after the original settler. Tescott Museum: Built in 1922-1923 and originally used as first and second grade classrooms. 7 - 10:30 am

Bennington (pop. 665): Platted in 1878, the city was named either for an Indian name meaning "place of fine trees" or after Bennington, Vermont. 1912 Soda Fountain. Inside The Linger Longer, 119 N Nelson. The establishment also houses over 2,000 Dr. Pepper memorabilia and antiques. 8 - 11 am.

Solomon (pop. 1,061) Founded in 1866. Named for its position near the mouth of the Solomon River.

Abilene (pop. 6,590) At the end of the Chisholm Trail, Abilene grew into a wild cow town, once marshalled by Wild Bill Hickok. Childhood home of the 34th U.S. President, Dwight D. "Ike" Eisenhower. Abilene is proud to be the home of eight of the 8 Wonders of Kansas winners or finalists.

Abilene Attractions:

Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum:

200 SE 4th. 9 am - 4:45 pm.

Eisenhower Home (NRHP):

200 S E 4th St. 9 am - 4:45 pm.

Brookville Hotel: 105 E Lafayette Ave. Famous for its fried chicken dinners since 1915.

1920s Soda Fountain, Bankes Drug: 304 N Broadway.

Dickinson County Heritage Center (NHL): 412 S Campbell.

Features restored at C.W. Parker Carousel (NHL, NRHP)

Greyhound Hall of Fame: 407 S Buckeye.

Learn the Greyhound history dating back to 5,000 B.C.

The first official, organized greyhound race ran near Great Bend, KS in 1886. 9 am - 4:45 pm.

Detroit (pop. 123): Named after Detroit, MI. It was once seriously considered to be the country seat because Abilene was considered to be “too wild.” Detroit was a station on the Union Pacific Railroad.

Navarre (unicorp.): Navarre was organized around the school, the church, and starting in 1887, the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe railroad. Fire destroyed much of the town in 1939, and it never recovered.

Enterprise (825): The first settlement was in 1868 and named for the enterprising qualities of the pioneer settlers. Railroads came to Enterprise in 1879 when a track from neighboring Detroit was laid for Union Pacific. Eight years later the Santa Fe and Rock island tracks were built through Enterprise. Enterprise was the site of the first kindergarten in Kansas and also was the home of the first congregation of the Bahai religion in Kansas.

Chapman (pop. 1379): Known as a “Barn Quilt City,” over 80 4' x 4' painted quilts are on structures around the city. First settled in 1868. Named for Chapman Creek, which was named for an Army

major. Chapman High School was established in 1889 as the first county high school in the U.S. Most of the city was destroyed or suffered heavy damage when a tornado swept through the town in 2008. Note the wagon swales (ruts) at corner of Old 40 Hwy & Quail Rd. from the Smokey Hill Trail. Joe Engle, retired U.S. Air Force colonel and former NASA astronaut, is a Chapman native.

Chapman Area Preservation Society: 436 N Marshall. Open afternoon.

Kansas Auto Racing Museum: 1205 Manor Dr. 9 am - 5 pm.

Barn Quilts of Chapman: Self-guided tour.
(See brochures at BAK info desk.)

St. Michael's Catholic Church: 210 E 6th St. 2 pm.
Guided tours: 4:30 - 6:45 pm. Mass: 7 pm.

St. Patrick's Mission Church: East ½ mile on 2650 Ave

Today's Destination City: Rossville

Overnight Lodging at: Rossville High School, *800 Main St.*

Food Stop: Manhattan

Total Mileage: 72

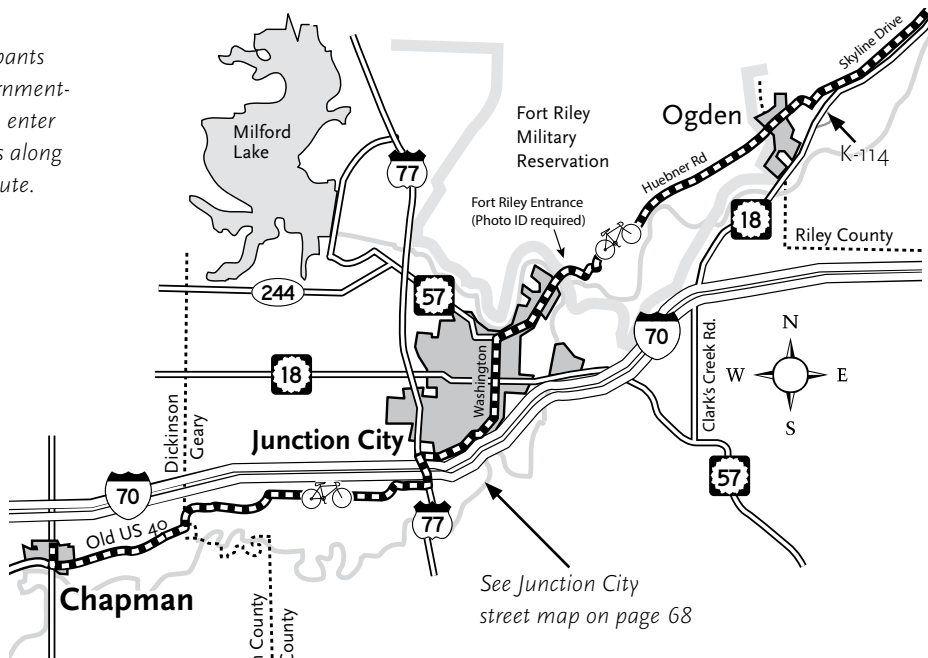
Directions: Leave Chapman Middle School south on Marshall St. to Old US 40. Left turn on Old US 40 and head east to US 77. Left turn on 77 to Goldenbelt in Junction City. Continue left onto Washington St. At Grant, turn right (turns into Custer). Enter Fort Riley and continue northeast on Huebner Rd. to Ogden. Left onto Skyway to Scenic Dr. Right onto Scenic, through roundabouts to Stagg Hill Rd. Right turn on Rosencutter, left onto Pecan Circle. Continue to Linear Trail. Continue to Manhattan Ave. Left turn, continue to Colorado. Right onto Colorado to 3rd St. Left onto 3rd St., then right on Pierre (K-18), continue left onto Zeandale Rd. (K-18). Continue to K-99. Left on K-99 to Wamego. Right onto 4th St. Continue to US 24 and then east to Rossville. Right turn onto Main St to Rossville High School.

