

Register for any of these events by coming to the circulation desk if a registration fee is required OR by calling 785.242.3080 if the program is free.

Monday, August 27

Creative Writing Workshop

6 p.m., City Hall Commission Room, FREE
Registration required, program for adults.
Become a better writer. Join two playwrights for creative writing exercises and write your own 10-minute play!



September

National Library Card Sign-Up Month

Sign up for your FIRST Ottawa Library card to receive fun prizes all month long!

September Through November

Fall TALK Books Series: WWII Generation

This WWII series bypasses the more familiar territories of the war by selecting recent books that address lesser-known aspects of the conflict. In accounts of the war in the Philippines, secret American military activity in Alaska and the Aleutians, and aspects of the home front, the books in this series serve to illuminate the full range of horror and hope that characterized WWII. Our first discussion is September 25 at 2 p.m. Books are available now at the circulation desk.

Thursday, September 13

Basic eBay Class

6 p.m., City Hall Commission Room, FREE
Registration required, program for adults.
This is our classic eBay class, which is meant for beginners. Come learn the ins and outs of selling on eBay so you can rid your house of junk and make some cash doing it!

Saturday, September 29

Fear Factor

2 p.m., Library Parking Lot, FREE
Registration required; program for 8-12 year olds.
We'll do this wildly popular event again but this time we'll be outside so the mess can truly be outrageous! Sign up in pairs if you want to but we'll partner you up if you arrive without a buddy in tow. Be prepared to face some pretty nasty challenges. Wear your grubby clothes and your bravest face!

Thursday, October 11

No-Sew Blankets

6 p.m., Library Activity Room, \$2.00
Registration required; program for teens and adults.
These blankets make the perfect Christmas gifts for others or you can make one for yourself for coming chilly nights. Learn not only how to make them but walk away with a sample so you can reference it when you create your masterpiece at home.



October 14-20

National Teen Read Week

"Read for the Fun of it!" Teens, we're giving away prizes all week long just for you. Look for special treats all over the library and find the perfect book or magazine while you're at it.

Friday, October 19

School's Out – Come to the Library for bingo!

10-11:30 a.m., City Hall Commission Room, FREE
No registration required, for all school-age kids.
Join us for a few rounds of BINGO! We'll have prizes for the winners and snacks for everyone. Parents, please attend with 5-7 year olds.



October 21-27

National Friends of Libraries Week

Our very active Friends group is the reason we can offer many of our events to the Ottawa community. Please check out what Friends membership has to offer you, say thank you to a Friend and pop by the library for treats all week long.

Monday, October 22

NaNoWriMo Kick-Off

6 p.m., Library Circulation Department, FREE
A few brave souls created a 50,000-word novel in 30 days last November. We laughed, we cried, we ate our way through gallons of ice cream and in the end, we each had a book of our own creation and enough pride to fill a football stadium. Join us tonight for the beginning of another unforgettable adventure in writing!

Saturday, October 27

Science Saturday

10 a.m., Library Activity Room, FREE
Registration required; program for 5-12 year olds.
Steve Boese makes science fun. See his demonstrations, help with an experiment, ask lots of questions and walk away a little bit smarter.



Tuesday, October 30

Haunted Treat Making

6 p.m., Library Activity Room, FREE
Registration required; program for 3 and up.
Give your costume a trial run and come to the library to create tasty treats you can share with others or horde in your bedroom for months to come. We'll make some Halloween classics and share one or two new ideas, as well.

Sunday, November 4

Behind Barbed Wire:

Midwest POWs in Nazi Germany

2-5 p.m., Library Parking Lot, FREE
Created by TRACES Center for History and Culture, this mobile exhibit will visit Ottawa Library to share stories of capture, interrogation, camp life, escape attempts and death marches. It focuses on Midwest Prisoners of War and their liberation and return to home. Learn more about our brave veterans by putting this on your calendar today.

November Through December

Season's Readings

Tuesdays, Nov. 6 through December 18
3-7:45 p.m. For children age 3 through 5th grade.
You know how this works by now. Join us again for some winter reading fun! Curl up with some good books and win prizes, too! Sign a contract to read books every week. If you meet your goal, you win prizes. It's that simple.

Come Tuesday, November 6 between 3 and 7:45 p.m. to sign your Seasons Readings contract and get started. This is the only day/time to register! Cost is \$2.00 per reader. Every following Tuesday come back for more books and to pick up prizes.

Please remember that this program will take place on TUESDAYS ONLY.



