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## Today

Nov. 6

### THINGS TO DO

- 7 a.m. — Turn aluminum cans into Toys for Tots: Franklin County Recycling Center, 2038 S. Elm St., Ottawa.
- 8 a.m. — "Masquerade - Fantasy, Reality, Illusion": 1109 Gallery, 1109 Massachusetts St., Lawrence.
- 8:30 a.m. — Ottawa Community Arts Council Open Play Room: Carnegie Cultural Center, 515 S. Main St., Ottawa. Ages birth to pre-K welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost \$1 per child.
- 9:30 a.m. — Craft Club: Wellsville City Library, 115 W. Sixth St., Wellsville.
- 10 a.m. — Free Blood Pressure Clinic: Ottawa Retirement Village Plaza, 1042 W. 15th St., Ottawa.

- 4 p.m. — After Hours at the Museum: Old Depot Museum, 135 W. Tecumseh St., Ottawa.
- 5 p.m. — Meatloaf Dinner: Ottawa VFW Post No. 5901, 3499 N. U.S. 59, Ottawa.
- 6 p.m. — Eagles Dance: Eagles Hall, 524 E. 15th St., Ottawa.

### MEETINGS

- 8 a.m. — Chamber Coffee: Chamber Coffee at Franklin Co. Chiropractic, 112 E. 17th, Ottawa.
- Noon — Alcoholics Anonymous Ottawa Group: First Baptist Church, Fourth and Hickory streets, Ottawa.
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## Weekend

Nov. 7-8

### THINGS TO DO

#### Saturday

- 8 a.m. — "Masquerade - Fantasy, Reality, Illusion": 1109 Gallery, 1109 Massachusetts St., Lawrence.
- 8 a.m. — Adult Health Fair: Ransom Memorial Hospital, 1301 S. Main St., Ottawa.
- 8 a.m. — Chris Cakes: Eisenhower Elementary School, 1404 S. Ash St., Ottawa.
- 8 a.m. — Friends of the Library Book Sale: Friends of the Library Book Sale, 209 E. Second St., Ottawa.
- 9 a.m. — Melvern Methodist Church Food Sale, Boutique and Bazaar: Melvern Community Center, 102 NE Main St., Melvern.
- 9 a.m. — Turn aluminum cans into Toys for Tots: Franklin County Recycling Center, 2038 S. Elm St., Ottawa.
- 9:30 a.m. — Women's Educational Society 107th Year Celebration Coffee: O'Dell Lounge of Martin Hall, Ottawa University.
- 10 a.m. — Ottawa Community Arts Council's Fun Stuff for Kids: Carnegie Cultural Center, 515 S. Main St., Ottawa. Enjoy quality time with your child making a variety of concoctions for play and learning. Ages 3-8, \$5 a session.

- 1 p.m. — "Country Roads and Paths" Art Show: Carnegie Cultural Center, 515 S. Main St., Ottawa.
- 1 p.m. — Freedom's Frontier Sites Class: Franklin County Records & Research Center, 1124 W. Seventh St. Terrace, Ottawa.
- 6 p.m. — Country Gold Band at VFW Seniors Dance: Ottawa VFW Post No. 5901, 3499 N. U.S. 59, Ottawa.

### MEETINGS

#### Saturday

- 7 p.m. — Alcoholics Anonymous Ottawa Living Sober Group: First Christian Church, 1045 S. Hickory St., Ottawa.
- 7 p.m. — Over the Road Gang Car Club: Ottawa City Hall, 101 S. Hickory St.

#### Sunday

- 10 a.m. — "Keep It Simple" Alcoholics Anonymous: Franklin County Mental Health Center basement, 204 E. 15th St., Ottawa.
- 8 p.m. — Narcotics Anonymous: Ottawa First United Methodist Church, 203 E. Fourth St., Ottawa.

