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Out and About In Seward County Nebraska

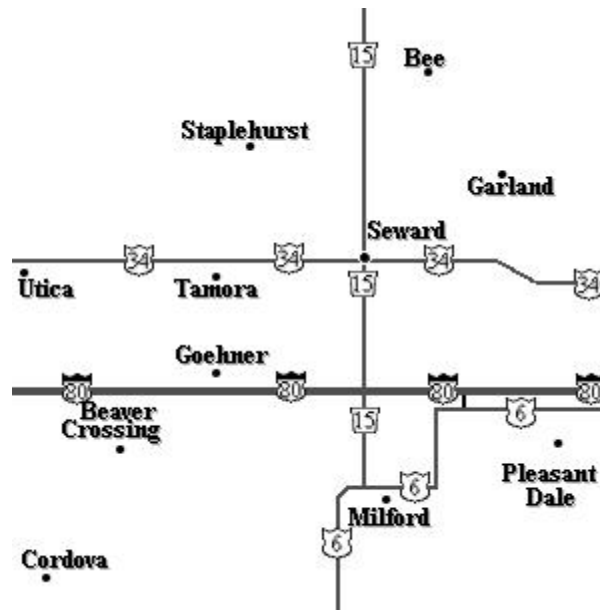
Seward County

Enjoying Nature in Seward County

There are fantastic opportunities for birding in our area. Over 120 species of birds have been identified along the Plum Creek Trail on the eastern edge of Seward. On a typical summer day, Indigo Bunting, Rose Breasted Grosbeak, Eastern Bluebirds and Carolina Wrens can be seen and heard along the trail. If you're willing to drive a few miles west on Hwy 34, the rainwater basin offers a variety of wetland birds including shore birds, wading birds and waterfowl. Two accessible locations are the Tamora Wetlands, ½ mile south of Tamora, or the north lake basin one mile north of Utica.

If you are visiting Seward during the Holiday Season you might want to participate in the Seward/ Branched Oak Lake Christmas Bird Count. (Usually the 1st Saturday after December 15th)

For more information contact Dr. Joe Gubanyi at 402-643-7316 or email Joseph.Gubanyi@CUNE.edu.



Visit our Seward Memorial Library
at 5th & South St.


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Places to See . . . Things to Do


 **Osten Observatory on Concordia University Campus**, 800 N. Columbia Ave. A schedule of viewings (usually on 1st Thursday of month) are posted on www.cune.edu/about/campus/observatory/

 **Bartels Rock & Mineral Museum**—Lower Level of Link Library at Concordia University. Open M-F, 8-5pm, Saturday 10-5 pm and Sunday 1-6 pm the first week of June and first two weeks of August. Special arrangements for visitors. 402-643-3566 and www.cune.edu/about/campus/bartels/

 **Seward's Unique Round Pool**

Our new unique round pool offers water features, zero level entry and a lap pool. For more info contact 643-4674 or visit www.cityofsewardne.com


 **Municipal Band Concerts** Sunday evenings in the Historic Bandshell on 5th St. 7:30 p.m. June-August

 **The Farmer's Market** on the Town Square—June—October. Fresh produce, baked goods and unique products Wed. evening 5:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m. and early Saturday mornings.

 **Seward's Hiking, Biking and Nature Trail**

The Plum Creek Trail is a 2.7 mile concrete hiking and biking trail that winds through the east side of Seward. It starts near the Seward Sports Complex on Karol Kay Boulevard and ends on the south side of Seward on South Columbia. (Expansion is already underway)

Pick up a Brochure & **"Ride the Ridge Road"** for a beautiful drive in the Bohemian Alps of Seward County.


 **Arrowhead & Pawnee Earth Lodge—Goehner** A view of early life on the plains—not a business, but a passionate hobby. The state tourism office has called the replica of the Earth Lodge one of the finest in the state. Authentic tipi frames, a one-room log cabin, an entire room filled wall to wall, floor to ceiling with artifacts, and more can be found just on Interstate I-80 at the Goehner Exit #373.

 **The Seward County Museum at Goehner**

Rich in county heritage, the museum features a one-room schoolhouse, a restored 1908 home, antique farm equipment, vintage autos, dishes, doilies, dolls and much more. The Chippewa Northwestern Railway Co. A one-inch scale live steam railroad runs on the six-acre grounds from May to October. Contact 402-523-5945 or 402-643-4935 (Call for appointment)

 **The World's Largest Time Capsule**

Don't forget to drive by the World's Largest Time Capsule on Hillcrest Ave. It took about 3 weeks, over 60 cubic yards of cement to build. It houses a 1976 Chevy Vega and a motorcycle along with hundreds of other items. It is scheduled to be opened in 2025.

 **The Art Galleries at Concordia (The Marxhausen)** and at the **Civic Center** on Hwy 15.) Many exceptional exhibits are shown throughout the year. Contact 1-800-535-5494 ext. 7490 and www.cune.edu/finearts/art5878 for more info.

 **Golfing at The Seward Country Club** (open to the public) and Thornridge in Milford. Seward has 9 holes on 60 beautiful acres with a pro shop and dining room. Contact 402-643-6659 or www.sewardgolf.com. Milford also has 9 holes - contact 761-3606.

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Visit the Historic Downtown Square with it's Unique Shops

 **Seward's Annual Old-Fashioned July 4th Celebration** Seward is home to Nebraska's and the United States' official small town 4th of July - Celebrated since 1868, visitors will experience a full day of family activities, entertainment, craft fairs, contests and a grand parade. Check out www.julyfourthseward.com for more info.

 **Guided Tours Upon Request:**

- Et-Cetera (where everything is donated, everyone who works there volunteers & all the profits are given away!) Contact 402-643-4189
- The Bakery (one of the last independently owned bakeries in the state!) Contact 402-643-4189
- Merles Garden Center (In Season!) Contact 402-643-6618
- St. Gregory The Great Seminary (The chapel is magnificent!) 401-643-4052
- Whisler Aviation (Specializing in refurbishing and transportation) 402-643-2226
- Don Strinz Tipi's Inc. (Remember the Pointy Side Up!) 402-761-3244)

Events in Seward County:

Spring

- National Rabbit Show/Saturday before Easter
- Rainwater Basin Waterfowl Migration
- Seward Home Show
- American Kennel Club Dog Show

Summer

- Midwest Aerobatics Competition
- America's 4th of July Celebration
- The Goehner Car Show
- Cordova Pigeon Races

Fall

- The Seward County Fair (2nd weekend in August)
- Jr. Women's Club Craft Show (Weekend before Thanksgiving)
- Nebraska Archeology Society Artifact Show
- The Seward County Fall Festival/Pumpkin Catapulting

Winter

- Wissmann Holiday Concert/Thanksgiving Weekend
 - Holiday Open Houses
 - DecemberFest/First Thursday evening in December
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