



Learn a little about Emporia!

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What date was Emporia Founded?

- 1867
- 1846
- 1857
- 1853



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Good Job!



- You are correct!
- Emporia recently celebrated its sesquicentennial for 150 years as a city! Founders of Emporia remarked it was “the loveliest spot in the world for a town.” The original town center is where the intersection of Commercial Street and 6th Avenue lay today.

Where would you find this architectural detail in downtown?

- The Granada Theatre
- Burnap Brothers
- Capitol Federal Savings
- The Kress Center



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- You are correct!
- Burnap Brothers building contains three tenants: Burnap Brothers, SC Dixon Photography and Black Heart House of Art. The building is a great example of Spanish Eclectic Style architecture and contains some of the most detailed adornments of any building downtown. Take a moment and look around!

Where would you find this architectural detail in downtown?

- The Newman Building
- Navrat's
- The High Gear Building
- Flint Hills Music



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- You are correct!
- The High Gear building is a very rare example of Art Deco Design in Kansas. The building at 520-522 Commercial combined two historic buildings. 520 Commercial was built in the early 1870s, when it housed the Gilmore, Arnold and Soden furniture manufacturing and store. By the late nineteenth century, the building was known as the Hardcastle and Kenyon Building after the proprietors of a furniture and undertaking business started at this location in 1882. The partners expanded their business in 1898. The building at 522 Commercial was occupied by Hall Brothers dry goods in the 1870s. Later, it was occupied by Caldwell's Queensware store and Abraham's clothing store. Page's photo gallery occupied the second floor. The building housed the drug store of E. M. Kraum. Hardcastle and Kenyon bought the building in 1898. J. S. Kenyon died in 1928. In his will, Kenyon left \$100,000 to the College of Emporia, which dedicated Kenyon Hall in his honor in 1937. Less than a month after Kenyon died, Hardcastle and Kenyon closed. The building at 520-522 Commercial was left vacant. The building was the temporary home of the Kress department store while its new building was being built. The building was purchased by C. J. McCoy in about 1930. McCoy remodeled the building, giving it its current Art Deco upper facade, in 1932. Architects Brinkman and Hagen designed the facade. The building was remodeled to house offices on the second floor. (*Emporia Gazette*, 4 February 1932; 18 March 1902; 5 July 1928; 1 August 1928; 10 September 1937)

Emporia is the only registered city in the U.S.A. for what type of flower?