### Ad Briefs

**BUSHEL OF Apples** - \$15. Pome on the Range Orchards & Winery, (785) 746-5492, I-35 south, exit 176.

**MICHIGAN VALLEY** United Methodist Church Annual Turkey Supper, Sat., Nov. 7, 5-7 p.m.

**CHRIS CAKES**, Fundraiser for literature Festival. Sat. Nov. 7, 8-11 Eisenhower school, 1404 S.

**DON'T MISS** The Phantoms of the Opry at OMA, Saturday, Nov. 7, 7 p.m. Majority proceeds to benefits Bea Martin Animal Shelter. First 100 Veterans in uniform, free! Tickets available at Country Mart, OMA or Cottonwood Animal Hospital.

**HAND-BREADED CHICKEN** Fried steak every day. CD's Diner & Catering, 306 S. Main (785) 242-2700. View menu at www.cdsdiner.zoomshare.com.

**PACO JEWELRY** Sale. One day only. Tuesday, November 10th, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. Ransom Memorial Hospital. Sponsored by the RMH Auxiliary Gift Shop.

**7TH ANNUAL** Holiday Open House, Sat., Nov 7 from 9 am-3 pm at Westminster Presbyterian, 13th & Maple. Pampered Chef, Premiere Jewelry, Longaberger, Mary Kay, Scentsy Candles, Tastefully Simple, Tupperware & Rosalee B. Great holiday shopping.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY** Republican Central Committee invites all Republicans to march together in the Veteran's Day Parade, Nov. 7 in support and appreciation of our veterans and those currently serving in our military. Meet at 5th and Walnut at 9:30 a.m. A trailer will be provided for those who want to ride.

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# Let's salute their service

AMBER WOOD



What's Going On

This weekend pay tribute to veterans.

Veterans Day observations begin at 6 p.m. today with the Healing Field of Flags, with more than 700 flags, as part of an opening ceremony at Ottawa's Forest Park, 320 N. Locust St.

Saturday morning the events continue with many events, highlighted by the Veterans Day parade from Fifth and Main streets to Forest Park and a special service at the War Memorial.

Then, it's on to the park, where the popular World War II re-enactment will be at 1:15 p.m., followed at 2:15 p.m. by a Civil War firing demonstration. More programs, including music, follow that.

Don't miss out Sunday. A "Time of Reflection" will be at 6 p.m., followed at 7 p.m. with another tour of the Healing Field of Flags. At 6 p.m. Monday, a Hands of Glory/Gospel program will be followed by a tour of the Healing Field of Flags.

Wednesday will mark the closing ceremonies, with music by the Central Heights Choir. Questions on Veterans Day events, call Harold Mayes at (785) 242-5419.

"This is your Grandad's music" so get your ticket to Phantoms of the Opry at the Ottawa Municipal Auditorium Saturday night to hear

it. The band really can get you up on your feet. There will be special space for those wishing to cut a rug. This local band will be playing at 7 p.m., with proceeds benefiting the Bea Martin Peck Animal Shelter. Get out to support local talent and the animal shelter. Tickets are available for \$13.50 at the OMA, Country Mart and Cottonwood Animal Hospital. The first 100 veterans to come in uniform get in free. Questions: Call Kimberley at (785) 242-6492.

Also this weekend, a cabaret show will feature songs from various musicals, plays and movies at the Larry D. Peters Auditorium at Ottawa University. The show will be 8 p.m. today and Saturday. Tickets for the show are \$10 for adults; \$8 for children, students and senior citizens. Faculty, staff and OU

students get free admission with an ID. The show will feature nine local talents.

If you haven't been to the Ottawa Arts Guild Member Show featuring "Country Roads and Paths," be sure to head to the Carnegie Cultural Center, 515 S. Main St., 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. This will be the last of two weekends at the Carnegie. The show will close Nov. 15. The art show is free to the public for viewing and features work from local artists and art available for purchase.

