





Here's a great idea. Hop in your car and drive across Highway 36 in Missouri.

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You'll fit right in on this route, which runs between St. Joseph and Hannibal and passes through charming small towns, wide-open spaces, the homes of several notable Missouri innovators and the sites of significant innovations.

In fact, so many prominent folks have lived along this scenic stretch of highway that it's often referred to as "The Way of American Genius."

The names read like a who's who of American history: Jesse James, J.C. Penney, Walt Disney, Gen. John J. Pershing, Dr. A.T. Still, DO and Mark Twain.

The innovations shaped the world: The Pony Express, sliced bread, rehabilitative therapy and osteopathic medicine.

The stories are incredible, inspiring and true – though there may be a few exaggerations here and there.

What's not exaggerated is the adventure you find along the way. It doesn't matter if you're traveling west to east or east to west, fascinating chapters of history unfold mile after mile.

Make sure you take time for side trips to the north and south of the highway and into the area known as the Highway 36 Corridor.

It extends 36 miles to the north and 36 miles to the south of the route and includes beautiful parks, lakes, streams and conservation areas that dot the landscape.

Meals worth coming back for are part of the experience when you travel along Missouri Highway 36. Locally owned cafés, bakeries, wineries, and breweries offer a true taste of the Show-Me State.

It won't take long to figure out that people who live around here enjoy living life at a slower pace.

We hope our visitors do, too. Take your time, enjoy the ride and all "The Way of American Genius" has to offer.

It's more than a good idea, it's, well... you get the gist.

There has never been a better time to explore Missouri's Highway 36 and The Way of American Genius. In this latest version of our travel guide, you will find everything you need to rediscover your genius. From quaint small town to fun-filled larger micropolitan communities, Northern Missouri has it all. With breath-taking, wide-open vistas, easy to travel, safe and convenient, roadways and the help of this guide, you will fall in love with our region.

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# TRAVEL THROUGH



Pershing Monument, Laclede

The unique museums and fascinating historic sites along the Way of American Genius allow visitors to travel through time, stepping into the past.

Travel back through time to the 1840s, where Samuel Clemens and his family lived at 208 Hill Street in Hannibal. See what life was like in the mid-eighteen hundreds by visiting the Mark Twain Boyhood Home Museum, 120 N. Main St. Admire the actual writing desk of Mark Twain and see his typewriter along with many first editions of his works and a beautiful collection of original Norman Rockwell Paintings.

You can visit 1892 at the Museum of Osteopathic Medicine, 800 W. Jefferson, in Kirksville on the campus of A.T. Still University. See the first school of Osteopathic Medicine where Andrew Taylor Still began to teach his new way of medicine and health. Step into the cabin built in 1828 where Dr. Still was born and see the cradle, trundle bed, hearth, and many items from pioneer life in the early 1800s.

The Linn County Jail and Sheriff's Residence was built in 1871 with

residence added in 1937. You'll find this building is on the National Register of Historic Places and it houses items related to the sheriff's department and residence of that time period. The Museum is open by appointment.

Visit the Walt Disney Hometown Museum, 120 E. Santa Fe Street, in Marceline. You can travel back to 1906, when Walt Disney was just a little boy with a big imagination. Walt and his family lived in Marceline from the time he was 4 until he was 11 years old. He developed his interest in drawing and watercolor while living in Marceline. The museum houses a large, unique collection of Disney family artifacts.

In commemoration of the centennial of World War I tour the General John J. Pershing Boyhood Home State Historic Site in Laclede at 1100 Pershing Drive. Learn about the experiences that molded a Laclede country boy into one of the nation's legendary generals. "Black Jack" Pershing lived in his Laclede home from 1866-1882.

In Hamilton, visit the year 1875.



Tour the home of James, Cash (J.C.) Penney. From humble roots he became a merchant magnate. He used old fashioned values as the foundation of his retail business. Tour his home where he grew up and visit the J.C. Penney Library and Museum.

Want to see what it was like at a jail in 1889? Visit the Daviess County "Squirrel Cage" Jail in Gallatin. It is one of only three rotating jails in the United States. Learn how the fascinating architecture kept the criminals from escaping and kept the accomplices from getting in!

Do you want to see what television journalism was like in the 1950s and 1960s? Tour the Walter Cronkite Memorial, 4525 Downs Drive, on the campus of Missouri Western in St. Joseph Missouri. Walk through a replica of the CBS news room and see 20th century history through the eyes of the man named "most trusted American in public life." While in St. Joseph be sure to travel back in time to April 3, 1860 when the Pony Express began. See the one room school house and the Hall of Riders.

It is also fun to travel through time by visiting the wonderful Historical Society Museums along the Highway 36 Corridor. Find out what it was like to attend a country school in the early 1900s at the Rural School Exhibit at the Adair County Historical Society and Museum in Kirksville at 211 S. Elson. Go to the Macon Historical Museum, 1402 S. Missouri, and tour the Romanesque buildings which originally housed the Blees Academy, considered the West Point of the Midwest and built in 1900. Enjoy a railroad exhibit and visit "Grandma's house" from 1900 in the Grand **River Historical Society Museum** in Chillicothe at 1401 Forest Drive. Learn about the history of farming in the Midwest at the **Andrew County** Museum in Savannah at 202 E. **Duncan Drive.** 

A time machine may be hard to come by but it is easy to "travel through time" by visiting the wonderful museums along Highway 36.



Museum of Osteopathic Medicine, Kirksville



Walter Cronkite Memorial, St. Joseph

# Patee House Museum, St. Joseph





Walter Cronkite Memorial, St. Joseph

# WEST

The journey along The Way of American Genius begins in the largest city on Highway 36, St. Joseph, which, in the late 1800s was the second-largest city in Missouri.

Noted for its 17 historic districts and more than 1,700 properties on the National Register of Historic Places, St. Joseph embraces its past as a Wild West town at sites like the **Robidoux Row Museum**, showcasing history of the city founder, Joseph Robidoux, **The Jesse James Home**, where the notorious outlaw was killed, and historic **Mount Mora Cemetery**, final resting place to Pony Express Riders, three Missouri governors, veterans of wars, a US senator, and 30 mausoleums of the social elite.

It's also a very forward-looking community with many modern amenities. Among them is the **Remington Nature Center**. Placed along the Missouri River bluffs; the Remington Nature Center is always a family favorite. From the time kids and adults alike step inside and see the giant replica mammoth, they will be captivated by prehistoric and modern-day exhibits. Walk through a cave exhibit that explains the lives of early civilizations. Check out the 7,000-gallon aquarium and participate in Fish Feeding Fridays. See animal footprints appear in sand and learn how water travels from a source to our tap. Kids can also participate in a monthly scavenger hunt and win a prize. Every path and turn in this multi-milliondollar, hands-on center bring nature to life from a historical and cultural view.

Striking a perfect balance between history and modern America is the Walter Cronkite Memorial on the campus of Missouri Western State University. The longtime CBS newsman - at one time dubbed "the most trusted man in America" - was born in St. Joseph. The interactive memorial, housed on the campus of Missouri Western State University, gives visitors the chance to learn about the legendary CBS anchorman's life and the historic events he covered. Memorabilia and artifacts from Cronkite's personal and professional life are on display and include his many Emmy Awards, desk, books, personal collections and more. A historic photograph/video display showcases world and national events covered by Cronkite during his years as the CBS Evening News anchor, and you can listen to Cronkite's reporting of these iconic newscasts. Visitors to the memorial can sit behind a desk in a replica of the CBS Evening News Studio, look into the camera and tell the world "And that's the way it is" while snapping a souvenir photograph.

For a more traditional history fix in St. Joseph, visit the **Pony Express National Museum**. As the original Pony Express stables, this is an internationally known landmark, but it's also a very hands-on experience for kids and families. Sit on a

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row of mochila-covered saddles. Dress up in pioneer clothes, write on the chalkboard, and cook a pretend meal in the mini pioneer kitchen in the children's play area. Go inside the log cabin to investigate the rope bunks and fireplace. Push buttons and lift flaps. Peer down inside the original 1850s foundation area, which is a huge hole in the floor in the center of the museum. Pump actual water from the original stone well that is underneath the museum building and take a close look down inside the well through a thick glass window. Push audio buttons that bring the story to life in the Hall of Riders. Grab some Western or pioneer-themed toys from the gift shop. Here, you are part of the story and all your curiosity is warmly welcomed.

Just about 15 minutes east of St. Joseph in the community of Osborn, is another example of the innovations found along Highway 36. Shatto Milk Company is an excellent stop for those interested in agritourism. Shatto offers farm tours (must be scheduled in advance) and has a dairy store where their products, such as flavored milk, ice cream, cheese and butter, are available for purchase. After a tour and some product sampling, you'll know more about dairy farms and what it takes to produce quality dairy products. It's an idea that's, well, genius.

#### **REGIONAL EVENTS:**

MAY - Apple Blossom Parade, St. Joseph

AUGUST - NW Mo Steam and Gas Engine Show, Hamilton

SEPTEMBER - Missouri Star Quilt Birthday Bash, Hamilton

OCTOBER - Fall Festival, Plattsburg

**DECEMBER** - Eagle Days at Squaw Creek, Mound City



Veterans Memorial, Cameron

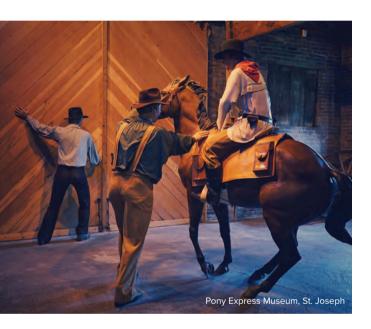


# Geniuses of WEST 36

# THE PONY **EXPRESS**

Excitement was plentiful during my two year's service as a Pony Express Rider.

-Buffalo Bill





More than 1,800 miles in 10 days! From St. Joseph, Missouri, to Sacramento, California the Pony Express could deliver a letter faster than ever before.

In operation for only 18 months between April 1860 and October 1861, the Pony Express nevertheless has become synonymous with the Old West. In the era before electronic communication, the Pony Express was the thread that tied East to West.

As a result of the 1849 Gold Rush, the 1847 Mormon exodus to Utah and the thousands who moved west on the Oregon Trail starting in the 1840s, the need for a fast mail service beyond the Rocky Mountains became obvious. This need was partially filled by outfits such as the Butterfield

Overland Mail Service starting in 1857 and private carriers in following years.

