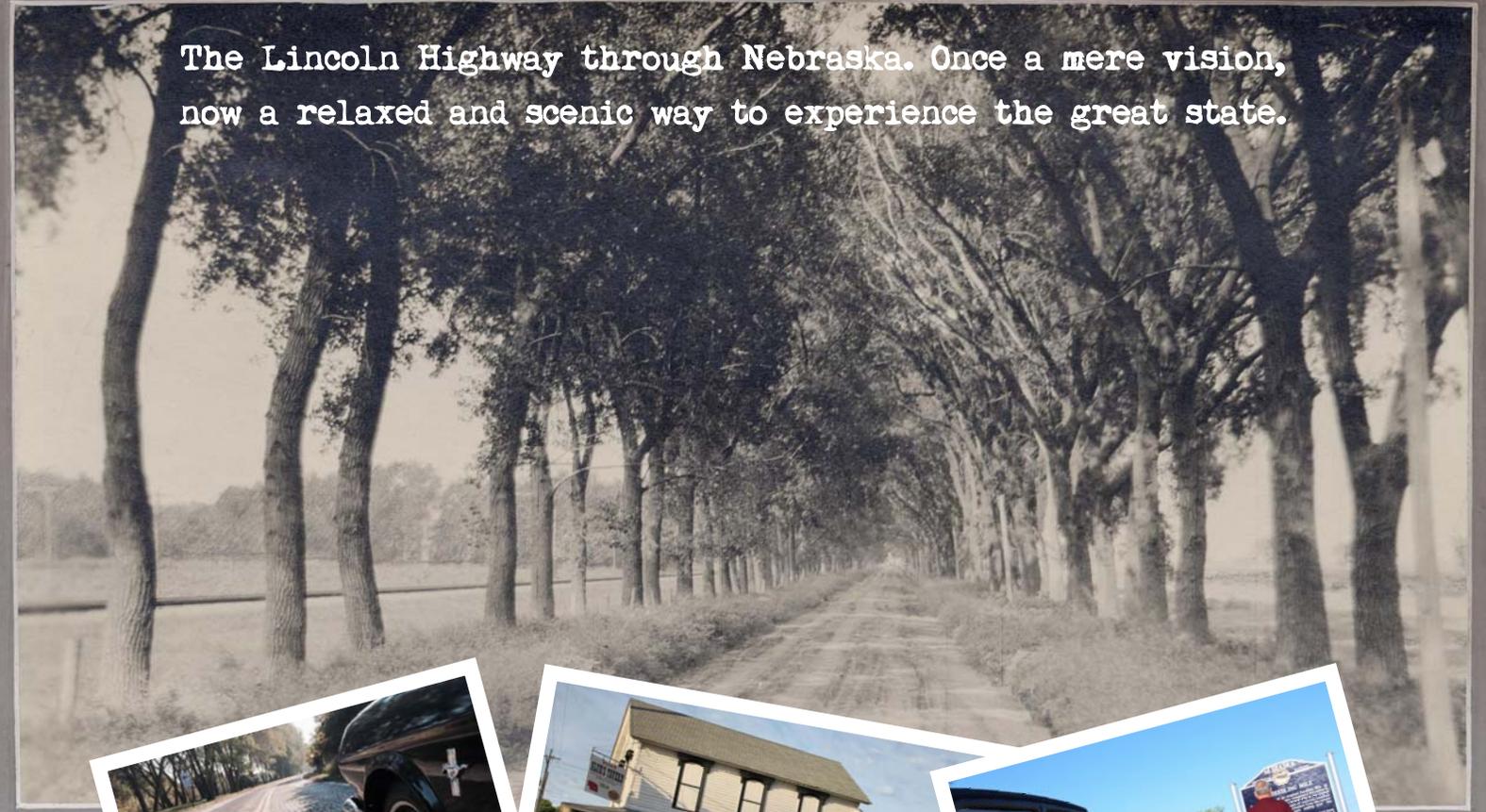


The Lincoln Highway through Nebraska. Once a mere vision, now a relaxed and scenic way to experience the great state.



Welcome to the Nebraska Lincoln Highway Historic Byway!



Stretching more than 450 miles across Nebraska, a road trip along Nebraska's Lincoln Highway Historic Byway takes you from the beautiful Dissected Till Plains and bustling metro areas of the Missouri River Valley through the historic transportation corridor of the Great Platte River Road with its lush agricultural lands and wildlife of the Rainwater Basin and finally into the High Plains of the Nebraska Panhandle. It passes through more than 40 communities, each with a rich Lincoln Highway heritage and distinctive settlement stories and culture.





Kearney

Historic Kearney marks the midway of the Lincoln Highway—halfway to Boston and halfway to San Francisco. This thriving community boasts a delightful historic downtown area, complete with brick streets and unique locally owned pubs and eateries. You'll find several Lincoln Highway historical markers in town including one for the Seedling Mile located at the old site of the Hammer Motel and another for the 1733 Ranch located at the west end of Kearney near the historic Covered Wagon. Downtown the historic post office is home to the Museum of Nebraska Art. For a complete history of the Great Platte River Road, the precursor to the Lincoln Highway, visit the Kearney Archway Museum near I-80.
www.VisitKearney.org

Gothenburg

Gothenburg, founded in 1882, and named after the Swedish city of Gottenborg is a beautiful community proud of its heritage, with a quaint downtown and many of its stately homes included in a historic walking tour. The community's parks, including Ehman with the historic Pony Express Station and Lake Helen with its beautiful recreation area offer a respite for travelers. The Sod House and Historical Museum tell the story of early settlement. Golfing at the Wild Horse Golf Course is fun and challenging.
www.GothenburgDelivers.com



North Platte

As you continue your Lincoln Highway journey westward through the heart of the Platte River Valley, you have the opportunity to take the original "stair step" route between Lexington and Gothenburg and Gothenburg and North Platte. North Platte is known for its generosity during World War II when more than six million service men and women were served in the North Platte Canteen. North Platte is also home to Buffalo Bill's home, Scouts Rest Ranch, on the original 1913 alignment west of town. Other attractions include the Golden Spike Tower overlooking Bailey Yard, and the Fort Cody Trading Post, once a roadside attraction on the Lincoln, now near I-80.
www.VisitNorthPlatte.com

Ogallala

A Lincoln Highway town with great western heritage. Ogallala served as the end of the Texas trail during the 1870's, and those wild and wooly cowboys left their mark on the town. Attractions such as Front Street, with Nebraska's longest running summer stock theater, Boot Hill, the Mansion on the Hill and the Petrified Wood Gallery all look back into the past. Just north of town, Nebraska's largest lake, Lake McConaughy makes a perfect summer stop for water fun. The newly restored Spruce Street Station will take you back to the days of full service pumps and the open road.
www.ExploreKeithCounty.com, www.ILoveLakeMac.com



Sidney

Historic Sidney is the gateway to Nebraska's High Plains along the Lincoln Highway. Downtown you'll find an Historic District on the National Register, filled with unique shops, pubs and taverns. The Fort Sidney Museum Complex relives the Black Hills goldrush days. Outdoor aficionados will enjoy a trip to the original Cabelas near I-80. East of Sidney be sure to stop in Lodgepole for a photo of the historic Opera House Garage. Farther to the west, don't miss a visit to the quaint village of Potter to enjoy a delicious Tin Roof Sundae in the Potter Sundry and a round of Duck Pin Bowling.
www.SidneyCheyenneCountyTourism.com