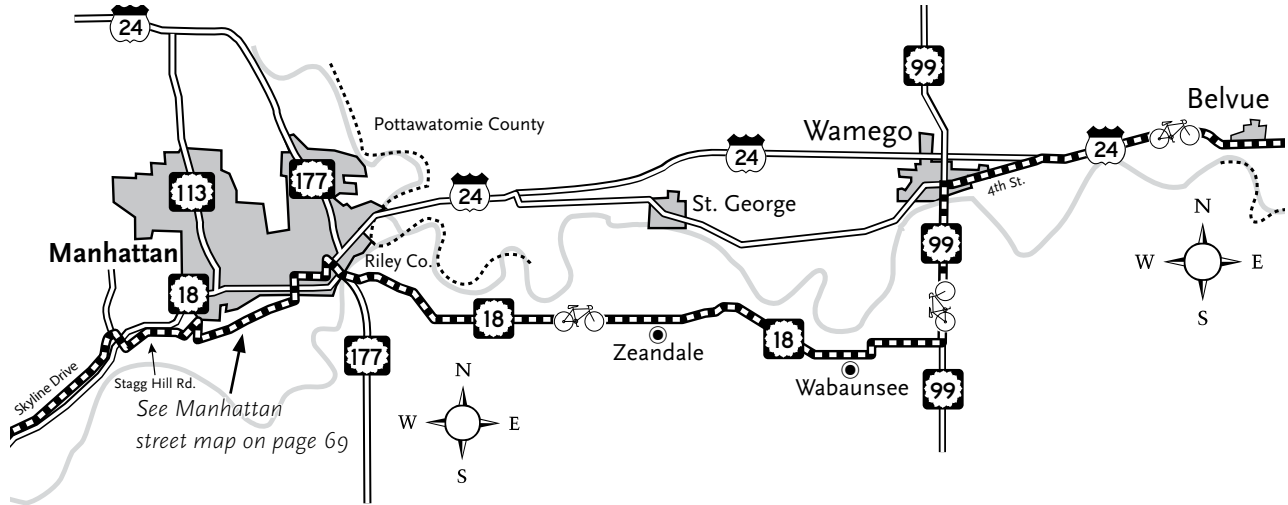
College Spirit Day! Show your college spirit by wearing your college jersey today.
Check the BAK message board for the time of your college's group photo.

Point-to-Point Mileage

Chapman to Junction City	10	Zeandale to Wabaunsee	5
Junction City to Ft. Riley	6	Wabaunsee to Wamego	6
Ft. Riley to Ogden	7	Wamego to Belvue	7
Ogden to Manhattan	7	Belvue to St. Marys	6
Manhattan to Zeandale	10	St. Marys to Rossville	8

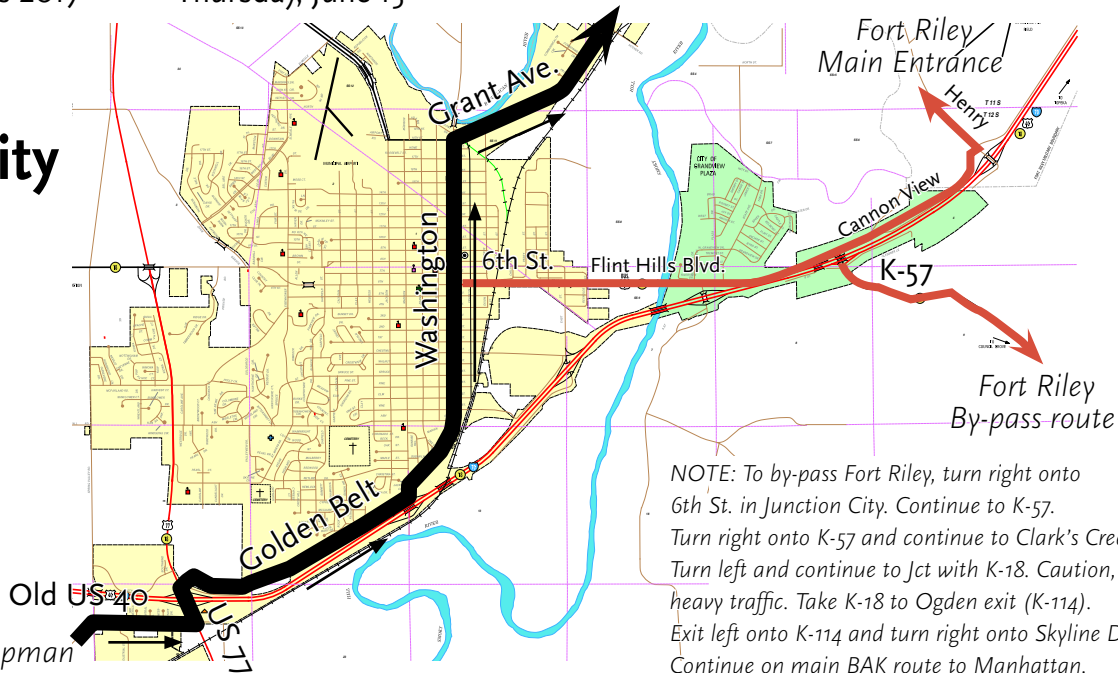
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Junction City

