

Visitors Fly In To Bell Museum

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The Bell Aircraft Museum, Mentone, recently had some visitors fly in. Fred Wright, of Middlebury, and Steve Johnson, Goshen, flew Wright's Enstrom helicopter to the heliport at the Museum. The Museum is open to visitors by appointment during the winter months, and beginning June 6 will be open Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. as well as by appointment.

Several projects have been completed this past year and improvements have been made. Restoration of the 47-H helicopter presented as Larry Bell's personal helicopter is near completion, and the 47-G helicopter is near completion.

Mentone Days is coming up, and a fundraising committee will serve sandwiches, pie and ice cream all day June 4 in the big tent on Main Street.

Kosciusko County Visitors Bureau will be sending tourists to the Museum as part of their summer program. The Museum will be open during the Popular Rotocraft Convention (Aug. 3 –7).

The Museum is sponsoring some trips. The first one is to Washington, D.C. (July 29 – Aug. 2, 2010)

On the second one we will go to French Lick, Churchill Downs and Bardstown (October 7 – 9, 2010).

And the third trip will be Christmas shopping in Chicago November 13, 2010. During summer 2011, a trip through Canada by train is being offered. Reservations are being taken for the trips. For more information, call the Bell Museum at 574-353-7318 or 574-353-7113.

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