You may be familiar with the story/movie "The Shawshank Redemption," but did you ever wonder how real the scenario of Andy Dufrense could be? Well, not the breaking out of jail part, but the wrongful imprisoning part.

Next Thursday Darryl Burton will be speaking at Ottawa University in the chapel at 1001 S. Cedar St. Burton was wrongfully imprisoned for 24 years until his conviction was overturned in 2008. He now lives in Kansas City and travels around the country to tell his story firsthand. Call (785) 242-5200 with questions.

Amber Wood is marketing director of the Franklin County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

## Ball, Big Wheel, Game Boy make Toy Hall of Fame

By BEN DOBBIN

Associated Press Writer

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Bounce it, kick it, catch it. Chase, throw or smack it. The ball, arguably the most popular plaything of all time, has finally earned a place inside a glass case at the National Toy Hall of Fame in New York.

Along with the Big Wheel and the Game Boy video device, the Strong National Museum of Play in Rochester chose the ball Thursday to join its all-star lineup of 41 classics, including the bicycle, the kite, the jump rope, the teddy bear, the stick, marbles and Mr. Potato Head.

The low-slung, muscular Big Wheel tricycle was launched at the 1969 Toy Fair in New York, and Game Boy was an instant hit for Japan's Nintendo Co. in 1989.

Longevity is a key criterion for getting into the 11-year-old hall of fame, which the museum acquired in 2002 from A.C. Gilbert's

Discovery Village in Salem, Ore. Each toy must be widely recognized; foster learning, creativity or discovery through play; and endure in popularity over generations.

Many judges on the hall's national advisory panel recognized the ball's inclusion was long overdue.

"Probably no other plaything is as easily recognized, easily played with and universally enjoyed by people of all cultures, skills and ages," Nicolas Ricketts, a curator at Strong, said. "The ball is timeless. It will always be here. In the words of American golf great Tiger Woods, 'It will always be the ball and me.'"

A selection of 25 balls of all sizes and materials were put on display, from table tennis, golf, basketball, billiard, football and bowling balls to hyper-bouncing rubber balls, wind-steered beach balls, foam-like Nerfs and an old-style leather soccer ball.

Game Boy transformed the electronic games market by popularizing handheld gaming. It was the first portable system to allow multiple players simultaneously and came bundled with the classic puzzle game Tetris. Additional launch titles featured Nintendo's already iconic character, Mario.

The Big Wheel was created by Louis Marx & Co., the largest toy maker in the U.S. between the 1940s and 1960s, and remained its big seller for a decade. Chief designer Ray Lohr took apart a tricycle, mixed up the parts and reassembled them into an upside-down trike that handled like a race car.

Its design gave young children a sense of independence and control that tippy trikes couldn't deliver.

"Riding close to the ground heightened the sensation of speed and exaggerated every bump

and blip in the pavement," Patricia Hogan, the museum's curator of toys, said. "Kids who mastered peeltouts, high-speed 180s, doughnuts, skid-outs and screeching stops had the most fun. Who knew that getting around the neighborhood would be such a blast?"

## Monday

Nov. 9

### THINGS TO DO

- 7 a.m. — Turn aluminum cans into Toys for Tots: Franklin County Recycling Center, 2038 S. Elm St., Ottawa.
- 9 a.m. — Kids Day Out: Carnegie Cultural Center, 515 S. Main St., Ottawa.
- 1 p.m. — Friends of the Library Book Sale: Friends of the Library, 209 E. Second St., Ottawa.
- 2 p.m. — TALK Book Discussion of "The Milagro Beanfield War": Ottawa Library, 105 S. Hickory St.
- 6:30 p.m. — Frogs, frogs, frogs!: Ottawa Library, 105 S. Hickory St.
- 7 p.m. — "Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit": Westminster Presbyterian Church, 401 W. 13th St., Ottawa.
- 7 p.m. — Bingo: Eagles Hall, 524 E. 15th St., Ottawa.

