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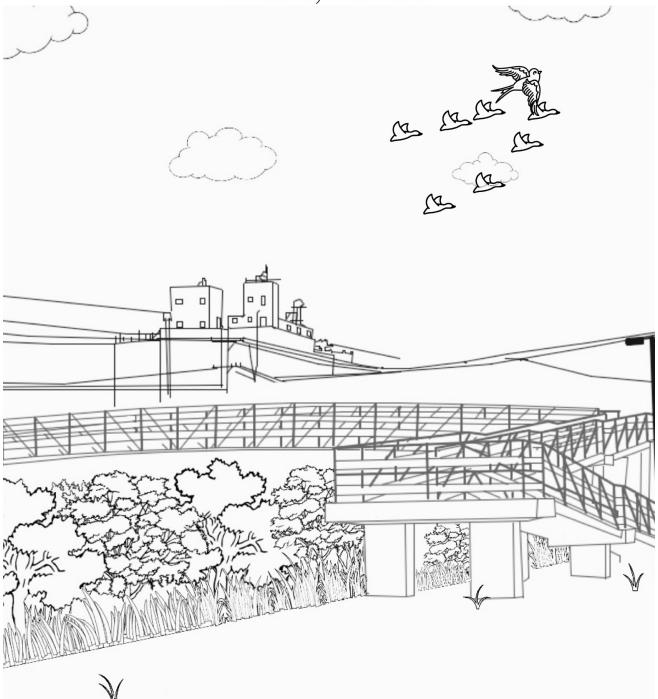
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## Chautauqua Park Bridge

#### **Beloit**, Kansas

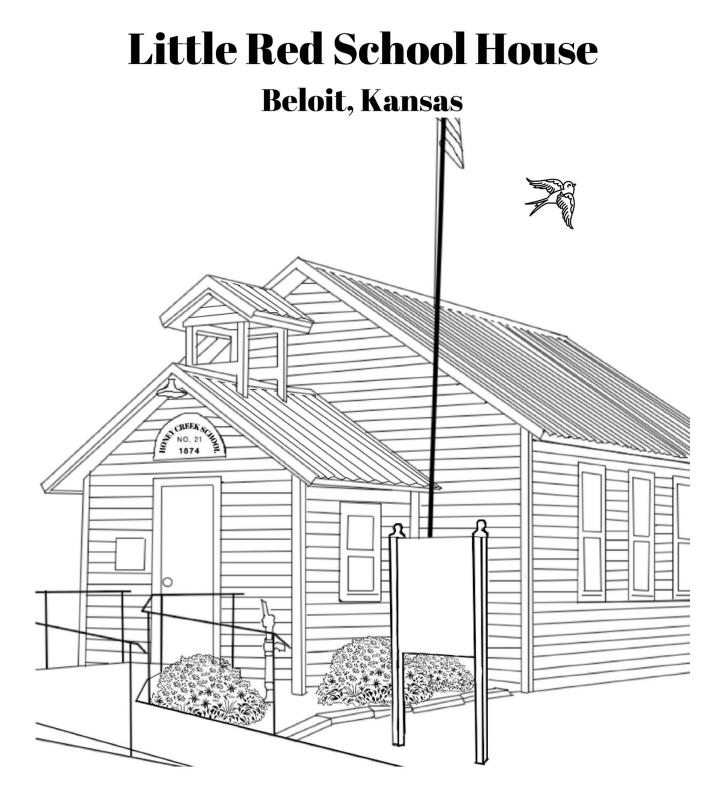


The construction of the Chautauqua Park Bridge began in 1992. It was built over the Solomon River by the City of Beloit and Black Hills Trucking Company. Over \$36,000 was spent on materials to build the bridge.



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The Honey Creek School was originally located southeast of Glen Elder and burned to the ground in 1942. It was then rebuilt and in use until 1961. In 1970 it was decided that Beloit should have one of these "One-Room" schoolhouses, so the Honey Creek Schoolhouse was moved to its current location at the roadside park on Highway 24.





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## St. John's Catholic Church Beloit, Kansas

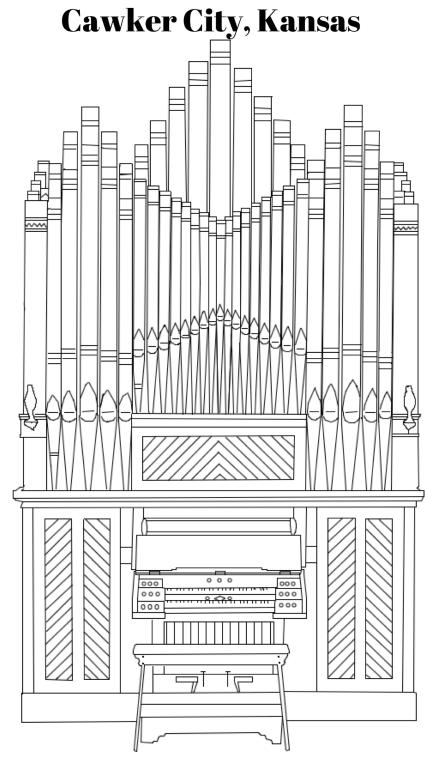


In 1900 the foundation of the Saint John's Catholic Church was built around the structure of the previous church building, which was later torn down in 1901. Built in the form of a Latin cross, the post rock limestone church was completed in 1904. It has a seating capacity of 800 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



