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REGISTER FOR FALL RECREATION ACTIVITIES

The Fall Recreation Activities Brochure contains information about sports lessons, seasonal sports leagues and other general interest programs that occur between September and early December. For a complete schedule, see the brochure online at LongmontColorado.gov/rec.

Fall sports include:

For adults/seniors – tennis, basketball, flag football, archery, pickleball, senior volleyball, golf

For youth – volleyball, lacrosse, cross country, basketball, middle school soccer, tennis, pickleball, golf, archery, fencing



Boulder County Circles

Ending poverty one family at a time

The Circles Campaign is an innovative national movement to end poverty one family at a time, and Circles can use your help.

The model works by connecting the heads of families struggling to escape poverty with middle- and upper-income volunteers. Family participants attend a 15-week class that helps them create a plan to permanently move out of poverty. Volunteers called “Allies” are trained to help these families move closer to their goals and leave poverty behind.

In September a new class of families will join Circles, and they need committed volunteers to help them reach their goal. The commitment is only four to six hours a month. During that time you will build new relationships, learn more about poverty and its impact on families living in our community, and make a huge difference in someone’s life!

Visit BoulderCountyCircles.org to find amazing stories of success and hear from participating families about what Circles is doing for them.

To find out more about volunteering with the Boulder County Circles Campaign contact Jessica Austin at 303-441-1503 or email jaustin@bouldercounty.org.



Itty Bitty City Returns for Fall

Itty Bitty City returns on Fridays from 9 to 11 am, September 9 through November 18, at the St. Vrain Memorial Building, 700 Longs Peak Avenue. Snow or shine, our toys are divine! Kids ages 6 months to 5 years have lots of room to run and play. Parents must supervise their children, and please, no older children. The cost is \$2 per child or \$17 for a 10-visit pass. No fee for babies.

Designed especially for kiddos age 6 months to 6 years with special needs to be a smaller, less overwhelming opportunity for free-play and socialization, Itty Bitty SCOPE City meets from 9 to 11 am on the second Tuesday of each month. Parents must supervise their children. The cost is \$2 per child. **Fall dates are September 13, October 11, November 8, and December 13.** Call 303-651-8404 for more information.



A MESSAGE FROM Mayor Coombs

Celebrating another milestone in Longmont's recovery

Kanemoto Park is back!

In early August the Longmont community gathered to celebrate the official reopening of Kanemoto Park, which now features a renovated playground, a new swimming pool, and new grass throughout the park.

The Southmoor Park neighborhood was hit pretty hard by the 2013 flood and again in 2015. Flood waters damaged Kanemoto Park, Left Hand Creek and many homes in the area.

The reopening of the park is symbolic of the progress we have made as a city and as a community over the past three years. There have been steady enhancements to repair our infrastructure. For example, we restored the Button Rock Dam area and recently opened the new Sunset Street bridge, and the new Main Street bridge will open soon.

There's still work to be done, such as repairs to St. Vrain Greenway trails and the Golden Ponds spillway, but Longmont is now much better prepared for the type of catastrophic event that hit our community in 2013.

During the rededication event at Kanemoto Park, I was joined by many of the City staff, recovery consultants, and construction workers who have been pivotal contributors to the reconstruction efforts. I want to thank all of them for their time and dedication. None of this progress would be possible without them.

We also were fortunate to have special guests from Japan and Mexico at the ceremony. They represented the Longmont Sister Cities student exchange program, and they helped us rededicate the beautiful Tower of Compassion that stands proudly in Kanemoto Park.

Fortunately, the tower was not damaged in the floods, but it, too, was renovated in time for the park celebration. It stands as a symbol of our community's strength and compassion as we continue our journey to being a more resilient community.

LONGMONT CITY COUNCIL



Standing, left to right: Mayor Pro Tem Brian Bagley, Joan Peck, Jeff Moore, Gabe Santos, Seated, left to right: Bonnie Finley, Mayor Dennis Coombs, Polly Christensen

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LABOR DAY Holiday Schedules

Longmont city government observes the **LABOR DAY** holiday on **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**. These facilities will be **CLOSED**:

Civic Center | Development Services Center | Service Center | Longmont Senior Center | Longmont Public Library | Longmont Youth Center | Longmont Museum | Waste Diversion Center | St. Vrain Memorial Building | Centennial Pool

The Longmont Recreation Center will be **OPEN** from 10 am to 4 pm, and Sunset Pool will be **OPEN** for the final day of the season from 10 am to 5 pm.

There will be no trash or recycling collection on that Monday; it will be collected one day later than usual throughout the week.

Talk to your representatives at Coffee With Council

At Coffee with Council you can talk with two council members on any topic of your choice, and the coffee's on us!

This month, Coffee with Council will be from 9 to 10 am on Saturday, August 27, at Red Frog Coffee, 15 Ken Pratt Boulevard. Mayor Pro Tem Bagley and Council Member Santos are scheduled to attend.

Next month Coffee with Council will be on September 24 at Perkins Restaurant, 2051 Main Street.

For information about city council meetings, visit LongmontColorado.gov/city_council or call 303-651-8649.

Meet us at the FAIR!

September 10
10 am to 1 pm

Longmont Senior Center
910 Longs Peak Avenue



See what your community has to offer at the **Longmont Senior Center Fair**. This is a fun, informal and easy way to explore what's available to adults age 55 and older and sample some of the entertaining and educational activities.

