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New Kansas Museum of History exhibit focuses on cars

The Need for Speed

Cars fuel people's need for speed. They touch every part of our lives. From lodging to food to entertainment, cars drive American culture.

Cars will also be the focus of a new exhibit opening January 22 at the Kansas Museum of History in Topeka. "The Need for Speed" considers how cars have affected our food, entertainment, and buildings. It also explores every aspect of racing, sanctioned or non-sanctioned, including dirt track, hot rods, drag racing (NHRA), road racing, and NASCAR.

Kansas' fascination with car culture has a long history. Walter Chrysler grew up in Ellis, the National Hot Rod Association held its first national event in Great Bend, and today there are NASCAR races at Kansas Speedway.

Cars also have influenced other aspects of life in Kansas besides racing. The Need for Speed celebrates this rich history.

For additional information on this exhibit or the Museum, visit www.kshs.org.

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Now open!

Tonganoxie/Eudora interchange serves customers in Leavenworth County

On December 29, the first interchange in Leavenworth County opened at Milepost 212 on I-70. The "Tonganoxie/Eudora: 222nd Street" interchange is fully automated and uses technology similar to that found in self-pay lanes at large retail or grocery stores. All lanes at the new interchange are equipped to read K-TAGs.

For additional information, see page 2.

Looking for a job? Mark your calendar for the Statewide Career Fair, February 2, 2010, from 2 -7 p.m. at the Ritz Charles Conference Center in Overland Park, KS, sponsored by the KANSASWORKS and KEDA. For additional information, visit www.KANSASWORKS.com or call (785) 577-4610 or (785) 539-1574.

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K-TAG continues to save you money in 2010

In years past, K-TAG has been promoted as a great way to save time and money, making it a perfect holiday gift or New Year's resolution.

Starting back in October, having a K-TAG

began helping you save even more money — 15 percent over cash tolls! Congratulations on making this smart choice and thanks for using the K-TAG program to proceed with ease to your destinations.

Interchange opens despite snowy weather

Due to the cold and snowy weather, all the opening events for the new interchange took place at Tonganoxie Middle School. The interchange opened at approximately 10:30 a.m. prior to the ribbon cutting ceremony.

On the front: *The first customers to use the new interchange were Leavenworth County residents J.W. Evans, Bill New, and Bill Green.*

Top right: *Cutting the ribbon were, from left, KTA Chief Engineer David Jacobson, Leavenworth County Commission Chair John Flower, KTA Project Engineer Rex Fleming, KDOT Secretary and KTA Board Member Deb Miller, KTA Board Chairman Mary Turkington, Leavenworth County Commissioner Clyde Graeber, KTA President/CEO Michael Johnston and Leavenworth County Director of Public Works Michael Spickelmier.*

Right: *An aerial photo illustration shows the four quadrants of the new interchange, two entry and two exit. Illustration courtesy HNTB Corp.*



To see additional photos of the Tonganoxie/Eudora interchange or other projects, visit

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