

**A Legendary History**  
When you visit Atchison, Kansas, you are following in the footsteps of other great explorers, from Lewis and Clark to Amelia Earhart.

**The First Residents**  
The earliest recorded residents of the Atchison area were the Kanza Indians, for whom the state of Kansas is named. They had a village in what is now the Independence Creek valley (just north of Atchison) that was visited by French explorers in the early 1700s. The Kanza later moved south to villages along the Kansas River and the Kickapoo took their place.

**Early Exploration**  
On July 4, 1804, the Lewis and Clark expedition passed through what is now Atchison and camped near the site of the former Kanza Indian village. In honor of the day, they named two local streams – Fourth of July 1804 Creek and Independence Creek.

**Founding of a Boom Town**  
Fifty years after Lewis and Clark, Atchison became one of the first settlements when the Kansas Territory was opened in 1854. It was founded by pro-slavery advocates from Missouri. They named the town after David R. Atchison, a Missouri senator who, while president pro tem of the Senate, became “U.S. president for a day” on March 4, 1849 when Zachary Taylor refused to take office on a Sunday.

Atchison's position at the westernmost bend of the Missouri River helped it become an important supply point for western migration. With steamboats docking at its levee and overland wagon companies, stage coaches and eventually the railroads, originating here, the city became a leading commercial center. For a few months, the pony express had its eastern terminus in Atchison. Bankers, railroad magnates and merchants built impressive Victorian homes that stand today.

**A Famous Railroad**  
In September 1860, Cyrus K. Holliday and associates incorporated the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad Company in the small law office of Luther Challiss on N. Second Street. By the 1880s, Atchison was one of the major rail centers of the state.

**The Benedictines**  
Benedictine monks from Pennsylvania were among the early settlers in Atchison. They established St. Benedict's Abbey in 1858 and St. Benedict's college a year later. In 1863, the Benedictine Sisters established Mount St. Scholastica College to provide higher education for women. The two schools merged to become the present Benedictine College in 1971. Today, the Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica and the Brothers of St. Benedict's are actively involved in the Atchison community.

**An Industrial Leader**  
Its location on the Missouri River and railroad connections have made Atchison an important industrial center. It has many businesses that have been in existence for well over 100 years including the Berger Company, the Blish-Mize Company, Bradken (formerly LFM Rockwell) and Exchange National Bank. Some of its other industries include the Steinlite Corporation, which introduced the first light-socket powered radio; and MGP Ingredients, the largest producer of specialty wheat proteins and wheat starches in the U.S., as well as a top producer of premium distilled spirits.


**A Favorite Daughter**  
World-famous aviatrix Amelia Earhart was born in her grandparents' Atchison home on July 24, 1897. Earhart lived with her grandparents during the school months and spent much of her formative years in Atchison. An adventurous child, she enjoyed romping along the river bluffs, exploring caves and searching for adventure.

**In the Wake of Natural Disaster**  
Two devastating flash floods in 1958 altered the face of Atchison. Flood damage to dozens of downtown businesses led the city to implement an urban renewal project that transformed the downtown into an outdoor, pedestrian mall – one of the first of its kind in the Midwest and a model for other communities. The city also formed a watershed district that created 24 dams and lakes that circle the city, protecting it from future floods. The largest of these is Warnock Lake, which is surrounded by a sizeable park with picnic facilities, playground and camping.

**Historic Sites**  
**Pony Express Memorial**  
A granite marker at 3rd and Main streets commemorates the Pony Express which, in its last months of operation, originated from Atchison.

**Mount Vernon Cemetery**  
Many prominent early-day Kansans are buried in this hilltop cemetery — three Kansas governors, Senator John J. Ingalls, two pony express riders, legendary train engineer Brit Craft and both sets of Amelia Earhart's grandparents. 2 miles south of Atchison via Price Boulevard and Rawlins Road.

