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Lea Manor a Quaint Bed and Breakfast

If you are looking for a quaint little bed and breakfast look no farther than Lea Manor, located at 709 East 12th Street, Baxter Springs, Kan., just east of Route 66.

The current owners, Sue Malone and Doug Scott, purchased the house and took a little over a year to renovate it.

"We found this beautiful home and really my experience is in party planning and events. We immediately saw this being an opportunity to have a nice place for events and it just happened to have three nice bedrooms upstairs, and it was purchased with a bed and breakfast in mind" said Doug Scott.

The venue is available for garden weddings, interior weddings, birthday parties, rehearsal dinners, Christmas parties, family parties as well as the bed and breakfast.

Lea Manor has an elaborate continental breakfast for the overnight guests.

In addition to a bed and breakfast, as an event center they offer full catering on and off site with Executive Chef Brad Koval overseeing the preparations of the meals.

A photographer is available but guests can choose to bring their own.

The catering includes full service with linens, china, flatware and glassware. If a event is held on site Lea Manor can accommodate up to 65 guests indoors and between 100 and 150 at a garden party. The menus can be customized to fit the theme of the party. All decorations are included.

The house has the ambiance of an old historic home with modern conveniences such as wi-fi. It is wired for music inside and outside, for you event. There are flat screen televisions in all three bedrooms as well as lounging areas. In the basement, they are currently re-

decorating with a pool table and a bar.

The house was named the Lea Manor after the original owner and builder of the original property.



The house was built in 1869 by Archibald Lea and his wife. Lea was a publisher of three area newspapers, The Baxter Springs Republican, The Columbus News, and The Galena Republican. He later had mining interests in Galena.

This Classic Italianate home features high ceilings and the original window casements and front door. It was constructed with bricks from the Baxter Brick Works located at 7th Street near Spring River. In 1906, the home was owned by O.C. Rummel, a city councilman. D. C. McKaller and his wife Caledonia Long McKaller acquired the house in 1929. Caledonia was a sister of Huey Long, infamous long-time governor of Louisiana. The Howard Saunders family purchased the house in 1949. They enclosed a single story porch on the east side and

added a second story sun room. David and Cheryl Holden purchased the house in 1982 and did extensive restoration and redecorating.

Mr. Scott's family is originally from Columbus, Kansas. They just recently moved back to the area from San Diego, California.

Interior photos on page 2.





Kansas Historic Route 66 Byway receives State designation

The Kansas portion of the original Route 66, located in Cherokee County, has been designated as a Kansas Historic Byway. With this addition, Route 66 becomes the eleventh Kansas byway to receive official designation from the Kansas Department of Transportation.

"The designation of Kansas Historic Route 66 will emphasize the important significance of the route in this area for visitors and local residents, encouraging them to drive the route and explore the communities along it," said Scott Shields, Kansas State Byways Coordinator.

An historic byway must have resources that are historically significant, be numerous, visible and have a setting or character that is complementary to the resources. "We are excited to add Historic Route 66 to the Kansas Byway collection. The route designation provides travelers a chance to view the relationship between the history of the original highway and the landscape and structures that define the area, in a

combined effort to promote tourism and economic development, while exploring the natural and cultural importance of the byway communities," Shields said.

The 13.2 miles of Kansas Historic Route 66 includes paved state, city and county roads, beginning at the Kansas-Missouri state line and following the original Route 66 route through Galena, Riverton and Baxter Springs to the Kansas-Oklahoma state line.

The byway offers opportunities for visitors to enjoy a variety of experiences to "get their own kicks" while driving the original Kansas portion of Route 66, found in the "Ozark Plateau" or Southeast corner of the state. There are museums, collections, murals and ghost writing that tell the local history of life along the route. A traveler can drive over many of the original structures of "The Mother Road," including the only remaining Marsh Arch Bridge on Route 66, or explore the mining and railroad history of

the area. Visitors can have a picture taken with the tow truck that was the inspiration for the character "Mater" from the "Cars" movie or discover Schermerhorn Park and the Southeast Kansas Nature Center south of Galena. They can learn of the importance of hydroelectricity in Riverton or enjoy a stop at the Nelson's Old Riverton Store, the location of a 1920's Route 66 gas station and grocery store. The stories of Baxter Springs include Native American history, early battles of the Civil War, a frontier cattle town and baseball. There are tours offered throughout the year and many dining and lodging facilities available for travelers as well as locations that offer Route 66 memorabilia for sale.

