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NEW AT THE MUSEUM!



Thanks to a generous donation from Once Upon A Child and the Thomashek family, visitors to the Children's Museum will be able to create their own stuffed animal with the Animaland Critter Creator! Choose a plush animal skin, wish upon and add the special star charm, and then fill it with cuddly softness. The Animaland Critter Creator, along with clothing and other accessories, will be part of the Museum's "Ta-Da!" gift shop in 2010, but you can make an animal, to keep or give, just in time for the holidays! **Enjoy special, introductory pricing of only \$6.00 per animal (+ Museum admission) on Saturday, Dec. 5 or 12 between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm.** No pre-registration necessary.

Dear Leanne,

This, our 10th year, has been an exciting one for the Children's Museum of La Crosse! More new opportunities for hands-on learning and fun are coming in 2010...stay tuned and visit often!

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## Give a Giggle!

*You can open the door to magical memories and hands-on fun and learning for children and families this holiday season.*



Your tax-deductible donation will help give giggles and more to children and their adult companions as they play to learn at the Children's Museum of La Crosse.

Make your secure, on-line gift to the Children's Museum of La Crosse by clicking on the "Santa baby" above to go to

## NEOS IS HERE!



Museum visitors of all ages and abilities are having fun moving, laughing and playing with NEOS. Follow the lights, on your own or as a team, as you boost your heart rate, challenge your eye-hand coordination and enjoy this new, unique play station on the Museum's 2nd floor.

NEOS has been generously sponsored by [Gundersen Lutheran](#) and [Children's Miracle Network](#).

***Coming in January...Whoosh!***

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...Or mail your contribution to Children's Museum of La Crosse, 207 5th Avenue South, La Crosse, WI 54601. A written acknowledgement will be returned to you with our sincere appreciation.

The Children's Museum of La Crosse is a nonprofit organization. We earn approx. 60% of our annual budget and, in order to remain affordable and maintain and improve the Museum, we must raise the remaining 40% through donations. The Children's Museum receives no government or United Way funding.

**Help the Children's Museum of La Crosse AT NO EXTRA COST TO YOU!**

Do you use the Internet for shopping and/or searching for information?

To shop at hundreds of online stores, including travel sites, office suppliers and many more, click here to go to [iGive.com/Children'sMuseum](http://iGive.com/Children'sMuseum). There's no catch.--Museum staff often use igive.com for business and personal on-line purchases!

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**Other ways to help:**

Designate the Children's Museum to receive your **KwikRewards**. Call 1-800-305-6666 or go to [Kwiktrip.com](http://Kwiktrip.com) to sign up.

Give the Museum your current (October-December receipts due by January 5) [Quillins](#) and/or [Festival Foods](#) receipts.

**THANK YOU!**



Learn about air flow as you send balls and scarves whooshing through twisty tubes. Catch them as they fly out and start over again. The new *Whoosh!* exhibit, sponsored by [Kwik Trip](#), will open in late January.

**Your family can win tickets to Playhouse Disney!**



Pick up a coloring sheet at the Museum's admission desk and enter to win one a family 4-pack of tickets for the 12:00 noon show on Nov. 27 at the La Crosse Center!

*Winners will be selected by random drawing of all entries received by 4:30 pm on November 24. Winners will be notified by 5:00 pm on November 24 and can simply report to the will-call window at the La Crosse Center just before the show.*

**November Happenings**

**Wednesday, November 18: Mom's (& Dad's) Morning Out,** (See Nov. 11)

**Thursday, November 19: A-B-C Learners' Club** (See above)

**Wednesday, November 25: Mom's (& Dad's) Morning Out,** (See Nov. 11)

## Children's Museum of La Crosse

**Saturday, Nov. 28**

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**MUSEUM CLOSED NOVEMBER 26 FOR  
THANKSGIVING - Happy Turkey Day!**

Friday, November 27: Museum open 10 am to 5 pm +  
"Black Friday" SALE in the Museum's Ta-Da! gift shop.  
Present this coupon for 20% off your entire purchase!



**Saturday, November 28: Book Fair at [Barnes & Noble Bookstore](#).** Present Museum voucher (see left) with your purchases and Barnes & Noble will donate back to the Museum.

**Saturday, November 28: Meet Pet Therapy Dogs,**  
10-11 am. Free with Museum admission.

## December Happenings

**Thursday, December 3: A-B-C Learners' Club** for ages 1-5 with parent. 10:30 - 11:15 am. Play and hands-on learning, snack, story. \$1 per child + admission. Pre-registration requested. Max. 15 children per session.