Thursday, November 8

Mayflower Madness

5:30 p.m., Library Activity Room, \$2.00
Registration required; program for ages 5 and up.
Learn about the pilgrims in ways you never have before. Listen to Thanksgiving stories, pretend to be pilgrims and American Indians, take a boat ride and then have a feast!

Friday, November 9

School's Out – Make-and-Take Crafts

Come anytime between 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
City Hall Commission Room, FREE
No registration required; for all school-age kids.
Complete a make and take craft or two or three! We'll have a variety of coloring, cutting and pasting crafts for children to complete. Parents, please attend with 5-7 year olds.

November 11 - 17

National Children's Book Week

We'll be celebrating the best in children's books all week! Any child "caught" reading in the library during this week will be given a prize!
Again we'll participate in the Kansas Reads to Preschoolers statewide project by attempting to read to as many Franklin County preschool children as possible! The theme this year is safety and we'll focus on the 3 books chosen for the project. Join us for our regular children's programs for prizes and giveaways and visits from children's book characters, too!

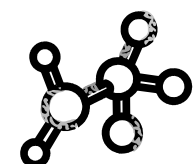
Saturday, November 17

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but the experience will not be. See new stuff this Saturday!

Monday, November 19

12 Days of Holiday Decorating

6-8 p.m. (come and go),
City Hall Commission Room, FREE

While we want you to get twelve fabulous Christmas decorating ideas, we don't want you to spend a lot of time doing it, so come gather these ideas at your leisure. Move from table to table to talk with the creative decorating masterminds behind each idea and take home instructions, too! Bring your cameras to snap shots of the projects you want to recreate in your house.

Saturday, December 1

Hit the Road Holiday Bags

2 p.m., Library Activity Room, \$2.00
Registration required; program for 5-12 year olds.

Before attending the Christmas parade, swing by the library to make an activity bag for those long trips to Grandma's house. We'll pack your bag full of games and treats so the time in the car (or on the plane!) will zoom by.

Monday, December 3

NaNoWriMo Thank God It's Over Party

7 p.m., Library Circulation Department

Whew. We made it. Come celebrate with your fellow novelists and bring a paragraph or two of your book to share with the group. We'll eat and commiserate and try to remember what sleep feels like.

Tuesday, December 11

Storytime at the Depot

10 a.m. and 7 p.m., No registration required.

Merry Christmas! Ottawa Library and The Old Depot Museum invite you to share in a magical storytime with other Ottawa children. We'll read holiday classics, sip hot cocoa and explore the chug-chugging trains. Don't miss out on this community tradition.



Tuesday, December 18

Season's Readings Celebration

6 p.m., City Hall Commission Room, FREE

Celebrate your Seasons Readings accomplishments at our Christmas party! Each child who completes the program will receive a present. Plus we'll devour holiday snacks! Only Season's Readings children and their parents may attend the party.

Various Computer Classes

We hope to offer a variety of computer classes in coming months. Look for announcements at Ottawa Library.



Continuous Library Programs

Storytime

Tuesdays 10 a.m. & 7 p.m.

Children three years and older and an accompanying adult lap are invited to attend storytime at the Ottawa Library. Join us to read stories and make a simple craft. Story time lasts approximately 30 minutes and is held in the library activity room. No registration necessary.

Toddler time

Thursdays 9:15 a.m. & 10 a.m.

Children aged 21 months to 36 months and an accompanying adult lap are invited to join us for a time of stories, songs and a simple craft. Registration is required.

Books and Babies

Tuesdays 11 a.m.

Infants 6 – 21 months and an accompanying adult lap are invited to join us for a time of stories, songs and finger plays. Each class will last approximately 20 minutes. Registration required.

Brown Bag Books

2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month from 12 – 1 p.m.

Join Rosemary in the City Hall Conference Room to talk up the latest books that you've read. Share the good ones and bad ones alike. You'll have the chance to see and check out any NEW books at the library before others see them! No registration is necessary. Feel free to bring your "brown bag" lunch along!

Page Turners Book Club

2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

This group is for adult bookworms. Come read fun books! Discuss a different one every month with other avid readers. We even watch the movie versions for comparison. Check out book club books at the circulation desk.

Anime Club

3rd Wednesday of the month at 4 p.m.

If you love Japanese Animation join us for our monthly meeting of the Rei Anime. If you have movies you want the club to watch, please bring them two weeks prior to a meeting for library sponsors to preview.

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