

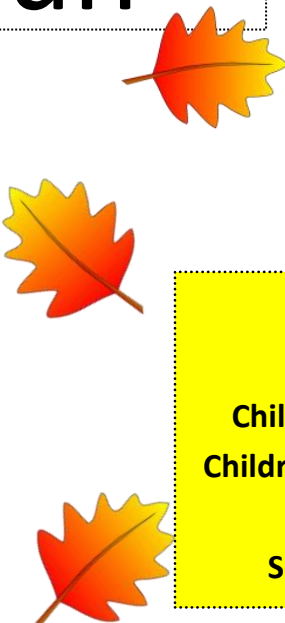


Quarter 3, 2017

Fall Into Fun

Museum Hours
 Monday – Closed for Cleaning
 Tuesday – 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 Wednesday – 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 Thursday – 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
 Friday – 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 Saturday – 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
 Sunday – 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Admission
 Members – FREE
 Children under 12 months – FREE
 Children (12 months – 13 yrs) – \$7.00
 Adults (14 to 59) – \$6.00
 Senior Citizens – (60+) \$5.00




Summer is done and
 Fall is here,
 We feel a cool breeze
 starting in the air.
 Grab a scarf and a
 Pumpkin Spice,
 and come to KACM to start
 your day off right!



Membership Rates
 Family*-\$90 for one year | \$10 a month
 Grandparents*-\$90 for one year | \$10 a month
 Patron*-\$125 for one year | \$14 a month
 Daycare*-\$102 for one year | \$11 a month
 Day Care Center Plus-\$192 for one year | \$20 a month
 Sharing and Caring Scholarship -\$12 for one year
 (Income Guidelines apply)
 *Add Plus Two -\$12 more for one year | \$1 a month



A note from the Director's Desk



Fall is in the air and we couldn't be more excited to show off our new OUTDOOR exhibit space! We'd love to invite you to our very special ribbon cutting for the Little Sprouts Outdoor Classroom on Saturday, October 21st at 10:30 am. We have had a crew of people working on this project and were able to help fund it through grants and generous donations. In order to keep it beautiful for years to come, we must be able to maintain it with kindness and attention. If you enjoy keeping things beautiful, let us know and we'd love to have volunteers help us keep it fun for all!

We have also just recently opened our Kid's STEM Studio. This space is geared towards the older children that are playing at the museum. It is a space to increase interest in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics while having fun exploring all of those topics at a young age. Children (along with an adult) can checkout the items at the front desk and use in our new space in the science exhibit. A special thanks to the Union Pacific Foundation for funding this new area.

If you haven't been to the museum lately, I'd invite you to come explore all of our new features. The board and staff work very hard in creating interactive experiences that inspire play, exploration, and discovery.

Traci Winscot
Executive Director

"Play is the beginning of knowledge."
George Dorsey

Volunteer Spotlight

Why do you choose to volunteer at the museum?

"We assist people with various needs and abilities to gain experience and develop job skills necessary in the workforce.

With so many people visiting the museum we felt it is important to partner with them to help with organization and cleaning. We feel it's a great way to give back to the community."

Why is the museum vital to our community?

"It provides children with unique opportunities to learn about things found in every day life and in Central Nebraska."

Integrated Life Choices Grand Island Location



Member Spotlight

Why is the museum vital to our community?

"The museum offers an educational and entertaining resource for a wide age range of children. It is not a seasonal facility thus allowing for continuous use all year."

What do children learn at the museum?

"Children learn social and educational skills as well as team-work and artistic growth."

Julie and Michael Tveit Joel, Colt, & Talon



How does the museum help your family?

"The museum has ever evolving exhibits that our three sons love to explore. With their differing ages each station provides an activity at their own level as well as an opportunity to interact. We also love to meet new friends at the museum."

Exhibit Updates

We celebrated the opening of our new Kids STEM Studio! STEM stands for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. It is important because it is in every part of our lives. By exposing students to STEM and giving them opportunities to explore STEM-related concepts, they may develop a passion for it and possibly pursue a job in a STEM field. STEM activities provide hands-on and minds-on lessons for the child. Making math and science both fun and interesting helps the student to do much more than just learn!

A special shout-out to these zone contributors:

Union Pacific Foundation



Spelts Schultz Countertops

Uhrich Construction

Sherwin-Williams

KACM Exhibits Committee



In the Works



Construction: Renovation is in full swing! Be on the lookout for our new additions and a grand opening.