**Mormon Grove**  
A historic marker commemorates the site where some 20,000 Mormons camped before moving on to their “promised land.” Three miles west of Atchison on U.S. Highway 73.  
**St. Patrick's Church**  
The state's oldest church still in continuous use. It was added to the National Register in 1998. Eight miles south on Kansas Highway 7 (west on 234th Road).

**Where to Begin**  


- 1 Visitor Information Center**  
The restored Santa Fe Depot, a community landmark, serves as a Visitor Information Center and houses the Chamber of Commerce offices. Open every day except major holidays, the center provides brochures, maps and a helpful staff who can answer questions about sightseeing in the Atchison area. The Warming Hut is well-stocked with souvenirs of Atchison, the railroads, Amelia Earhart and Kansas. The Chamber of Commerce also helps arrange tours for groups. 200 S. 10th St. | 1-800-234-1854. www.visitatchison.com
- 1 Accommodations**  
**1 AmericInn Motel & Suites**  
46 rooms, some with fireplaces and whirlpools; meeting room, continental breakfast and indoor pool. Adjacent to the Atchison Heritage Center. 500 U.S. Highway 73. | 913-367-4000 or 1-800-634-3444
- 2 Benedictine College**  
Air-conditioned rooms in residence halls, available June 1 - July 31. 1020 N. 2nd St. | 913-360-7699.
- 3 Holiday Inn Express Atchison**  
Modern new facility which is complimented by memorable amenities including our full hot breakfast, extensive fitness facility, guest laundry and indoor pool. 401 Main St. | (913) 674-0033
- 4 Hotel Eastin Riverwalk**  
Recently remodeled. Each room is air conditioned and features a TV with cable channels. Free Wifi. 401 S. 10th St. 913-367-7000
- 5 Tuck-U-Inn at Glick Mansion Bed & Breakfast**  
Elegant and contemporary furnishings in a National Register home built in 1873 for George W. Glick, 9th governor of Kansas. Five guest rooms with private baths. Full breakfast served in the spacious dining room or on the sunporch. 503 N. 2nd St. | 913-367-9110. www.glickmansion.com
- 6 Super 8 Motel**  
45 rooms with cable TV; meeting room; studiorooms and continental breakfast. 509 S. 9th. | 913-367-7666

- Meeting/Event Venues**  
**4 Atchison Event Center**  
Ideal for conferences, reunions, weddings, business meetings and retreats. Food and beverage service available, as well as meeting rooms, administrative and audio/visual services. 710 S. 9th St. 913-367-1162 or 800-467-1164. www.atchisonheritage.com
- 5 Elizabeth's**  
Upscale event space with catering available from Jerry's Again restaurant. Located at 121 N. 5th St. Call (913) 367-0577 for reservations.
- 6 Paolucci's Banquet Room**  
Sat & Sun morning breakfast buffet, also used for overflow, birthday parties, anniversary parties, rehearsal dinners, small wedding receptions, funeral dinners, etc. Paolucci's also caters. Located at 115 S. 3rd. 913-367-1241 or 913-367-6105

**Legend**

- Historic Driving Tour
- Other Points of Interest
- Accommodations
- Parks

Locations are keyed to map on reverse side

**Museums**  
**3 Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum**  
On July 24, 1897, aviatrix Amelia Earhart was born in this home, built by her grandfather in the early 1860s. It is owned and operated as a museum by The Ninety-Nines Inc., an international organization of women pilots. Earhart helped found the group in 1929 and served as its first president. Recent renovations have returned the birthplace to its condition at the turn of the century when Earhart lived here with her grandparents. Minimal fee. Open Mon-Fri 9am-4pm, Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 1pm-4pm. Call for winter hours. 223 N. Terrace St. 913-367-4217. www.ameliaearhartmuseum.org

