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LONGMONT LIGHTS!

December 13-14

700 Longs Peak Ave. in Roosevelt Park

longmontcolorado.gov/LongmontLights | 303-651-8404 Enjoy the sparkling lights display and free family activities during the City of Longmont and Recreation Services' annual holiday celebration, Longmont Lights, sponsored by NextLight.

5-8 pm on Friday, Dec. 13: Stay warm indoors at the Home Depot Santa's Workshop at the Memorial Building and visits with Santa at the Longmont Senior Center. Outside in the park, enjoy ice skating at the Longmont Ice Pavilion, hot cocoa carts, balloon glow, and fire pits. Local food vendors will have menu items for purchase.

5 pm on Saturday, Dec. 14: Enjoy the Timeless Holiday Tales holiday parade on Main Street. Parade float applications are available online or at the Memorial Building, until Monday, Dec. 2. All entries are eligible for prizes.

The lights in Roosevelt Park will be lit nightly beginning Thanksgiving weekend through early January 2025.



Happy Birthday NextLight!

ime flies when you have super-fast internet, and for 10 years, Longmont has had the best, connecting its first NextLight customers on Nov. 3, 2014. This month, NextLight celebrates its 10th birthday and YOU get to open the presents!

So what's waiting under the ribbons and wrapping paper? Try this:

- New NextLight customers who sign up for a gigabit connection or faster by Dec. 31 get a \$10 per month lifetime discount for as long as they keep their service. That means new gig customers can get that speed for just \$59.95/month, making an already fantastic value even better.
- Existing NextLight customers who have 100-megabit service can get the same \$10 lifetime discount when they upgrade to 1 gigabit or faster by Dec. 31 again, keeping it for as long as they keep that service.

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Find City Council meeting agendas and minutes at LongmontColorado.gov/City Council.



Holiday Schedule: Due to the holidays, there will be no meeting in November or December. View the 2025 schedule in early January at LongmontColorado.gov/City_Council.

Free technology classes and resources at Library

Do you need help with technology or don't have a computer, scanner or printer at home? The Longmont Library has what you need! Stop by our computer lab located on the second floor to use the following services:

Computers equipped with Microsoft Office, high-speed internet and more. In addition, a Library staff member is always there during open hours to help you with your project. There is no cost to using the computers or software within the computer lab.

Mobile Printing Services: Print from anywhere to the Library printer network! Please call 303-651-8769 or 303-651-8472 once you have sent your prints. The first 10 B&W pages are free. Additional pages, as well as color prints cost 10-25 cents/page.

Scan Documents to Fax or Email: Scan documents and send them by fax or email. Your information is not kept. The service is safe and secure.

High Speed WiFi at the Library and on the go! Brought to you by NextLight, free WiFi is available throughout the building. You can also borrow a WiFi hotspot from the library to take home. The Library WiFi hotspot will provide internet service as long as a cell phone tower is nearby.

Technology Classes: Swing by the Computer Lab every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 6:30-7:30 pm to learn new technology!

Check out the full details at bit.ly/LibComputing or call 303-651-8470 with questions about any of these services.

Sign up your business, neighborhood to "Be Ready"

You can handle the disruptions that disasters cause by preparing your neighborhood, business, etc. with a Be Ready Longmont workshop!

The Longmont Office of Emergency Management staff can teach your neighborhood, business, or group to "Be Ready" for disasters.

We need:

- 60-90 minutes of your time for the presentation.
- 10-30 attendees
- Your space or a space we will help you schedule.
- No money, there is no cost to you, we provide all the materials.
- A minimum of two weeks' notice to schedule our staff.

Be Ready will teach you how to:

- · Make sure you are notified of a disaster.
- How to prepare for emergencies and disasters.
- How to build strong, resilient communities by connecting your family to neighbors, the surrounding community and your city.
- Connect with additional resources and new learning opportunities.

Accommodations: ASL and Spanish interpretation are available if requested five or more business days in advance.

Contact Longmont OEM to schedule your workshop at <u>oem@longmontcolorado.gov</u> or 303-774-3793.

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Non-profits can get 10% off services

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If you've been waiting to kick your connection into high gear, now's the time!

- Through Dec. 31, NextLight will be doubling its Refer-a-Friend bonus. That means a \$100 credit on your monthly NextLight bill anytime you get a friend to sign up for NextLight service – make sure the friend gives your name to the NextLight customer service team when they subscribe!
- Non-profit organizations who provide documentation of their status can get 10% off all internet and phone services from NextLight. NextLight will also waive all taxes and fees for the Digital Voice phone service except for two mandatory ones – the e-911 rate and the federal utility tax.

Terms and conditions apply; as always, you can find out more at the NextLight website, www.mynextlight.com/offers or by calling NextLight at 303-774-4494.

Because of your support and foresight, NextLight has become a community-owned internet service that's the pride of Longmont and the envy of the nation. Thank you for 10 great years ... and get ready, because the next 10 are going to be even better.

Winter/Spring Recreation Activities Brochure

rec.ci.longmont.co.us | 303-774-4700

Registration for Winter/Spring 2025 recreation classes begins Tuesday, Dec. 3. An online version is available at LongmontColorado.gov/rec in mid-November and the brochure is mailed to Longmont households the first week of December.