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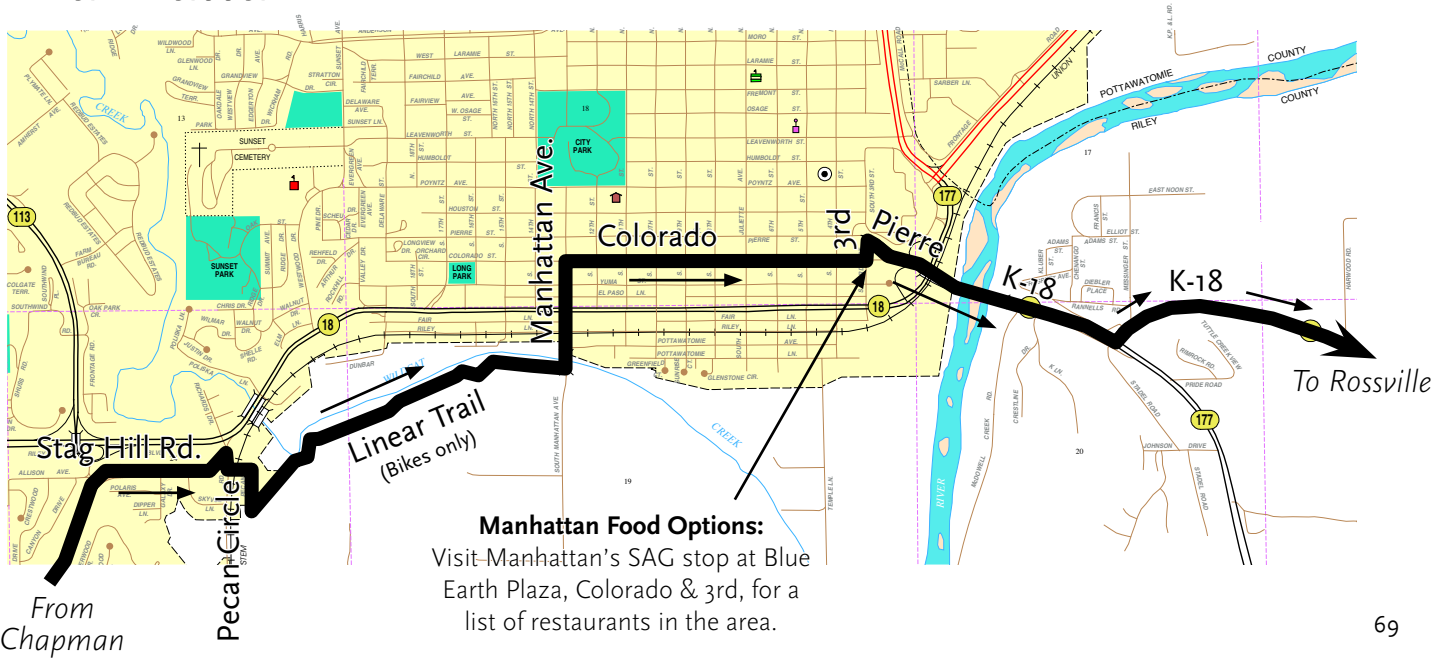
NOTE: To by-pass Fort Riley, turn right onto 6th St. in Junction City. Continue to K-57. Turn right onto K-57 and continue to Clark's Creek Rd. Turn left and continue to Jct with K-18. Caution, heavy traffic. Take K-18 to Ogden exit (K-114). Exit left onto K-114 and turn right onto Skyline Dr. Continue on main BAK route to Manhattan.

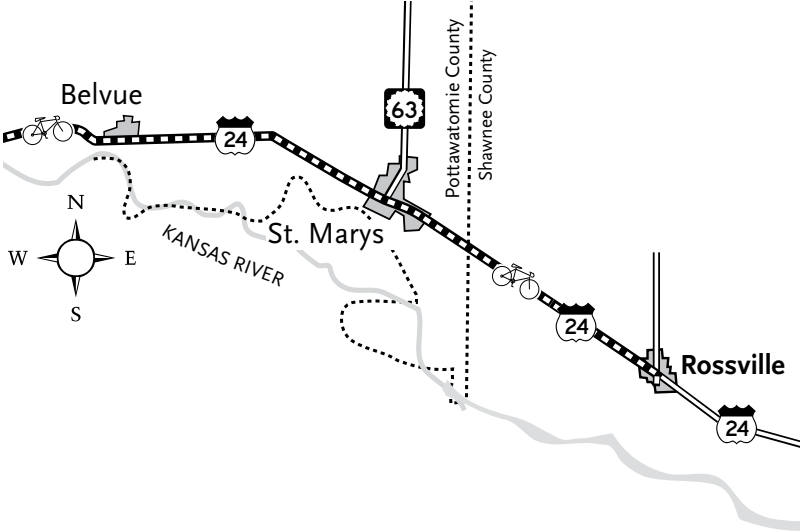
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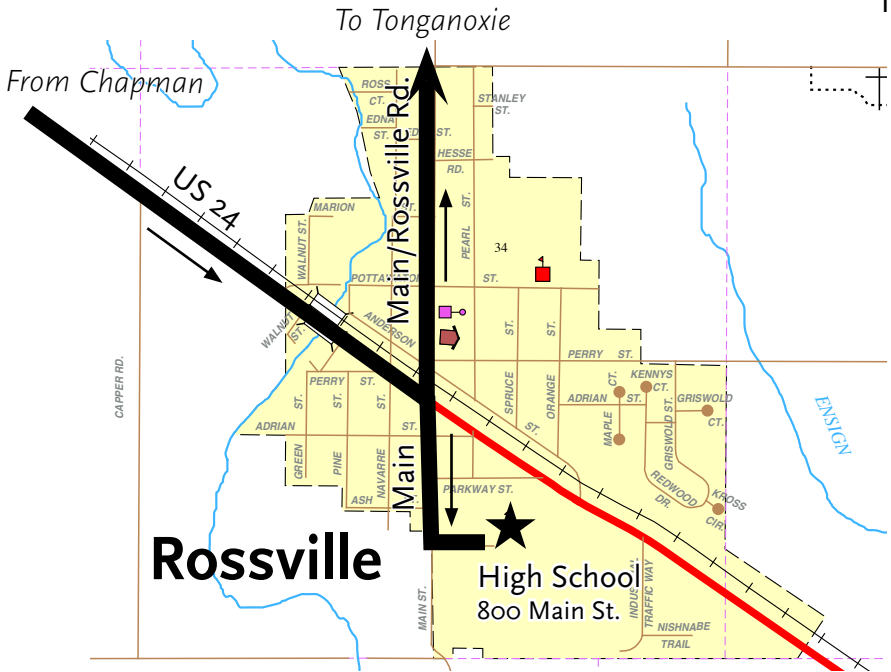
Chapman to Rossville

Thursday, June 15

Route Guide







Rossville Activities

- Rossville Community Swimming Pool
714 Main St., 12:00 - 7:00 pm
- The Band With No Name,
City Park, 7 pm
- Rossville Rattlers vs. Sabetha Lobos
(Mid-Plains Collegiate Baseball)
Free Admission (just northeast of school), 7 pm
- Gift Card Bingo & Pie Sale,
Bingo - \$15 per pack
(10 games w/3 cards per game),
School Commons, 1:30 pm
- Disc golf, tennis & basketball,
City Park
- Sand volleyball, rain garden,
horseshoe pits, City Park