**1 Atchison County Historical Society Museum**  
This museum in the restored Santa Fe Depot traces the history of the region. Exhibits highlight Atchison's transition from a bend in the Missouri River to a busy commercial center for steamboats, westward-bound wagon trains and the railroads. Highlights include a display of Amelia Earhart's personal effects, a large collection of rare guns dating back to the Revolutionary War and displays on the Lewis & Clark expedition. Open daily. Donations appreciated. 200 S. 10th St. 913-367-6238. www.atchisonhistory.org

**1 Atchison Railroad Museum**  
Adjacent to the Santa Fe Depot, the Atchison Railroad Museum features an outdoor collection of rail cars and is available for viewing throughout the year (weather permitting). NEKR members operate the Atchison & Western Miniature Railroad, a 12" gauge railroad, on weekends from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Donations are appreciated. 200 S. 10th St. 913-367-2427

**14 Evah C. Cray Historical Home Museum**  
Recently renovated and updated, this 25-room mansion is a glorious example of the opulence of the Victorian era. Built in 1882, it is distinguished by a three-story castle-like tower. Ornate fireplaces, carved woodwork and original chandeliers mix with Victorian furnishings. The carriage house features a gift store and a small theatre in which a film on the architecture of Atchison can be viewed. Open daily, May - August; Friday - Monday in April and Sept. - Oct.; closed Nov. - Feb. Call for winter hours. Minimal fee charged and discount for seniors. 805 N. 5th St. 913-367-3046

**6 Muchnic Art Gallery**  
Parquet floors, stained-glass windows, hand-tooled leather and finely-carved woodwork make an impressive backdrop for displays of art by regional and national artists. A lumber merchant built this spectacular Queen Anne-style mansion in 1887-1888. The Muchnic family bequeathed the home to the community to be used for art purposes. Art exhibits are displayed on the second floor from March through December. Open Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Minimal fee. Groups by appointment. 704 N. 4th St. 913-367-4278. www.atchison-art.org. email: atchart@ponyexpress.net

**Other Attractions**  
**1 Atchison Historic Trolley Tours**  
The best way to see Atchison and learn about its rich history is aboard the Atchison Trolley or the RiverCity Coach, which provides narrated tours from April to October. You'll discover Victorian mansions, historic sites and impressive views of the Missouri River. Call for hours. Santa Fe Depot, 200 S. 10th. 1-800 234-1854. www.visitatchison.com

**2 International Forest of Friendship**  
A life-size bronze statue of Amelia Earhart gazes over the International Forest of Friendship, which is a living, growing memorial to those who have been involved in aviation and space exploration. The forest was established as a bicentennial project by the City of Atchison and The Ninety-Nines Inc., an international organization of women pilots. Each year, new honorees are inducted into the forest with plaques embedded in the walkway that winds through trees representing all 50 states and over 35 countries in which forest honorees reside. Several special trees include the "Moon Tree," which was grown from a seed taken to the moon aboard Apollo 14. It is encircled by the Astronaut's Memorial, which honors ten astronauts who lost their lives in space exploration. 17862 274th Rd. at Warnock Lake

**1 Amelia Earhart Earthwork**  
This one-acre portrait was created by famed Kansas artist Stan Herd in 1997. It lies on a hillside overlooking Warnock Lake and is composed of permanent plantings, stone and other natural materials. A viewing deck on a nearby hilltop provides the best ground views of the earthwork. 17862 274th Rd. at Warnock Lake

**11 St. Benedict's Abbey**  
Benedictine monks established St. Benedict's Abbey in the late 1850s. About 40 monks reside at the abbey, which was completed in 1929. The church was designed by a student of Frank Lloyd Wright and was completed in 1957. It features a 44 foot-high nave ceiling, facing choir stalls where monks gather three times a day for common prayer and unique frescoes. Self-guided tours. 1020 N. 2nd St. 913-367-7853. www.kansasmonks.org