'Home for the Holidays' rec pass available after Thanksgiving!

Enjoy the special city-wide "Home for the Holidays" recreational pass valid from Dec. 20, 2024 through Jan. 6, 2025.



Passes are valid for admission at the Longmont Recreation Center, Centennial Pool, the St.

Vrain Memorial Building, the Longmont Ice Pavilion, the Longmont Museum, and for SilverSneakers® fitness classes at the Longmont Senior Center. With three options available at the low price of \$25/\$45/\$65, the pass-holder can bring one guest, up to three guests, or up to seven guests with each visit. Some restrictions apply.

Learn more or visit <u>longmontcolorado.gov/rec</u> or call 303-774-4700. Passes go on sale online and in person after Thanksgiving.

THANKSGIVING COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Help your City of Longmont Waste Services employees enjoy their Thanksgiving holiday by changing your trash and recycling collection schedule during the week of Thanksgiving!

Collection schedules will be one day early during Thanksgiving Holiday week. Please refer to the table below to make sure you have your collection bins out on time (before 7 am).

Normal Collection Day	Thanksgiving Week Collection Day
Monday	Set bins out before 7 am on Monday, Nov. 25. Collected by end of day.
Tuesday	Set bins out before 7 am on Monday, Nov. 25. Collected by end of Tuesday.
Wednesday	Set bins out before 7 am on Tuesday, Nov. 26. Collected by end of Wednesday.
Thursday	Set bins out before 7 am on Wednesday, Nov. 27. Collected by end of day.

If you have questions or your collection was missed, call 303-651-8416 by Wednesday at 4 pm and Longmont Waste Services staff will schedule a time to pick up your collection.



Light up the holidays safely!

It's almost time to light the lights! With the holidays coming soon, please remember these decorating safety tips from Longmont Power & Communications:

- Lock your ladder in place, face it as you work, and follow any instructions from the manufacturer.
- Frayed wires start fires. Retire any decorations that have become well-worn.
- Use indoor and outdoor extension cords in the right place, don't overload them, and don't pinch them in a door or window or under furniture. (And naturally, keep them away from standing water!)
- If you have an unmetered porch light from the city, don't plug your decorations into it - your gorgeous display can burn out the small fuse.
- Keep your tree at least three feet away from any space heaters, fireplaces, or other heat sources.

For some homes, the pedestal light "lamp post" meter merits a few additional decorating reminders.

- Never cover the meter window (it makes the meter hard to read!) or the photocell, which can keep the light on all day.
- Wrapping lights around the body of the pedestal light can make it hard for our techs to open the door for repairs or maintenance.
- Older pedestal lights may have outlets, which should have a locked or sealed flap protecting them.
 Please don't open the flap or use the outlet.
- Please don't replace the lamp's LED bulb with a tinted one. The bulbs are chosen for long life and effective illumination of the neighborhood.

So have fun and dazzle your neighbors safely!

Don't miss out on these holiday events, programs!

WINTER PASSPORT

Kick off the holidays in downtown Longmont with the launch of the 7th annual Winter Passport program. From Nov. 9-Jan. 3, choosing local can earn you prizes, merchandise and gift cards from downtown businesses. Enjoy everything the Downtown Longmont neighborhood has to offer all holiday season, and be rewarded for your patronage! *Presented by High Country Bank.*

CALLAHAN HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

312 Terry St. | 303-776-5191 longmontcolorado.gov/Callahan

Stop by the historic Callahan House in Downtown Longmont and see the festive holiday decorations from 4:30-7:30 pm on Thursday, Dec. 12. Self-led tours are for all ages and no registration is required. Santa will **not** be present. Visit the Callahan website for information about upcoming community events and party rental options.

LONGMONT MUSEUM'S 9TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY SHOW!

Saturday, Dec. 7, 3 pm & 7 pm Reserved seating: \$32, \$28 members

Longmont's own Bonnie & Taylor Sims join us as hosts and headliners for the ninth installment of our annual holiday tradition. Enjoy classic songs of the season (with a twist) from some of the finest musicians in the region, including friends old and new. Cash bar with signature holiday drink. Visit longmontmuseum.org or call 303-651-8374.

GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE AT RECREATION FACILITIES, MUSEUM AND GOLF COURSES

longmontcolorado.gov/recreation | 303-774-4700 longmontmuseum.org | 303-651-8374 golflongmont.com | 303-651-8592

Recreation Services and Museum gift certificates can be purchased in any amount and can be redeemed in-person, over the phone, and online for drop-in classes, activity registration and passes. Purchase the popular Golf Players Cards or golf certificates for play or pro-shop use at any City of Longmont golf course or at <u>GolfLongmont.com</u>.

LONGMONT ICE PAVILION

725 8th Ave. | 303-774-4777

longmontcolorado.gov/ice-pavilion

The Longmont Ice Pavilion is open from mid-November through early March, weather permitting. Located at Roosevelt Park, the Ice Pavilion is an outdoor seasonal ice rink, offering public ice skating, hockey, skating lessons and private rentals throughout the winter.

