

Hansen Museum to host craft fair, tractor show

Nestled in northwest Kansas, on Highway 9, the Hansen Museum sponsors one of the best craft fairs around on Saturday, Sept. 17, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mountain Time.

Hosting crafters Kansas and surrounding states, this is a shopper's paradise. This annual event is held on the Hansen Plaza Square, Main Street, Logan. There is no admission charge to attend this event.

Crafters will begin to check in at 5 a.m. and will be ready for customers at 9 a.m. Crafters booths will be all around the plaza. These feature crafts of all kinds and varieties from jewelry, fiber handicrafts, wooden items, paintings, floral arrangements, leather goods and stained glass.

Registrations are still coming in

so check out all the possibilities.

Food booths line two sides of the square. Foods may include hamburgers, brauts, turkey and noodles, sloppy joes, homemade pies, homemade ice cream, barbeque beef sandwiches, bierocks, snow cones, egg rolls and crab ragoons.

A fun center, extreme castle, bungee run and castle obstacle course are available to entertain the children all day. Children's games and races will be held at 9 a.m. This will include turtle races (bring your own turtle), a sand pile scavenger hunt and an egg toss. The kid's tent will be open from noon to 2 p.m. for free balloons, face painting and entertainment.

Purchase prize drawings will be

held at 10:45 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Join the museum association or renew your membership to get your name in the drawing. You must be present to win. Purchase prize money can be used at any craft booth on the square.

Chain saw artist, Gary Keenan from Iowa, will be on the grounds to astound you with his chain saw artistry. His performances will begin at 7 a.m. and continue throughout the day with him completing several projects. Drawings at 10:45 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. will be held for two of his carvings.

An antique tractor show is being planned by the Logan Historical Museum in conjunction with the Hansen Arts and Crafts Fair. This is your chance to stroll among the

many tractors of the past.

Take a stroll through the museum gallery and view "Going Places." This exhibition has been made possible through NEH on the Road, a special initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities. It is brought to you by Mid-America Arts Alliance. "Going Places" was organized by the Long Island Museum of American Art, History and Carriages in Stony Brook, N.Y.

Check out the honored gArtist of the Month items for sale inside the museum or just sit a spell and enjoy the comfort of air-conditioning.

Live musicians on two stages will be performing at various times during the day. "Intensity," a national champion, percussive power tap crew, made up of 15 members

who have trained together for over 10 years, will be performing on the south stage at 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. (Mountain Time). They combine clogging, hip hop, tap, Irish step and many other dance forms to create a sound and style that will blow you off your seats.

"Uncalled 4", a local barbershop quartet, will be performing on the north stage at 10 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. (Mountain Time). Group members, Bruce Bandy from Colby, Al Finkbeiner from Russell, Gary Horchem from Ransom and Warren Stafford from Hill City, have been singing together for about three years. They are dual members with the Colby Tumbleweed Chorus and the High Plains Chorus.

Both stages promise to entertain with music to please each and everyone attending the fair.

Bob Jones, Jennings, third generation auction business and graduate of CAGA, School of Appraisers, will be available in the Community Room of the Hansen Plaza for a free verbal approximation of value for your antiques from 9 to 11 a.m. and noon to 3 p.m. (Mountain Time). Registration forms to schedule a time for the appraisal are available through the Hansen Museum.

For more information, crafter registration forms or antique appraisal forms, contact Shirley Herrickson at (785) 689-4846 or go to www.hansenmuseum.org.

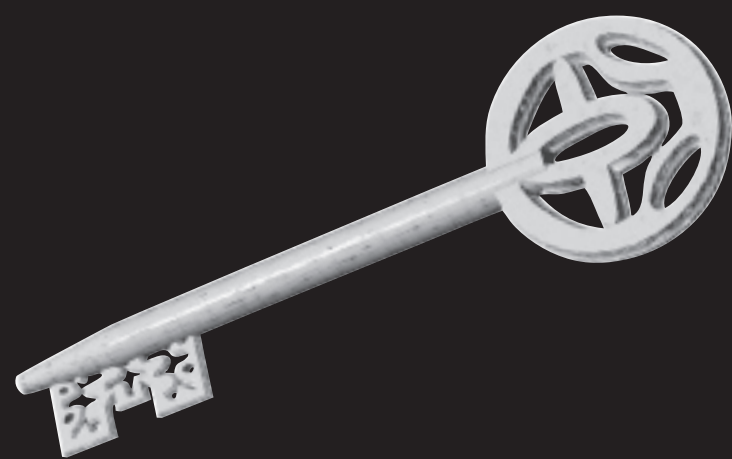
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