**22 Mount St. Scholastica Monastery**  
The Benedictine Sisters of Mount St. Scholastica have been in Atchison since 1863. St. Scholastica Chapel is rich with beautiful marble, a large rose window and stained-glass windows honoring seven martyred women saints. A vaulted ceiling graces the interior of the choir chapel, which has facing choir stalls and stained-glass windows retelling the life of St. Benedict. Guided tours of the chapels and a religious history room by advanced appointment. 801 S. 8th S. 913-360-6200. www.mountsob.org

**11 Benedictine College**  
Benedictine is a four-year, Catholic, co-educational and residential liberal arts college on 100 acres overlooking the Missouri River. Elizabeth Hall, built in 1892 and the school's first residential building, is a notable landmark. 1020 N. 2nd St. 913-367-5340. www.benedictine.edu.

**Arts & Entertainment**  
**Shopping**  
Atchison offers a unique shopping experience with small-town charm. The Commercial Street Mall, a charming, outdoor pedestrian plaza in the historic downtown is landscaped with brick walks, seasonal plantings and fountains. Two of Atchison's downtown businesses were 8 Wonders of Kansas finalists. Whether you're looking for unique eateries or eclectic shops, you'll find it here.

**3 Theatre Atchison**  
Presenting plays and musicals live on stage in the intimate setting of a former church sanctuary. 401 Santa Fe St. 913-367-1647 www.theatreatchison.org

**Sports & Outdoor Recreation**

- City Parks**
- 1 Bromley Park**, Julia St. – basketball courts and playground area
  - 2 Independence Park**, 2nd & Atchison streets – picnic and playground area, restrooms and outdoor fitness area.
  - 3 Jackson Park**, S. 6th St. – shelter houses, horseshoes, bike/hiking trails, river overlook, disc golf course, restrooms and sand volleyball court.
  - 4 LFM Park**, 7th & L streets – baseball diamonds & playground
  - 5 Reisner Park**, 10th & Riley – playground, tennis courts
  - 6 Lions Public Swimming Pool**, 1201 Commercial, 367-1018

**Warnock Lake**  
Swimming, fishing, playground, sand volleyball court, restrooms, shelter houses and picnic tables. Camper hookups and concrete pads for a nominal charge. Tent camping also available. 913-367-5561

**Disc Golf Course at Jackson Park**  
Beautiful 18-hole disc golf course through the hills at Jackson Park. S. 6th St. **Atchison Golf Club at Bellevue**  
18-hole golf course and swimming, 1713 Country Club Rd. 913-367-3022

**Pineview Country Club**  
Golf and dining, on Ottawa Road west of town. 5882 Ottawa Rd. 913-360-0609

**Lions Public Swimming Pool**  
Features an 182-foot water slide, 1201 Comm. 913-367-1018

**YMCA/Cray Community Center**  
Newly renovated and expanded as of 2017: This building features a community room, teaching kitchen, gym and walking track, wellness pool and indoor pool, health and wellness center, lobby & lounge, multi-purpose studio and Kids Zone. 321 Commercial. 913-367-4948

**ATCO Bike Share**  
The Atchison County Bike Share is FREE and available to all residents, students, families and visitors of Atchison County! Hubs are located at the Visitors Information Center, 200 S. 10th & the Atchison Family YMCA/Cray Community Center, 321 Commercial. 913-367-2427 or livewellatchison@outlook.com

**Year-round Volkswalk**  
Daily 10km volkswalk through historic Atchison. Begins/ends at the Visitors Center, 200 S. 10th.

**Atchison State Fishing Lake & Wildlife Area**  
A 66-acre lake contains large mouth bass, channel catfish, red ear sunfish, bluegill sunfish and black crappie. The wildlife area has about 136 acres of grass and timber open to hunting. Also includes a cabin available for rent. Five miles north of Atchison. 913-367-7811. www.kdwp.state.ks.us

**Atchison County Lake**  
60-acre lake, four miles west of Huron. 785-548-7727

**Snow Creek Ski Area**  
Features nine intermediate trails, two triple chairlifts and two beginner areas with rope tows, mid-December to mid-March, 12 miles to the southeast near Iatan, Missouri. 816-640-2200