But when postmaster general Joseph Holt scaled back overland mail service to California and the central region of the country in 1858, an even greater need for mail arose. The creation of the Leavenworth & Pike's Peak Express Company by William H. Russell, Alexander Majors and William B. Waddell became the answer. It was later known as the Pony Express.

On June 16, 1860, about ten weeks after the Pony Express began operations, Congress authorized a bill instructing the Secretary of the Treasury to subsidize the building of a transcontinental telegraph line to connect the Missouri River and the Pacific Coast.

To learn more, visit the Pony Express National Museum 914 Penn St., St. Joseph • 816-279-5059 • www.ponyexpress.org





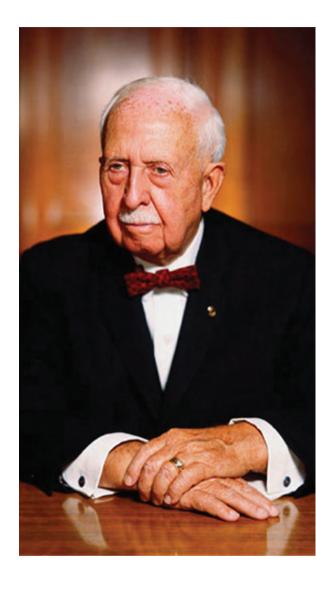
# **JAMES** CASH PENNEY

J. C. Penney was born on September 16, 1875, on a farm outside of Hamilton, Caldwell County, Missouri. He was the seventh of twelve children, only six of whom lived to adulthood, born to James Cash Penney and Mary Frances (born Paxton) Penney. Penney's father was a Baptist preacher and farmer whose strict discipline included making his son pay for his own clothing once he reached 8 years of age.

After graduation from Hamilton High School, Penney intended to attend college with the hopes of becoming a lawyer. However, his father's untimely death forced a change in plans, and Penney was forced to take a job as a store clerk to help support the family. Penney's tuberculosis caused him to venture west to Longmont, Colorado.

In 1898, James Cash Penney Jr. began working for a small chain of stores in the western United States called the Golden Rule stores. In 1902, owners Guy Johnson and Thomas Callahan, impressed by his work ethic and salesmanship, offered him a one-third partnership in a new store he would open. Penney invested \$2,000 and moved to Kemmerer, Wyoming, to open a store there. He participated in opening two more stores, and when Callahan and Johnson dissolved their partnership in 1907 he purchased full interest in all three stores

By 1912, there were 34 stores in the Rocky Mountain States. In 1913, he moved the company to the Kearns Building in downtown Salt Lake City, Utah.



Men are not great or small because of their material possessions. They are great or small because of what they are.

-J.C. Penney

To learn more, visit the J.C. Penney Museum, 312 N. Davis St., Hamilton 816-583-2168 • www.hamiltonmo.city/jc-penney-museum

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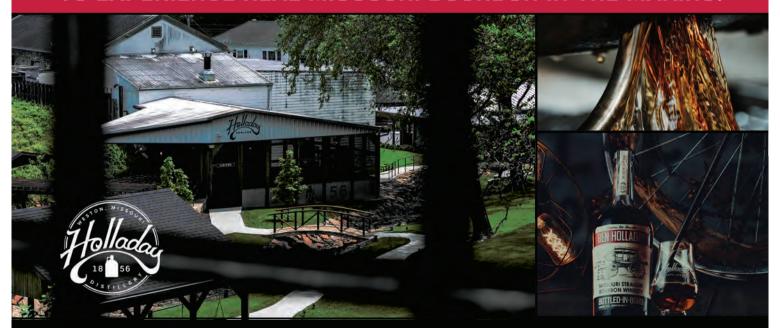












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# nnovators of WEST 36



Coleman Hawkins or "Hawk" is the Father of the Tenor Saxophone. Born in St. Joseph, on Nov. 21, 1904, his mother taught him how to play the piano by the age of 5 and he learned the cello at 7.

The spring of 1921 marked Hawkins' first professional gig-playing in the orchestra of the 12th Street Theater in Kansas City.

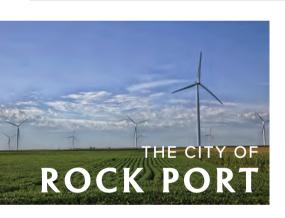
By the fall of 1939, he had recorded "Body and Soul," which introduced him to a wide American audience. It was a huge success for Hawkins (so much so, in fact, that readers of DownBeat Magazine voted Hawkins best tenor

saxophonist of the year).

Although most jazz musicians of the generation resisted belop, the harmonic and rhythmic approach that developed in jazz in the 1940s, Hawkins embraced it. He made what is considered the first bebop record called "Woody 'n' You" with a group of musicians including Dizzy Gillespie, Max Roach and Oscar Pettiford.

His last concert was on April 20, 1969, at the North Park Hotel in Chicago, and he died just a month later from pneumonia.

Sources: Biography.com; nytimes.com



The city of Rock Port holds the distinction of being the first community in the United States to be totally powered by wind energy.

As the county seat of Atchison County, which forms the northwestern tip of the state, the 1,300 residents of Rock Port currently use approximately 13 million kilowatts of electricity per year.

But now, due to four wind turbines,

the city predicts that wind energy will account for 16 million kilowatts each year. The Missouri Joint Municipal Utilities purchases surplus electricity not used by Rock Port for use in other areas.

A map published by the U.S. Department of Energy indicates that northwest Missouri has the state's highest concentration of wind resources.

Source: www.ecmag.com



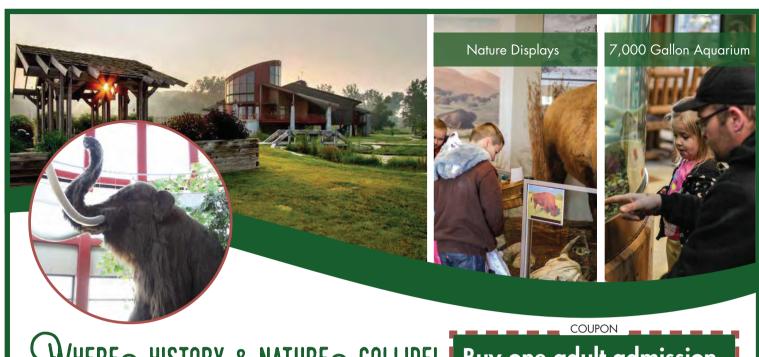
Nellie Tayloe Ross, the first woman to take the oath of office and serve as governor of a state, was born in St. Joseph.

Educated in both public and private schools, she settled in Chevenne, Wyo., after her marriage to William B. Ross. Upon the death of her husband, who had been elected Governor in 1922, Nellie Ross was nominated for the unexpired term of the governorship.

As governor, she stressed the need for tax relief for farmers and proposed legislation to require counties, school boards, and the state council to prepare budgets and publish them before levying any taxes.

After being defeated for reelection in 1926, Ross went on to become vice chair of the Democratic National Committee, and was appointed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to two five-year terms as Director of the U.S. Mint. She died in Washington, D.C.

Sources: The National Cyclopaedia of American Biography, Vol. E. New York: James T. White & Company. Sobel, Robert, and John Raimo, eds. Biographical Directory of the Governors of the United States, 1789-1978, Vol. 4. Westport, CT: Meckler Books, 1978. 4 vols.



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**TOUR PLATTSBURG** 816-539-2649 Walking tour starts in Pharmacy/ Clinic parking lot located on Clay Ave (116 Hwv) between 4th/5th streets. There are 3 separate loops each approximately .5 miles. plattsburgchamber.org/visit/ourhistory

#### **FARRIS THEATRE RICHMOND**

816-776-6684, 301 W. Main Street. Built in 1901 this theatre was originally an opera house called the Dougherty Auditorium, named after a gentleman who struck it rich in the gold fields of Colorado, farristheatre.com

#### RICHMOND PIONEER CEMETERY

**RICHMOND** 816-776-6917. 701-759 N. Thornton St. Notable residents are William T. Anderson, otherwise known as "Bloody Bill Anderson," and Martin Harris, one of three witnesses to the golden plates that Joseph Smith found. richmondchamber.org/tourism.

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#### **ANDREW COUNTY MUSEUM**

**SAVANNAH** 816-324-4720, A 3,000 square foot exhibit interprets county history from 1841. Exhibits focus on lifestyles, agriculture, business and entertainment. AndrewCountyMuseum.org

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#### JESSE JAMES HOME ST. JOSEPH

816-232-8206. 1203 Penn St. The house where Jesse James was murdered by Bob Ford in 1882. Artifacts from Jesse's life and death are displayed plus family items. PonyExpressJesseJames.com

#### MARK YOUNGDAHL URBAN CONSERVATION AREA ST. JOSEPH

816-271-3100, 102 S. 36th Street. 85 acre urban conservation area with two miles of hiking trails, a variety of trees and native grasses. MissouriConservation.org

#### MISSOURI THEATER ST. JOSEPH

816-271-4628, 717 Edmond Street. Renovated 1927 vaudeville palace, seats 1200: theatrical productions; concerts; special events. St. JoeArts. org/missouri\_theater

#### **MOUNT MORA CEMETERY**

ST. JOSEPH 816-232-8471, 824 Mount Mora Road. Established in 1851, is the oldest operating cemetery in St. Joseph. Burial grounds of Civil War soldiers and 3 MO Governors. MountMora.org

#### **NW MISSOURI GENEALOGY** SOCIETY AND LIBRARY ST. JOSEPH

816-233-0524, 412 Felix Street. Serves Andrew, Atchison, Buchanan, Clinton, DeKalb, Holt, Nodaway, and Worth Counties for genealogy research. NWMoGenealogy.com

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800-530-5930, 914 Penn Street. State of the art exhibits chronicle the need for, the creation, operation and termination of the Pony Express. PonyExpress.org

#### **REMINGTON NATURE CENTER**

ST. JOSEPH 816-271-5499, 1502 McArthur Drive. Overlooking the MO River, this center caters to history and nature buffs alike. See birds, fish, and lots of local animals displayed. StJoeNatureCenter.info

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816-386-0140, 416 Main Street. A folk art gallery featuring handmade works,including chainsaw sculptures, and outdoor metal art. BackRoadsArtGallery.com

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#### WESTON BEND STATE PARK

WESTON 816-640-5443, 16600 Route 45. This park has picnic tables, shelter houses, paved bicycle trails, and an overlook showcasing the beautiful Missouri River. MoStateParks.com

