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

Admission Rates

Members – FREE
Children under 12 months – FREE
Children (1 yr – 13 yrs) – $8.00
Adults (14 to 59) – $7.00
Senior Citizens – (60+) $6.00

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.
I love fall. Do you? The trees, the weather, the football— all just makes you want to enjoy the beautiful outdoors! Speaking of outdoors, have you had a chance to partake in our Little Sprouts Outdoor Classroom yet? We opened it one year ago (time flies!) and it’s been fun to see families and camp kiddos building sand castles, playing in the aggregate pit, and hopping, skipping, and jumping on the tree trunk inspired stepping stones. I encourage you to check it out if you haven’t already.

You know we are always up to something at the museum so this time we decided to host some fun for parents. Let us introduce Couples Trivia Night! In partnership with our monthly Kids Night Out, we are providing a fun activity for the parents too. Drop the kids off at the museum and bring your significant other down to The Rustic Patch for a night of 80’s-themed-trivia, food, & drinks. I encourage you to register soon, even though the event isn’t until November 9, as it’s just open for 20 couples!

Traci Winscot
Executive Director
Member Spotlight

Jeff & Melissa Wells
Drew (6) & John (3)

Why do children learn at the museum?
Children learn how to have fun while gaining valuable life skills like sharing, leaving an area nicer than how they found it, and respect. Throughout the museum, they also gain critical thinking, empathy, and countless other skills.

How does the museum help your family?
The museum provides our family with a safe place to have year-round fun no matter the weather. We can come for 30 minutes or stay hours and our children can explore, build, and craft alone or with others. It is our go-to choice for play and meeting new or existing friends. The staff is very caring to our children and encourages them throughout their exploration. Our kids especially love the renovated Lego area and train depot.

Why is the museum vital to our community?
According to our oldest Drew, 6, the museum is a place to have fun and play. He couldn’t be more right. Play is not only fun, but it’s also powerful. Children learn social skills here, the museum encourages creativity, families spend quality time together, and children also learn about community and what it means to be an active member in their community.

Volunteer Spotlight

Jenna Rice

Why do you choose to volunteer at the museum?
I started off volunteering because volunteer hours were needed for one of my social work classes at UNK. However, after volunteering at Kids Night Out and the big Christmas program, I realized I couldn’t just stop coming after I met the required hours. I have so much fun with the kids and this is one place I get to get away from the college life and enjoy the world of make believe!

What is your advice for someone considering becoming a volunteer?
You just need to do it! It’s so easy to get involved! The museum has so many programs every month and special holiday programs. If you need it for school or just to get experience working with kids, it’s really a great opportunity.

Why is the museum vital to our community?
I would say the museum is vital to the community because it gives kids a place to play and interact with others like no other establishment in town. All of the different sections of the museum have some sort of learning element that can teach the kids a little bit more about building, housing, grocery shopping, and even how to take care of pets! It also seems like a great thing for parents because with some of the programs, like Kids Night Out, it gives them a date night to themselves.
Did you know that almost 30 years ago the Kearney Area Children’s Museum board of directors purchased its first major exhibit and it was a hot air balloon? To pay tribute to our history and courageous founders, we had the balloon restored and now it’s proudly placed in our Science Zone.

To help cover the cost of the restoration process, the museum received funds from the Baldwin Foundation and the Kearney Lottery Trust Fund. Signs & Shapes International out of Omaha, NE brought our treasure back to life. (Fun fact: Signs & Shapes creates many of the Macy’s Day Parade floats!)

Once it is complete, children will be able to press a button and watch the balloon fill up with air and rise into the ceiling!
What have we been up to the past 3 months?
New Staff Members

We have some new friendly faces at the Museum this semester!

Katerina
Favorite Food: Chicken Fettuccini Alfredo
Desired College Plans: to attend the Creative Center in Omaha
Something she’s scared of: Spiders!

Emily
Favorite Food: Avocados
Current UNK Major: Family Studies
Something she’s scared of: Spiders!

Nic
Favorite Food: Chicken Nuggets
Desired College Plans: to major in Elementary Education
Something he’s scared of: Spiders!

Ashley
Favorite Food: Strawberries
Desired College Plans: to major in Elementary Education/Secondary Education
Something she’s scared of: Snakes!

Taylor
Favorite Food: Homemade Tacos
Desired College Plans: Forensic Science Anthropology
Something she’s scared of: Snakes!
2018 Donors

We couldn’t have a successful organization without YOUR generosity!

