

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

Registration 12:30 PM

1:30-2:30 PM

Memorial Hall
Ingrid Nixon and **Greg Victors**

3:00-3:45 PM

Memorial Hall
Kevin Kling - "On the Road...Tales from Off the Farm"

Depot (Workshop)
Geraldine Buckley - "Prizes and Pitfalls of Telling Personal Stories"

Christian Church
Rev. Robert B. Jones - "We've Come Here by Faith"

4:00-4:45 PM

Memorial Hall (Legends)
Potter West Kenyon - **Jim Lee**
Alma Ise Lindley - **Sherry Knouf**
Trail of Tears - **Eugene Cameron**

Depot (Workshop)
Rev. Robert B. Jones - "Telling Family Stories"

Christian Church
Greg Victors - "The Transformation-Balancing Native Identity with Ponca Regalia"

5:00-6:30 PM

Senior Center
Supper with the Storytellers: \$14

7:00-9:15 PM

Memorial Hall (Tall Tales Contest)
Larry Temple, Larry Brown, Matthew Kitchen, and **Greg McGlynn** vie for the Shovel **Olio** of Featured Tellers and Legends
Admission with All Performance button or \$5.

9:30-10:15 PM

Memorial Hall (Ghost Stories)
Ingrid Nixon

The Ghost Stories will begin after the conclusion of the Olios. Time may vary.

ADMISSION

Adults
Friday and Saturday \$25
Saturday Only \$20
Friday Only \$15
Single Performance \$5

Student Ages 10-17 (under 10 Free)
Friday and Saturday \$10
Saturday Only \$8
Friday Only \$5
Single Performance \$3

Buttons Available at:
State Bank of Downs
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Miller Hardware
Downs Carnegie Library
Senior Center

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

GOOD MORNING!

8:00 AM

United Methodist Church
Breakfast "Good Morning! Good Food!"
\$10 for Adults, \$5 for Kids 10 and under

10:00-10:45 AM

Memorial Hall
Rev. Robert B. Jones - "Crazy in Alabama"

Depot (Workshop)
Kevin Kling - "Telling Stories from the Heartland"

Christian Church
Ingrid Nixon - "North to Alaska and Beyond"

Senior Center
Geraldine Buckley - "Inadvertent Adventures: True Personal Stories that will make you Laugh and Gasp"

11:00-11:45 AM

Memorial Hall
Greg Victors - "The DRUM - The Heartbeat of The Ponca People"

Depot (Workshop)
Ingrid Nixon - "Serve 'Em Up Fresh - Whip up delicious tales following your own special recipe"

Christian Church
Geraldine Buckley - "Kissing Frogs and other True Love Stories"

Senior Center (Legends)
Potter West Kenyon - **Jim Lee**
Alma Ise Lindley - **Sherry Knouf**
Trail of Tears - **Eugene Cameron**

NOON HOUR

Explore the history and present-day flavors of this railroad town. Enjoy food, visiting and sharing your own stories. Our downtown businesses welcome you!



2:00-2:45 PM

Memorial Hall
Greg Victors - "Dancing for The Creator - Mental, Physical and Spiritual Healing"

Depot
Geraldine Buckley - "My Pesky Brother: Geraldine's only sibling is the source of hilarity and angst"

Christian Church
Kevin Kling - "Midwest Humor...It's Not an Oxymoron"

Senior Center
Rev. Robert B. Jones - "All of this is Blues"

3:00-3:45 PM

Memorial Hall (Master Storytellers)
Mike Nyhoff, Kenneth Lee, Allen DeBey, Rich White, and **Keyta Kelly** improvise on your ideas

Depot
Ingrid Nixon - "Truths and Untruths"

Christian Church
Geraldine Buckley - "All Things Work Together for Good - Some adventures lead to odd places - funny, gripping and true"

Senior Center
Kevin Kling - "Love Stories...Aren't They All?"

4:00-4:45 PM

Memorial Hall (Swappin Ground)
An open-mic opportunity for you to tell your story.

5:00-6:30 PM

Senior Center
Supper with the Storytellers: \$14

7:00 PM - GRAND FINALE

Memorial Hall
Kevin Kling and **Rev. Robert B. Jones**
Admission with All Performance button or \$10.

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westlake.holidayfuture.com
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Downs, KS..... 785-817-4866
or 785-862-1413

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Cawker City, KS..... 785-545-6877
or 785-781-4907
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BED & BREAKFAST
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House Tour

Friday & Saturday, April 24-25
9am to 5pm, (Goodwill Offering)
Lunch Available at Noon: \$10
Google: Park Access Rd., Downs, KS