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Cameron	Econo Lodge	220 E. Grand Ave	816-632-6571	Econolodge.com
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Cameron	Red Roof Inn	501 Northland Dr	816-632-6623	AmericasBestValueInn.com
Cameron	Quality Inn	1803 Comfort Ln	816-632-5655	ChoiceHotels.com
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Excelsior Springs	The Elms Hotel and SPA	401 Regent Street	800-843-3567	ElmsHotelAndSpa.com
Kearney	Comfort Inn	400 S. Platte Clay Way	816-628-2288	ChoiceHotels.com
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Maryville	America's Best Value Inn	1700 E. 1st St.	660-562-3111	AmericasBestValueInn.com
Maryville	Bearcat Inn	2817 S. Main St.	660-562-2002	bearcatinnmarville. bookonline.com
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Maryville	Holiday Inn Express	2929 S. Main	660-562-9949	HIExpress.com
Mound City	Audrey's Motel	1211 State Street	660-442-3191	AudreysMotel.com
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St. Joseph	Fairfield Inn & Suites	4779 Tuscany Drive	816-232-2700	Marriott.com
St. Joseph	Guest House Inn	4502 SE Route 169	816-232-2345	Redlion.com
St. Joseph	Hampton Inn	3928 Frederick Avenue	816-390-9300	HamptonInn.Hilton.com
St. Joseph	Holiday Inn Express	3600 North Village Drive	816-232-2500	HIExpress.com
St. Joseph	Motel 6	4021 Frederick Avenue	816-232-2311	Motel6.com
St. Joseph	Quality Inn & Suites	917 N. Woodbine Road	816-232-6557	ComfortSuites.com
St. Joseph	Stoney Creek Inn	1201 Woodbine Avenue	816-901-9600	stoneycreekhotels.com
Weston	The Saint George Hotel	500 Main Street	816-640-9902	westonirish.com



### **CAMPING**

Cameron	Soggy Bottom Camp	5501 NW Kerr Drive	816-724-0018	SoggyBottomCamp.com
Cameron	Wallace State Park Campground	10621 Missouri 121	816-632-3745	MoStateParks.com
Lawson	Watkins Woolen Mill State Park Campground	26600 Park Road N	816-580-3387	MoStateParks.com
Maryville	Mozingo Lake Recreation Park	25055 Liberty Road	660-562-2323	MozingoLake.com
Maysville	Pony Express RV Park	4469 S Highway 33	816-449-2039	
Rushville	Lewis and Clark State Park Campground	801 Lakecrest Blvd.	816-579-5564	MoStateParks.com
Smithville	Camp Branch Campground	17201 Paradesian	816-407-3400	ClayCountyMo.gov/parks
Smithville	Crows Creek Park	Crows Creek Campground Road	816-407-3400	ClayCountyMo.gov/parks
Smithville	Smith's Fork Campground	1601 County Road DD	816-532-1032	SmithvilleMo.org
St. Joseph	AOK Campground and RV Park	12430 County Road 360	816-324-4263	AOKCamping.com
St. Joseph	Beacon RV Park	822 South Belt Hwy.	816-279-5417	
St. Joseph	Sharp RV Park	18890 Hwy. 59	816-262-5799	sharprvpark.com
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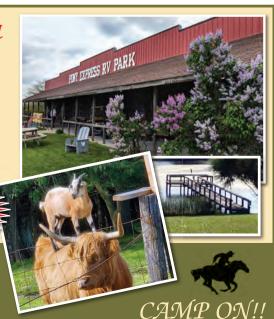
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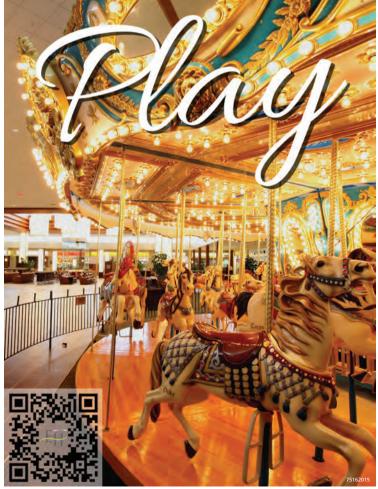
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St. Joseph	The Vineyard Mansion & Carriage House	1125 Charles St.	818-968-4706	Vineyardmansion.com
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The American Genius Highway Quilt Trail includes many shops in multiple cities. Many of the businesses along the newly established trail are located just off Highway 36, while some are within the Highway 36 Corridor (a zone spanning 36 miles north and 36 miles south of the actual highway).

Each quilt shop featured on the trail has fabrics that customers will find at all price points. Shop owners and staff are enthusiastic to help guests pick out fabrics and patterns or assist beginners with cutting the blocks. They all want your quilting project to be a success.

The trail gives travelers one more option to consider as they make their way across Missouri and it's another way to promote some of the wonderful craftspeople who live and work in northern part of our state.

In addition to the quilt trail, quilt shops have also developed a Quilters Passport program. The program encourages quilters to visit each shop for a free pattern in order to make the designated themed quilt for the year. There's a new theme each year. Visit one of the local shops for more details. You can learn more about the American Genius Highway Quilt Trail online at www.americangeniushighway.com/quilt-trail

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Great minds, a great innovation and an abundance of small-town charm are part of your travels through the Central Region of the Way of American Genius.

Start by exploring Marceline, the boyhood home of Walt Disney. Although Disney lived in Marceline only a few years, the city was very special to him.

Even when he achieved a level of fame few people can imagine, Disney retained ties to this small Missouri town, which commemorates his life and work at the Walt Disney Hometown Museum. Marceline feels as strongly about Disney as he felt about it, and you find his name attached to the local post office, a municipal swimming pool and an elementary school.

Inside the Walt Disney Hometown Museum – which features an impressive collection of Disney family artifacts - you get a sense of the bond shared between the man and the community. His love of trains also is evident, and one of the key reasons the museum occupies a renovated and restored Santa Fe Railroad Depot.

Although Marceline is home to perhaps the region's best-known genius, there are many places for you to connect with regional history along Highway 36.

**In Brookfield,** a short drive west of Marceline, visit the **Tillman House Museum**, a great repository of local history and beautiful antiques. While there, learn more about some of the area's noted residents, including Dr. Howard A. Rusk, the father of rehabilitative medicine.

If you're traveling Highway 36 in the late summer, there's more than foliage to watch for. Every Labor Day weekend, Brookfield hosts the Great Pershing Balloon Derby, the longest running balloon derby in the nation. The event celebrates Gen. John J. Pershing's ties to the area and his status as one of the world's greatest military leaders.

Read about Pershing's life when you stop at the Pershing Boyhood Home State Historic Site in Laclede. Details about his career make this a must-see destination for those interested in American and military history. The home is close to Pershing State Park, where activities include picnicking and camping. Also nearby is Locust Creek Covered Bridge State Historic Site. The bridge was built in 1868 and was part of Route 8, which was replaced by U.S. Highway 36. At 151 feet, it's the longest of Missouri's four remaining covered bridges.

Along the Highway 36 corridor, other great opportunities to explore the area's history and heritage abound. Learn about one of the Civil War's figures at the General Sterling Price Museum in Keytsville, local law enforcement at the **Linneus Historical Museum** in Linneus, regional history at the Chariton County Historical Society and Museum in **Salisbury,** and a variety of tools from the past

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at the Grundy County Museum in Trenton. And don't miss **Jamesport**, home to one of the largest Amish communities west of the Mississippi River, for fine handcrafted furniture and gifts.

If outdoor pursuits are more to your liking, don't miss Crowder State Park in Trenton, where camping and hiking are popular activities, and the Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge, a resting area for migrating birds.

As your travels in the Central Region of Highway 36 continue, be sure to visit Chillicothe, known to many as "The Home of Sliced Bread." It was in Chillicothe, in 1928, that the first loaves of commercially sliced bread were served by a local entrepreneur who used American ingenuity to save his bakery.

Also, Chillicothe boasts a beautiful collection of over 25 murals in its downtown area. These stunning works of art focus on the city's history and culture, which you can learn more about at the Grand River Museum. Exhibits focus on everything from sliced bread to Native American history to the U.S. military.

#### **REGIONAL EVENTS:**

SEPTEMBER - Pershing Balloon Derby, Brookfield; Chautauqua in the Park, Chillicothe; Heritage Days, Jamesport OCTOBER - Missouri Days, Trenton



Great Pershing Balloon Derby, Brookfield



# Geniuses of CENTRAL 36

# GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING

General of the Armies of the United States John J. "Black Jack" Pershing was and still is the highest ranked military leader in US history. He is forever senior in rank and title. Young John Pershing of Laclede, Missouri had no desire to become a soldier. His dreams were to get a law degree.

When given an opportunity to compete for an appointment to West Point Military Academy he took a chance and took the test. He moved on from the little farming and railroad community of Laclede.

He undoubtedly gave little consideration at the time, that the boyhood home he grew up in would be the last home he would ever know.

Throughout all of the great triumphs and personal tragedies that occurred in his life he found time to return to Laclede. He nostalgically referred to Laclede as his, "dear old home".

Whenever he returned, the community of Laclede would trumpet his return. Her

favorite son was coming home.

When Pershing retired in 1924 he was asked to be chairman of the American Battle Monuments Commission, (ABMC). The ABMC was tasked with establishing cemeteries, monuments and memorials honoring the American Expeditionary Force. The man who had once led them to war was now leading them to rest in peace.

Pershing committed the remaining years of his life to honoring those that served and memorializing the fallen.

It is in this spirit that the General John J. Pershing State Historic Site is adding a First World War Commemorative Garden. The centerpiece of this garden will be a poppy flowerbed with soil gathered from each of the eight First World War cemeteries.

The soil represents 30,000 known and 5,000 unknown war dead that remain in Europe. In a moment of solemn reflection question how many Missouri boys are coming home.



A competent leader can get efficient service from poor troops, while on the contrary an incapable leader can demoralize the best of troops.

-General Pershing

To learn more, visit the General John J. Pershing Boyhood Home, 1100 Pershing Dr #0141, Laclede, MO • (660) 963-2525

# WALT DISNEY

My best memories are the years I spent in Marceline. You children are lucky to live here.

