



A Writing Life with KC Star Columnist Charles Gusewelle

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Noted local journalist and author Charles Gusewelle will reflect on his life as a writer during Shawnee Town Museum's Speaker Series on Tuesday, July 13 at 7pm. Prior to Gusewelle's presentation, Friends of Shawnee Town will be hosting a farm dinner of fried chicken and all the fixings. The dinner will kick off at 6pm and be available for \$10 per person for members of Friends of Shawnee Town. Reservations can be made by calling 913-248-2360.

Gusewelle has been a writer for the Kansas City Star for more than 50 years. He reported from the south during the Civil Rights movement and covered the Middle East and reported from Russia during the communist regime. In 1976 he was named Foreign Editor and Associate Editor for the Star. In more recent years he has shared tales of his wandering life in a regular column. Gusewelle's work has also appeared in magazines like *Harper's*, *The Paris Review* and *American Heritage*. In addition he has written 12 books, worked on several documentaries and was inducted into the Writers Hall of Fame in 2000.

Shawnee Town's Speakers Series feature guest lecturers who discuss topics of local historic interest. They are held from April through October on the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the Museum's Town Hall at 11600 Johnson Drive in Shawnee, KS. The Speakers Series events are free and open to the public. The Friends Of Shawnee Town is sponsoring the July presentation.

For more information about the Speakers Series call Shawnee Town Museum at 913-248-2360 or visit www.shawneetown.org.

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Shawnee Town is an outdoor museum interpreting small town rural life in the 1920s. Situated on 8 acres, the Museum features a home, barn, school, post office, chapel, fire station, various businesses, and gardens. For more information on Shawnee Town call 913-248-2360