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Library ~



Days are getting cooler, and with the change in the weather comes fall activities at the library. Fall Saturday programs begin on September 8th at 10:30 a.m. This 45 minute program features stories, crafts and activities geared pre-K and early grade school children. The popular Mother Goose lapsit program resumes on Wednesday, September 4th, at 10:30 a.m. This weekly program has rhymes, games, and a variety of other activities suited to infants through toddlers.

A new children's offering this fall is the Tuesday evening story time. These begin on September 4th at 6:30 p.m. Join Miss Julie for stories and activities.

The annual Great Books for Great Kids event at Runza

stores nationwide will be September 25th. Runza donates 15% of all sales that day to purchase books for children. See you at Runza!

Plans are also being made for the fall Expand Your Horizon series. The focus for this October series is "Glad You Asked." Look for more information in the weeks to come.

Mark your calendar now. The semi-annual Library Staff Inservice is scheduled for Friday, October 5th. The library will close at 4:00 p.m. that day to permit the staff to get some in-depth training. One focus of the fall inservice is to get training on the State of Nebraska NEWorks job site.



The WPL Book Club continues, and will discuss *The Postmistress* by Sarah Blake on Tuesday, September 25th, at 6:30

p.m. This New York Times bestseller takes place during World War II. Multiple copies will be available to check out at the library beginning September 1st.

All events are free and open to the public. The library is located at 410 N. Pearl Street and open hours are 10:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Friday, and 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Saturday. Sunday hours of 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. resume on September 9th. If you would like additional information about any of the library programs and services, please stop by or contact us at 402-375-3135.

~Lauran Lofgren
Library Director

WISE WORDS

"Vision without action is a daydream. Action without vision is a nightmare."

~Japanese Proverb

**CITY OFFICES
WILL BE
CLOSED
MONDAY,
SEPT. 3rd IN
OBSERVANCE
OF LABOR
DAY**



Green Notes ~



Want to make recycling even easier? Curbside recycling is available for all residents and businesses in Wayne. Two private companies offer this service for only a few dollars more a month: Gill Hauling and Waste Connections. You can easily add recycling

pick up services by calling either company directly. A bin will be delivered to your doorstep, and before you know it, you're garbage can will seem empty while your recycling bin fills up. Now that's being green!

Gill Hauling: (402) 632-9273

Waste Connections: (800) 871-5566

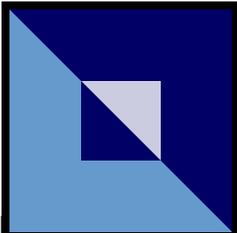
www.cityofwayne.org/greenteam

~Wayne Green Team



**REGULAR
HOURS AT CAC
(September 1st—
May 31st)**

Mon-Thu—5:30 am—10 pm
Fri—5:30 am—9 pm
Sat—8 am-8 pm
Sun—1 pm - 8 pm



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ENERGY-WISE TIP ~



“The Kitchen Workhorse”

It does not matter whether you are eating at home or dining out. Your kitchen’s refrigerator is keeping your cold foods cold and your frozen foods frozen every day of the year. What and how you store food in your refrigerator can affect the amount of energy that is consumed. Make the right choices and over the course of 12 months, the savings can add up!

The main purpose of refrigerating and freezing is to ensure your food is kept safely for consumption at some later time. It’s true, care must be taken to keep foods cold enough to inhibit spoiling. But there is no advantage to over-cooling, and it will cost you extra money!



Refrigerators and freezers should not be set too cold. Refrigerators should maintain a temperature of 37 to 40 degrees Fahrenheit. Freezers should be at 5 degrees Fahrenheit. Stand alone freezers for long storage can be set at 0 degrees Fahrenheit. To check your refrigerator's temperature, set a thermometer in a glass of water in the center of the appliance. Read the thermometer after 24 hours. For a

freezer, place a thermometer between packages. Again, read the thermometer after 24 hours.

Keeping your refrigerator full actually helps increase energy efficiency because there is less air to cool. Be careful not to overfill though. Overfilling your refrigerator can hinder air circulation. Also, keep liquids covered and make sure to wrap foods when they are stored in the refrigerator. Not only will uncovered foods dry out and have their taste ruined, but the moisture that is released from uncovered foods causes the refrigerator's compressor to run longer.

Check to make sure the coils behind the refrigerator are cleaned on a regular basis. Keeping coils clean allows for better airflow over the coils resulting in the cooling unit’s compressor running less than if the coils were dirty. Another important task that should be done regularly is defrosting the freezer, if the unit is not a frost-free model. Frost buildup exceeding one quarter of an inch will decrease the unit's energy efficiency.

Here’s another money saving tip: Make sure there is no air leakage around the

refrigerator’s door seals. When cold air escapes, the compressor runs longer to replace it. To see if your unit needs new seals, perform the “dollar bill” test. Place a dollar bill between the door and the unit. Close the door. If the bill slides out easily, air is leaking and the hinges and/or seals need to be fixed. If it is difficult to pull out the bill, the seal on the door is in good shape.

Lastly, make sure your refrigerator is in the right location. Though location is often limited by electrical and water hookups, making sure that there is proper air flow around the refrigerator can help it run more efficiently. If the appliance is stored between cabinets, make sure that nothing stored around the unit hinders its airflow. If possible, refrigerators should not be located near windows, stoves, or ovens. Heat from the sun or cooking appliances can cause the refrigerator to expend more energy to keep cool.

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CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

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REMINDER TO PET OWNERS:

Remember to pick up your dog's waste — don't leave it in parks where kids play or other private and public areas!!