Meet teachers, activity leaders, staff, and volunteers who make the Senior Center an innovative and engaging place of learning and fun with local excursions, athletics, concerts, extended travel, technology assistance, outdoor pursuits, and so much more. Discover the wide variety of exercise and wellness programs that support a healthy lifestyle. Delve into history, arts, political science and more brought to you by interested and engaged instructors.

Meet the resource experts who can help you, a family member or friend access programs that assist older adults and caregivers of older persons. Find out about support for those caring for an older person, whether a spouse, adult child, long-distance family member, neighbor or friend. Meet the counseling staff and volunteers who support older adults and caregivers going through life's transitions.

You're not alone if you're thinking "that's not for me" or "I'm not old enough." Yet, over 14,000 visitors to the Senior Center in May of 2016 had an opportunity to experience new social connections, enhance their physical health, increase their emotional wellbeing, find needed resources, and have fun!

Since 1976 Longmont older adults have provided leadership to and participated in making the Longmont Senior Center a state-of-the-art community asset, a place where getting older just gets better.

Find a complete schedule of Fair events and more information at LongmontColorado.gov/senior-services.

Link2LONGMONT

Service and information 24/7

- Report a problem
- Register a concern
- Check the status of your request
- Ask questions → Get answers

ALWAYS AVAILABLE AT:

LongmontColorado.gov/
[Link2Longmont](#)



Special September Recycling Events

Hard-to-Recycle Event: 9 am to 1 pm, Saturday, September 10 - Waste Diversion Center, 140 Martin Street

Shredding Event: 9 am to 2 pm, Friday, September 16 - Waste Diversion Center, 140 Martin Street

Household Hazardous Chemical Drop-off: 9 am to 1 pm, Saturday, September 24 - Public Works, 375 Airport Road

For details visit

LongmontColorado.gov/solidwaste
or call 303-651-8416

NEW location for adult tennis lessons

If you've wanted to learn to play tennis - or strengthen your skills - you have brand new courts for lessons. The Quail Tennis Complex at 310 Quail Road (next to the Longmont Recreation Center) offers 10 courts and is open from 5 am to 11 pm daily. To register for adult beginner or advanced beginner lessons (starting September 10) or to reserve a court visit LongmontColorado.gov/rec.

Water Meter Maintenance Program

The City of Longmont conducts an annual maintenance program to replace home water meters on a scheduled cycle to ensure measuring accuracy.

Scheduled meter replacements are installed at no cost to the property owner. When a meter inside a home is due to be replaced, a City employee will place a tag on the front door to notify the resident and schedule an appointment. If the meter is located in a pit outside the home, technicians will knock on the door before they begin work to let the resident know who they are and why they are working on the property.

Visit LongmontColorado.gov/water or call 303-651-8468 for more information.





LONGMIRE IN LONGMONT

LONGMONT LIBRARY FESTIVAL

September 7 - 10

Contemporary Folk Music with
Better Than Biscuits

Release Party for the 5th Annual
"YouBelong Anthology"

Longmont Young Artists Showcase

Longmire in Longmont: An Evening with
Author Craig Johnson *and* Backstage
Meet-n-Greet with Craig Johnson

For more information, including
registration details, visit
<http://bit.ly/2016LibraryFestival>

NEW! Youth Fall Basketball League

Boys and girls in grades 3 - 8 grade can tune up for the winter basketball season with this 6-game, no practice, basketball league. All abilities welcome. Play games with surrounding communities on Saturdays beginning October 29. **Volunteer coaches needed.** Register at LongmontColorado.gov/rec.

Ask the Trainer!

Talk to a personal trainer about your fitness questions, concerns, or workouts. Get new exercises, clarify proper form, or find out if a personal training session might be a good fit. Free consultation; regular admission fees apply. 2nd Wednesdays, 10 to 11 am, at St. Vrain Memorial Building, 700 Longs Peak Avenue. 4th Tuesdays at Longmont Recreation Center, 310 Quail Road (call 303-774-4800 for times).



Upcoming Events at the Sandstone Ranch Visitors & Learning Center

TUESDAY'S TREASURES @ THE RANCH

9 am to noon on Tuesdays through October 25

Tables will be set up with information, examples, and even adult and kid coloring pages for weekly themes such as birds, geology, plants, the history of Sandstone, and more. Young and young-at-heart are welcome. Registration not required. Suggested donation \$2/person.

COIN COLLECTING WORKSHOP

10:30 am to noon, Saturday, September 10

Learn the history of American coinage from the first penny minted in 1792 to today, what makes some coins more valuable than others, and how to start or sell a collection. Free (donations welcome). Register by September 8.



PLANT WORKSHOP: GYMNOSPERMS

10:30 am to noon, Saturday, September 24

Renee Popp, former regional botanist at the USDA Forest Service, will teach an indoor interactive conifer identification class, including basic biology and the natural history of pines. Free (donations welcome). Register by September 20.

NATURE AT NIGHT: A special adventure for families

5 to 9 pm, Saturday, October 1

Enjoy HawkQuest live birds of prey at 5:30 pm followed by farm animals to pet, puppet show for and with children, animal face painting, nocturnal animals, nature-themed crafts and more! Park at the athletic field lots and take the free shuttle to the historic Coffin home. Suggested donation \$3/person or \$10/family.

The Sandstone Ranch Visitors & Learning Center,

3001 Sandstone Drive, is housed in a historic home and offers a variety of free programs and rental options. It includes hands-on displays, a nature viewing area, and information about the history of Longmont. The Visitors Center is open to the public on Tuesdays from 9 am to noon through October 25, and on the second and fourth Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm through October 22.

To register for workshops, call 303-651-8404. For information, visit LongmontColorado.gov/Sandstone.

