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## Daily Report

### Hospital Notes

#### Admissions

• Tuesday — Larry Kelly, Ottawa; Vernon Rocker, Ottawa; Steven Walsh, Pomona.

#### Births

• Tuesday — a boy, 7 pounds, 10 ounces to Ryan and Amanda Fields.

#### Dismissals

• Tuesday — Christina Briggs, Ottawa; Bernice Smith, Williamsburg.

### Franklin County Jail

#### Sheriff's Department Arrests

• 12:39 p.m. Tuesday, 305 S. Main St., Leann Marie Godfrey, 21, Lawrence, on Franklin County warrant for failure to appear. Bond set at \$2,000.

### Sheriff's Department News

#### Incidents

• 10:57 p.m. Tuesday, 3197 Florida Road, responded for a structure fire. An abandoned mobile home was a total loss.

### Police Department News

#### Incidents

• 9:15 p.m. Tuesday, 2101 S. Princeton St., Wal-Mart Supercenter, a 44-year-old Ottawa woman reported she was battered by a known suspect.

#### Thefts

• 8:43 p.m. Tuesday, 617 E. Massasoit St., items from an unlocked car.

#### Vandalism

• 3:58 a.m. Saturday, 120 E. 15th St., Gerken Rent-All, damage to a window. Damage estimated at \$500.

• 4:44 a.m. Saturday, 901 S. Main St., Gollier Rehabilitation Center, damage to several windows. Damage estimated at \$2,000.

• 12:35 p.m. Saturday, 100 block South Main Street, a 20-year-old Ottawa man reported he had back glass broken out of his vehicle overnight by an unknown object as it was parked.

• 2:18 p.m. Sunday, 700 block of East Ninth Street, a 47-year-old Ottawa man reported he had four tires cut on his vehicle.

• 2:56 p.m. Sunday, 104 S. Cedar St., The Ottawa Herald, a 47-year-old Ottawa woman reported a window was broken by unknown suspects overnight.

• 1:12 a.m. Monday, 104 E. Logan St., Cash 2 Go, an unknown person damaged one of the windows on the business.

• 7:47 a.m. Monday, 1300 E. Logan St., Kansas Gas Service, a 62-year-old Olathe man reported two windows on the business were damaged.

• 8:19 a.m. Monday, 115 W. Third St., Mitchells Floor Coverings, a 38-year-old Baldwin City woman reported numerous windows were damaged on the business.

• 9:17 a.m. Monday, 112 N. Main St., Pay Day Advance, a 50-year-old Saint Joseph, Mo., man reported one of the windows damaged on the business.

• 8:10 a.m. Tuesday, 1200 block of North Main Street, a 34-year-old Arkansas City man reported damage done to a window on construction equipment owned by BRB Contractors Inc.

• 8:51 a.m. Tuesday, 120 E. 15th St., Gerken Rent-All, a 32-year-old Ottawa man reported a window broken on the business.

• 3:55 p.m. Tuesday, 436 N. Main St., Heritage Motors, a 50-year-old Ottawa man reported damage done to a window on the business.

## Correction

William B. Lacy, former adviser and speech writer for President Ronald Reagan, will deliver the address Nov. 11 at the American Legion Veterans Day Program in Wellsville.

Lacy, director at the Dole Institute of Politics, will speak during the program beginning at 10 a.m. in the gymnasium at Wellsville High School, 602 Walnut St., Wellsville.

An article in the Wednesday edition incorrectly noted the location.

## Markets

#### LOCAL GRAIN

Ottawa Co-op's quotations for Wednesday afternoon at Ottawa were: hard wheat, 4.47; soybeans, 9.49; corn, 3.44; milo, 3.04.

Posted county prices for grains at Franklin County's USDA Farm Service Agency were: corn, 3.42, none; milo, 5.20, none; oats, 2.23, none; soybeans, 9.45, none; wheat, 4.20, none.

### Today in Ottawa History

Headlines from The Ottawa Herald compiled by local historian, Louis Reed.



Nov. 5, 1959

A man accused of the July 22 slaying of an Ottawa man has been found insane and sentenced to Larned, the Kansas State Hospital for the criminally insane.