-Walt Disney

The Disney family's move to Marceline, Missouri, in 1906 was providential: Walt would forever consider it his hometown. He discovered so much of value in Marceline that Disneyland's Main Street, U.S.A. is a love letter to his Missouri childhood. Furthermore, drawing on these golden memories and the egalitarian lessons of his father, Disney's genius crafted a world where the "little fellows" triumphed, and the lessons of a simple past informed a better future. Walt Disney's genius established a place for animation and fantasy in American culture and extended the Way of the American Genius from Marceline to California.

Walter Elias Disney's family rolled into Marceline, Missouri, along the Santa Fe Railway from Chicago in 1906. Walt's father, Elias, believed that a life of country farming was an ideal setting to raise a family. For a young Walt, the move was providential: he would always consider Marceline his hometown and the family farm there to be among the greatest beauties of the world. In stories

such as Three Little Pigs and with characters as renowned as Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck, Disney worked to "imagineer" a world in which he could expound the virtues of the "little fellow" that sprang from "golden memories of rural village life" in Marceline and the egalitarian philosophies of his father. Beginning with these earlier stories, Disney's genius as an animator and storyteller allowed the viewers of his films to imagine a happier and more equitable world; this only became more valuable to Americans as the Great Depression and World War II made reality look the opposite.

Disney was a nostalgic futurist; his genius lay in his unique ability to balance reverence for what he saw as the simple lessons of the past and visions for a shining, prosperous future. Disneyland, however, is his genius on full display, and looking outward from Main Street, U.S.A., the long-lasting impact of Marceline on Walt can be seen most clearly. According to Walt's wife, Lillian, Disneyland could not have



been imagined and built without the early influence of Marceline and the Santa Fe Railroad on her husband. Main Street is a love letter to Walt's time in Marceline, and the trains that course through Disneyland invoke memories of the numerous trains that came through Marceline every day in the early twentieth century. From the original Main Street, U.S.A. to its loving homage, Walt Disney's genius established a place for animation and fantastic stories in American culture and extended the Way of the American Genius from Marceline to California.



# Geniuses of CENTRAL 36

# SLICED BREAD

...the greatest invention since sliced bread...

-Unknown



In the two decades before the Depression, two men in Missouri— Otto Rohwedder and Frank Benchworked their separate influences on the world of commercial baking. Rohwedder, a St. Joseph jeweler by trade, developed plans for a commercial bread slicer, while Bench charged forth in pursuit of "scientific baking"—the use of scientific methods to produce a perfect and consistent load—as owner of Chillicothe Baking Company. In 1928, their pursuits merged as Bench became the first to deploy Rohwedder's machine. When Chillicothe's bread sales skyrocketed, and hundreds of machines began to sell (including one to Wonder Bread, the national leader, in 1930), it was clear that baking innovation came hot (and sliced) from the minds and ovens along the Way of American Genius.

When the machine debuted at Chillicothe Baking Company in July 1928, it was promised—by Benchthat the nation's first commercially sliced bread would bring "a thrill of pleasure with each slice the exact counterpart of its fellows." Rohwedder's machine sliced and wrapped around four-thousand loaves an hour, each slice half an inch thick, using alternating blades. As the town's bread sales increased two thousand percent in the following months, the consumer enthusiasm was more than enough to dismiss any remaining fears. Within six months, Bench's slicer broke down from excessive use, but hundreds had been sold across the country. By 1931, the Depression caused Bench's bakery to close and Rohwedder was forced to sell his patent, but when Wonder Bread adopted the Rohwedder slicer in 1930, the nation's most famous bread brand confirmed that baking innovation came hot (and sliced) from the minds and ovens along the Way of American Genius.

To learn more about this innovative slice of history, start planning your trip to Chillicothe at VisitChillicothe.com. Visit the Chillicothe Welcome Center and Home of Sliced Bread at 100 Elm Street.



There is no denying the powerful effect that Marceline had on its most famous citizen. This tiny slice of Missouri heaven made an impression on Walt Disney that lasted a lifetime, and inspired both his theme parks and film work. But the best way to experience your own magic is to plan a visit and experience Marceline firsthand. Shop on the original Main Street USA. Visit the natural beauty of the Disney Family Farm and leave your autograph inside Walt's Barn. Lazily relax under a shady branch or beside the cool pond inside E.P. Ripley Park. Explore over 10,000 square feet of immersive Disney history showcased inside the walls of the Walt Disney Hometown Museum, located in the very heart of the city.

There's so much to experience, don't be surprised if you end up staying an extra day.

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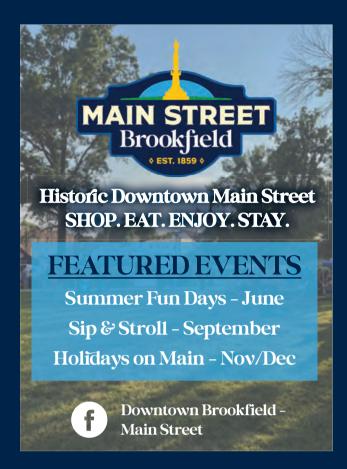
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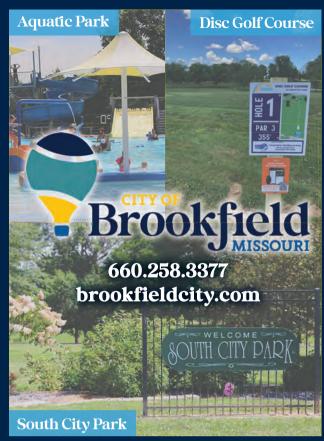




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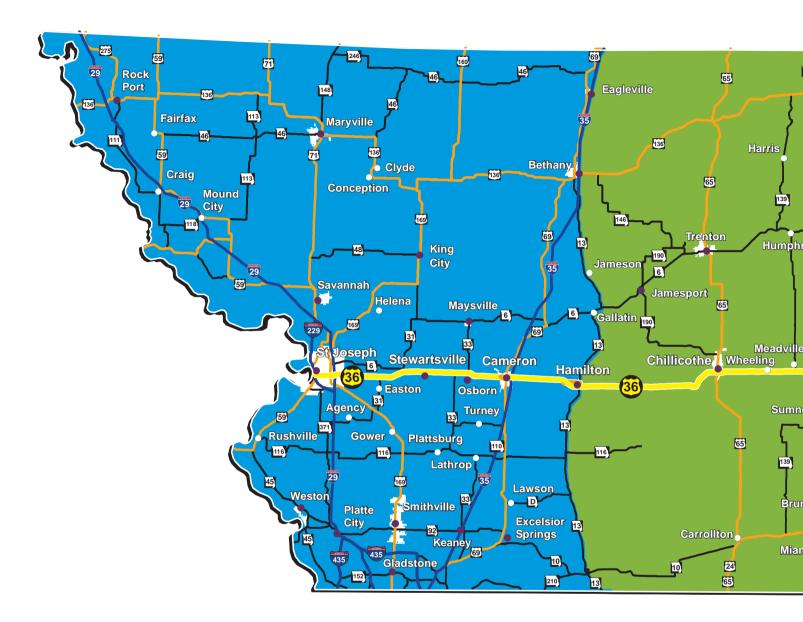
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# MISSOURI HIGHWAY



For two centuries, in various forms, people have been traveling our corridor seeking inspiration and new frontiers. What started as a stage-coach trail in the 1800s, Highway 36 is celebrating its 100th anniversary from when it began as the Pike's Peak Ocean to Ocean Highway, completed in 1924.

Prior to the establishment of the railroad in the late 1850s, the Hannibal to St. Joseph stagecoach route was called the "Hound Dog Trail."

"Missouri's U.S. Highway 36" started out as a parallel route of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad. The end point of this railroad in St. Joseph was the reason St. Joseph was selected for the eastern terminus of the Pony Express. St. Joseph and Hannibal were the second and third largest cities in the State of Missouri during this time, prior to the American Civil War.

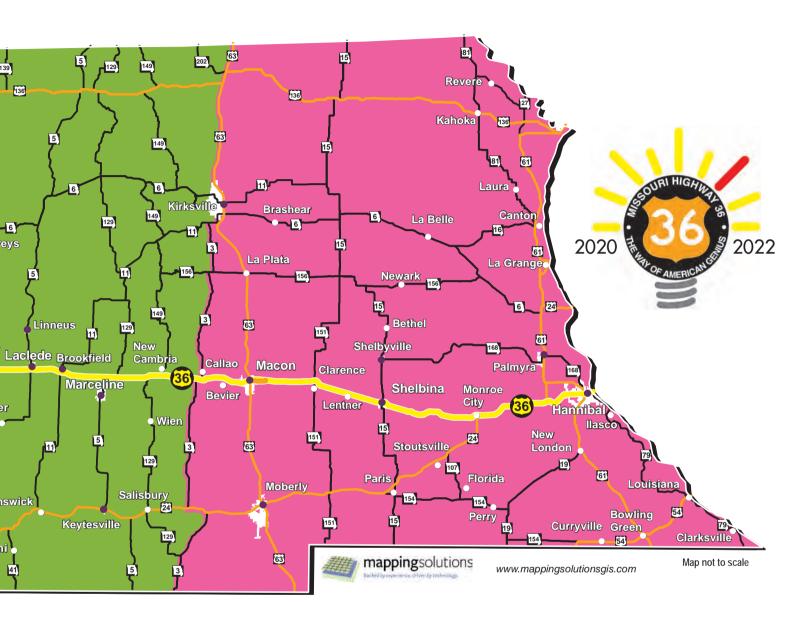
Most roads at the time were little more than improved wagon trails.

In fact, many of the major "highways" were actually vestiges of old trails, such as the Oregon Trail or Santa Fe Trail. There were paved roads, but most were cobblestone and almost all were in major cities.

The formal organization of the **Pikes Peak Ocean to Ocean Highway Association** was completed in St. Joseph in 1914 by a federation and alliance of state and interstate associations already in existence.

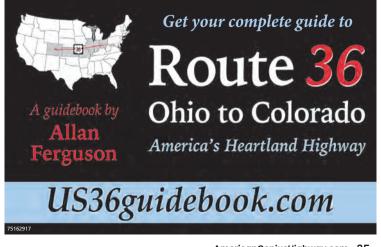
The Lincoln Highway, from New York to San Francisco, was the first official Highway to make it all the way across the United States. The second route to cross the United States was the Pikes Peak Ocean to Ocean Highway, now known as U.S. Highway 36. The route traversed the country beginning in New York through Philadelphia and ending San Francisco. Calling itself the "Appian Way of America," it measured 3,564 miles in length. "The Appian Way" is a reference to the most famous road of ancient Rome.