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Rossville Food Options

LUNCH June 15, 11:00 pm to 1:00 pm, City Park

Many options from multiple vendors

SUPPER June 15, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, City Park

Taco salad & mexican side bowls, H.S. FBLA & FCCLA

Walking tacos & pie, Julie's Battling Babes against Cancer

Spaghetti, salad & toast, Sacred Heart Church

Gourmet grilled cheese, nachos, hot dogs, Rossville Rattlers

Chicken carbarana, pasta, baked beans, cookies

Sophomore Class After Prom

BBQ brisket & pulled pork with sides

Moravian Lodge #128 Bohemian Hall

Tater tot casserole & iced coffee, St. Stanislaus Church

Pie and pastry, PEO Chapter HX

Drinks (all kinds), Junior Dawg Football

Cupcakes - homemade, Rossville Christian Church

Chapman to Rossville

BREAKFAST Friday June 16, 5:30 am to 8 am

Crepes - strawberry & crème cheese;

peanut butter & banana; ham, egg & cheese

Rossville High School FBLA & FCCLA,

Breakfast burritos, Julie's Battle Babes,

Yogurt, granola bars, hard boiled eggs, Sacred Heart Church

Hot apple oatmeal, French toast, Rossville PRIDE

Cinnamon rolls & fresh fruit, breakfast burritos,

St. Stanislaus Church

Traditional breakfast, Rossville United Methodist Church

Biscuits & gravy, Rossville Community Recreation Association

Breakfast burritos, Sophomore Class After Prom

Drinks - all kinds, Junior Dawg Football

Rossville Grocery and Restaurants

Mikey's Bar & Grill, 6021 E. US Hwy 24, 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

Wehner's Thriftway, 551 Hwy 24 Trfwy, 8:00 am - 8:00 pm

Casey's, 215 E Hwy 24 Trfwy, 6:00 am - 10:00 pm

Grounded Coffee Shop, 444 Main St, 6:30 am - 11:00 pm

American Legion , 442 Main St, 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

History Notes: June 15

Geary County: At the junction of the Smoky Hill and Republican Rivers, various Indian tribes lived here before white settlers arrived. Geary County was one of the first 33 counties organized by the Territorial Legislature in 1855. Most of the earliest settlers were soldiers and officers at Fort Riley.

Junction City (pop. 24,665): In 1854, a community of Free State immigrants was to begin here to help shift the balance of power in Kansas and was to be called Manhattan. The ship could not make it due to low water on the Kansas River, so the immigrants settled where it ran aground 20 miles to the west. Junction City had been called Millard, then Humbolt before being incorporated in 1859. Geary County Historical Society and Museum: 530 N Adams St. Preserving Geary County history with turn of the century exhibits, including “Year of the Soldier” WWI artifacts, train depot, and cabinet of “strange” things. Opens at 7 am.

Riley County: Founded shortly before the Civil War. The county was part of the Kansas Indian Reservation. Legal settlement opened after 1954. Immigrants were interested in the fight to make Kansas a free state and the hope of making a financial fortune.

Fort Riley (pop. 7,761): Originally named Fort Center because it was believed to be the geographical center of the country, Fort Riley was founded in 1853 to protect pioneers along the Oregon and Santa Fe Trails. It became a major horse cavalry training school. The famous 7th Cavalry was trained here. The Buffalo Soldiers as well as General George Custer were stationed here. Currently, the home of the 1st Infantry Division, “Big Red One.”

Fort Riley attractions:

First Territorial Capitol of Kansas (NRHP): Huebner Rd. Governor Andrew Reeder and the territorial legislature met here in 1855. Their actions here helped lead to the Civil War. The legislature planned to choose a permanent seat of government, create a constitution, and decide if Kansas would be a free or slave state. 10 am - 5 pm.

U.S. Cavalry Museum: Building 205 on Henry Ave. The museum, which is housed in the original hospital built in 1855, highlights the history of the Cavalry Regiment from 1775 to 1950. 9 am - 4:30 pm.

Custer House: 24A Sheridan Ave. The house represents the architecture and style of home that General Custer and his wife Libby would have stayed in at Fort Riley. Due to a kitchen fire, the original Custer house burned. Quarters 24A has been restored with time period furnishings.

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1st Infantry Division Museum: Building 207 on Custer Ave. The museum tells the story of the First from its beginning in 1917 through the present day. 10 am - 4 pm.

Ogden (pop. 2,138): Founded about 1857 and incorporated in 1870. Named for Major E.A. Ogden of the Army Corps of Engineers, a leader in building Fort Riley.

Manhattan (pop. 56,078): Home of Kansas State University. Also known as the Little Apple. A small group of Free Staters settled the town in 1855. A ship headed for Junction City with more Free Staters ran aground here. When it did, the group decided to stay and insisted the settlement be named Manhattan after the company who brought them. Officially incorporated in 1857.

Manhattan Attractions:

Flint Hills Discovery Center: 315 S 3rd St. The Center celebrates the importance of the geology, ecology, and cultural history of the Flint Hills. 9 am - 8 pm.

K-State Insect Zoo: 1531 Mid-Campus Dr. This hidden gem is in an old dairy barn on the campus. Experience live creepy crawlies, including giant cockroaches, beetles, giant walking and prickly sticks, praying mantises, centipedes, scorpions, and tarantulas. 1-6 pm.

Sunset Zoo: 2333 Oak St. The zoo is home to over 200 animals from anteater to zebu. 9:30 am - 5 pm.

Zeandale (unincorp.): Named by J.H. Pillsbury, who settled the township in 1855. The name is said to have been taken from the Greek, *zea* meaning “corn” and the English, *dale*. In 1855 Senator Tabor helped to found the Zeandale settlement.

Wabaunsee County: One of the first 33 counties created by the Territorial Legislature and organized in 1859. Named for the Pottawatomie Indian chief, Wabaunsee.

Wabaunsee (unincorp.): Wabaunsee was anti-slavery and became part of the Underground Railroad in 1856. Henry Ward Beecher supplied rifles for the men to defend themselves. The rifles were smuggled through pro-slavery areas in boxes labeled “Beecher’s Bibles.”

Beecher Bible and Rifle Church (NRHP):

Located 0.3 miles south of K-18 on Elm and Chapel. Established by Free State Sympathizers in 1857, the church still holds services.

Pottawatomie County: Named for the Pottawatomie Indians and organized in 1857. The county was an early site of the Kansas Pacific Railroad. Tuttle Creek Reservoir was built in the 1950s.