- Iris
- Day Lilly's
- Mums
- Geraniums



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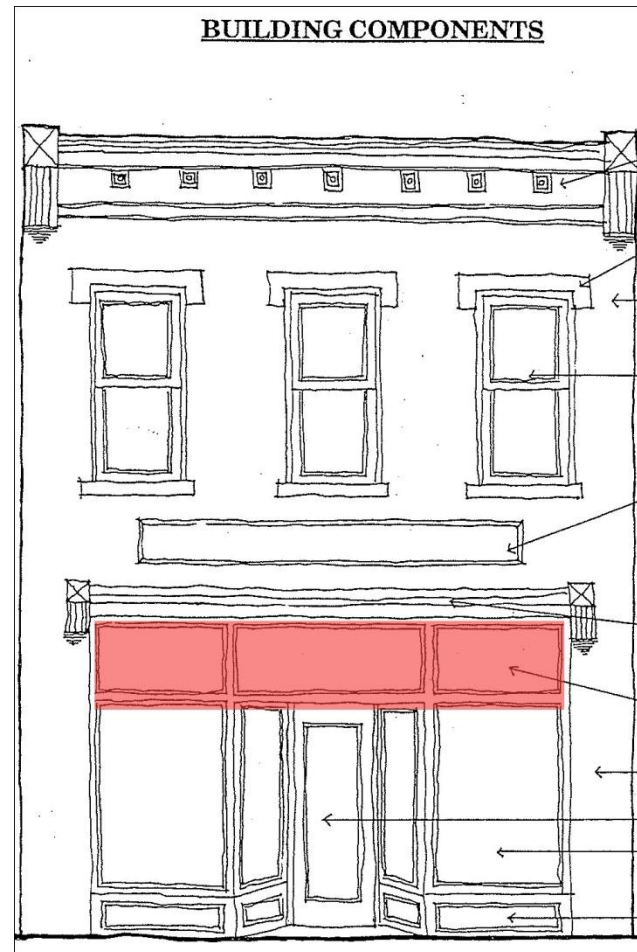
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- You are correct!
- The City of Emporia is the only Day Lilly City in the United States, due to the efforts of local gardening enthusiasts that fill out the extensive paperwork required to maintain Day Lilly City status. Toad Hollow Day Lilly Farm on Old-Old Highway 50, and tended by local gardener extraordinaire Nina West, provides an excellent example of the variety of Day Lilly's unique to the area. Emporia and the Flint Hills actually have varieties of Day Lilly's named after them. Although Emporia is a Day Lilly City, the official city flower for Emporia was actually an Iris for years. Iris were introduced to the Emporia area by the White family who brought the flower from the eastern United States, and Iris flourished in this portion of Kansas. Although not a flower, the first alfalfa in the state of Kansas was planted just outside of Emporia... Emporia has a long and unique history with flora, and that tradition is carried on by several active gardening groups and "Adopt a Garden" participants that tend the 45+ downtown area gardens in Emporia.

What is the proper name for the selected section of the building?

- The Transom
- The Cornice
- The Bulkhead
- The Cap



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- You are correct!
- Transom glass was used to pull light through area store fronts in traditional buildings. Depending on the design, transoms could also be opened to facilitate ventilation. Modern transoms not only improve the aesthetics of a building exterior design, but the natural light provided can create a better shopping environment and a great sign opportunity. Throughout downtown Emporia, you can see building owners that are starting to uncover their transom windows (see the old Crawford Furniture Building that will soon house Studio 11).

What was the original name of Emporia State University

- Kansas State Normal School
- Kansas State Teachers College
- Emporia Kansas State College
- Emporia Normal State College



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Good Job!



- You are correct!
- Originally, Emporia battled Lawrence to obtain the state college that became KU. From the beginning, the Kansas State Normal School established its self as a leader in liberal arts education. Founded in March of 1863, Emporia State University boasts one of the top five Teacher's Colleges in the nation and the top ranked Business College value in the United States. ESU students constantly outpace other regents institutions in professional test scores, including CPA exams and the MCAT for pre-med students. ESU also owns national championships in Debate and Women's basketball.

Emporia produces 98% of the worlds supply of what consumer product?

- Wind shield scrapers
- Pneumatic engravers
- Industrial clamping devices
- Pet food



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- You are correct!
- Emporia is blessed with many unique businesses, including Glendo Corporation. Glendo brings artists from all over the world to study engraving techniques utilizing technology produced in Emporia. Gun Smiths, jewelers and a myriad of artists use the pneumatic engraving equipment developed by Glendo to produce beautiful works of art.

How did Emporia get it's name?

- From a U.S. Military General
- From a market center in ancient Carthage
- From the Latin word for “commerce”
- From a Native American word for “two rivers”



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- You are correct!
- Emporia was founded on high minded ideals, and the market center in a Greek influenced Carthage was once called “Emporia”. The name “Emporia” is also shared with a community in Virginia and a technical programming project produced by Microsoft. Original progressive community members influenced the inclusion of higher education, transportation and business development- all consistent with a “market center”.

Thank you for taking the quiz!

- This quiz was built in PowerPoint and is a simple tool Emporia Main Street is using to educate local citizens about some of the unique aspects of our community. What did you think? Would you like to see more of these quizzes? E-mail Emporia Main Street with your thoughts at main.street@emporia-kansas.gov