# 36 CORRIDOR MAP



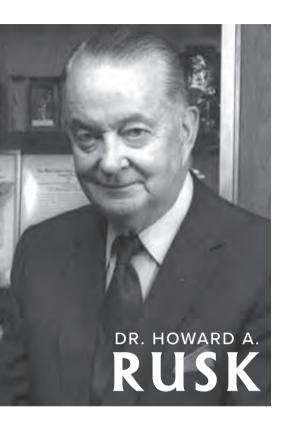
Because there were no national or state departments of transportation highway organizations when many roads were paved, automobile clubs were formed and they developed and promoted their own routes. By 1925, there were more than 250 named highways, each with their own colored signs. These signs were often placed haphazardly, and with no consistency, a fact which created great confusion to the driver of the day.

The United States Highway System, or simply "US" Highways, is a nationwide system of highways that was developed to enable travelers to follow standardized routes across any part of the nation. The development of the US Highway System was the first time in history that a national standard was set for roads and highways. Pikes Peak Ocean to Ocean Highway was designated as US Highway 36 in 1926 and today Missouri's portion of US Highway 36, measures 195 miles between Hannibal and St. Joseph.





# Innovators of CENTRAL 36



You could argue that Dr. Howard A. Rusk, a Brookfield native and perhaps one of the more overlooked innovators along Missouri Highway 36, actually was among the first to acknowledge the region's strong historic connections. It was in his 1972 autobiography that he wrote his hometown was "halfway between the worlds of Mark Twain and Jesse James." He surely couldn't have imagined that, 43 years later, he'd be sharing print space with those wellknown figures in a travelogue.

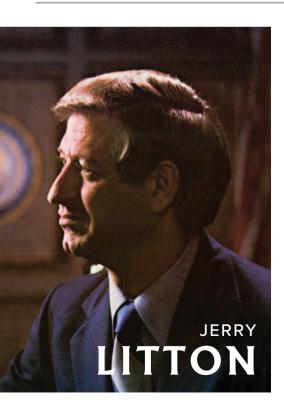
Known as the father of rehabilitative medicine, Rusk's work was guided by his desire to help injured and disabled people – who often were overlooked by the medical community - to lead full lives, regardless of physical limitations. Rusk believed that a person did not

"need physical wholeness to be the best at a particular occupation, whether it be lawyer, doctor, elevator operator, teacher, researcher, potato peeler or even President of the United States."

During his career, Rusk helped thousands of individuals achieve a better quality of life through his approach to rehabilitation and his work to change attitudes within the medical community toward working with the physically disabled.

As a result, amputees, paraplegics, stroke victims, and others afflicted by physical challenges found hope in rehabilitative medicine.

Rusk lived his life by the motto with which he ended his aforementioned autobiography: "To believe in rehabilitation is to believe in humanity." Source: State Historical Society of Missouri



Innovators in every industry have had a lasting impact on our lives, but perhaps none as important as the progress that is made in modern farming and food production. Many people know Jerry Litton as an influential United States Congressman who's bright political future was cut short by a tragic plane crash in 1976.

However his contributions in the field of agricultural were equally impressive. The Litton Ranch in Chillicothe became known world-wide as for a new crossbred Charolais Cattle which set the standard for production and quality.

On August 3, 1976, a tragic airplane accident took the life of Congressman Jerry Litton, United States Representative from Missouri's Sixth District. Also killed were Jerry's wife Sharon, their two

children Linda and Scott; Jerry's good friend and pilot Paul Rupp, Jr. and the pilot's son, Paul Rupp III.

The accident put a premature end to the brilliant career of a young Missouri farm boy who rose to prominence as a public speaker for the Future Farmers of America, became a nationally known breeder of Charolais cattle, and fulfilled a lifelong dream of becoming a United States Congressman by the age of 35.

He died on the night he won a hotly contested primary race for the U.S. Senate seat vacated by retiring Senator Stuart Symington. Jerry was 39 years old.

Litton and his family made lasting contributions which impacted modern farming and food production; a true innovator from the soil around Chillicothe and Highway 36.



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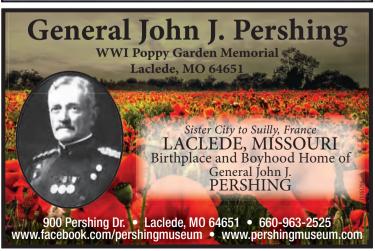
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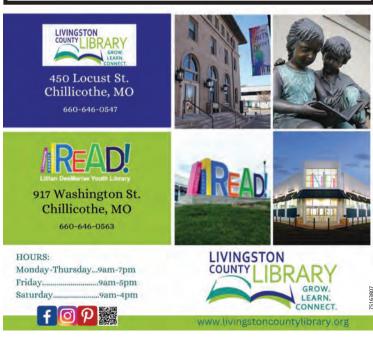
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One of the northernmost cities along this section of the Highway 36 corridor is Kirksville, home of Dr. A.T. Still. Learn more about his life and contributions to medicine at the Museum of Osteopathic Medicine on the campus of Andrew Taylor Still University (ATSU).

For more local history and a sampling of the arts, visit the Adair County Historical Society Museum, the Sue Ross Arts Center, and the Ruth Towne Museum on the campus of Truman State University.

Along with Dr. Still, Kirksville is well known among outdoor enthusiasts for its great hunting opportunities. Also, Kirksville has one of the region's outdoor gems, Thousand Hills State Park. Popular among hikers and cyclists, Thousand Hills has recreational opportunities on Forest Lake, plus a campground and cabins.

About 30 minutes south of Kirksville, in Macon, more opportunities for outdoor fun are found at Long Branch State Park. Inside the park is the popular Long Branch Lake, which has a swimming beach and some of the area's best bass fishing. Camping and hiking are other popular activities at the park.

Macon is a great place to take in a live performance, too, thanks to Maples Repertory **Theatre.** Shows are staged in the renovated, circa 1889 Royal Theatre from June-December and include everything from full-scale productions to cabaret concerts. For a real

taste of Macon, visit West Winery, where you sip a variety of grape and fruit wines in a casual atmosphere.

Macon is a hub of activity for those interested in all things related to trains. Just north of Macon, in La Plata, the Amtrak History **Exhibition and Gallery** is found inside two Amtrak train baggage cars adjacent to the Depot Inn and Suites. South of Macon, in Moberly, the Railroad Museum has loads of information on railroad history and an original caboose. And at Rothwell Park, jump on the Magic City Line for a mini train ride.

Also in Rothwell Park, stop for a selfie with the statue of Gen. Omar N. Bradley, a hometown hero and American military genius who grew up in Randolph County and graduated from Moberly High School.

The roaring waters of the Mississippi River in Hannibal mark the end of your eastward passage on Missouri Highway 36 as you leave the Show-Me State.

Known as the hometown of Mark Twain, one of the featured figures along The Way of American Genius, Hannibal boasts several attractions connected to the author's life.

The Mark Twain Boyhood Home and Museum, for example, includes the Clemens home (Twain's birth name was Samuel L. Clemens), along with the Becky Thatcher House - the family home of the girl who inspired Tom Sawyer's fictional love interest.

Elsewhere around the city, enjoy a tour

# 36

of Mark Twain Cave. After over 100 years of searching, Sam Clemens' (Mark Twain's) signature was discovered in Mark Twain Cave in the summer of 2019. This huge discovery is now on the cave tour!

Take in a scenic and informative tour on board the Mark Twain Riverboat and learn about Hannibal's most famous citizen at the Mark Twain Boyhood Home & Museum.

After learning about the city's history, connect with local artists and artisans in downtown shops, grab lunch or dinner, indulge on a chocolate sampling spree, or simply relax with a cold drink crafted by local brewmasters.

As you travel along the Highway 36 corridor (36 miles both north and south of the actual highway) you'll find several opportunities for off-the-beaten path exploration.

South of Hannibal, and also on the banks of the Mississippi, you find stops such as the Louisiana Area Historical Museum in Louisiana. To the west you'll have a chance to fish, splash or boat on Mark Twain Lake, near the communities of Florida, Perry and Monroe City.

#### **REGIONAL EVENTS:**

JULY - National Tom Sawyer Days, Hannibal; NEMO Fair, Kirksville AUGUST - Fork and Cork Artisan Festival, Macon

OCTOBER - Folklife Festival, Hannibal



Downtown Hannibal

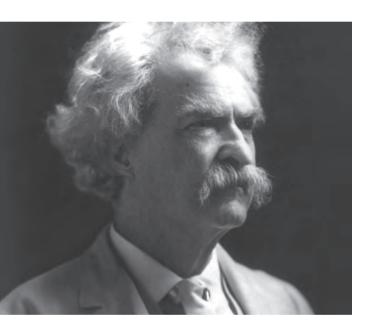


# Geniuses of EAST 36

# MARK TWAIN

My works are like water. The works of the great masters are like wine. But everyone drinks water.

-Mark Twain





In the decades after the Civil War, Mark Twain represented part of a cultural rejection of European traditions and the "discovery" and adoption of a uniquely American traditions and styles. The legacy of Mark Twain is one of genius—a genius that could only have been fostered in the American Midwest, in Missouri.

Born to Judge John Clemens in Florida, Missouri, in 1835, Samuel Langhorne Clemens—only under the pen did he adopt the name Mark Twain—experienced a sense of "exhilaration and spirit of adventure" in northeast Missouri where he encountered a "world in little."

By the family's move to Hannibal in the 1840s, the dramas of the timesincluding the fever for

westward expansion, the battle over abolition, and the contentious process of defining American culture were on full display there. Immortalized most famously in the characters and stories of Huckleberry Finn and Tom Sawyer, Twain's memories of childhood and the lessons it taught him reverberated throughout his novels, essays, speeches, and autobiographical works.

Often called the "son of Missouri," or the "first Missourian," even referring to himself once as "Missouri's most deserving son," Twain's tales of Midwest life helped to show the nation that American culture was not simply found in the high culture circles of New England but that it could be found along the Hannibal-St. Joseph Railway—the Way of American Genius.

To learn more about Mark Twain, visit the Mark Twain Boyhood Home and other sites in Hannibal!