Little Sprouts Outdoor Classroom: We're expanding the museum to the great outdoors! Join us for our ribbon cutting on October 21st at 10:30 am!



Mother's Room/Peek-A-Boo Park: We are excited to announce that we will be renovating this space! More information coming soon.

2017

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Traci Winscot
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FÜN FACTS

- ◆ A crocodile can't stick out it's tongue.
- ◆ Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.
- ◆ Almonds are a member of the peach family.
- ◆ A dime has 118 ridges around the edge.
- ◆ A cat has 32 muscles in each ear.

What have we been up to the past 3 months?



Blast Off with Learning!

Summer is done and our gift shop is full of items that are sure to make your Fall season blast! We have a selection of Activity Rugs, Secret Decoder Sets, Smarty Pants Brain Games, and Magnetic Responsibility Charts.

Don't forget that our Melissa & Doug Sunny Patch Summer toys are 45% off, stock up for next summer with this great deal



Rebecca Zimbelman
Operations Manager



Welcome New Museum Staff



Makenzie Petersen



I am Makenzie Petersen. I am from Page, NE, a small town in the northeast part of the state, and I graduated from O'Neill Junior/Senior High School. After graduating, I decided to pack up and move about three hours away from home for college at UNK. I am a Freshman at UNK, and as of now, I am majoring in Secondary English Education with a Language Arts Endorsement, but as we all know as a freshman that could be subject to change. I am passionate about teaching and enabling young people to find their personal viewpoints and unleash their voices, but I am also very interested in Psychology and Political Science. I decided the Kearney Area Children's Museum would be a great fit for me because the atmosphere is so uplifting and positive due to the smiling faces and bright hearts working and visiting here!



Thanksgiving in Abundance

With Fall in the air it's a great time to stop from the hustle and simply be thankful. It's vital to create time each day to come together as a family and talk about what you're thankful for. During this time unplug from social media, turn off the TV, and become captivated by your family and their hearts. Be all in and focus. You won't get that moment back. Time flies by fast and that's why we encourage families to stop and take the time to enjoy moments together whether it's while eating ice cream, playing board games, walking at the park, at a pumpkin patch or playing at the children's museum.

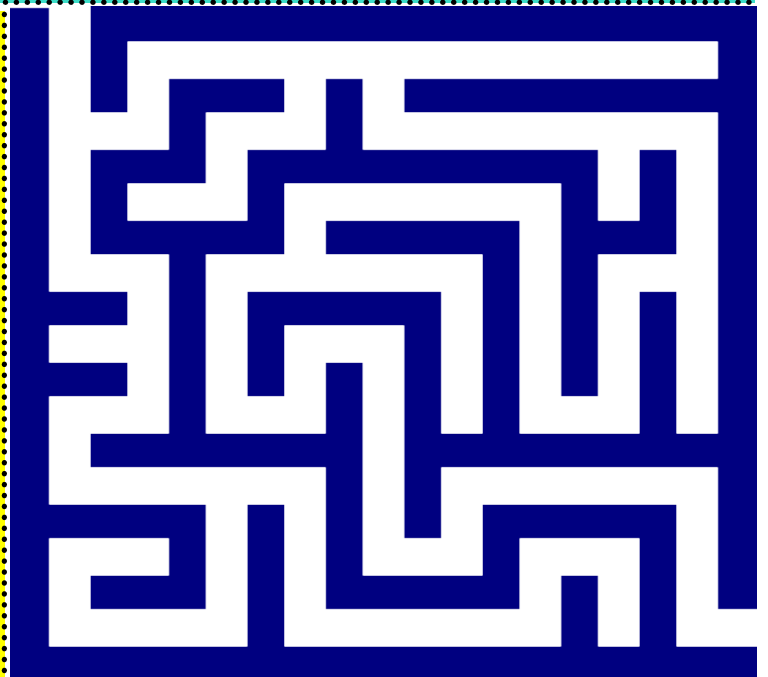


Jennifer Beck
Director of Community Engagement



Brainstorm Box

Create a maze on the floor with tape and gather a bunch of cotton balls and a straw for each person. Use the straw to blow the cotton ball through the maze. See how fast you can go!