The state designation will result in the placement of Kansas Byway route markers along the byway, the creation of a promotional brochure and inclusion on the Kansas Scenic Byway Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/KSByways>. The byway will have a page on the www.ksbyways.org website, a place on the National Scenic Byways website, www.byways.org and the byway will be eligible to apply for National Scenic By-

way grants to enhance the route for visitors. With this state designation, Kansas Historic Route 66 will join several other states who's portion of Route 66 carries the designation of an All American Road, a National Scenic Byway or a state byway including Arizona, Illinois, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Missouri.

Renee Charles of Galena and Marla Larison of Baxter Springs are Co-Chairs of the Kansas Historic Route 66 Byway Planning Committee. They submitted the byway application and developed the Corridor Management Plan along with numerous others from the area that are also members of the planning committee.

The Kansas Byways program identifies scenic and historic routes in the state and preserves, enhances and promotes the routes through a cooperative grassroots partnership. For additional information, contact Shields at (785) 296-4149, scottsh@ksdot.org or Sue Stringer, Kansas Byways Public Involvement Liaison at (785) 296-8669 or stringer@ksdot.org.

An official ribbon cutting will be held in the spring of 2012.

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2011 Race Across Kansas



2011 Race Results: 2011 Race Times cont.

19 & under Male: 1st Jacob Spence; 2nd Shane Luper; 3rd Quintin Romine
20-29 Male: 1st Andrew Wammack; 2nd Ben Halliday; 3rd Skylar Banning
20-29 Female: 1st Stephanie King; 2nd Monica Soper
30-39 Male: 1st Brian Todd; 2nd Nathan Sicher; 3rd Scott Vorhees
30-39 Female: 1st Marisa Forth; 2nd Candi Paulin
40-49- Male: 1st Douth Assemacher; 2nd Ken Schramn; 3rd David O'Bryan
40-49 Female: 1st Karen Pluckinski; 2nd Julie Heatherly; 3rd Amber Tyree
50-59 Male: 1st Warren Winser; 2nd Dean Casady; 3rd Ken Giefer
50-59 Female: 1st Veronica Beagan
60-69 Male: 1st Ken Featherston; 2nd Larry Smith; 3rd Charles Mahry
60-69 Female: 1st Nancy Myers

2011 Race Times:

1. Andrew Wammack, M, 28, 1:17:33
2. Jacob Spence, M, 18, 1:22:53
3. Doug Assemacher, M, 46, 1:22:57
4. Brian Todd, M, 37, 1:24:43
5. Nathan Sicher, M, 30, 1:25:38
6. Shane Luper, M, 18, 1:25:51
7. Ken Schramn, M, 48, 1:31:25
8. Ben Halliday, M, 22, 1:31:25
9. David O;Bryan, M, 48, 1:32:07
10. Warren... Wisner, M, 56, 1:33:31
11. Dean Casady, M, 54, 1:35:52
12. Stephanie King, F, 22, 1:36:14
13. Marisa Forth, F, 34, 1:38:39
14. Karen Plucinski, F, 49, 1:38:50
15. Scott Vorhees, M, 36, 1:40:26
16. Jamie Bolin, M, 36, 1:40:26
17. Quinten Romine, M, 15, 1:41:05
18. Randy Featherston, M, 60, 1:41:05
19. Ken Fiefer, M, 59, 1:42:19



20. Kevin Vogel, M, 47, 1:42:19
21. Chris Stauffer, M, 38, 1:45:17
22. Larry Smith, M, 65, 1:45:56
23. Charles Mahry, M, 68, 1:46:56
24. Colin Smith, M, 45, 1:47:28
25. John Messick, M, 64, 1:47:45
26. Henry Yount, M, 51, 1:52:05
27. Bill Kunshak, M, 51, 1:52:05
28. Shawn Naccarato, M, 33, 1:52:52
29. Veronica Beagan, F, 52, 1:53:14
30. Zack Reynolds, M, 53, 1:53:49
31. Steve Radell, M, 38, 1:55:00
32. Candi Paulin, F, 30, 1:55:21
33. Tom Tanner, M, 55, 2:03:57
34. Chase Kraft, M, 14, 2:04:18
35. Dakota Young, M, 14, 2:04:18
36. Gary Carter, M, 47, 2:08:37
37. Julie Heatherly, F, 45, 2:10:54
38. Marshal Silence, M, 65, 2:12:19
39. Doug Banning, M, 54, 2:15:27
40. Amber Tyree, F, 42, 2:18:45
41. Monica Soper, F, 21, 2:19:06
42. Steve Noland, M, 57, 2:20:24
43. Dan Jolly, M, 65, 2:22:33
44. Kim Jolly, F, 49, 2:22:34
45. Skylar Banning, M, 20, 2:23:36
46. Nancy Myers, F, 64, 2:23:54
47. Jim Smotherman, M, 47, 2:27:10