# Geniuses of EAST 36

# MOLLY BROWN

In a three-room cottage in Hannibal's Denkler Alley, Margaret Tobin was born in 1867 to a family of laboring Irish Catholic immigrants. Life in Reconstruction-era Hannibal was not bountiful for the family. As a child, Margaret was heartbroken that her laboring father was too exhausted from work to enjoy any of life's fancies, and she dreamed of buying her father a grand home with all imaginable comforts. Whatever her father was unable to give the family in money, he gave to them in a wealth of progressive values and devotion to others.

Dreaming of better opportunities, she moved to the Colorado mines with her brother and sister. She quickly found love and married J.J. Brown for whom fate struck again—this time in the form of a new ore seam and a sizeable fortune as reward. Lest she become the passive wife to a careless mining baron, Maggie (as she was known to friends in her lifetime) used their money and the social status it entailed to turn toward social issues on

a number of fronts: education, women's suffrage, labor rights, public health, penal reform, and more.

After the family moved to Denver around the turn of the century, Tobin Brown met the Progressive Era head on and used the disdain for class divisions and desire for change sewn in her as a child along the Mississippi to guide her philanthropy. When she found herself among the wreckage of the Titanic in 1912 and in the national spotlight, she was given a new nickname—"the Unsinkable Molly Brown," that became an almost mythical figure of philanthropy and feminism. But Tobin Brown met the Titanic tragedy with her typical genius: wielding wealth with compassion to help those in need, but she used the national attention to amplify the work she had been doing for years. The Titanic was a pivotal moment in her work, but it was not the beginning; from Hannibal, she carried forth a torch of progressivism and reform ignited along the Way of American Genius.



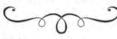


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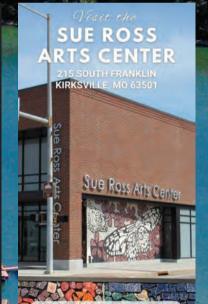
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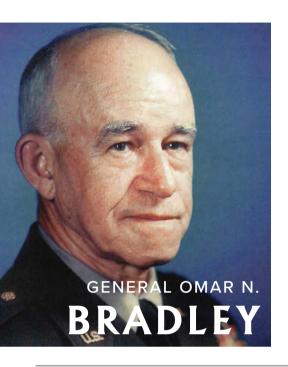


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# Innovators of EAST 36



Born in Clark, Mo., in 1893, Bradley moved to Moberly as a teenager and later attended the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, At West Point, Bradley ranked 44th in his class of 164 (a class that included future President Dwight D. Eisenhower).

In 1940, Bradley commanded the Infantry School in Fort Benning, Georgia. After U.S. forces suffered a defeat in North Africa in 1943, then Gen. Eisenhower sent for Bradley, who led a victory over German forces.

After next leading the U.S. to a successful invasion of Sicily, Bradley was tasked with the Invasion of Normandy. He led troops on D-Day (June 6, 1944)

when Allied forces moved against the German army in France.

Before the war ended in May 1945, Bradley held the distinction of serving as field commander of the largest American force in history.

In 1949, Bradley was named the first-ever Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and by 1950 was appointed by Congress as General of the Army with five stars.

In all of history, that rank is only exceeded by the nation's first president and, strangely enough, another prominent military leader from Missouri, Gen. John J. Pershing. Sources: State Historical Society of Missouri, Hall of Famous Missourians

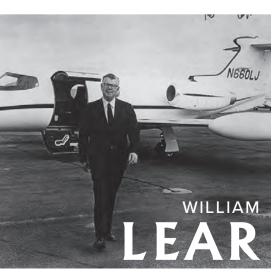


Born in Pike County, Missouri, and raised in Hannibal, Arizona Leedonia Cleaver Stemons was educated at Douglas School, a public school in Hannibal, Missouri, where she later returned to teach. Upon graduating high school, furthering her education was a priority, leading to her attendance of Howard University in Washington D.C.

During her time at university, Stemons excelled academically and envisioned a progressive organization that would

address societal issues affecting all humanity. She helped found Zeta Phi Beta Sorority in 1920, with programs designed to demonstrate concern for the human condition.

Zeta Phi Beta has grown to an international organization with a worldwide membership of more than 100,000. There are chapters from Africa to Belgium, with a continuing focus on service and bettering society for all humanity.



When it comes to innovators, few connected with Missouri's Way of American Genius are as prolific as William "Bill" Lear. Born in Hannibal in 1902, Lear is best known as the man who invented the Lear jet, but his first love was radio - and all things related to it.

While living as a teen in Oklahoma, Lear opened a small radio lab in his home. He developed a "B" battery eliminator so radios could run on household electricity.

After World War II, he created the Lear F-5 Autopilot, which allowed

pilots to lock onto homing signals and land aircraft in what's called "zero zero" weather, meaning clouds are down to the ground and visibility is zero.

In 1962 Lear put all his effort and money into developing an aircraft for the individual. By 1963, his dreams were a reality. Sales of the Lear Jet topped \$52 million in the first year.

Lear also is credited with creating the eight-track stereo and cartridge system, a multibillion dollar industry in the late 1970s.

Source: National Aviation Hall of Fame

# DISCOVER KIRKSVILLE, MO

The History, Landmarks and People

Zac Burden, mayor of Kirksville Missouri, would like to welcome you to the Explore Kirksville Tour.

Like many cities and towns across the American interior, Kirksville was built by hardworking pioneers, many of them immigrants, who created the city with their far-seeing vision and lots of elbow grease. One of these was Jesse Kirk, the town's namesake. Legend has it that Kirk plied the town surveyors with a dinner of turkey and whiskey at his tavern in exchange for the naming of the town for him. Whether or not this beloved legend of ours is true, there's no doubt that Kirk went on to earn his role as namesake, going on to become an important Kirksville business and civic leader as well as a kind and charitable citizen.

Kirk was one of a core of pioneers who planted the seeds of building and commerce here in Kirksville. Many of those who followed in his entrepreneurial footsteps went on to head vast business empires in a variety of industries, including farming, ranching, automobiles, real estate and more. On this tour, you'll meet some of these colorful and far-seeing personalities at the places where they lived, worked and created.

Kirksville was also the scene of one of the most important Missouri battles of the American Civil War, and in this tour you'll witness the courage and compassion of Kirksville's citizens, who not only braved the battle but aided the wounded and literally buried the dead—both Union and rebel.

From Gothic Revival to Egyptian Revival to the International Style, you'll find here

a microcosm of the evolution of American architecture, including numerous buildings designed by Kirksville's own acclaimed home-grown architect, Irwin Dunbar. Along the way you'll visit eighteen buildings on the National Register of Historic Places as well as a number of local historic landmarks important to Kirksville's particular heritage.

Central to that heritage is Kirksville's legacy as the birthplace of osteopathic medicine, the revolutionary treatment method developed by Kirksville's pioneering physician, A.T. Still, DO. On this tour you'll discover how Still's treatments helped to shape not only the future of modern medicine but, very literally, the physical city of Kirksville, as schools, hospitals, office buildings and hotels were constructed to keep up with the influx of doctors, students and patients who poured into Kirksville for osteopathic treatments and still do.

Your tour route includes thirty-five sites that feature accompanying audio stories. As you near each of these sites, the stories will trigger automatically, but you can also choose to read the story or follow along with it. You'll also find historic photographs to help you envision the heritage of each location. In addition to these audio stops, there are dozens of additional sites featured along the route with informational nuggets about the commercial and architectural history of each. Take some time to learn about the history, and also stop into the local shops, cafes and other businesses to meet the great people of Kirksville.

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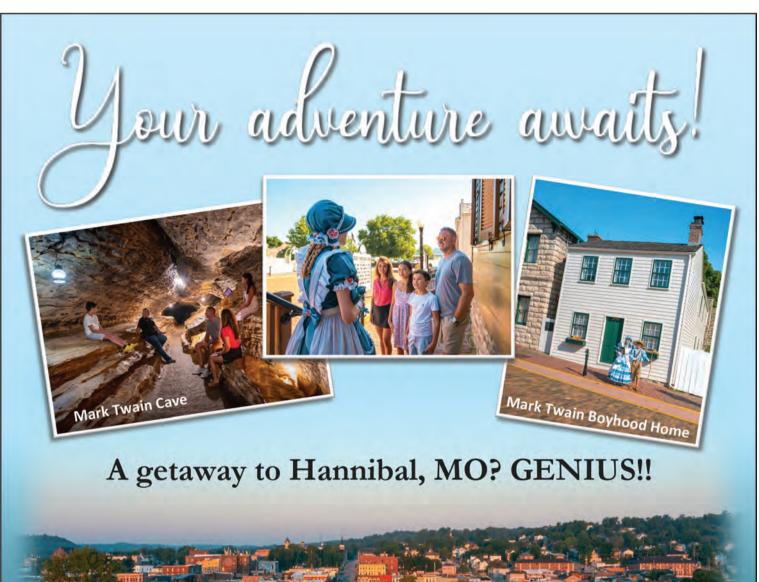


Kirksville Post Office in the 1930s





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- National Tom Sawyer Days 4<sup>th</sup> of July Week
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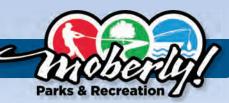


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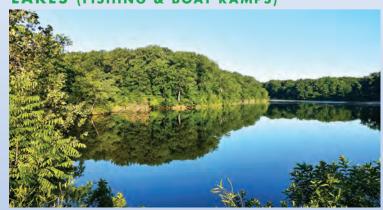
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#### **RUTH W. TOWNE MUSEUM KIRKSVILLE**

660-785-4114, Corner of Franklin and Normal. Truman State University houses a wide-range of memorabilia and artifacts from Missouri's history in the Ruth Towne Museum, located at the corner of Franklin and Normal. The museum also houses the University's Office of Admission visit truman edu

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MONROE CITY 314 South Main St. This church, also known as Brush Creek Church, is an architectural treasure which is famous as the site of the baptism of the first African-American priest in the United States.

