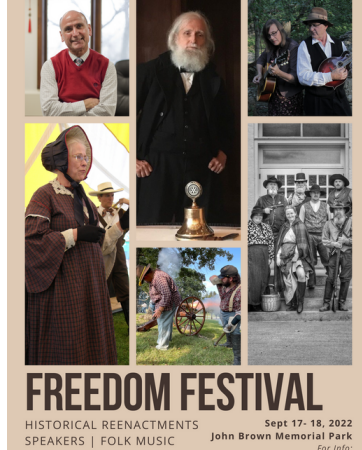




## Freedom Festival

Osawatomie's annual fall celebration of our historic beginnings is coming soon to John Brown Memorial Park! **THIS WEEKEND: Saturday and Sunday, September 17-18, 2022**, history comes alive once again. Civil War era reenactors and battle scenes, frontier artisans, artillery and weapons displays, and more. The park will be filled with fun and **FREE** activities for the whole family!



## Featured Guest

Mary Buster, the great-great granddaughter of Florella Brown Adair, will be leading a discussion entitled "Florella Brown Adair: Living in the Shadow of John Brown" as part of her appearance at the annual Freedom Festival. Buster will also be hosting special "family story" tours of the Adair Cabin on Saturday.

## Paving the Way

The City of Osawatomie's multi-year Paving the Way program has made a big impact in neighborhoods this year. Brown Ave from 16th to 18th is finishing up a full-depth replacement and several other blocks are currently receiving a mill and overlay treatment. City staff is continuing design work on streets for 2023 repair, including a full-depth replacement of 6th Street from city limit to city limit and Brown Avenue from 7th to 12th. [Learn more about Paving the Way online.](#)

# News and Reminders

## ICYMI: Memorial Hall Facelift

Beginning on September 12th, 2022, Memorial Hall (411 11th Street) will be under construction and a new roof will be installed. New reservations in the facility will be paused until the roof replacement is complete and the site reopened to the general public. People with existing reservations through the month of September have already been contacted and shouldn't be impacted by the work being performed. Funding for this critical project was provided by the Hawkins Foundation.

We're looking forward to more repairs and renovations in and around the historic structure in Spring 2023.



### when does city council meet

The next regular meeting of the Osawatomi City Council is Thursday, September 22nd, at 6:30pm inside Memorial Hall (411 11th Street). Visit us online for the most current meeting information and materials packet.

## Mark Your Calendars!



## Did You Know?

The Osawatomi Police Department issues weekly Calls for Service reports that track the type and number of services performed by officers. [CLICK HERE to view the archive.](#)

A number of other great articles and documents are available on our City website. We recently debuted a newly redesigned site that is more user-friendly and has quick link options for residents, visitors, and business partners.

The site also features a selection of downloadable forms, news and updates on community projects, and quick links to services such

as utility billing, special event permits, and facility rental contracts.

Our website is also a great place to find ways to stay connected to the community including many subscription options for news, governing body agendas, calendar events, and more.

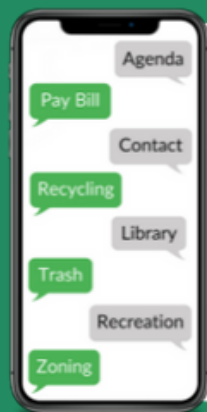
Visit us online at [www.osawatomieks.org](http://www.osawatomieks.org) and let us know what you think!

## Border War BBQ Registration OPEN

The annual Border War BBQ fundraiser for John Brown Foundation has announced OPEN REGISTRATION for the 2022 series, taking place October 21st and 22nd inside John Brown Memorial Park. Over \$9,500 in prize money is up for grabs this year along with a lush 50/50 raffle and the chance to win an American Barbeque Systems ALL-STAR Grill/Smoker with cover (retail value of \$1,905.00). To register, or for more information, visit [www.borderwarbbq.com](http://www.borderwarbbq.com)







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