

## Howard's Toys for Big Boys

Opened in April of 2017 in the heart of downtown, Howard's Toys for Big Boys showcases Howard Alger's classic car collection and other memorabilia. Located at 216 E. Main, the museum is open 9am-4pm Mon-Thurs. and 1-4pm Friday. Tours at other times and private tours can be arranged. No admission charge. Call (620) 902-5100 Monday - Thursday.



## Summit Hill Gardens

A blend of art, nature and historic preservation, Summit Hill Gardens offers a step back in history. The first school in Neosho County, Summit Hill was restored and a historic home and a modern structure were added to create a one-of-a-kind family residence. Hand-crafted soaps and other items are available for sale in the gift store. Soap-making demonstrations can be scheduled. An event center is now open for rental in a restored barn on the property. Summit Hill Gardens is located at 2605 160th Road, just 3 miles south of Chanute. For directions, hours and more information, [www.summithillgardens.com](http://www.summithillgardens.com) or (620) 212-3878.



## Shopping in Chanute

You will discover a variety of restaurants and retail shops offering a wide range of goods and services in the historic downtown area.



## OLD-FASHIONED SODA FOUNTAIN

### A step back in time!

Be sure to stop by Cardinal Drug Store in downtown Chanute and take a step back in time. Cardinal is the home of one of the oldest original soda fountains in Kansas. It and the other 30+ still in operation are one of the 8 Wonders of Kansas - Culture. A rare collection of Coke memorabilia and medicine bottles adds to the historic atmosphere.

**Cardinal is located at 103 E. Main**  
**Hours 9am-6pm M-F; 9am-12pm Sat.**



Chanute is the

## Center of Google Earth

on Apple products thanks to programmer Dan Webb, a Chanute native. A mural commemorating this designation is at the intersection of Main Street & Lincoln Avenue.



## Maring Aquatic Center

The Maring Aquatic Center opened in 2010 at the site of the former Chanute High School. The center has a lazy river, slide, children's play area and a competition pool. A party room is available for rental and birthday party packages and after-hours pool rental are available also. The center was named for Norma and Keith Maring, long-time pool managers. For information, visit [www.chanute.org](http://www.chanute.org) or call 620-431-5237.



## Restored Downtown and Historic Homes

Both the downtown and historic home district offer a variety of architectural styles and beautiful examples of restoration. Brochures for self-guided tours of the historic homes (exteriors only) are available at the Chamber office, 21 N. Lincoln. The historic home driving tour takes you down broad tree-lined brick streets that make you feel you have stepped back into another era. Chanute's wonderful downtown is filled with historic buildings, many of which are restored to their original beauty. In addition, Chanute has several WPA structures.



## The Historic Tioga Hotel

Enjoy one of Chanute's treasures - the Tioga Hotel. Built in 1929, the hotel was one of the first completely fire-proof structures in the state. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Tioga building is now home to Tioga Extended Stay Hotel. For more information: (620) 431-3343 or [www.tiogahotel.com](http://www.tiogahotel.com). (Temporarily closed at this time.)



## Santa Fe RV Parking

Camp for up to 10 days - First two days are free, with the remaining days only \$10 per day. Pull-through, padded sites with water and electric. Shower facilities and dump station nearby. Free Wi-Fi. Located in Santa Fe Park with ball diamonds and a great fishing lake nearby. The RV lot is easily accessible at 35th Street and S. Santa Fe only a mile off US 169. No reservations are taken/needed. Chanute takes great pride in being the home of the Kansas RV Center and NuWa Industries, manufacturer of the HitchHiker fifth-wheel trailers.



**10-Day Parking**  
**First 2 Days Free**  
**Next 8 days only**  
**\$10 a day**  
**for all services**

# Chanute



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Thank you for visiting Chanute.

## Martin & Osa Johnson Safari Museum®

111 North Lincoln



Award-winning exhibits and programs highlight the achievements of Martin and Osa Johnson, pioneering documentary filmmakers, photographers, authors, explorers and one of the 8 Wonders of Kansas - People. Relive the Johnsons' 1917-1936 adventures in Africa, Borneo and the South Seas. The museum offers educational programs, showings of Johnson films, a research library and a gift shop. Additional exhibits feature changing themes as well as the Elizabeth Main Le Blond photography collection. Open Tuesday - Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Sundays, Mondays and major holidays. Call (620) 431-2730. Visit [www.safariumuseum.com](http://www.safariumuseum.com). Admission: \$6 Adults; \$4 Seniors & Students; \$3 for 6 - 12 yrs. Group rates available.

## Historic Santa Fe Depot

111 North Lincoln



Built in 1902-03, this was Santa Fe's fifth depot in Chanute and was the hub of the community when it was built. Currently on the Kansas Register of Historic Places, the depot was for many years the Southern Division Headquarters for the Santa Fe Railroad. It featured a large Harvey House Restaurant, Wells Fargo Express office and a reading room and handled 10 passenger trains daily. After soliciting nearly \$2,000,000 in private donations in 1991, the Depot was historically restored and today houses the Martin and Osa Johnson Safari Museum on the south and the Chanute Public Library on the north. The areas adjacent to the depot feature a gazebo, hike/bike trail, a small collection of rail stock and Heroes Way with information on Chanute residents who have contributed to the city.