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#### **RALLS COUNTY COURTHOUSE**

**NEW LONDON 573-985-7111, 311 S** Main St. The Ralls County Courthouse is located on Main Street. Constructed in 1858, it is the oldest continuouslyserving county courthouse west of the Mississippi River. The basement features a mural depicting Ralls County history. www.rallscountymo.net

#### **COAL MINERS MUSEUM/NOVINGER** LOG HOMESTEAD NOVINGER

660-488-6450, 804 Corrigan Ave. Traces the impact of coal mining from a local perspective; contains mining implements and artifacts, farm antiques, and memorabilia from prominent citizens and area husinesses

#### **NOVINGER LOG HOME NOVINGER**

660-342-6455, Coal Street and Snyder Ave. The log homestead was restored by Novinger Renewal and features a two-story log house built in 1848, a double-pen log barn, a log smokehouse and an outhouse. The log house is furnished with period items and local memorabilia, as well as a library of books relating to area families and history. The log homestead in located just one block north of the Coal Miners Museum. www.visitmo.com/things-to-do/ novinger-log-homestead

#### HALLS CHUCK WAGON PALMYRA

573-769-3064, 220 South Main Street. Hall's Chuckwagon is a family owned catering company, we offer both full meals, and catering facilities to accommodate 150 people located in Palmyra, Mo. halls-chuckwagon-andhalls.business.site

#### HERITAGE SEEKERS HOUSE MUSEUM PALMYRA

573-769-3076, 415 South Main Street. History Museum of Palmyra area & Marion County, MO. Major site of Civil War history in Northeast Missouri which includes the Palmyra Massacre, October 18, 1862. Find us on Facebook.

#### MONROE COUNTY MUSEUM PARIS

660-327-1831, 300 North Main, In the Monroe County Courthouse, the museum contains many exhibits depicting the history of Monroe County. Numerous stone tools are on display, dating from prehistoric settlement to the early 1800s. Also includes weaponry, farm and home items dating from early white settlement through the Civil War into the 20th century, www.monroehistory.

#### UNION COVERED BRIDGE PARIS

573-248-9980, 20700 Monroe County Road 962. The only "Burr-arch" covered bridge in Missouri is located near Paris. Named for the Union Church which once stood nearby, this 125 foot-long, 17 1/2 foot-wide bridge was built in 1871 by Joseph C. Elliott for \$5,000. www.mostateparks.com/ park/union-covered-bridge-statehistoric-site

#### M.W. BOUDREAUX MEMORIAL VISITOR CENTER PERRY

573-565-2112, 21629 State Highway J. Spectacular views of the lake and dam are provided by a large viewing deck that surrounds the north side of the new building and extends across a foot bridge to a dam and spillway overlook.

#### **BATTLE OF ATHENS STATE** HISTORIC SITE REVERE

660-877-3871, 12378 Athers State Park Road, Battle of Athens Historic Site is a place of beauty and significance. Its historic buildings, tree-studded landscape, and mile of Des Moines River frontage make the site a perfect place to hike, picnic or camp. www. mostateparks.com

#### **SHELBINA LAKE SHELBINA**

573-588-4755. Shelbina Lake is a great place for a variety of activities. There is something for everyone, including fishing, boating, 5 shelter houses, a 9-hole grass green golf course, playground equipment, restrooms, volleyball court, tennis court & basketball court. Approximately 76 camper hook up sites, along with a few tent sites. cityofshelbina.com/lake.htm

#### **VETERANS PARK AND MURALS**

**SLATER** 660-529-2271, 232 N. Main. The Slater Veterans Park in downtown offers a fitting tribute to the men and women that have served our country. It offers a tranquil setting to relax. have lunch or enjoy the beautiful water garden. https://www.visitmo. com/things-to-do/slater-veterans-parkmurals



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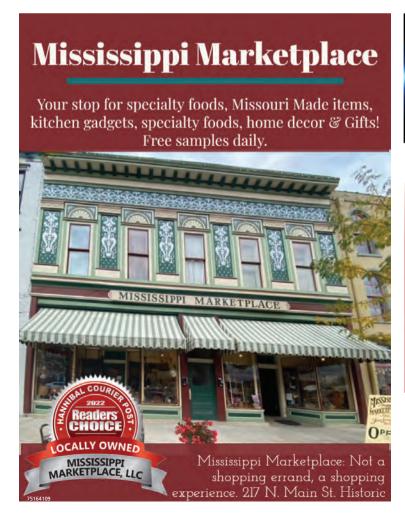
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Perry Timber Ridge Resort 22764 Joanna Drive 866-565-3135 MarkTwainLake.info
Stoutsville Mark Twain State Park Cabins 20057 State Park Office Road 573-565-3440 MoStateParks.com
Stoutsville South Fork Resort 36765 Route 154 866-382-0033 SouthForkResort.com



### **CAMPING**

Bevier	Bevier RV Center	955 N. Macon St.	660-773-5313	facebook.com/bevier-rv-center
Bowling Green	Cozy C RV Campground	16733 Hwy 54	573-324-3055	CozyCampground.com
Canton	Mississippi Riverfront Park	700 N. Ford St	573-288-4413	ShowMeCanton.com
Curryville	Back Forty Camping	5909 Pike 32	573-324-3948	BackFortyBluegrassPark.com
Hannibal	Mark Twain Cave Complex	300 Cave Hollow Road	573-231-1000	MarkTwainCave.com
Hannibal	Molly's Riverview Retreat	322 North St.		AirBNB.com
Kirksville	Eagle Lodge RV Park	27399 Starlight Trail	660-332-1387	eaglelodgervparkkirksville.com
Kirksville	The Fort	26826 Yarrow Trail	660-216-3290	yarrowfort.com
Kirksville	Lakeroad Village RV Park	23067 Potter Trail	660-665-2228	LakeRoadRV.com
Kirksville	NEMO Fairgrounds	2700 E. Illinois St	660-665-8800	nemofair.net
Kirksville	Thousand Hills State Park Campground	20431 Missouri 157	660-665-6995	MoStateParks.com
Macon	Long Branch State Park Campground	28615 Visitor Center Road	660-773-5229	MoStateParks.com
Moberly	Thompson Campground at Rothwell Park	207 Rothwell Park Road	660-998-0143	MoberlyMo.org/parks
Monroe City	Frank Russell Campground	20642 Hwy J	573-735-4097	ReserveAmerica.com
Monroe City	Indian Creek Campground	20642 Hwy J	573-735-4097	ICMarina.com
Monroe City	Mark Twain Landing	42819 Landing Lane	573-735-9422	ReserveAmerica.com
New London	The Meadow Campground	15301 US-61	844-424-2267	themeadowcampground.com
Perry	Ray Behrens Campground	20642 Hwy J	573-735-4097	ReserveAmerica.com
Shelbina	Shelbina Lake Campgrounds	5364 Golf Course Drive	573-588-4755	CityofShelbina.com/lake
Stoutsville	Mark Twain State Park Campground	20057 State Park Office Road	573-5653440	MoStateParks.com









## **BED & BREAKFAST**

Clarksville	Overlook Farm Bed and Breakfast	Highway W	573-242-3838	OverlookFarmMO.com
Clarksville	Village of Blue Rose Bed and Breakfast	12533 Hwy 79	573-242-3539	VillageBlueRose.org
Hannibal	Belvedere Inn Bed & Breakfast	521 Bird St.	217-799-6086	belvedereinnhannibal.com
Hannibal	Dubach Inn	221 N. Fifth St	573-355-1167	DubachInn.com
Hannibal	Garden House Bed and Breakfast	301 N. 5th	573-221-7800	GardenHouseBedandBreakfast.com
Hannibal	Garth Woodside Bed & Breakfast	11069 New London Road	573-221-2789	GarthMansion.com
Hannibal	Main Street Bed and Breakfast	Main at Center St.	573-406-3892	mainstbb.com
Hannibal	The Quarry House	511 Birch Street	815-332-4331	thequarryhouseofhannibal.com
Hannibal	Rockcliffe Mansion Bed and Breakfast	1000 Bird Street	573-221-4140	RockcliffeMansion.com
Kirksville	Brashear House Bed and Breakfast	1318 E. Normal St	660-349-8213	BrashearHouse.com
Louisiana	Applegate Bed and Breakfast	738 Frankford Road	573-754-4322	Louisiana-Mo.com
Louisiana	Eagle's Nest Bed and Breakfast	217 Georgia St	573-754-9888	ThEaglesNest-Louisiana.com
Perry	Kennedy's Red Barn Inn	22748 Joanna Drive	573-828-4726	RedBarnInn.com
Stoutsville	Lodge At Mark Twain Lake	20884 Monroe CR 479	573-672-3230	LodgeAtMarkTwainLake.com





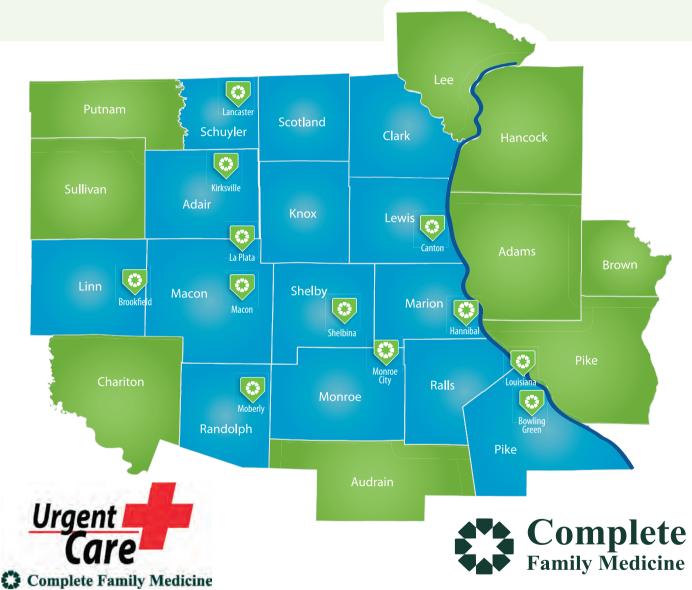








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# HONORING DUR MILITARY HEROES

For those who have an interest in military history, The Way of American Genius has many stories to share and personalities to discover.

The Way of American Genius has no shortage of generals and military men of genius. The Hwy 36 corridor is the home of the highest ranking official in the history of the US Army. General John J. **Pershing** spent his pre-military life in the small town of Laclede. The museum and boyhood home there tell his impressive story.

North of Laclede, the town of Trenton honors General Crowder. Enoch Herbert Crowder is best known as the father of the Selective Service Act. During World War I, he served as judge advocate general and provost marshal general. In 1923, he was appointed as the first ambassador to Cuba. Learn more about the life of Crowder by visiting Crowder State Park.

In Moberly, a statue honoring General Omar Bradley stands in Rothwell Park. Bradley was born in Clark, Missouri, on February 12, 1893 and was a highly decorated senior officer of the United States Army who saw distinguished service in North Africa and Western Europe during World War II. Before his military career, he attended Moberly High School and was a star player for the school's baseball team.