## Obituaries

#### DONALD G. FORTH

Donald G. Forth, 80, Overbrook, died Monday, Nov. 2, 2009. Funeral services will

be 10 a.m. Thursday at the United Methodist Church in Overbrook, where the family will receive friends after 9 a.m. Thursday.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Overbrook American Legion or the United Methodist Church in care of Greenwood-Roberts Funeral

Home, Box 268, Overbrook KS 66524.

Online condolences may be made at [www.lamb-roberts.com](http://www.lamb-roberts.com) and at [www.ottawaherald.com](http://www.ottawaherald.com).

#### GERALD K. HAMILTON

Gerald K. Hamilton, 89, Owasso, Okla., died Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2009. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Woodlawn Cemetery, Pomona.

He was born June 10, 1920, in Wichita to Charles and Laura (Woods) Hamilton.

He served in the U.S. Army.

He was a farmer. Survivors include daughter, Nancy Holt;

brother, Newell Hamilton; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, sons, Gerry and Bruce; five brothers; and a step-brother.

Memorial contributions can be made to Hospice in care of Moore Funeral Home Owasso Chapel, 116 N. Main St., Owasso OK 74055.

Condolences can be made at [www.ottawaherald.com](http://www.ottawaherald.com).

#### MICHAEL 'MICK' JONES

Michael "Mick" Jones, 52, Ottawa, died Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2009, at Wellsville Manor Care Center, Wellsville. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Dengel & Son Mortuary, Ottawa.

He was born Aug. 23, 1957, in Garnett to Richard D. Jones Sr. and Betty Jean (McDaniel) Jones.

He grew up in Williamsburg before moving to Ottawa.

He graduated from Williamsburg High School in 1975 and attended Auto Technical Training in Topeka.

He worked at Ottawa Ford in the late 1970s doing auto mechanics,

carpentry and maintenance. He then worked at the Bea Martin Peck Animal Shelter, Ottawa, in the 1980s and Taylor Brothers Construction, Ottawa, from 1991 to 1997.

He married Christina Ingels Feb. 1, 1991, in Ottawa. She survives of the home.

Survivors also include his father, Richard Jones Sr., and his wife, Sharon, Ottawa; daughter, Lisa Thurston, and her husband, Danny, Fort Scott; sons, Shawn Jones, of the home, and Christopher Hancock, Overland Park; brother, Richard D. Jones Jr., and his wife, Carol, Williamsburg; stepsisters, Tina Madison, and her husband, Stanley, Otta-

wa, and Sandy Thornburg, Warsaw, Mo.; stepbrother, Lee Gregg, and his wife, Kim, Ottawa; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Bettye Jean (McDaniel) Jones; and a sister, Linda Gilbertson.

Cremation is planned.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Michael Jones Memorial Fund in care of Dengel & Son Mortuary, 235 S. Hickory St., Ottawa KS 66067.

Condolences may be e-mailed to the family through [dengelmortuary@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dengelmortuary@sbcglobal.net) and made at [www.ottawaherald.com](http://www.ottawaherald.com).

#### JOE ALLAN OSHEL

Joe Allan Oshel, 78, Edgerton, died at his home Monday, Nov. 2, 2009. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, 2009, at Bruce Funeral Home, Gardner.

He was born March 7, 1931, in De Soto to Lester Clarence and Vernice Aletha Hall Oshel.

He graduated from Edgerton High School.

He married Mary Magdalene Huff in Canton, Ohio. She preceded him

in death.

He served in the U.S. Army. He worked at Central Fiber, Wellsville.

He also was preceded in death by siblings Lester Edward Oshel and Delores McDaniel.

Survivors include daughter, Anna Oshel, Edgerton; sons, Virgil Oshel, Ottawa, George Oshel, Paola, and Kenneth Oshel, Edgerton; brothers, Boyd Oshel, Mound City; Bob Oshel, Princeton and Keith Oshel, Alabama; sisters, Laura Lee Frye, Edg-

erton, Lois Wynes, Osceola, Mo., and Sharon Jacoby, Ottawa; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Burial will be at Antioch Cemetery.

The family will meet with friends from 10 a.m. until the service hour at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Condolences may be sent to [www.brucefuneralhome.com](http://www.brucefuneralhome.com) and made at [www.ottawaherald.com](http://www.ottawaherald.com).

#### ELMER TANKERSLEY

Elmer Tankersley, age 94, of Rantoul, Kan., died Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2009, at his residence.