**Lewis & Clark State Park**  
Camper sites with electricity, shower house, laundromat, playground, restrooms and swimming beach, six miles east on U.S. Highway 59 to Lewis & Clark Village, Missouri. 816-579-5564

**On the Lewis & Clark Trail**  
**Fourth of July 1804 Creek**  
A Daughters of the American Revolution marker at the covered footbridge near the Santa Fe Depot commemorates the expedition's naming of this stream on July 4, 1804.  
**At the Foot of Commercial Street**  
A Daughters of the American Revolution marker on the riverfront at the intersection of Commercial Street and River Road commemorates the expedition's observation of Independence Day in the area on July 4, 1804.  
**Independence Park**  
Named after Lewis & Clark's Independence Day celebration on July 4, 1804, this city park at 2nd & Atchison streets has a picnic area and restrooms.  
**Independence Creek**  
Five miles north of Atchison is the site of a reconstructed Kanza Indian dwelling at the Lewis & Clark campsite in 1804. The Kanza site and the Lewis & Clark Pavilion on the Atchison riverfront, which are linked by a 5-mile hiking trail, were voted one of the 8 Wonders of Kansas History.

- Major Annual Events**
- March**  
St. Patrick's Day Parade & Events
  - April - October**  
Historic Trolley Tours
  - May**  
CityWide Garage Sales
  - June**  
Juneteenth Celebration
  - July**  
Amelia Earhart Festival & Lakefest
  - August**  
Atchison County Fair
  - September**  
Funky Junk Flea Market  
Muddy River Music Festival  
A Taste of Atchison  
International Forest of Friendship Celebration  
Antique & Experimental Aircraft Fly-in
  - September & October**  
Haunted Trolley Tours  
Haunted Atchison Special Events  
Kiwanis Halloween Parade  
**First Weekend in October**  
Oktoberfest Arts & Crafts Festival
  - November**  
Christmas Stroll
  - December**  
Sights & Sounds of Christmas

  
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**1 Santa Fe Depot, 200 S. 10th St.**  
The AT&SF Railroad built this freight depot in 1880 of rubble limestone and ashlar. A saddle-and-beam frame-work alleviate the need for any floor-to-ceiling support columns on the interior. The Depot building was given to the City of Atchison and opened in 1989 housing the Chamber, Visitor's Center, and Historical Society Museum.



**4 Howard Home, 305 N. Terrace St.**  
This house, built in 1885 by the Howard family, shows numerous Victorian influences. The chimney on the south is a central feature of the house. Leftover brick was used in the construction of the small house to the west.



**5 Glick Mansion, 503 N. 2nd St.**  
Built in 1873 by George and Elizabeth Glick, this beautiful Victorian Gothic home is now a bed and breakfast. George Glick was the 9th governor of Kansas and his daughter, Jenny, hired well-known, Kansas City architect, Louis Curtiss, in 1913 to perform a substantial transformation to the outside of the house. The mansion's carriage house suffered damage from a fire in the 1920s and the second story had to be removed. The result of the transformation is what remains today. The Glick Mansion is on the National Register of Historic Places and has been an operational bed and breakfast for the last 18 years.



**7 J.P. Brown Home, 805 N. 4th St.**  
Built in 1879-80 by J. Patrick Brown, this residence has many notable features. The steep pitch of the tower roof with its three dormers is of particular interest. Lion heads centered on wrought iron grills surrounded with brick and stone are an interesting finish to the porch. In the 1950s, the home was on a Saturday Evening Post cover painted by Atchison artist John Falter.



**9 St. Benedict's Parish Church, 1001 N. 2nd St.**  
The Romanesque style of this structure is reminiscent of Rhineland churches in Germany, from whence many of the early Benedictine priests came. A foundation for the church was started in 1865. Efforts to complete the interior, begun in 1871, included the vaulted ceiling and stained glass windows. The east tower was erected in 1891. During the fall of 1905, the west tower was completed. A young artist from Luxembourg, Jacques Bueller, was hired in 1906 to fresco the church and paint 21 panel pictures.



