



MUTTON BUSTIN' to win a button at the Rawlins County Fair.

A 'Fair' amount of fun in July

The annual Rawlins County Fair showcases events for kids and adults alike, including two nights of rodeo, a lakeside parade, free barbeque, a mud bog race and traditional 4-H activities.

The 2008 fair, which attracts many visitors and friends and family of Rawlins County, will be held July 22-25.

Other events in July include the annual Lake Atwood Day celebration complete with unique food venues, entertainment at the band shell, sand volleyball, 3-on-3 basketball and horseshoe competitions, music and fireworks on July 4.

The 37th annual 10-mile race around Lake Atwood, will be held July 20. It's the oldest continuously run race in Kansas. It attracts many international competitors.

Rawlins



This scene from the Rudolph Wendelin mural at the Rawlins County museum depicts one of the most epic events in the history of Rawlins County involving the battle over the county seat. After much influence by the railroad, the county seat remained in Atwood and the courthouse still stands. The mural features 37 other scenes of everything in Rawlins County.

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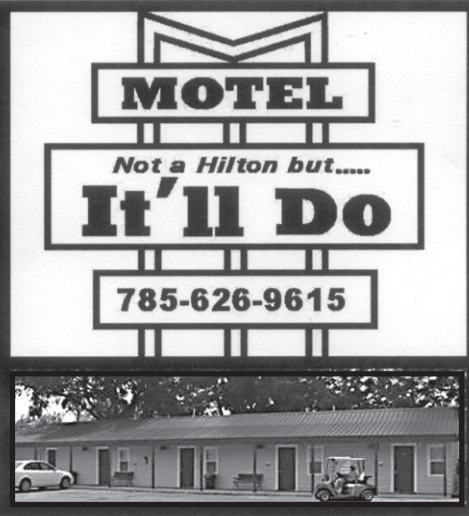
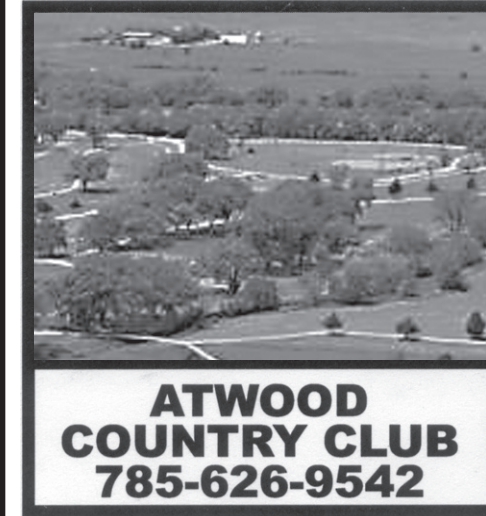
Caretaker of 'Smokey Bear' creates mural at museum

The Rawlins County Historical Society is home to a beautiful mural painted by Rudolph Wendelin (1910-2000), a Rawlins County native who created Smokey Bear.

The museum also houses a large and

rare collection of Kachina dolls and authentically reproduced rooms depicting pioneer days on the Plains. Next door is the historical church, which was moved intact from its original rural site.

Visitors are welcome six days a week.

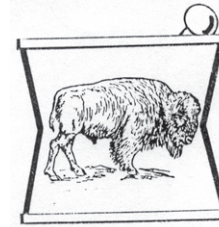


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