## Chanute Veterans Memorial



Located at the south end of Santa Fe Park, the Chanute Veterans Memorial was unveiled on Nov. 11, 2013. Funds to construct the memorial were raised from the sale of pavers honoring local and area veterans and by community donations. The memorial was a project of the American Legion Post 170 of Chanute with assistance from the City of Chanute.

## Chanute Art Gallery

17 North Lincoln



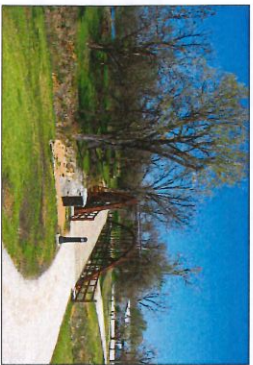
Unique for a small town, the Chanute Art Gallery was founded in 1973 and includes more than 1,500 sq. ft. of exhibit space and houses a Permanent Core Collection that includes 25 mediums, representing 135 artists. Special exhibits change every month. Collections include: The Luigi Kasimir Etchings, European and Oriental Art, The Kansas Prairie Printmakers and local and area artists. Clubs, organizations and groups are welcome. The Gallery is open Tuesday - Saturday from Noon - 4 p.m. Special time tours can be arranged. Closed in January. For more information, call (620) 431-7807.

## Chanute-Wright Brothers Memorial

Located in the heart of downtown, this sculpture was dedicated in September 2003 as a gift to the community by the Chanute High School Class of 1941. The sculpture honors engineer and city namesake Octave Chanute and the Wright Brothers. Chanute was a mentor to Wilbur and Orville Wright and very influential in the early days of flight exploration. The sculpture measures 23 feet from wingtip to wingtip and 20 feet from nose to tail and rotates with the wind. The project was done in partnership with the City of Chanute.



## The Historic Austin Bridge



The King Bridge Company constructed the Austin Bridge in 1872. The 160-foot bowstring arch design spanned the Neosho River east of what is now Chanute. Local pioneers invested \$15,000 for their economic future to build the bridge to get livestock and crops to the railhead. In 1910, the bridge was moved downstream to the community of Austin. In 1972, it was closed to vehicular traffic, remaining open to foot traffic. On September 15, 1977, the bridge was added to the National Register of Historic Places. In August of 1999, the bridge was moved into Santa Fe Park to become the southern terminus of a 3.11-mile hike/bike path.

## Chanute Historical Museum



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Stop by and enjoy one of Chanute's most historic buildings. Commonly known as the Flat Iron Building as well as the Travelers Inn, this unusual structure is now home to a museum featuring Chanute artifacts, memorabilia from the Santa Fe Railroad and Harvey House, the Kansas oil industry, baseball great Paul Lindblad, basketball's Ralph Miller and much more. A replica of the Octave Chanute 1896 biplane glider, which was part of a Smithsonian traveling exhibit, hangs from the three-story, open ceiling. Members of the Chanute Historical Society opened the museum in June 2005. The facility is open Saturday and Sunday 1 to 4 p.m. from May - Sept. or by appointment. For more information, [www.chanutehistory.org](http://www.chanutehistory.org).

## Enjoy Chanute Parks

**Santa Fe Park, 27th & S. Santa Fe:** The largest park in Chanute contains ball diamonds, a sand volleyball court, playground equipment, disc golf, exercise area, fishing, a dog park, picnic areas and shelters. A 3.11-mile hike/bike path leads to the Martin Johnson Airport. Other attractions inside the park include the Historic Austin Bridge and a 762 Steam Engine. The Chanute Municipal Golf Course is located now at 511 S. Country Club Rd.

**Central Park, 2nd & S. Forest:** Great playground equipment for all ages, horseshoes, picnic area and the Central Park Pavilion. To reserve the Pavilion, contact the City at (620) 431-5200.

**Kathy Park, E. Main & Kathy:** Home to Chanute's historic WPA baseball stadium as well as the Unity Sensory Playground, a basketball court, handball court, tennis court, shelter house/picnic area, and a skateboard park. Enjoy the fun and relaxation under large shade trees.

**Highland Park, Chestnut & N. Kansas:** Shelter houses, fountain area, fishing pond, playground, handicap accessible spray park and play area, disc golf course and tennis courts provide a relaxing and fun park.

**Cross Park, 9th & S. Evergreen:** Cross Park is nestled in the historic residential area of South Evergreen. It features a small basketball court and playground equipment for the kids.

**Stone Creek Golf Course:** City-owned 9-hole golf course is a par 71 with 6,300 yards of Bent grass on the greens and Bermuda grass on the tees and fairways.