Individual Donors

Kristan & Mike Baczwaski
Nikki & Jared Berggren
Jonathon & Kaleigh Berghorst
Susan Betke
Brin Brauer
Janell & Kyle Brown
Bob Buettner
Ashley & Taylor Carrier
Steve & Tammy Cooke
Lindsey & Sean Denney
Tracy Dethlefs
Carol & Carl Dietz
Brittany & Scott Dugan
Michelle & Luke Dutcher
Jodi & Evan Eckhout
Gregg & Faye Ericksen
Grant & Melissa Ericksen
Chelsea & Jeremy Feusner
Kylee & Connor Fish
Glenda & Chuck Frasier
Yolanda Gomez
Katherine Goodwin
Jaylynn & David Graham
Amy & Steve Haskett
Kayla & Jeff Herrick
Steven & Kathleen Holen
Becky & Blake Holscher
Emily & Aaron Jameson
Sarah & Jason Jones
Dan & Jackie Keyser
Edward & Janet Kirkpatrick
Jackie & Ryan Kohtz
Jeffery & Penny Kozal
Nicole & Ryan Krantz
Kyle & Lindsay Larson
Pamela & Josh Lynn
Daniela Moreno
Lisa & Troy Nielsen
Korena & Matt Nolan
Ashley & Curt Ott
Jesse & Melissa Pandorf
Debra & Roger Petersen
Brook & Josh Pierce
Mathew Prokop
Brad & Darla Quackenbush
Rutheah & Ryan Rodehorst
Jennifer & Chuck Rowling
Megan & Bill Schmidt
Ellie & Seth Schroeder
Kristen & Jeremy Sedlacek
Bryan & Angie Stava
Vickie & Gary Steele
Brooke & Nick Ward
Brooke & Don White
Traci & Andrew Wincott
Paul & Linda Younes

Organizational Donors

Adventure Bus & Charter
Andersen Wrecking Co.
Baer Photography
Barney Financial Services
Bauer Underground
BD Construction, Inc./Kearney
Bear Frame & Alignment Service
Boselman Energy
Cabela’s
Camelot Transportation Inc
CHI Good Samaritan Hospital
City of Kearney Lottery Trust Fund
Eaton Corporation
Ellerbrook-Norris Insurance
Eustis Body Shop
Farm Bureau Financial Services
Five Points Bank
Girl Scouts - Spirit of Nebraska Kearney
Graham Tire Co.
Heartland Bank
Hello Beautiful Bridal & Formal Wear
Java Junction
Jeff Lange Counseling, LLC
Katie Autry Photography
Kearney Area Builders Association
Kearney Area Community Foundation
Kearney Crete and Block
Kearney Dental Clinic, P.C.
Kearney Tire & Auto Service
Kearney Towing & Repair
Kiwanis Club of Dobytown
Kowalski Chiropractic
Landmark Implement
LIPS Printing Service
Midway Auto
Monsanto Seeds
NebraskaLand National Bank
Nelnet
Network for Good
Newcomb Diesel LLC
NMC Rental Services
Pro-Tint
Raising Canes
Ron & Carol Cope Foundation
Safe Kids Platte Valley
Sangha Yoga Studio
Schrock Chiropractic
Tonniges & Associates, P.C.
Trius Federal Credit Union
Truist
Walmart Stores Inc.
A Season of Thanks

Summer time has come and gone and the signs of Fall are upon us. It’s time to bring out the cozy sweaters, make soup in the crock pot, and sip on some warm mugs of apple cider. As we all transition into a new season, let us slow down our evenings and create space for thankfulness. After all, we’re almost to the end of 2018 (can you believe it) and these last few months are perfect for adjusting our hearts and minds to be aware of the blessings.

Thankfulness Tidbits

♦ Turn off the TV and all electronic devices during meal time. Talk about blessings in your life and ask questions that are outside the ordinary “how was your day” and encourage conversation.
  - What made you happy today?
  - How did you help someone today?
  - Share one way you can change the world.
♦ Set aside time each week to enjoy each others company without any outside distractions or commitments.

Jennifer Beck
Director of Community Engagement

Brainstorm Box

It’s always a good time to give back to others, but as we enter into this Fall season let’s give back!

What are some ways your family can give back to the community these next few months?
Ideas: donate clothes or canned food, make Fall cards for a local nursing home or for the those at the Veterans home.
Fall Into Fun and Great Deals

Birthday Party Time

Fall is here, that means cool weather is on our way. Are you looking for a warm, cozy place that is loaded with fun activities for children for their birthday party? If so, Kearney Area Children’s Museum will be a perfect spot for you. With more than 20 exhibits and a large party room, we will be your go-to destination for your kiddos birthday party. Prices are $100 for members and $125 for non-members for All Day Play and $300 for members and $350 for non-members for After Hour option. Book your party today!

Gift Shop Highlights

Check out new items in our gift shop! From fun coloring books and pads to awesome learning mats, our gift shop is full of activities for children ranging from 0 to 11 years old. Remember members get 10% discount on all gift shop items!

