

October 2026



Main Library M/Th/F 3:00-8:00
736 South St. Tu/W 10:00-4:00
Sa 1:00-3:00

Children's Library M/Th/F 10:00-4:00
119 N. McKenna Ave. Tu/W 3:00-8:00
Sa 10:00-12:00

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Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ALL MONTH Teen Takeout: Zinetober Reading Dragons & Friends Perpetual LEGO Club StoryWalk® in Peterson Park			Adult Takeout: Pressed Flower Jars Library Fall Crawl 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Friends of the Library Book Sale	1 Family Storytime (C) 10:30-11:00 *Teen Advisory Board (M) 4:00-5:00 *Book Smart Book Club (M) 6:00-7:00	2	3
5 Open Play Time (C) 10:30-12:00	6 Homeschool Connection— Mischief with Molecules (M) 1:30-2:30 Family Storytime (C) 6:15-6:45	7 BiblioBop Storytime (M) 10:00-10:30 OR 10:45-11:15 Main Library closed 2:00-3:00 for staff meeting.	8 Family Storytime (C) 10:30-11:00 *NEW Teen Book Club (M) 4:00-5:00	9 Reading Dragons & Friends Tournament (M) 4:00-5:00 *Teen D&D A (M) 6:00-7:30	10	
12 Open Play Time (C) 10:30-12:00 Teen Space (M) 3:00-4:30	13 Family Storytime (C) 6:15-6:45	14 BiblioBop Storytime (M) 10:00-10:30 OR 10:45-11:15	15 Family Storytime (C) 10:30-11:00 Genre Book Club: Capers (M) 6:00-7:00	16 Molecular Mayhem with Omaha Children's Museum (O) 10:30-11:30 Fiber Art Fridays (M) 6:00-7:30	17 *Puzzle Race (M) 1:00-3:00 Puzzle Swap (M) 1:00-3:00	
19 Open Play Time (C) 10:30-12:00 Young Writers Collective (M) 4:00-5:00	20 Homeschool Connection— Book Club (M) 1:30-2:30 Paws & Pages (C) 4:00-5:00 Family Storytime (C) 6:15-6:45	21 BiblioBop Storytime (M) 10:00-10:30 OR 10:45-11:15	22 Family Storytime (C) 10:30-11:00 *Inked Coasters (M) 6:00-7:30	23 *Teen D&D B (M) 6:00-7:30	24	
26 Open Play Time (C) 10:30-12:00 Teen Space (M) 3:00-4:30 *Grade 4-6 Book Club (M) 5:00-6:00	27 Family Storytime (C) 6:15-6:45	28 BiblioBop Storytime (M) 10:00-10:30 OR 10:45-11:15	29 Family Storytime (C) 10:30-11:00 HalloWeeRead Preschool Carnival (O) 6:00-7:00 *Bookwyrms Book Club (M) 4:00-5:00 Financial Literacy 101: Cybersecurity (M) 6:00-7:00	30 Zombie Prom (M) 4:00-6:00	31	

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Children's Events

Open Play Time — Mondays | 10:30-12:00 — *Children's Library* — Play with toys, meet friends, and get out of the house! Activities and toys provided for ages 0-6.

Family Storytime — Tues. at 6:15 | Thurs. at 10:30 — *Children's Library* — Join us for stories, rhymes, songs, games, and lots of fun! Perfect for ages 2-6.

BiblioBop Music & Movement Storytime — Wednesdays | 10:00-10:30 or 10:45-11:15
Don't miss this storytime with lots of dancing and moving!

Homeschool Connection — 10/6 & 10/20 | 1:30-2:30 — Homeschool families with kids doing work in Grades K-8 are invited to explore atoms and molecules with fun activities on October 6. On October 20, we'll discuss our October Book Club titles, *Dragons in a Bag* by Zetta Elliott for Grades K-4 and *The Girl Who Drank the Moon* by Kelly Barnhill for Grades 5-8. These book clubs will happen concurrently at 1:30. Visit either library to sign up and get a copy of the book.

Reading Dragons Tournament — 10/09 | 4:00-5:00 — Play against other collectors to win a unique card that won't be available any other way! Participants are encouraged arrive on time. All collectors and newbies invited.

Molecular Mayhem — 10/16 | 10:30-11:30 — *Gretna United Methodist Church* — Omaha Children's Museum will be here to show us how liquids become solids, soap becomes fluffy, and chip bags shrink in this show all about molecules and chemical reactions! Kids from preschool to Grade 5 will enjoy this show.

