

Earhart receives Barbie treatment

**(KAIR)--Atchison's famous daughter is getting the Barbie treatment.**

**According to a [press release](#) from toy manufacturer Mattel, Amelia Earhart is included as part of the company's new "Inspiring Women" series, with the famed aviator to be represented as a Barbie doll.**

**According to a picture accompanying the release, the Earhart doll is dressed in a leather flight jacket and holding a leather flight helmet, with both a pair of goggles and a white scarf around her neck.**

**According to the press release, Earhart is one of three dolls in the series.**

**In the news release, Lisa McKnight, the Senior Vice-President and General Manager of Barbie, says announcement of the "Inspiring Women" series is timed with International Women's Day, which will be recognized Thursday.**

**McKnight says the company is "thrilled to shine a light on real life role models to remind [girls] that they can be anything."**

**The release does not provide a date for the availability of the new dolls, but says each will come with educational information about the contributions each woman represented made to society and their respective fields.**

**Earhart, the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean, was born in Atchison on July 24, 1897.**

**Each July, Atchison holds a weekend festival in her honor.**

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