Tankersley

He was born Thursday, Feb. 11, 1915, at home in Rosedale, Kan., the son of John Watson and Ann Mabel (Ackerman) Tankersley.

He grew up in Rosedale and drove his first car at age 9. He was charged with getting ice and water daily from the ice house in Rosedale. He lived in Rosedale until his marriage to Goldie L. Hester July 24, 1935, when they eloped to Leavenworth, Kan. After marriage, they purchased Goldie's par-

ents' home and moved to Merriam, Kan., in the late 1930s, where they lived until the summer of 1968 when he and Goldie built their home on a farm in Rantoul.

Elmer graduated from Rosedale High School in Kansas City, Kan. In the mid-1950s, he and Goldie attended Calvary Bible College in Kansas City, Mo.

Elmer developed a love for trains during his childhood, and he fulfilled this love through working as an engineer for Frisco Railroad for 34 years, covering the Kansas City to Fort Scott line. He once said that the only thing he ever wanted to do was "drive" an engine. He did so.

Following retirement from Frisco and the loss of his wife, he filled his days working at Country Mart in Ottawa since 1990. He was a member of Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and

Trainmen of Kansas City.

Second to his love of trains was his passion for traveling. He and Goldie and their children enjoyed camping out with a canvas tent, sleeping bags and a two-burner Coleman stove. They traveled to just about every national park in the nation. They made it to Yellowstone 18 times before Goldie passed away in 1990.

In 1948, Elmer and Goldie accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal savior and lived their faith in front of their children, grandchildren and friends. He was a faithful member of the Merriam Bible Church and helped build it. Upon relocating to the farm, Goldie and he attended Ruhamah Baptist Church.

He is survived by his son, Gary Tankersley, and his wife, Glenda, of Salem, Mo.; a daughter, Sharon

Fiola, and her husband, Fred, of Reno, Nev.; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Goldie.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, 2009, at Dengel & Son Mortuary in Ottawa. Friends may pay their respects to Mr. Tankersley after 9 a.m. Friday at Dengel & Son Mortuary, where the family will meet with friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Interment will be at Ruhamah Cemetery, near Rantoul, Kan.

Condolences may be e-mailed to the family through [dengelmortuary@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dengelmortuary@sbcglobal.net).

### Thank You

Thanks first goes to God for his blessing of healing. We can not thank everyone enough for all their prayers, love, support and caring during this difficult time. A special thanks goes to the Melvern churches and the community for the funeral dinner, Terry Bullock for the wonderful service and Feltner's Funeral Home for all the loving care.

The family of  
Jim Lacey

#### MARIAN J. SCHMITT

Marian J. Schmitt, 86, WaKeeney, died Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2009, at Trego County Lemke Memorial Hospital, Wakeeney. Graveside services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at WaKeeney City Cemetery, WaKeeney.

She was born May 20, 1923, near Quenemo to Simon J. Stadel and Maude M. (Piper) Stadel.

She graduated from Ottawa in 1941.

She was a homemaker.

She married Lawrence Earl Schmitt April 30, 1942, at Ottawa. He preceded her in death Feb. 28, 1996.

Survivors include a son, Jon Schmitt, WaKeeney; daughter, Judith Lee, New York City; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She also was preceded in death by a son, Patrick Schmitt; grandson, Ronald Schmitt; brother, Ralph Stadel; and sister, Edna Yockey.

Family will meet with

friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Schmitt Funeral Home, WaKeeney.

Memorial contributions can be made to Trego County Lemke Memorial Hospital LTC Special Needs Project and sent in care of Schmitt Funeral Home, 336 N. 12th St., WaKeeney KS 67672.

Harold Simmons, President of National Baptist Laymen's Movement, will be the keynote speaker at the Deacon Ordination Ceremony for Brother Harvey Tyson & Brother Wendel Lewis.

3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 8  
Bethany Chapel Baptist Church,  
Second and Poplar streets.

Reception will follow program.

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## Ottawa Recreation Commission

### Youth Basketball League

**Deadline:** November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**Fee:** \$35

**Ages:** Boys & Girls, Grade K - 6th

Game start December 5th  
(Garfield and Lincoln Elementary)

Practices will be held for  
2-3 weeks prior

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