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2nd SATURDAYS IN DOWNTOWN LEAVENWORTH

The 2nd Saturday of every month, April through December, features a new promotion hosted by the Leavenworth Main Street Program, with member businesses structuring fun and exciting activities around the “theme” each month. Mark your calendars and bring the family downtown, invite your friends and spread the word. Downtown Leavenworth is exciting & alive, especially on 2nd Saturdays! Come downtown early for breakfast, activities start at Haymarket Square at 8 a.m., at downtown merchants at 10 a.m. and continue all day and many times, into the evening. Take a break for lunch and dinner and enjoy really great food from our many family owned restaurants. June, July & August will feature the ever popular Leavenworth Live *free* Outdoor Concert Series, this year hosted at Haymarket Square, 7th & Cherokee, from 7 – 10 p.m. Flyers are available at most member businesses downtown, at the LMS office, 416 Cherokee, and posted on our website, www.leavenworthmainstreet.com, with participating merchants listed plus hourly and all day events categorized for your convenience. A sampling of activities for April 9, May 14 & June 11 are listed below.

April 9 – It’s a Small World, After All (International/Heritage Celebration)

Take a trip around the world, right here in Leavenworth! Our member businesses have fun and exciting demonstrations, food, merchandise and activities planned for your journey:

Reunions Antiques, 418 Delaware: Germany; Asher's Boutique, 518 Delaware: Japan;
Weakley's Antiques, 618 Cherokee: France; Bisque-It!, 504 Delaware: Italy;
Romantic Touches, 506 Delaware: Turkey; Leavenworth Yoga Co-op, 521 Delaware: India;
Leavenworth Floral, 701 Delaware: Holland; Kansas Country Store, 728 Cherokee: U.S.A.;
Stevie's Antiques, 612 Cherokee: U.S.A.; Leavenworth Antique Mall, 505 Delaware: Austria;
The Pot Rack, 626 Cherokee: Switzerland; Scrivner's Creative Center, 605 Shawnee: Ireland;
Livin' Nutrition, 702 Delaware: China; Queen's Pantry, 425 Shawnee: Great Britain;
Artistic Works by Lu, 221 Delaware: Morocco; Ali Zeck State Farm Insurance, 400 Delaware: Africa;
The Book Barn, 410 Delaware: Australia; Candle Queen, 500 Shawnee: France;
Corner Pharmacy, 429 Delaware: Scotland; It's About Thyme, 620 Cherokee: Korea;
5th Avenue Frames, 217 S. 5th St.: Georgia, Russia; Dix Furniture & Katie Kopp, Arbonne
International, 529 Cherokee: Switzerland; Sally's Choices & River Gallery, 412 Delaware: France;
dorMail Gallery, 117 Delaware: Germany; Sadkt's Furniture, 523 Delaware, America

A sampling of activities on April 9 include People of Color Step & Dance Team, Lasso throwing lesson, Where I'm From poetry reading, Mala Bead Workshop, horse shoe throwing contest, sing alongs, the Art of Fondue; how to make a perfect cup of tea, arrange artificial flowers, read backmarks on pottery and china and identify woods & stains and care for antiques; a Kimono fashion show & play

time dress up, shamrock crafts for kids, many food tastings & demonstrations, specials featuring international cuisines at restaurants and much more. Exciting activities for everyone and every age!

May 14 – Gallery Walk (Everything Art)

Enjoy and/or participate in “A Downtown Affair”, a juried art show at the Heritage Center, “The Chair Affair” where artists old and young are invited to show off their talents as they take a wooden or metal chair and decorate it in any “artistic” way they desire, plus you’ll be able to “vote” via pennies for your favorite chair! Applications for these “Affairs” are available on our website, the LMS office and at many merchants downtown. The monthly Haymarket Square Outdoor Flea Market featuring antiques, collectibles, art & treasures of every kind will be moving to 2nd Saturdays. In addition, a Craft Show & the Leavenworth Farmers Market will be at Haymarket Square.

Enjoy listening to street musicians and watching artists with easels drawing & painting live on the streets of downtown. For a \$2 entry fee, enter a Sidewalk Chalk Art contest and enjoy “The Elders” live at the Hollywood Theater (ticket purchase) in the evening. In addition member businesses will once again structure exciting activities and showcase artists within their stores. If you are an artist or musician and wish to participate in 2nd Saturdays, please contact Debi Asher, debiasher@kc.rr.com or 913-306-6970.

June 11 – Happy Birthday, Leavenworth, Kansas!

June 12 is Leavenworth’s 157th Birthday. Kansas became a state 150 years ago this year. Carrie Nation died in Leavenworth on June 9, 100 years ago. This Second Saturday is all about history. Many activities built around history are being developed and *may* include a Walking History Tour, Museum Crawl and Carrie Nation Day. Leavenworth is the oldest city in Kansas – the First City and our downtown is full of exciting architecture, historic characters & historic events so you’ll be guaranteed many fun activities structured by member businesses. We also kick off our Leavenworth Live *Free* Outdoor Concert Series that evening, 7-10 p.m. at Haymarket Square, 7th & Cherokee.

Keep up with our many events & activities via our website, www.leavenworthmainstreet.com & through our social networks or contact our office, 913-682-3924, director@leavenworthmainstreet.com.

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