**Saturday, December 5: Meet Pet Therapy Dogs,** 10-11 am. Free with Museum admission.

**Saturday, December 5: UW-L Physics Demonstration ,**  
10:30am and 1:00pm demonstrations. Free with Museum admission.

**Saturday, December 5: Elves Workshop, 11 am - 2 pm.** Use the Museum's new Animaland Critter Creator machine (*thank you Once Upon A Child!*) to create a stuffed animal to keep or to donate to Toys for Tots. Plus face painting and more! \$6 + Museum admission. Pre-registration not required.

**Thursday, December 10: A-B-C Learners' Club** for ages 1-5 with parent. 10:30 - 11:15 am. Play and hands-on learning, snack, story. \$1 per child + admission. Pre-registration requested. Max. 15 children per session.

**Friday-Saturday, December 11-12: CUB HIBERNATION**

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for families to learn and play together, but  
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La Crosse as a Passport level  
Member (\$110 annual fee before  
12/31/09, \$125 after 1/1/2010),  
and then just present your  
membership card for free  
admission when you visit**

## participating museums and science centers wherever you travel!

In addition to admission to participating museums and centers, your Passport membership is good for \$1 off guest admission and gift shop, birthday party and program discounts at the Children's Museum of La Crosse.

*NOTE: Participating museums in our region include: All eight Wisconsin children's museums, as well as the science center in Milwaukee; the children's and science museums in St. Paul, MN; 20 museums in Illinois, including the children's museum, planetarium, field museum and science museum in Chicago; and many more! You may want to call ahead for hours, parking information and any admission restrictions. Participating museums are required to admit at least four individuals with a Passport membership. Some, including the Children's Museum of La Crosse, will admit up to six. The extra discounts and benefits are not available at other museums.*

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**A Passport or any level Children's Museum membership would make a great gift...one that keeps on giving all year long!**

Print a membership form at [funmuseum.org](http://funmuseum.org) and mail it with your payment or enroll directly at the Children's Museum.

**CUB/BOY SCOUT OVERNIGHT**, 6:00pm-9:00am. Spend a night and earn the special Children's Museum patch. Explore the three floors of the Museum, climb the 28' Mt. LeKid rock wall, and sleep among the exhibits. \$30 per scout. Pre-registration and pre-payment required.

Register early by calling the Boy Scout Office in La Crosse at (608) 784-4040 to avoid events being full or cancelled for low enrollment. Adult chaperones FREE: 1 adult required per 5 scouts.

NOTE: Dec. 12 Elves in Training event cancelled due to evening scheduling conflict.

**Saturday, December 12: Elves Workshop, 11 am - 2 pm.** Use the Museum's new Animaland Critter Creator machine (thank you Once Upon A Child!) to create a stuffed animal to keep or to donate to Toys for Tots. Plus face painting and more! \$6 + Museum admission. Pre-registration not required.

**Thursday, December 17: A-B-C Learners' Club** for ages 1-5 with parent. 10:30 - 11:15 am. Play and hands-on learning, snack, story. \$1 per child + admission. Pre-registration requested. Max. 15 children per session.

**Saturday, December 19, 10am-12:00pm: Visit with Santa** before he heads back up to the North Pole. Don't forget your cameras! \$2 per child. No pre-registration required.

**Saturday, November 19: Meet Pet Therapy Dogs**, 10-11 am. Free with Museum admission.

**MUSEUM CLOSED DECEMBER 24 & 25**

**Saturday, December 26: Celebrate Kwanzaa.** Join fun activities and games to celebrate Kwanzaa.

**Tuesday, December 29: Mt. Le Kid Climbing Wall Open Today from 11am-3:00pm. FREE with Museum admission.**

**Wednesday, December 30: Mt. Le Kid Climbing Wall Open Today from 12pm-4:00pm. FREE with Museum admission.**

**Thursday, December 31: Happy Noon Year**, 10:00-Noon. Welcome the new year a little early. Make a noisemaker and then join in a noisy countdown to Noon. FREE with Museum admission. **THE MUSEUM WILL BE OPEN 10:00 TO 3:00.** Climbing wall open 1-3.

Click [here](#) for printable calendars from the Museum website.

We appreciate the support we have received over the years from donors, volunteers, members, media, neighbors and all who celebrate the value of play--thank you! Please continue to visit and [support](#) the Museum so

the fun and learning can continue for another ten years and beyond.

Sincerely,

*Leanne*

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