**2 Pease Home, 203 N. 2nd St.**  
Constructed in 1880 for Robert L. Pease, a mail contractor and banker, this 10-room house is a city-style residence reminiscent of Philadelphia architecture. Exterior details include a two-story, four-window bay with pyramidal roof and high hip front roof with a ridge line of ornamental copper cresting. In contrast to many other houses of the period, the lintels are straight and the brackets of the cornices are closely spaced.

**3 Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum, 223 N. Terrace St.**  
The original portion of this home dates back to 1861 and is one of the city's oldest buildings. It was built by Earhart's grandfather, Judge Alfred Otis, one of Atchison's most prominent early residents. Its architectural design is described as 1840 Downing Cottage style.



**6 Muchnic Art Gallery, 704 N. 4th St.**  
This striking Shaw-Nesfield-style home was built in 1887-88 by lumber merchant George W. Howell, who for years collected beautiful woods to use in its interior. The parquet floors are of walnut, mahogany and oak. Other features include carved woodwork, embossed leather trim, leaded stained-glass windows and beautiful antiques and precious art on the first floor.



**8 B.P. Waggenger Home, 819 N. 4th St.**  
This home was built in 1884-85 by B.P. Waggenger, a respected railroad attorney and state politician. The stick-style balconies and the window spacing are unique features. The grotesque figures atop the highest roof ridge are the crowning exterior display of the Gothic touch. The interior features unusually rich examples of the late Victorian period with an expansive front staircase, parquet floors, elegant ceiling decoration and numerous fireplaces.



**10 Elizabeth Hall, Benedictine College**  
Completed in 1893, this building was the residence of the monks of St. Benedict's Abbey until they moved into a new monastery in 1929. It then became known as Freshman Hall and was home for nearly every student at St. Benedict's College for more than 40 years. Beginning in 1971, it sat unoccupied for 30 years. A renovation project of over \$7.5 million in 2000-01 transformed the building into a state-of-the-art residence hall.

# A Rich Architectural Legacy

From its earliest days, Atchison has been a thriving center of industry, commerce and education. This is a uniquely remarkable feat in comparison to other cities of comparable size. Merchants, railroaders and real estate barons earned millions of dollars in the late 1800s and built the spectacular homes we admire today.

The rich heritage of architectural styles in Atchison makes the city a fascinating one to tour. The many Victorian-era homes reflect the opulence and splendor of that age. Most of these historic structures are private residences and are not open to the public. A few, however, are open as museums, bed and breakfasts or public buildings.

More information about these historic buildings can be learned during the Atchison Historic Trolley Tour. For tour hours, please call 1-800-234-1854 or head to [www.visitatchison.com](http://www.visitatchison.com).

**11 St. Benedict's Abbey Church, 1020 N. 2nd St.**  
Designed by architect Barry Byrne, a student of Frank Lloyd Wright, the church was finished in 1957. It was built of Winona limestone, Kasota buff fleurin and terazzo, and acoustic aluminum pan (porcelain enamel finish on the ceiling). The altars are of marble from Alabama, Vermont and Italy. The pews, choir stalls and woodwork are white oak.



**12 E. W. Howe Home, 1117 N. 3rd St.**  
The founder of the Atchison Daily Globe built this home in 1883, a year after his nationally-known "Diary of a Country Town" was published. When the home was built it was considered distant from the country town about which his fame centered. Its features include bracketed cornices, carved stone lintels contrasting in color with the red brick, and modest bay windows on the north and south sides of the house.

**13 Baker Home, 823 N. 5th St.**  
This house was built in 1903 for the Baker family, but was soon purchased by Frank Harwi, a hardware wholesaler. The original owner is said to have had an extra two feet of foundation added at an estimated cost of \$50,000. The rock-face, ashlar limestone construction is detailed with tall chimneys, broad porches, red tile roof and solid porte-cochere.



