

Atchison's Earhart Hangar Museum recognized with honor

High praise for Atchison- Amelia Earhart Hangar Museum, with honors this week to be bestowed on the attraction by the Midwest Travel Journalists Association.

According to a release from the museum, the association, Thursday, will present the museum with what the release calls “the prestigious GEMmy award 2023.” The ceremony is planned for 10:00 that morning. The GEMmy, or “gems of travel,” the release explains, “is an honor presented by the MTJA to attractions and tourist destinations worthy of being highlighted that offer an exceptional experience to travelers both near and far.”

Journalist Diana Lambdin Meyer, of Parkville, Missouri, nominated the Museum with a supporting vote of two other members from the association. She- quoted in the release as saying that “the best part [of the museum] may well be the virtual reality of flying one of Amelia- planes on her solo flight across the Atlantic, landing in Ireland in 1932.”

Leadership of the museum, in the release, says they “are happy to stand among other budding destinations within the Midwestern region that are being recognized for their drive towards excellence and our personal goal of spreading Amelia's passion for flight and her fighting spirit when faced with adversity.”

Since it's opening in April, the museum, located at Atchison's Amelia Earhart Memorial Airport, has hosted 13,251 visitors.

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