### MEETINGS

- 8:30 a.m. — Franklin County Commission Study Session: Franklin County Office Annex, 1418 S. Main St., Ottawa.
- 11:45 a.m. — Education and Health Committee: Ottawa Area Chamber of Commerce, 109 E. Second St., Ottawa.
- Noon — Alcoholics Anonymous Ottawa Group: First Baptist Church, Fourth

and Hickory streets, Ottawa.

- Noon — Lions Club: Poncho's, 429 S. Main St., Ottawa.

- 1 p.m. — Peer Alliance and Listening Support: Elizabeth Layton Center for Hope and Guidance, 2537 Eisenhower Road, Ottawa.

- 4 p.m. — Ottawa City Commission Study Session: Ottawa City Hall, 101 S. Hickory St.

- 6:45 p.m. — Narcotics Anonymous: Wellsville Baptist Church, Third and Main streets, Wellsville.

- 7 p.m. — Cub Scout Pack 3118: Trinity United Methodist Church, 630 N. Cedar St., Ottawa.

- 7 p.m. — Republican Central Committee: Courthouse Square Apartments, 235 S. Main St., Ottawa.

- 7 p.m. — USD 290 Board of Education: USD 290 District Office, 416 S. Main St., Ottawa.

- 7 p.m. — Wellsville City Library Board: Wellsville City Library, 115 W. Sixth St., Wellsville.

- 7 p.m. — West Franklin USD 287 School Board: 510 E. Franklin St., Pomona.

- 7:30 p.m. — Lane City Council: Lane City Hall, 524 W. Third St., Lane.

- 8 p.m. — Alcoholics Anonymous Ottawa Group: First Baptist Church, Fourth and Hickory streets, Ottawa.

Card Shower For  
**Opal Fritts**  
Who is turning 80 on Nov. 10th

Please send cards to:  
2291 Reno Terr.  
Ottawa, KS 66067

Happy 80th  
Birthday, Mom



Love,  
John Fritts, Jerry & Debbie,  
Shirley & David Rose, Randy and Joyce Smith

## Saluting Our Heroes

November 6th - 11th, 2009

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS ON NOVEMBER 7TH		SCHEDULE ON NOVEMBER 8TH	
10:30 am	Red Cross Serving Free Coffee & Donuts at 4th & Main	6:00 pm	Touring Healing Fields
10:45 am	Veterans Day Parade, 5th and Main proceeding to Forest Park	7:00 pm	Time of Reflection
11:00 am	Special Service at the War Memorial	7:00 pm	Tour of the "Healing Field of Flags"
11:15 am	Parade resumes to Forest park		
	After the Parade Food Vendors & Craft Booths at Forest Park		
In Forest Park			
1:00 pm	Prelude to World War 2	6:00 pm	Evening Program Hands of Glory/Gospel
1:15 pm	WW2 Re-enactment WWII	7:00 pm	Tour of the "Healing Field of Flags"
2:00 pm	Prelude to Civil War		
2:15 pm	Civil War Firing Demonstration and/or Civil War Skirmish		
2:00-3:00 pm	Family Ties		
3:00 pm	The Linthens' and Friends	7:00 pm	Closing Ceremonies
7:00 pm	Tour of the Healing Field of Flags		Music by Central Heights Choir
Healing Field of Flags			
Nov. 6th	6:00 pm	Open Ceremony	
6:30 pm	Speakers & Boy Scouts Program		
7:00 pm	Shelly Todd Lincoln School's 5th grade class		
8:00 pm	Tour of the "Healing Field of Flags"		
Over 700 US Flags on Display at Forest Park, Men's Ball Diamond. (available for public viewing 24 hours a day from Nov. 6-Nov. 11)			
Flags may be purchased for \$30 and dedicated to a veteran. For details contact Harold Hayes (785) 242-5419 visit our website www.healingfield.org/ottawa			
Local Schools will display projects each day honoring our Veterans and their sacrifices as they defended our Country.			