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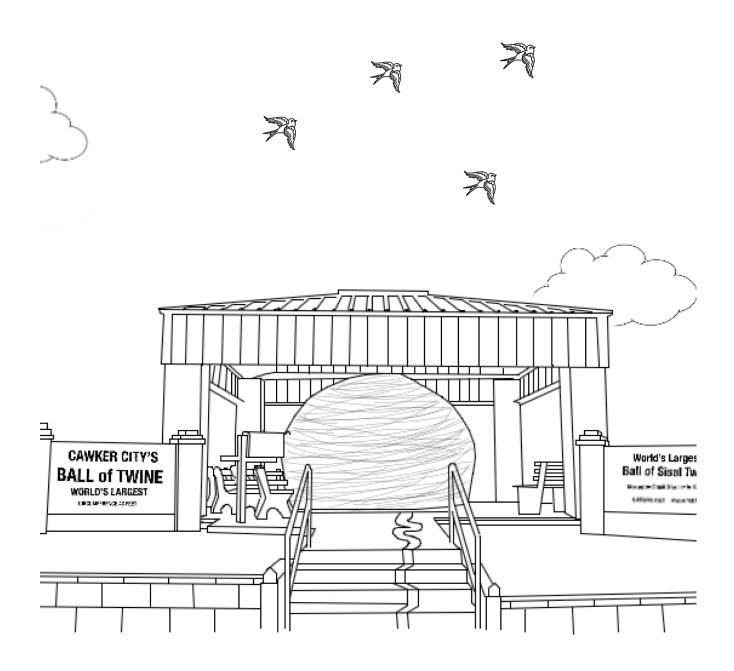
In 1886 the organ was built by Pilcher's Sons of Louisville, Kentucky for the congregational church in Kinsley, Kansas and was the only organ in Kansas west of Emporia at the time. Cawker City Methodists purchased the organ in 1931 and placed it in their church.





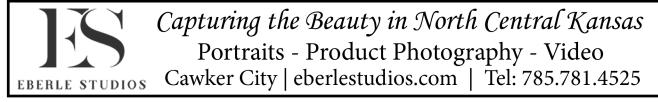
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## World's Largest Ball of Twine Cawker City, Kansas



Originally created by Frank Stoeber in 1953, this famous Ball of Twine was the rolled twine from his farm's hay bales. Throughout his life, Stoeber continued to add to the ball until 1961, when the ball became too large for his barn. This is when the still growing ball was moved to its current location in Cawker City along Highway 24.



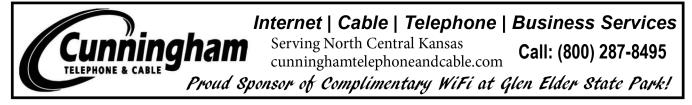


#### **Castle Service Station** Glen Elder, Kansas

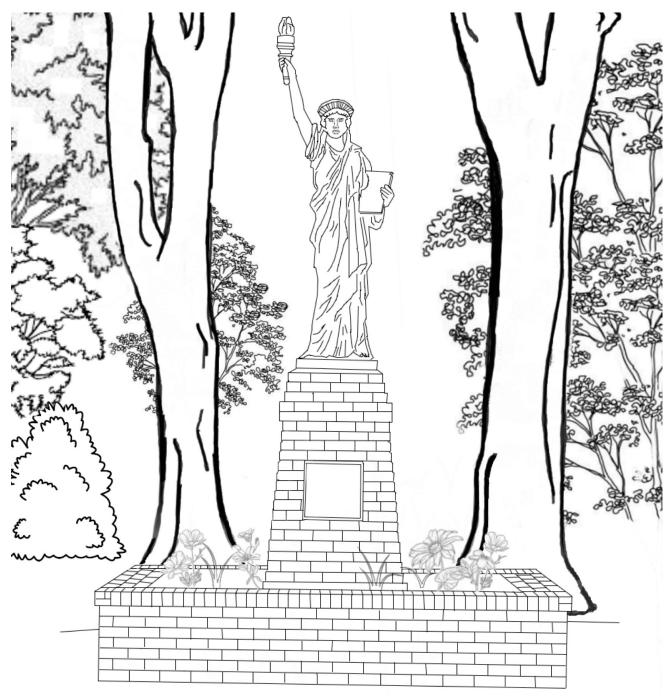


The Castle Service Station was built by World War I veteran, Ernie Norris, in 1926 to resemble a castle he had observed in Luxemburg during the war. Constructed with native limestone the exterior of the castle showcases three spanning archways and is now a place of residence.





#### **Statue of Liberty** Glen Elder, Kansas



This symbolic statue is the centerpiece of the Wilson Neff Park in Glen Elder's town square. Lady Liberty was donated to the city in 1950 by Emily Slaven. Glen Elder's American Legion and Auxiliary, Post #143, worked together to provide the funds for the base of the statue.