The Grace House Event Center

While it has taken just over two years and countless hours of labor, the Grace House Event Center opened its doors on Saturday, December 3 beginning at 1:00 p.m. for a holiday open house.

The house at 1302 South Main in Galena was built by attorney and mine owner William F. Sapp and his wife Mary in 1890. The original location was to the north, but the house was moved in the early 1900's to its present location with the intention of expanding the house.

Those plans were never realized and the house was sold to the Deardorff family who has owned it since that time.

Richard Deardorff inherited the house when his mother passed away and he put it on the market for a few months. It didn't take much to talk him out of taking it off the market but what to do with the house?

With his career as a school teacher and his wife Kay in sales they didn't have the time needed to devote to the house but they knew they wanted to do something.

Two years ago in October they began renovations of the house. They started in the basement and spent six months shoring up the foundation and working on pipes and wiring.

After the foundation work was complete the interior walls had to be repaired, the carpet was taken up and the wood floors underneath were brought back to life.

Richard and Kay have tried to do most of the work themselves with the help of family. They are putting the final touches on the house in preparation for the open

house this weekend.

The Grace House Event Center will be available for weddings, bridal and wed-

ding showers, reunions, birthday and anniversary parties, business meetings, luncheons and small get-togethers with

seating for 45.

For weddings, the bride and groom will each have beautifully appointed rooms for preparing for their big day.

The Deardorff's have spoken to many fine businesses in the area and can recommend vendors for your special occasions from catering to candy. Full and half day rentals are available.

For more information or to rent the Grace House call 417-291-2021 or visit their website www.gracehouseeventcenter.com



Bride's Room





Groom's Room



Route 66 Association of Kansas meets the second Saturday of every month at 9:30 a.m. at the Old Riverton Store.

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Edward Sapp



HON. EDWARD E. SAPP, an attorney and ex-Probate judge and ex-judge of the Court of Common Pleas, whose portrait is shown above, is one of the large capitalists and leading citizens of Galena. He was born at Jackson, Michigan, July 12, 1858, and is a son of Rev. Rezin and Margaret (Peyreferry) Sapp.

Judge Sapp was educated in the schools at Grand Rapids, Michigan, where his father was a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church. When he came to Kansas, he spent some time herding cattle in the eastern part of the State. Later he located in Cherokee County and studied law, and was admitted to the bar in 1883. In January of the following year he removed to Galena and entered into partnership with his brother, W. F. Sapp, under the firm name of Sapp & Sapp, which continued until 1886. He then continued alone until 1891 when he entered into partnership with George Webb, under the firm style of Webb & Sapp, which continued from 1891 to 1896, when he was elected Probate judge. After holding the office three years, he resigned in the middle of his

second term, and was then honored by election as judge of the Court of Common Pleas for Cherokee and Crawford counties, and continued in this responsible position until 1900. Since July 5, 1904, Judge Sapp has been the senior member of the law firm of Sapp & Brown, having offices in the Opera House Block, which he erected in 1900. This firm has the most expensively furnished offices in the county, the suite consisting of public and private offices and a library of several thousand volumes.

The city of Galena has profited greatly by Judge Sapp's public spirit. It now has an Opera House of which it may be very proud, the seating capacity being 900, having a gallery and parquet circle and a stage with dimensions of 47 by 36 feet. All the equipments are modern throughout and it compares favorably with like structures in much larger cities.

Judge Sapp was married in 1885, at Galena, to Mary E. Andrews, who was born in New York, and they have three children: Dexter, Thomas and Viva. The family home is an elegant residence on Galena Avenue and the family takes part in the social life of the city.

