

KEARNEY AREA  
children's  
museum

# KACM CHRONICLE

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.HAPPY.  
New  
Year



2022



## TRACI WINSCOT TO STEP DOWN AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE KEARNEY AREA CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

Kearney, NE (Dec. 30, 2021) – After six years at the Kearney Area Children's Museum, Executive Director Traci Winscot is resigning. Traci joined the Children's Museum in 2015, and has taken steps to ensure a bright future for the museum for years to come.



Under Winscot's leadership, the Children's Museum has continued to thrive as a popular family destination in Central Nebraska for visitors and community members alike. Memberships, general attendance, and exhibit renovations have increased significantly, adding to the museum's mission to provide play, exploration, and discovery through interactive experiences.

"It is definitely bittersweet as I am very sad to leave the people and industry but extremely excited for this new adventure as I will be able to spend more time at home with our children," said Winscot. "It has been an honor to help guide KACM the past six years and I'm very grateful for the relationships that have been created!"

Board of Directors President Tiffany Shuda praised Winscot for her leadership over the past six years, "Although it is tough to let her go, we are very proud of what Traci has accomplished during her time at the Museum. She navigated us through rough waters in 2020 and because of her steadfast commitment to keeping the Museum's doors open, children from all over Kearney and surrounding communities will be able to enjoy the museum for years to come. She will be truly missed."

The Board of Directors has hired Janell Brown as the new Executive Director. Janell will join the Museum on January 3rd, 2022.

For more information, contact the museum at (308) 698-2228.

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*Thank You!*

*for six years of dedication*



# VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

## *Recognizing our Exiting Board Members*

We are truly grateful for your passion and dedication to our mission.  
Thank you for your service to the Kearney Area Children's Museum!

thank  
you

Amy Kuchera

Ayla Gregg

Emily Jameson

Brooke Ward

Ellie Schroeder

Melissa Wells

Janell Brown

## WELCOME NEW 2022 KACM BOARD MEMBERS!

THANK YOU FOR  
INVESTING IN YOUR COMMUNITY!



Summer Vosika



Alyssa Wyant



Liz Cooley



Megan Wilson



Robin Younes



Sara Bennett



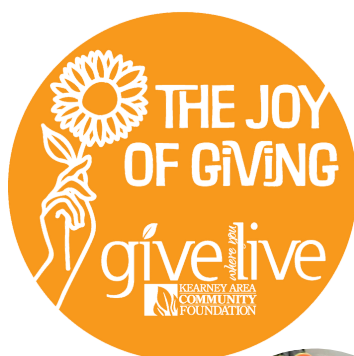
Sarah Bartling



Whitney Cochran

**A special  
THANK YOU to  
those who gave  
during Give  
Where You Live.**

**We appreciate  
your support!**





# CELEBRATING 10 YEAR WORK ANNIVERSARY!

Jennifer Beck, Director of Community Engagement, serves as an inspiring leader and model for innovation, creativity, and passion in the field of informal learning, museum education and experience, and community engagement.

She contributes to KACM's mission through expertise in exhibit and program development, informal learning strategies, and evaluation of programs and partnerships for young children, families, and community.

Jennifer is also responsible for the fundraising, development, and execution of the programs and the implementation of community engagement activities. Thank you for all that you've done to make KACM successful in their programming and community impact!



*Celebrating*  
— 10 YEARS —





# BIRTHDAY PARTY TIME

by Jessica Camacho, Operations Manager

Are you looking for a warm, cozy place that has tons of fun activities for children during a 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 Hours option](#). [Book your party today!](#)



## FIESTA DE CUMPLEAÑOS *por Jessica Camacho, Manager de Operaciones*

El otoño está aquí, eso significa que se acerca un clima más fresco. ¿Está buscando un lugar cálido y cómodo que tenga muchas actividades divertidas para los niños durante una fiesta de cumpleaños? Si es así, Kearney Area Children's Museum será el lugar perfecto para ti.

Con más de 20 exhibiciones y una gran sala de fiestas, seremos su destino favorito para la fiesta de cumpleaños de sus hijos.

Los precios son \$ 100 para miembros y \$ 125 para no- miembros para [All Day Play](#) y \$ 300 para miembros y \$ 350 para no miembros para la opción [After Hours](#). [¡Reserva tu fiesta hoy!](#)

Jessica Camacho  
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### MUSEUM HOURS

Monday - Closed for Cleaning  
Tuesday - 10:00am-5:00pm  
Wednesday - 10:00am-5:00pm  
Thursday - 10:00am-8:00pm  
Friday - 10:00am-5:00pm  
Saturday - 10:00am-5:00pm  
Sunday - 1:00pm-5:00pm

### ADMISSION PRICES

Children (12 months-12): \$8  
Adults (Age 13 and up): \$7  
Seniors: \$6  
Children under 12 months: \$0

### MEMBERSHIP PRICES

Family Membership: \$90  
Family Plus Two Membership: \$102  
Patron Membership: \$125  
Patron Plus Two Membership: \$137  
Grandparents Membership: \$90  
Grandparents Plus Two Membership: \$102  
Daycare Membership: \$102  
Daycare Plus Two Membership: \$192  
Sharing & Caring Membership \$12  
*-qualifications required to apply for this membership*

The Museum will be **CLOSED** on the following holidays:

- Easter Sunday
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day

### GIFT SHOP

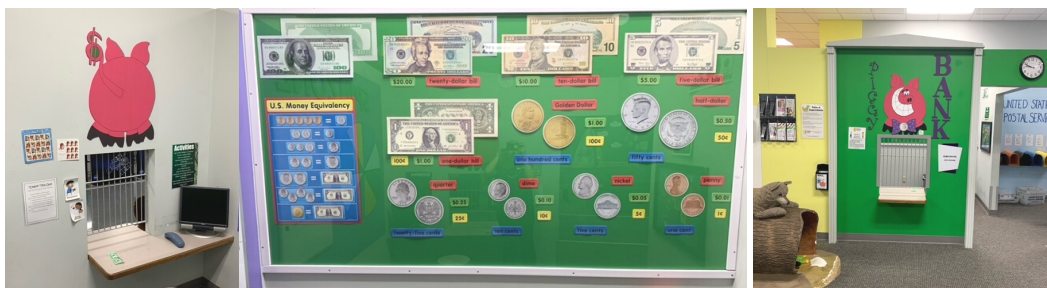
Visit KACM to play, then stop by our gift shop on the way out to continue the play at home! There are exclusive deals for members and nonmembers. Come to our front desk and ask us what the deals are today!



# NEWEST EXHIBIT REMODEL

The new bank exhibit is sponsored by First National Bank of Omaha and highlights an ATM, teller window with money drawer and our very own mini vehicle! Children can also participate in a game with Penny the Pig teaching how to save, spend and share.

## BEFORE



## AFTER

