



LIFE SKILLS FAIR EMPOWERS YOUTH

Pre-registration recommended at

LongmontColorado.gov/LifeSkills
The City of Longmont's Children, Youth, and Families division has teamed up with the St. Vrain Valley School District to host a Youth Life Skills Fair. Join us for this free event on Sunday, March 1, from 11am to 3 pm at the Boulder County Fairgrounds in Longmont.

Teens aged 11-17 will enjoy hands-on workshops on health, practical skills, job opportunities, and City resources. Enjoy a festive atmosphere with games, prizes, a live DJ, and nearby food trucks offering food and beverages for purchase.

New to 2026 is an area where adults can connect and gain information and skills to better support their teens – and find ways to entertain younger children attending the event.

This is a free event. Pre-register at LongmontColorado.gov/LifeSkills to make check-in quicker on March 1.

Arbor Day Tree Sale Lottery

The Arbor Day Tree Sale is an annual event, hosted by the City of Longmont's Forestry Services. A variety of trees are offered below wholesale costs for \$60 each; limit one tree per person.

Longmont residents can view and pay to enter the lottery March 2-8 at bit.ly/tree-longmont or by calling 303-774-4700. Those who get a tree via lottery are notified on Monday, March 9 via email.

Registration for any remaining trees reverts to first-come, first-served at midnight on March 16. Free tree delivery takes place during the week of April 20.

Learn more at bit.ly/tree-longmont.



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Explore Historic Longmont with Talks & Tours

Join Longmont Museum Curator of History Elizabeth Beaudoin and Museum Director Erik Mason for these explorations of historic Longmont!

- **Talk with the Curator: The History of Celebrating Anniversaries in Longmont**
Feb. 27, 2:30 pm; free, reservations recommended
- **Talk with the Curator: Longmont's Founding**
Friday, March 27, 2:30 pm; free, reservations recommended
- **Talk with the Curator: Grandma's Recipe Box Potluck**
Friday, April 24, 2:30 pm; free, reservations recommended
- **Behind the Scenes Tour of the Museum's Historic Collections Center**
Tuesday, March 10, 10:30 am & 5:30 pm; \$15

Visit LongmontMuseum.org or call 303-651-8374 to learn more and register for these history programs.

Jennifer Diaz-Leon Receives Congressional Service Award

On Saturday, December 13, 2025, Longmont's own Jennifer Diaz-Leon was awarded a Congressional Service Award by Congressman Joe Neguse, recognizing her commitment to the betterment of our state.

Diaz-Leon began her career in the City as a volunteer at the Youth Center more than ten years ago. This soon turned into part-time position with an afterschool program for middle and high school students. She has since worked in gang prevention and intervention and now is the community coordinator for the prevention through education program.

Diaz-Leon was awarded the "Building Bridges" award, given to an individual or group working "across political and social divides to solve major issues." To anyone who knows Jennifer, the award is a terrific fit.

"The root of who I am is connection," she said. "Relationships only make our community stronger. It's an amazing thing to be part of the group of people creating that change in our community." She was nominated for the award by former Longmont mayor Joan Peck.

To learn more about the terrific work that Jennifer and everyone involved with Longmont's Children, Youth and Families division do on behalf of Longmont youth, please visit their website at LongmontColorado.gov/cyf.



NextLight's New Look

NextLight is launching a refreshed website designed to better serve the Longmont community. The updated site delivers a more streamlined experience with a fresh visual look, clearer navigation, and updated content—making it easier for residents and local businesses to learn about NextLight's internet, WiFi, and digital voice services, stay informed, and find support. Existing customers will still find familiar tools like billing, account access, and network information right where they expect them. **Head over to MyNextLight.com and explore.**

THURSDAY NIGHTS @ THE MUSEUM ARE BACK!

Spend your Thursday evenings at the Longmont Museum this winter for adult Art & Sip classes and films, performances, and conversations in our 250 seat Stewart Auditorium. Join us every Thursday through May 7 for this season!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

- **Free talk: Voices of Change**—A Civics Lesson, Feb. 16 at 7 pm
- **Film: "El Norte" (1983)** March 5, 7 pm
- **Concert: The Birth of Classical Music** with the Longmont Symphony Orchestra, March 12 at 7 pm
- **Free talk: The Rise & Fall of the Great American Lawn**, March 19 at 7 pm
- **Art & Sip classes** for adults at 4 pm & 6:30 pm featuring zentangle, watercolor, rock painting and block printing

And so much more! Visit LongmontMuseum.org or call 303-651-8374 to explore the full season and buy tickets or register for programs.



FREE FILM SCREENING: THE LIBRARIANS



Sunday, March 1 at 2:30 pm

You've heard the buzz. Public libraries across the country are hosting screenings of the powerful 2025 documentary "The Librarians"—and now you can see it, too. Save the date and join us at the Longmont Museum to watch it on Sunday, March 1. A moderated discussion will follow.

"The Librarians" explores the national conversation around access to books and ideas in schools and public libraries. As some US lawmakers work to restrict certain types of materials, librarians find themselves on the frontlines of a national debate over access to information and the freedom to read. This documentary follows the stories and struggles of librarians in Texas, Florida, and other states where such challenges to intellectual freedom are urgent and ongoing.

The Librarians is part of a PBS community screening series called Indie Lens Pop-Up Films. It premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in January 2025 to wide national acclaim.

This program is free and open to all. Let's fill the auditorium.

UPCOMING RECREATION EVENTS

Bird Walks, Astronomy Night and History Tour at Sandstone Ranch

longmontcolorado.gov/SandstoneEvents

303-651-8404

The Sandstone Ranch Visitors & Learning Center, 3001 Sandstone Dr., offers nature programs for the whole family, outdoor concerts, group tours by appointment and free, bi-monthly Saturday public visiting hours beginning March 14. Upcoming events include nature Fridays, bird walks, astronomy night and a history tour of the property. Most programs have a suggested donation of \$4 per person.

Underwater Easter Egg Hunt

bit.ly/recreationregistration (keyword Easter)

303-774-4700

Calling Egg Hunters of all abilities! Put on your swimsuit and search for Easter Eggs at 5 pm or 6:30 pm Saturday, March 28 at the Recreation Center, 310 Quail Rd. Eggs will be distributed throughout the leisure and lap pools during this great family activity for all ages. Registration opens Tuesday, March 3, and the fee is \$7 per person.

Now Hiring: Swim & Sports Staff

bit.ly/longmontrecjobs | **303-774-4700**

Longmont Recreation is hiring for both seasonal and year-round positions. We have jobs for applicants ages 15+ including adults looking for meaningful work, even during retirement. Attention Swimmers: Get trained to be a swim instructor or lifeguard over Spring Break and be ready for a fun, active summer job where you can make friends, enjoy flexible hours, receive a highly discounted Recreation Center pass, and build lifelong career skills. Visit bit.ly/aqua-jobs for details.

Adult Spring Softball

Longmontcolorado.gov/leagues

303-774-4700

Hey Batter Batter! Men's, women's and coed softball leagues are offered during three seasons at Garden Acres Park, 2058 Spencer St. Spring teams and free agents should register by March 2. Games are played March 18 - May 1.