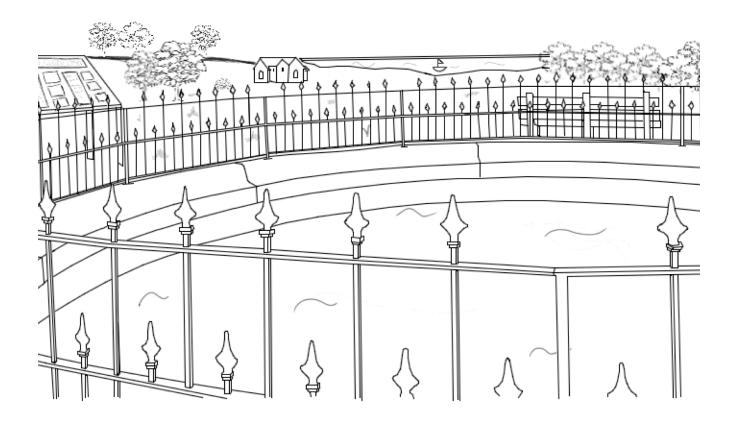




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### Waconda Springs Replica Glen Elder State Park, Kansas



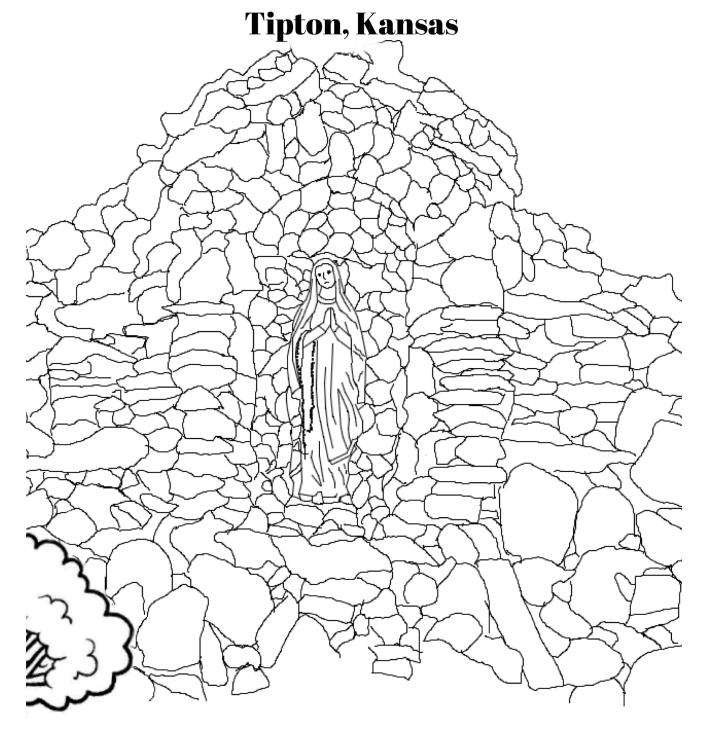
Waconda Lake's namesake is based on the famous Great Spirit Spring (known as Waconda Springs) and the legend of a Chief's daughter who died at the location. The spring, now covered by the lake, was located between Glen Elder and Cawker City, Kansas. The creation of the Waconda Springs replica was a project of Waconda Heritage Village, Inc., and Glen Elder State Park and was dedicated on June, 5, 2005.





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## **Grotto of Lourdes**



The Grotto is believed to have been built in 1934 and is located by the St. Boniface Catholic Church in Tipton. The original rocks used in the construction were collected from the surrounding Blue Hills, and it is believed that Father Menig brought rocks used in the grotto from Lourdes, France.

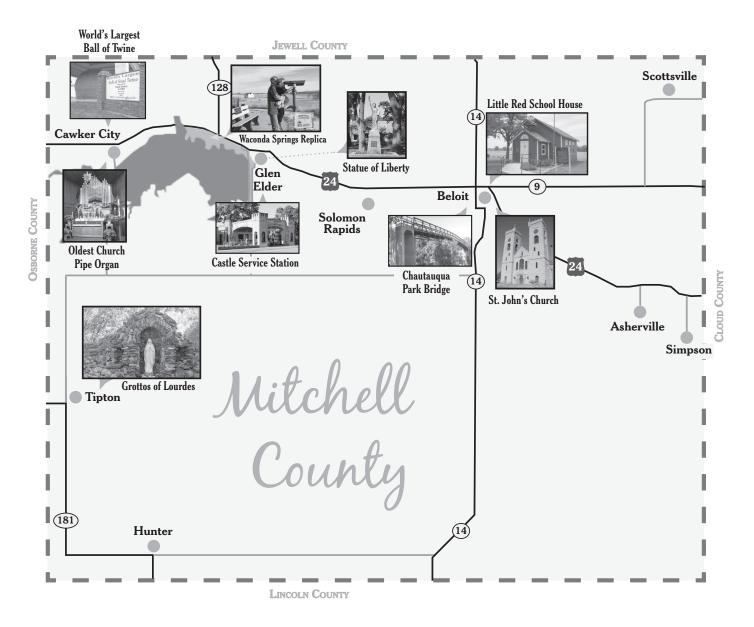




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