Upcoming Events



MAKE IT & TAKE IT CLASS

Thursday, October 12

Little's Class - Ages 3-5, \$5 per child, 3:45-4:30

Pumpkin Photo Frame, Ghost Door Hanger, Snack



Juniors Class - Ages 6-11, \$10 per child, 4:30-5:15

3-D Haunted House, Ghost Door Hanger, Snack



Register Today!



KIDS NIGHT OUT
AT THE MUSEUM
(aka Date Night for Parents!)

Friday, October 13, 2017 • 6:00pm-8:30pm
 Ages 3-12 • \$10 Members, \$15 Non Members
(All 3 year olds must be potty trained.)

Dinner - Chicken Fingers, Fruit, Cookie, Lemonade or Water
 Free Play in Exhibits
 Kids Activities & More

REGISTER TODAY!




Little Sprouts Outdoor Classroom

Ribbon Cutting

**SATURDAY
 OCTOBER 21ST
 10:30 AM**

We'd love to have you join us
 for this very special event!




Mark Your Calendars!

JOIN US FOR

BOO!-SEUM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26
5:30-8:00PM

Activity stations, 2 haunted houses,
and special tricks & treats!

Admission

\$6 - Member Child
\$3 - Member Adult
\$10 - Non-Member Child
\$5 - Non-Member Adult
1 year old & younger are FREE

Dinner available for \$3 per person



KEARNEY AREA
children's
museum



Thursday, October 26

Bring your little pumpkins to this family-friendly night full of fang-tastic fun! Kids can play games and win cool prizes while showing off their favorite costumes. There will also be a haunted house geared towards tweens! All ages will have fun at this year's event!

















Admission Prices

\$6 - Member Child
\$3 - Member Adult
\$10 - Non-Member Child
\$5 - Non-Member Adult
1 year old & younger FREE

Tickets On Sale Now!

How to get tickets:

Go to kearneychildrensmuseum.org or visit the museum!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Mon: Closed Tues: 10-5 Wed: 10-5 Thurs: 10-8 Fri: 10-5 Sat: 10-5 Sun: 1-5 	2 Museum is Closed 	3 National Taco Day! Make a taco bar for lunch!	4  Morning Mingle 9am-10am (Members Only) Wacky Fact Wednesday!	5 	6 <u>Friday Activity</u> Check out an activity in our Kids STEM Studio Check out at front desk. Available all day.	7 <u>Science Saturday</u> Blobs in a Bottle In Art Area @ 3pm 
8 Can you find the skeleton hidden in the calendar? 	9 Museum is Closed 	10 National Cake Decorating Day! Stop by Small Town Cakes or K-Town Cakes and get a small treat for yourself!	11 Wacky Fact Wednesday!	12 <u>Make It and Take It "Littles"</u> 3:45pm-4:30pm Ages 3-5 \$5 per child  <u>"Juniors"</u> 4:30pm-5:15pm Ages 6-11 \$10 per child	13 <u>Friday Activity</u> I SPY Trains! In Dobytown Junction Available all day. <u>Kids Night Out at the Museum</u> 6:00-8:30pm, Ages 3-12 \$10 Member \$15 Non-Member	14 <u>Science Saturday</u> Float or Sink? In Art Area @ 3pm 
15 	16 Museum is Closed 	17 National Pasta Day! Whip up some pasta and sauce for dinner! Can you slurp your spaghetti?	18 Wacky Fact Wednesday!	19 <u>Free Family Fun Night</u> 4pm-8pm Sponsored by 	20 <u>Friday Activity</u> Bugs Magnified! In our Bug Bin In Science Area Available all day.	21 Little Sprouts Outdoor Classroom Ribbon Cutting 10:30 am <u>Science Saturday</u> Dancing Candy Corn In Art Area @ 3pm
22 Museum is Closed 	23 Museum is Closed 	24 National United Nations Day! It is the anniversary of the founding of the United Nations in 1945.	25 Wacky Fact Wednesday!	26 BOO!-seum 5:30-8:00pm \$6 Member Child \$3 Member Adult \$10 Non Member Child \$5 Non Member Adult	27 <u>Friday Activity</u> Monster Bowling Ag Extension Area Available all day.	28 <u>Science Saturday</u> Tea Bag Ghosts Science Area @ 3pm 
29 Museum is Closed 	30 Museum is Closed 	31 