Paws & Pages — 10/20 | 4:00-5:00 — *Children's Library* — Trained therapy dog Duncan loves to listen to stories! Practice reading aloud to this loving furry friend.

***Grade 4-6 Book Club** — 10/26 | 5:00-6:00 — Discover new books, make friends, have fun. Just stop by either library to get the next book.

HalloWeeRead Preschool Carnival — 10/29 | 6:00-7:00, Storytime at 6:30

Gretna United Methodist Church — Games, activities, prizes, and storytime for toddlers, preschoolers, and their families! Costumes and trick-or-treat bags encouraged!

1000 Books Before Kindergarten — Help your child get ready for school and earn prizes along the way. Stop by the library to find out how to join the fun!

Reading Dragons & Friends — Reading Dragons & Friends is an incentive program for Grades K-8 that rewards reading with collectible cards. Sign up at either library.

StoryWalk® — All Month — *Peterson Park* — Enjoy a story and stroll around the park. Stories change monthly through October.

Teen Events

Teen Takeout — Check the teen area for materials to make zines.

***Teen Advisory Board (TAB)** — 10/1 | 4:00-5:00 — TAB works to make our library better! There's free pizza too. Learn more and apply: gretnapubliclibrary.org/teen#tab.

***NEW Teen Book Club** — 10/8 | 4:00-5:00 — Patrons grades 7 to 12 can pick up *Swarm* by Jennifer Lyle. Stop by the Main Library to pick up a copy of the book before the meeting (while supplies last).

***Teen D&D** — Group A: 10/9 | 6:00-7:30 & Group B: 10/23 | 6:00-7:30 — Solve puzzles, fight monsters, and go on episodic adventures. Register online.

Teen Space — 10/12 & 10/26 | 3:00-4:30 — Utilize your library and find a space just for you. Study, create, chat, or just relax with your peers in a chill after school environment.

Young Writers Collective — 10/19 | 4:00-5:00 — Join a group of young writers to work on drafts, do writing exercises, and share current work.

***Homeschool Connection Book Club** — 10/20 | 1:30-2:30 — Homeschool kids doing work in Grades 5-8 will discuss *The Girl Who Drank the Moon* by Kelly Barnhill. A book club for Grades K-4 is also available. Sign up and get a copy of the book at either library.

***Bookwyrms Book Club** — 10/29 | 4:00-5:00 — Bring your own book at this club for tweens and teens. This month, we are reading books about School. Register online.

Zombie Prom — 10/30 | 4:00-6:00 — Join us for a night of ghoulish fun as we craft, dance, and watch spooky movies. Dress to impress the dead at this Halloween party.

Adult Events

Adult Takeout — Check the new adult area for materials to make pressed flower jars.

***Book Smart Book Club** — 10/1 | 6:00-7:00 — We will discuss *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks (10/1). Registered members will be lent a copy of *All the Missing Girls* by Megan Miranda (11/5) for next month's meeting. Register online or with a librarian.

Genre Book Club — 10/15 | 6:00-7:00 — Each month we will discuss different books of the same genre. This month's genre is Caper. Read any caper and come ready to discuss!

Fiber Art Fridays — 10/16 | 6:00-7:30 — Work on your fiber art projects with the company of others. Crochet, knit, cross stitch, and other fiber art mediums welcomed.

***Inked Coasters** — 10/22 | 6:00-7:30 — For this craft, we'll be creating inked designs on coasters. Each participant will get a set of 4 to make and take home. Register online.

Financial Literacy 101: Cybersecurity — 10/29 | 6:00-7:00 — Learn strategies to keep you and your information safe from online threats. Presented by Cobalt Credit Union.

Multigenerational Events

***Puzzle Race** — 10/17 | 1:00-3:00 — Complete in teams to finish a 500-piece puzzle in 2 hours or less! Register online as a group of 2-4 people or by yourself. Puzzles provided by Wayne Public Library.

Puzzle Swap — 10/17 | 1:00-3:00 — Pick up a new puzzle or leave one for someone else.

Library Fall Crawl — Sept-Nov — Explore the libraries of Nebraska! Get a passport from either library starting in September, visit other libraries, and possibly win prizes.

Perpetual LEGO Club — Ask a librarian at either library for a Perpetual LEGO Club bag and build something awesome while you're in the library so we can display it. All ages from Pre-K to adult can participate.

Ongoing Events

Friends of the Library Book Sale — Browse books to purchase in the meeting room any time the Main Library is open. Pay cash donations at the circulation desk or use the posted QR code to donate through PayPal.