Wamego (pop. 4,578) Founded in 1866. Named for a Potawatomi chief. Birthplace of Walter P. Chrysler, who founded the Chrysler Corporation. Wamego is well known for its annual, spring Tulip Festival.

Wamego Attractions:

Schonhoff Dutch Mill: Located in the city park. Built in 1879 by a Holland immigrant to aid farmers who were still grinding wheat and corn by hand.

Wamego Historical Museum and Prairie Village: 406 E 4th St. Located in the park, the village is made up of several buildings, including a log cabin. 10 am - 4 pm.

Columbian Theater: Newly restored murals grace the walls of this 1895 music hall. Restored mural and furnishings from the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition. 521 Lincoln St. 10 am - 5 pm.

Oz Museum: Devoted to all things OZ from the works of L. Frank Baum. 511 Lincoln St. 9 am - 6 pm.

Belvue (pop. 207): Platted in 1871. Name may have originated from the French word meaning "beautiful view" or after the daughter of Louis Vieux, but there is no evidence he had a daughter of that name.

St. Marys (pop. 2,664): In 1847, a Jesuit Mission was founded on the bluffs overlooking the Kansas River. It served as the tribal headquarters for the Potawatomi Tribe as well as a place of respite for travelers on the Oregon-California Trail. The grounds that held the mission school became St. Mary's College. The city was incorporated in 1869.

Shawnee County: Named for the Shawnee Indians. One of the first 33 counties created by the Territorial Legislature. Organized in 1855 but was not declared official until it was reorganized in 1858.

Rossville (pop. 1,135): Founded in 1871, the city was named for William W. Ross, a Kansas reporter. Historic Joe Campbell Memorial Stadium in the city park was dedicated in the memory of a Rossville baseball pioneer Joe Campbell. The historic stadium features one of the oldest grandstands in the U.S.

Today's Destination City: Tonganoxie

Indoor Lodging at: Tonganoxie High School, 404 E. Hwy 24/40

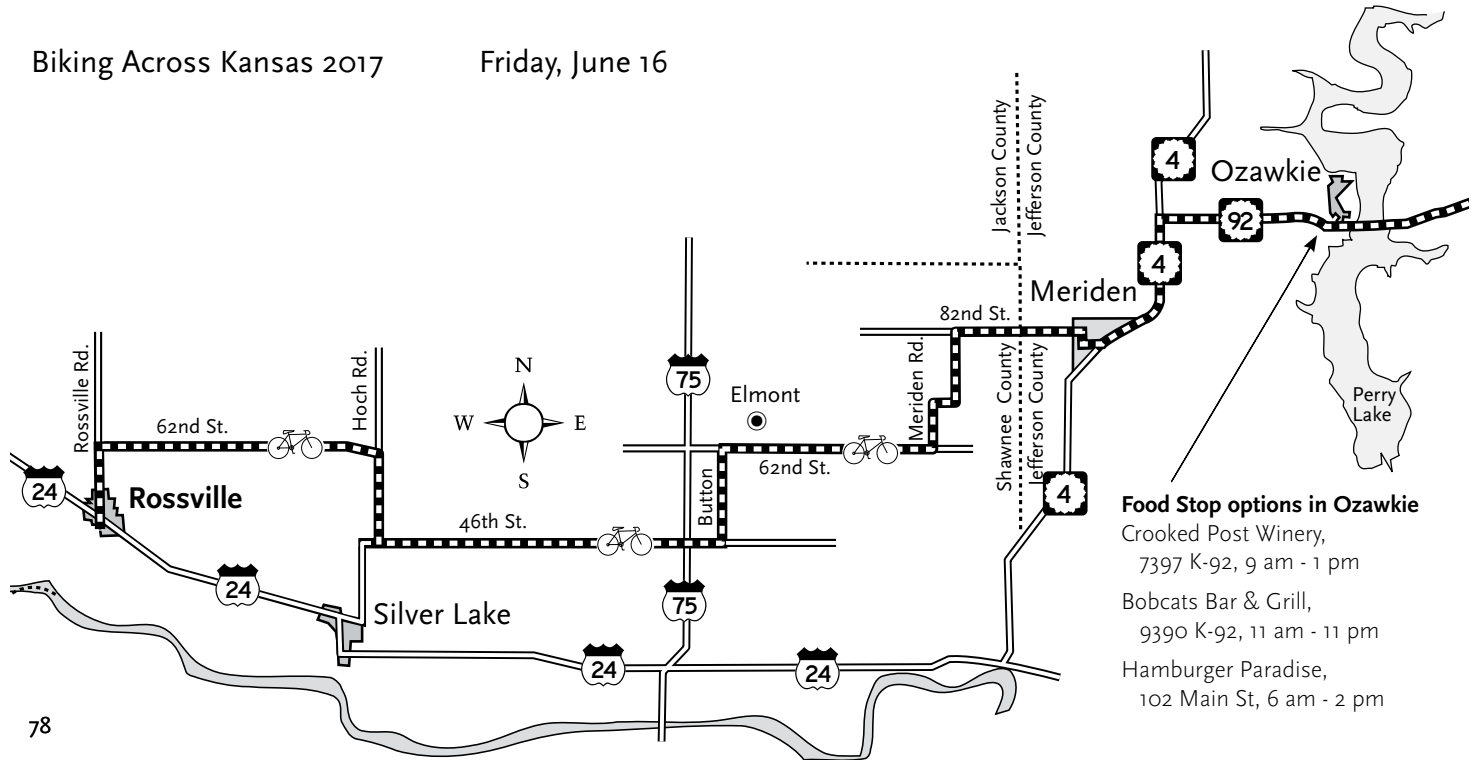
Food Stop: Ozawkie

Total Mileage: 64

Directions: Leave Rossville High School north on Main St. Continue to 62nd St. Turn right. East on 62nd to Hoch Rd. Right onto Hoch Rd. Continue to NW 46th St and turn left. Continue east, passing under US 75. Turn left onto Button Rd., continue to 62nd St. Right onto 62nd St and head east to Meriden Rd. Left turn onto Meriden to 82nd St. Right turn on 82nd St to Meriden. Left turn on Main St to K-4. Left turn on K-4 to junction of K-92. Right turn on K-92 to Oskaloosa. Continue through Oskaloosa on K-92 to McLouth. Straight onto K-16. Continue to junction US 24/US 40 in Tonganoxie. Straight ahead on 4th St. Left turn on Main St. Continue north, left turn to High School.