Politically, Judge Sapp is one of the leading Democrats of Cherokee County. He served as city attorney from 1885 to 1892 and again, from 1901 to 1903. His professional standing, either at the bar or on the bench, cannot be assailed. He served his fellow citizens for many years in high positions, with the justice, fairness and dignity which reflects upon him the greatest credit, both as an upright exponent of the law and as a man of high personal aims and character.

History of Cherokee County Kansas and its representative citizens, ed. & comp. by Nathaniel Thompson Allison, 1904, transcribed by Carolyn Ward, instructor from USD 508, Baxter Springs Middle School, Baxter Springs, Kansas, 3/11/97.



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January 2012 Route 66 Events: The Grand National Roadster Show - Jan., 27-29, Pomona Calif. Snow Days Chicago - Jan., 27-29, Navy Pier, Chicago, Ill.

February 2012 Route 66 Events: The Chicago Motorcycle Show and Parts Expo - Feb., 3-4, Chicago, Ill. Route 66 Hot Boat and Custom Car Show, Needles, Calif., Feb., 24-26.

March 2012 Route 66 Events: Bob Wills Birthday Bash, Cain's Ballroom, Tulsa, Okla., Shamrock Saint Patrick's Day Celebration, Shamrock, Texas, March 16-18. Race to the Rocker, March 31, 2012, for more information www.GetMeRegistered.com, Cuba, Mo. Tulsa Arms Show, March 31 - April 1, QuikTrip Center - Expo Square - Tulsa Fairgrounds, Tulsa, Okla.

April 2012 Route 66 Events: 30th Annual Red Bud Classic, April 14-15, for more information www.redbud.org. Easter Egg Hunt and Toss with Kingman's Parks and Recreation, April 7, Kingman, Az. Chillin' On Beale Street, April 21, A block party in the heart of the Historic Downtown Kingman, Az., Cherry Blossom Festival, April 26-28, Marshfield, Mo., April 28, Ribbon Cutting for the Kansas Route 66 Byway.

May 2012 Route 66 Events: Twenty-Fifth Annual Fun Run, May 4-6, from Seligman, Az., to Topock, Az., for more information contact, www.azrt66.com. Tulsa May Fest, May 17-20, Tulsa Okla., for more information www.tulsamayfest.org. Clinton Route 66 Festival, Clinton, Okla., May 25-26. Bethany Route 66 Festival, Bethany, Okla., May 26. Route 66 Days, Elk City, Okla., May 31 - June 3.

June 2012 Route 66 Events: Galena Days, May 30 - June 2, Galena, Kan. Galena Days Car Show, June 2, Galena, Kan. Route 66 Blowout, Sapulpa, Okla. New Mexico Route 66 Motor Tour, June 7-9. Wheels on 66, Tucumcari, N.M., June 7-9. Illinois Route 66 Motor Tour, June 8-10. Route 66 Wine and Food Festival, Stroud, Okla., June 9. Mother Road Ride Rally, June 9-17. Decommissioning birthday, yearly on June 27, Route 66 was decommissioned June 27, 1985.

July 2012 Route 66 Events: Independence Day - USA, yearly on July 4th. Fire and Ice Bike Rally, Grants, N.M.

August 2012 Route 66 Events: Route 66 Festival, August 11, Springfield, Mo., International Route 66 Festival, Vicotrville, Calif., August 19-22. Will Rogers Memorial Rodeo, Vinita, Okla., August 21-25. Chicago Air and Water Show, August 18-19, Chicago, Ill.

September 2012 Route 66 Events: Chicago Jazz Festival, August 30-September 2, Cultural Center, Millennium Park, Grant Park, Chicago, Ill.

October 2012 Route 66 Events: International Balloon Fiesta - Albuquerque, N.M. October 6-14, 2011. Maple Leaf Festival, Carthage, Mo., October 13-20. Halloween - USA, Yearly on October 31st.

November 2012 Route 66 Events: Route 66 Birthday - Yearly on November 11st. Route 66 was officially established on November 11th, 1926. Tulsa Arms Show-Tulsa, Okla., November 10 - 11. Route 66 Marathon - Tulsa, Okla., November 17-18, 2012. Race Across Kansas Missouri Stateline to Oklahoma Stateline. November 24.

December 2012 Route 66 Events: Christmas Parades December 1 - Riverton, Kan., 12:00 Noon; Baxter Springs, Kan., 2:00 p.m., Galena, Kan., 4:00 p.m., Miami, Okla., 6:00 p.m. Christmas - USA, Yearly on December 25th.



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