**General Maxwell Davenport Taylor** 

was a four star of the US Army of the mid-20th century, who served as the fifth Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff after having been appointed by the President.

General Sterling Price was a soldier,



Adair County Veterans Memorial

lawyer, planter, and politician who served as the 11th Governor of Missouri from 1853 to 1857. He also served as a US Army during the Mexican-American War, and a Confederate Army major general in the American Civil War. There is a statue and a museum in Keytsville, just south of

Hwy 36.

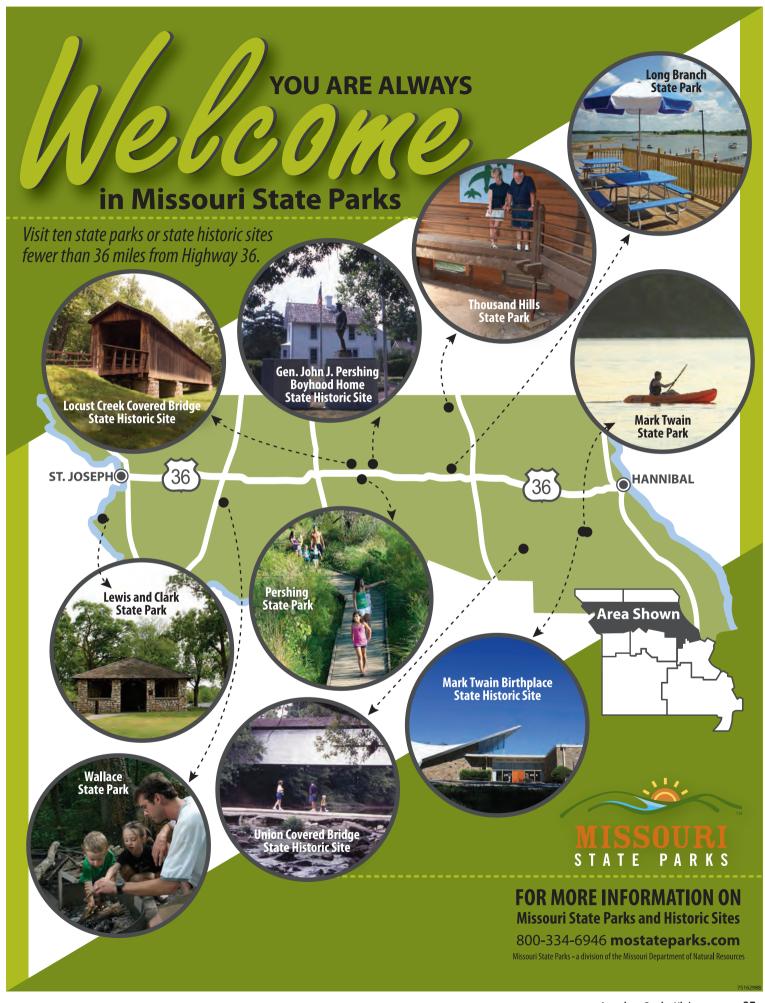
Three Civil War Battle Sites can be found along the corridor including The Battle of Kirksville, near Kirksville, The Battle of Athens near Revere and The Battle of Painter Creek, five miles north of New Cambria.

Additionally, Civil War buffs should visit several significant sites along Hwy 36. The Old Baptist Cemetery in Hannibal has a panel commemorating soldiers from the historic 55th Massachusetts Regiments and the 39th Missouri Volunteer Infantry who are buried there.

Macon, located on the Mason-Dixon line, was home to 7000 soldiers at one point. St. Agnes Hall was built in 1846 for use as a Union Army Headquarters.

The Blees Mansion in Macon is a civil war era building used as a military academy and is now home to a museum. In St. Joseph, Fort Smith Park is named after Colonel Robert F. Smith and was erected in 1861 as a safeguard against conflicting armies battling on either side of the state line.

Highway 36 itself is a tribute to the service of our military men and women; it has been named as the VFW Memorial Highway to honor our veterans for their faithful service to our country.





Bike Trail, St. Joseph

#### CYCLE ACROSS NORTH MISSOURI

The bike route across north Missouri connects Hannibal, on the Mississippi River on the east side of the state, with the Missouri River and St. Joseph on the west.

After the Missouri Department of Transportation developed an audio tour for motorists to listen to as they drove the Highway 36 corridor, a bike route along Highway 36 was a natural fit.

Bikers, either on short trips or long tours, can enjoy the terrific riding offered by the quiet roads in the area as they explore the historic sites, state parks and other natural and cultural attractions along the way.

The bike route was developed using Google maps and detailed maps provided by the state highway department (which included vehicle counts and other information). For the most part the route aimed for low-traffic, high scenery state and county roads that paralleled the main four-lane highway and hit as many of the scenic attractions, historic sites, state parks, and charming little towns as possible along the way.

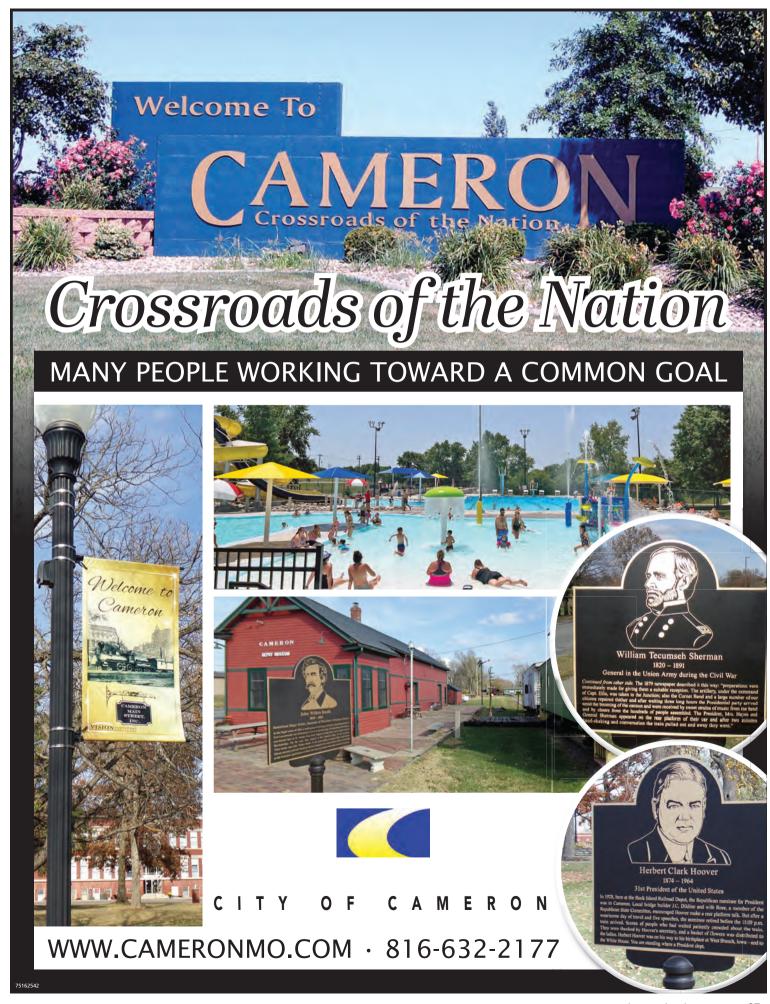
Once the route was complete on paper, local cyclists and others were asked to give feedback on the suitability of the routes selected. Then a full-blown test ride was completed to get a first-person look and to ensure the route followed the roads that were the best options for cyclists. This ride took three days to cover the 260 miles, covering 80-90 miles a day.

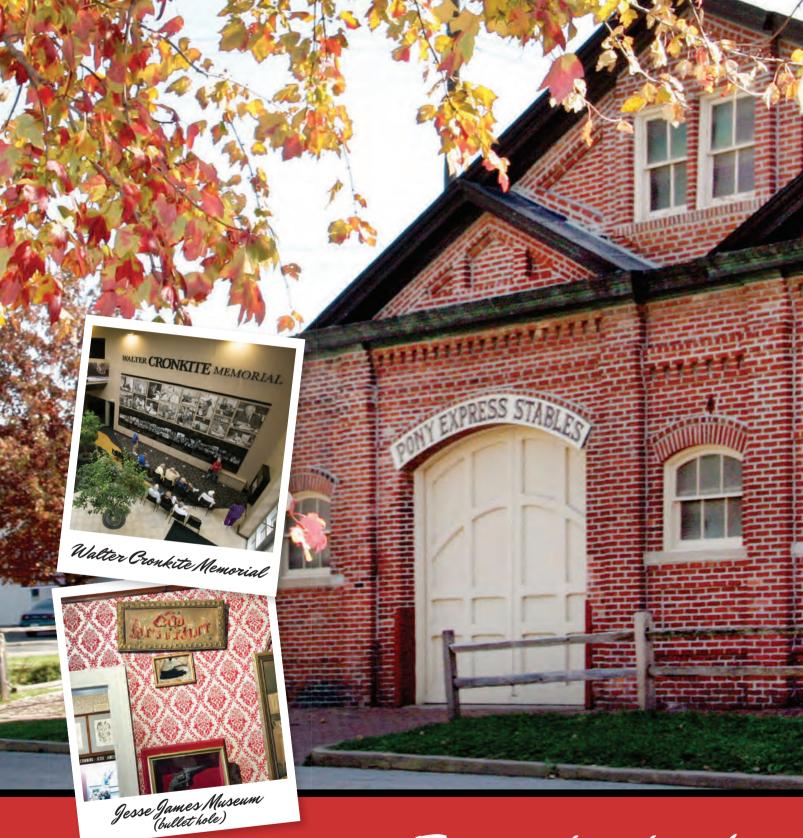
The new route has received a lot of attention from regional and national cycling groups, and there is talk about its eventual inclusion in the U.S. Bike Route System, a national network of existing bike routes.

To view and download maps of the bike routes, visit www.americangeniushighway.com and click on the "Family Fun" link at the top of the page!











# The ponies have changed, the spirit is the same.

Walter Cronkite, Jesse James, Coleman Hawkins and the founders of the Pony Express all have special ties to Highway 36, The Way of the American Genius. So make time to get off the road and learn about them and more, in St. Joseph, Missouri. For attractions, festivals, and events, visit StJoMo.com!