If you haven’t signed up for our membership yet or need to renew it, this is the right time. Please visit us at our website kearneychildrensmuseum.org for more information on membership and birthday parties.

Radhika Thapaliya
Operations Manager
Check out these NEW events!

Join us!

Kearney Area Children's Museum
The Alia Arram Memorial Building | 5827 4th Ave. Kearney NE 68845

Sponsored by:

October 7, 2018
1 - 5 p.m.
Kearney Area Children's Museum

Career Day is an afternoon of learning and inspiration, with activities that encourage children to learn about and imagine themselves in different careers. Professionals from the community will have interactive activities and a photo booth will allow children to dress up and "try out" different careers.

Sponsored by:

Edward Jones
Ward Labs, Holiday Inn, Rustic Patch, & First National Bank

Couples Trivia Night +
Kids Night Out

November 9

Winning team will receive a one-night hotel room stay + UNK tickets/swag!

Couples Trivia Night
Join us at The Rustic Patch for adult-only food & fun from 6:15pm to 8:45pm.

Cost of event:
$40/couple includes hors d'oeuvres & 80's themed trivia (BYOB)

Package Deal:
$60/couple also includes 2 child admission to Kids Night Out at the Museum

When you are finalizing your check-out, use the code MEM if you're a member, NONM if you're a non-member to receive the package deal pricing.

Kids Night Out at the Museum
The kiddos can have a blast at KACM from 6:00pm to 9:00pm.

Cost of event:
$15 member child/$20 nonmember child
KEARNEY AREA CHILDREN’S MUSEUM

BOO!-SEUM

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

Activity Stations, 2 Haunted Houses, and Special Tricks & Treats!

Thursday, October 25, 2018
5:30-8:00pm

Dinner available for $3 per person

Exclusive Haunted House Access

Experience our spooky haunted house on Friday evening! This haunted house is geared towards 7 years old and up. Are you a scaredy-cat?!

Great for TWEENS!

Friday, October 26, 2018
7:00-10:00pm

Admission at the door
$5/person
$20/family

Haunted House for the BRAVE kids!
We are excited to partner with Funtastic!

Also, don’t forget to show your card at Raising Canes EVERY time you eat!
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sunday</th>
<th>Monday</th>
<th>Tuesday</th>
<th>Wednesday</th>
<th>Thursday</th>
<th>Friday</th>
<th>Saturday</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mon: Closed Tues: 10-5 Wed: 10-5 Thurs: 10-8 Fri: 10-5 Sat: 10-5 Sun: 1-5</td>
<td>Membership Monday Show your KACM membership card at Funstastic for $6 admission today!</td>
<td>National Custodial Worker Recognition Day! Thank those who keep our schools and workplaces running smoothly!</td>
<td>Morning Mingle 9:00-10:00am Members Only Wacky Fact Wednesday!</td>
<td></td>
<td>Friday Activity Silly-Face Pumpkins in Art</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>13</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>“Oh, the Things You Can Be” Career Day 1:00-5:00 pm at KACM Join us for extra activities and fun career professionals!</td>
<td>Membership Monday Show your KACM membership card at Funstastic for $6 admission today!</td>
<td>National Stinky Cheese Day! Maytag blue, Roquefort, Brie, bleu, camembert, gorgonzola, this day is celebrated today.</td>
<td>Wacky Fact Wednesday!</td>
<td></td>
<td>Friday Activity Build a Haunted House in LEGO Area</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Membership Monday Show your KACM membership card at Funstastic for $6 admission today!</td>
<td>National Boss’s Day! Thank your boss for their leadership today!</td>
<td>Wacky Fact Wednesday!</td>
<td>Free Family Fun Night 4:00-8:00 pm October Fun!</td>
<td></td>
<td>Saturday Activity 10:30-11:30 Free with general admission and for members</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Holiday Inn Booked a room at the Holiday Inn? Bring in your room key to receive $3 off your total admission price!</td>
<td>Membership Monday Show your KACM membership card at Funstastic for $6 admission today!</td>
<td>National TV Talk Show Host Day! It’s also Johnny Carson’s Birthday!</td>
<td>Wacky Fact Wednesday!</td>
<td>BOO-seum 5:30-8:00pm $6 Member Child $3 Member Adult $10 Non Member Child $5 Non Member Adult $30 1 year and younger Dinner $3/person Cotton Candy $5/bag</td>
<td>Friday Fright! Haunted House Open at KACM 7:00-10:00pm $5/person $20/family up to 6</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>29</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>31</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Membership Monday Show your KACM membership card at Funstastic for $6 admission today!</td>
<td>National Candy Corn Day! Do you like candy corn or candy pumpkins?</td>
<td>Wacky Fact Wednesday!</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

kearneychildrensmuseum.org 308-698-2228