Point-to-Point Mileage

Rossville to Jct. US 75	16
Jct US 75 to Meriden	13
Meriden to Ozawkie	8
Ozawkie to Oskaloosa	9
Oskaloosa to McLouth	7
MacLouth to Tonganoxie	11



Food Stop options in Ozawkie

Crooked Post Winery,
7397 K-92, 9 am - 1 pm

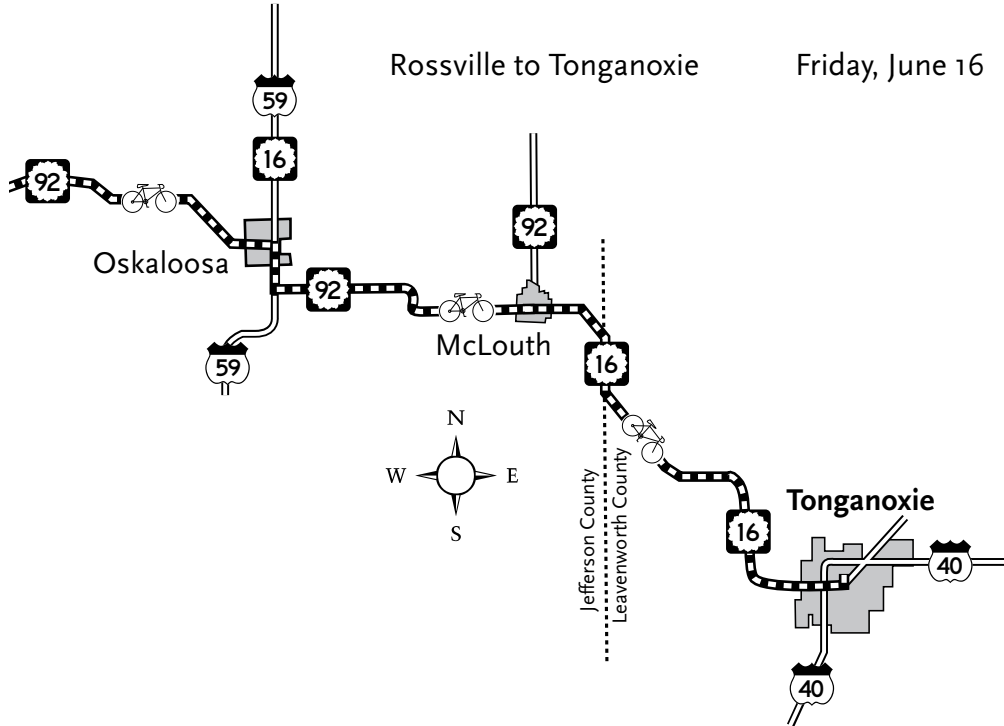
Bobcats Bar & Grill,
9390 K-92, 11 am - 11 pm

Hamburger Paradise,
102 Main St, 6 am - 2 pm

Rossville to Tonganoxie

Friday, June 16

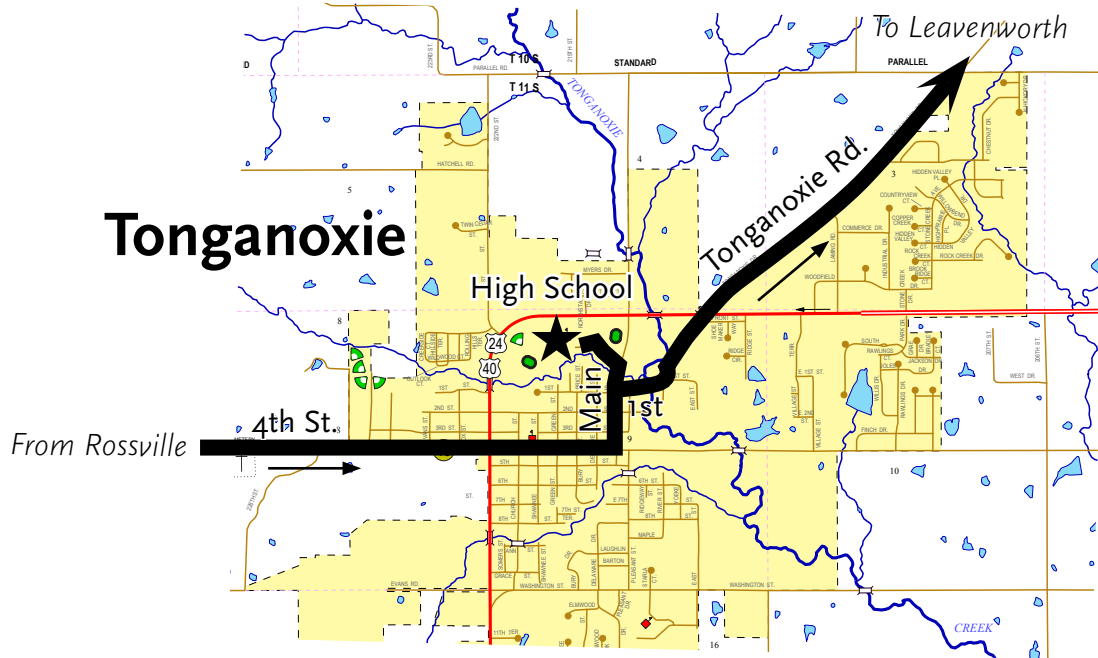
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Tonganoxie Activities

BAK All-Participant Meeting, 8 pm
Gallagher Park, 3rd and Main St.