**14 Evah C. Cray Historical Home Museum, 805 N. 5th St.**  
W.W. Hetherington, founder of the Exchange National Bank, built this home in 1882. The three-story, round tower, with its fanciful battlement-topped crown, was added later after Mrs. Hetherington became enamored with Scottish castles while touring Europe. The exuberance of the porte-cochere is an outstanding example of the confidence of the times.



**16 R.A. Park Home, 517 Parallel St.**  
This home was built in the mid-1880s by Col. William Osborne for his daughter and son-in-law. R.A. Park served as the right-hand man to his father-in-law as they built several railroads, including the first hundred miles of the Central branch of the Union Pacific. The massive brick chimneys and the third-story window are quirks of architect H.R. Prudden.



**18 Atchison Post Office, 7th & Kansas Avenue**  
Work on this impressive building was completed in 1894. It was built of cottonwood limestone. Each tall and narrow tower window on the southwest is topped by a transom window and over that a matching round window.

**20 McInteer Villa, 1301 Kansas Ave.**  
John McInteer, an Irish immigrant and harness maker, became a success when thousands of wagon trains headed west were outfitted in Atchison. He built this exuberantly-styled house, with its segmented gables, balconies and protuberances in 1890.



**22 Mount St. Scholastica Monastery, 801 S. 8th St.**  
The Benedictine Sisters founded Mount St. Scholastica in 1863. They moved to St. Cecilia's Hall in 1877. Their third and present-day Atchison home, the large red-brick monastery, was completed in about 1901. It features a chapel with flying buttresses, unusual gables, a Romanesque vaulted ceiling and a tall tower. The adjoining St. Scholastica Chapel was dedicated in 1938, the 75th anniversary of the arrival of the Sisters in Atchison. This chapel was built on simple Norman/Romanesque lines of Carthage stone. Its interior is graced by beautiful imported marble. Stained-glass windows include a large Rose Window with petals representing the lives of Sts. Benedict and his twin, Scholastica, plus seven tall windows illustrating the seven women saints of the ancient Canon of the Mass.

**15 Drury-Pennell Home, 519 N. 5th St.**  
This home, started in 1864, had three owners before its completion by George Pennell in 1894. The front entry opens into a wide hall from which may be seen the hand-carved oak ceilings of the dining room and library. It has five fireplaces with beautifully-carved mantels and surrounds. The whale weathervane is an unusual feature on the roof of the tower.



**17 Atchison County Courthouse 425 N. 5th**  
One of 13 Kansas courthouses designed by George P. Washburn, this ashlar limestone building was completed in 1897. County commissioners had the clock tower raised an extra 12 feet so that the clock could be viewed from downtown. Above the impressive arch of the east entry is a carved date and the title of the building.



**19 Harwi House, 1103 Atchison St.**  
A.J. Harwi, a wholesale hardware merchant, built this home in 1882. The cornices, color contrast of white stone against red brick, the chimneys, segmented gables, lantern tower and the carved stone lintels all display the Victorian influences of the time. Interlaced initials of A.J. Harwi are carved into the pediment above the south steps to the porch.



**21 St. Cecilia Hall, 801 S. 8th St.**  
John M. Price, Jr., a lawyer, politician and promoter, built this home as Price Villa in 1872. A pair of beautiful carved doors leads into a large foyer, beyond which is a hallway with a lovely winding stairway to the second floor. Benedictine nuns purchased the mansion at a tax sale in 1877. It became St. Cecilia Hall and now houses the Mount Conservatory of Music.



**23 Trinity Episcopal Church, 500 S. 5th St.**  
Built in 1868 of rubble-laid limestone, this church is typical of an English parish church. Its interior has beams and pews of native black walnut. First services were held in March, 1868. Amelia Earhart was baptized here in 1897.