Swimming Pool, Tonganoxie Water Park, 221 S Main St

Live music with Rusty Rierson, American Idol
contestant, Gallagher Park, 3rd & Main St

Beer Garden at Myers Hotel Bar, 204 S Main St

Tonganoxie Community Historical Society
201 W Washington St, Guest speakers

Breakfast Options, Saturday, June 17

Fundraiser, High School, 6 am,
Breakfast burritos, breakfast sandwiches

Flashbacks Café, 630 E 4th St, 5:50 am - 8 pm

Talettes Café, 416 E 4th St, 7 am - 8 pm

It's A Sweet Treat Day Bakery, 528 E 4th St,
6:30 am - 7 pm

Tonganoxie Grocery and Restaurants

Brothers Market, 319 Ridge St, 7 am - 9 pm

Subway, 886 Northstar Ct, 8:30 am - 10 pm

Flashbacks Café, 630 E 4th St, 5:50 am - 8 pm

Gambino's Pizza, 1208 Front St, 11 am - 10 pm

Rice House Chinese, 1208 Front St, 11 am - 10 pm

Burger Box, 106 W 2nd St, 11 am - 8 pm

Sonic, 550 Northstar Ct, 6 am - 12 am

It's a Sweet Treat Day Bakery, 528 E 4th St, 6:30 am - 7 pm

Talettes Café, 416 E 4th St, 7 am - 8 pm

Tonganoxie Friends of Police, 3rd & Main, 4 pm - 7 pm, BBQ

Jalapeno's Mexican Grill, 215 West St, 8 am - 9 pm

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Elmont (unincorp.) Incorporated in 1886, the city was a shipping point on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad. The post office that opened in 1887 was in operation until 1955.

Jefferson County: Named for President Thomas Jefferson and founded in 1855. The county is primarily agricultural, but it has deposits of coal, oil, and gas. Daniel Morgan Boone, son of the famous Kentucky pioneer, was the first white inhabitant of Jefferson County and Kansas in 1827.

Meriden (pop. 791): Platted in 1872 by Albert Owen and N. Colby. It was named for Colby's boyhood home of Meriden, Connecticut.

Ozawkie (pop. 631): Originally named "Osawkee" possibly in honor of the Sak (Sauk) Tribe. Translation given to the name is "yellow earth." Founded by William F. Dyer, who built the first business, a trading post, between Ft. Leavenworth and Ft. Riley along the military freight road. The city was relocated due to the construction of Lake Perry in 1966. The city was incorporated in 1967.

Oskaloosa (pop. 1,086): Settled by Iowan Dr. James Noble in 1855 and named after Oskaloosa, Iowa by the men who plotted the city. In 1856, the area was involved in two Kansas-Missouri Border War skirmishes nearby at Slough Creek and Hickory Point. Became county seat in 1958. The town's newspaper, Oskaloosa Independent, began publishing July 11th, 1860, and the masthead proudly states: "Six Months Older Than the State of Kansas."

Oskaloosa Attractions:

1950s Soda Fountain: 321 Jefferson, inside Country Corner Variety Store.

Old Jefferson Town: 701 Walnut St. Artist John Stewart Curry's boyhood home and museum along with a blacksmith's shop, jail, general store, chapel and schoolhouse. 10 am-3 pm

McLouth (pop. 854): Named for Amos McLouth in the 1880s who was the owner of the town's original site. The city hosts the "McLouth Threshing Bee," one of the longest running threshing bees in the U.S.

Leavenworth County: Established in 1855, the county was among one of the first 33 counties created by the Territorial Legislature. It was named after Henry Leavenworth, an officer in the War of 1812.

Tonganoxie (pop. 5,192): Established in 1866 and was named for an Indian chief the Delaware tribe that once lived in this area. Immigrants settled here from Europe as well as from Ohio and Pennsylvania. Many former slaves came in the 1860s and 1870s. Tonganoxie's history can be told through murals around town.

Tonganoxie Attractions:

New City Hall: 526 E 4th St. Completed in 2016.

Frank Henry Mural: This mural on the west facade of Ratliff Drug Store depicts Bill Ridgeway, the last of the horsedrawn draymen who delivered express freight from the depot to merchants. Behind Ridgeway is the once Frank Henry Grocery Store.

Murals at Downtown Pocket Park: 4th and Delaware. A kiosk in the park offers an overview of the three murals. One mural depicts a well-loved physician who practiced for 60 years in the community. A second mural displays giant books with numerous titles depicting people and things of historical significance in Tonganoxie. A third mural shows Kirby McRill, known as the “walking wonder of Tonganoxie” walking down the middle of a railroad track, Chief Tonganoxie's lodge, the Myers Hotel, and more.

Tonganoxie Community Historical Museum: 201 W Washington St. Features the 1918 Reno Methodist Church and a schoolhouse.
1 - 4:30 pm.

Today's Destination:

Missouri River in Leavenworth

Celebration:

Leavenworth

Total Mileage:

21

Directions: Leave Tonganoxie High School to Main St., turn right. Continue to 1st Street and turn left. Continue east on 1st St, which becomes Tonganoxie Road. Continue to Leavenworth (*see city map on page 86*). Turn right onto Limit St. Continue to 10th Ave and turn left. Continue to Spruce St. and turn right. Continue to Broadway and turn left. Continue to Delaware St and turn right. Continue to intersection with Esplanade St. and Riverfront Community Center, location of the BAK End of Ride Celebration. To ride to the Missouri River, turn left onto Esplanade St. and continue to Dakota St. Turn right here onto Riverfront Park Rd. and proceed to the Missouri River. Return to Riverfront Community Center heading south on Esplanade St.

BAK Spirit Day! Celebrate and show your BAK spirit by wearing your BAK jersey or t-shirt during today's ride into Leavenworth.

Point-to-Point Mileage

Tonganoxie to Limit St.

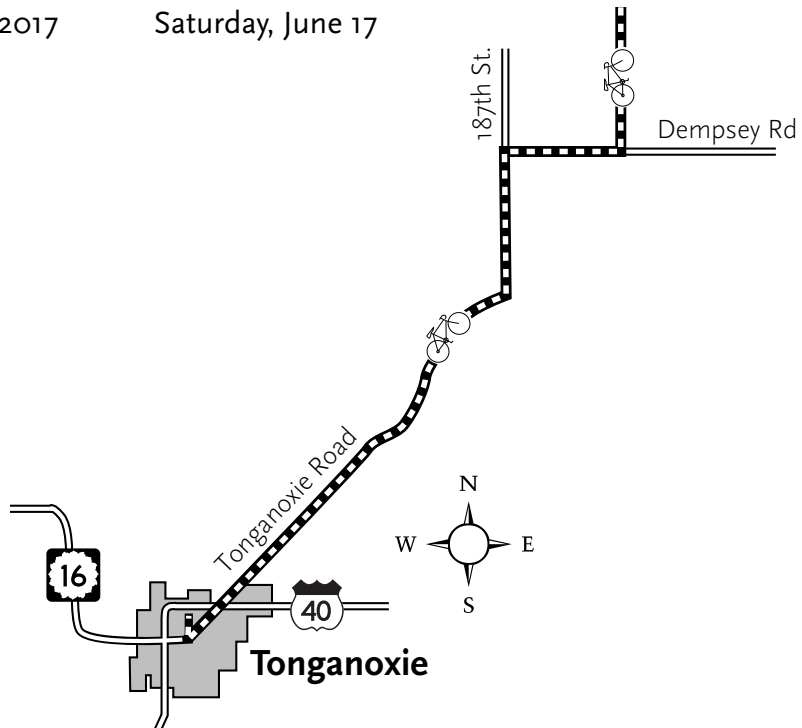
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Limit St. to Missouri River

4.5

Total BAK Mileage

522

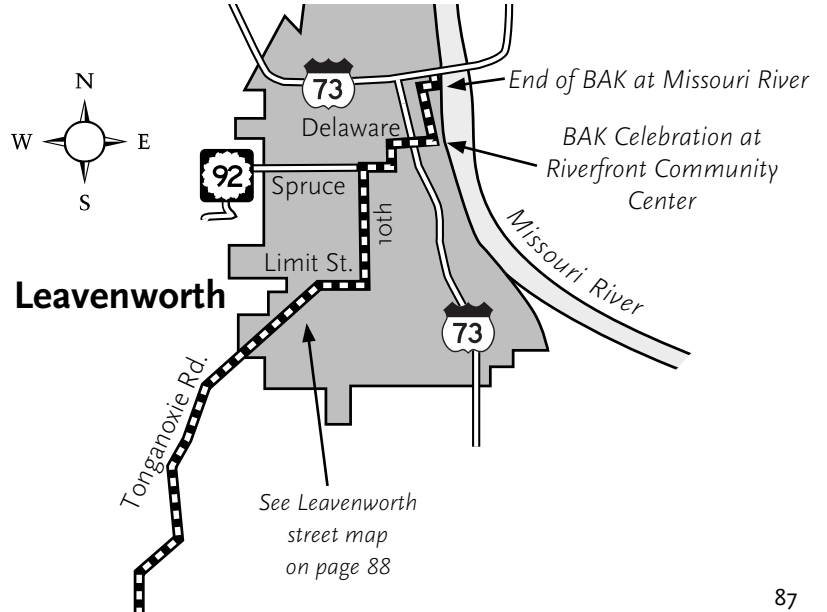


BAK Celebration Festivities Riverfront Community Center

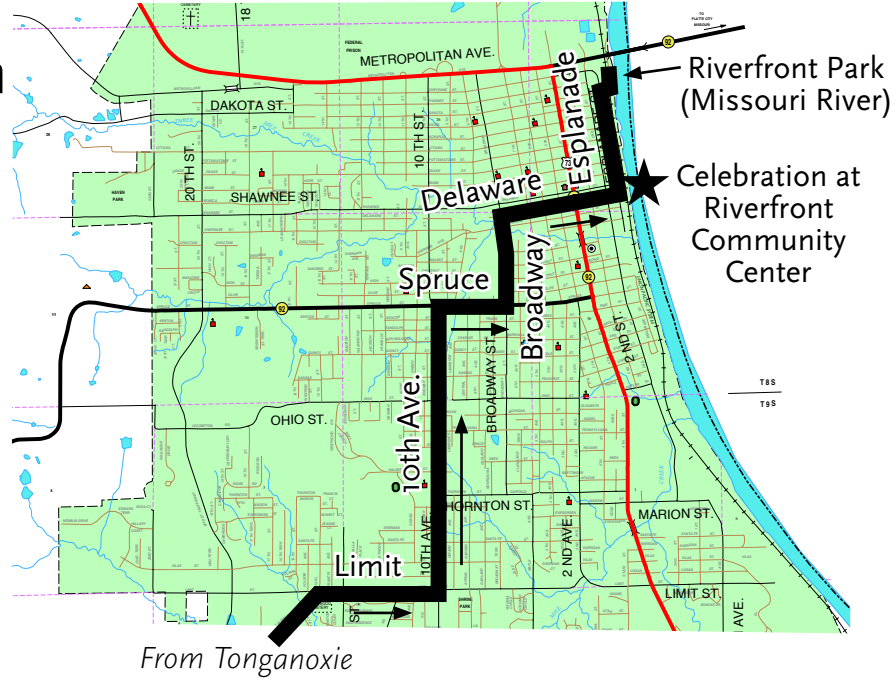
123 S Esplanade St

11:00 am: Lunch served

Chicken and beef taco bar. Hard and soft shells.
Lettuce, tomato, onion, jalapeno, cheese, sour
cream & salsa. Mexican rice and pinto beans.
Cheese sauce & chips. Cookies & brownies.
Water, tea & lemonade. Vegan options.



Leavenworth



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Leavenworth (pop. 18, 939): Founded in 1854 as the first city incorporated in Kansas Territory. Fort Leavenworth was established in 1827 by Colonel Henry Leavenworth. The Fort is the oldest active U.S. Army post west of the Mississippi and is known as the “Intellectual Center of the Army.” It was the base for the 10th Cavalry Regiment, later known as the Buffalo Soldiers.

Leavenworth attractions:

C.W. Parker Carousel Museum: 320 S Esplanade. Features a 1913 Parker Carry-Us-All carousel as well as three others. Mr. Parker moved his carousel business from Abilene to Leavenworth in 1911. (See Abilene notes.) 9 am - 5 pm.

Historic Wayside Tour: A map to this self-guided tour of historic Leavenworth can be found at <http://bit.ly/2q4gVTi>.

Historic Downtown Shopping District: 28 Blocks of shopping with over 150+ retail merchants.

Fort Leavenworth (NRHP, NHL): The fort has been in continuous occupation by the U.S. Army since it was established in 1827 to protect caravans on the Santa Fe Trail.

Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery: 395 Biddle Blvd.

Frontier Army Museum: 100 Reynolds Ave. Over 7,000 items explain the Fort's role in the westward expansion of the U.S. 10 am-4 pm. Buffalo Soldier Monument and Memorial Park

Carroll Mansion (NRHP): 1128 5th Ave. A Victorian home museum and also the home of the Leavenworth County Historical Society. 10:30 am - 4:30 pm.

Chapel of the Veterans (NHL) 4101 S 4th. Ornate Gothic-style church. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

National Fred Harvey Museum and Home, 624 Olive St., Mansion belonging to Fred Harvey of the Harvey House Restaurant and Hotel chain, and the famous Harvey Girls.

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