



NIGHT OF LIGHTS

About 1,500 people gathered at the Northglenn Recreation Center for Noel Northglenn – Night of Lights on Dec. 2. This year's event spread from one corner of the facility to the other.

In addition to the return of favorites such as bubbles in the pool and snowballs in the gymnasium, several groups gave presentations on the different holidays and festivals that go on this time of year. And of course, Mrs. and Mr. Claus were on hand for music, pictures and just a few gift requests!





Northglenn Connection

APPLY FOR WARD 4 COUNCIL OPENING STARTING JAN. 3



At the City Council meeting on Nov. 28, Mayor Pro Tem Jenny Willford announced she will be resigning her position on council effective

Jan. 8 due to being elected as a state representative for House District 34.

This will create a vacancy in Ward 4 that must be filled by appointment by City Council no later than Feb. 7. Anyone who lives in Ward 4 and is interested in applying for the vacancy may do so by submitting an application to the City Clerk's Office.

Applications are at www.northglenn. org/ward4opening or in the City Clerk's Office, which is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in City Hall, 11701 Community Center Drive.

To be eligible to serve on City Council, individuals must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a U.S. citizen
- Must be a registered voter
- Must be a resident of Northglenn for a minimum of one year immediately preceding appointment
- Must be a resident of Ward 4 for at least 32 days immediately preceding application
- Must have no felony convictions

KEY DATES

- Jan. 3 to 23: Application period. Anyone interested must apply by 4:30 p.m. on Jan. 23.
- Sat., Jan. 28 (Study Session): Council interviews applicants for the vacant position. They will be conducted during a public meeting and shown on Channel 8 and www. youtube.com/cityofnorthglenn.
- Mon., Feb. 6 (Special Meeting): Council will appoint a new member to fill the Ward 4 vacancy. The council member will serve until the regularly scheduled general municipal election in November 2023.

Widening for E. 120th Ave.

Work Starts Jan. 9; Washington to York Impacted

East 120th Avenue will be widened from two lanes to three in each direction from Sylvia Drive, just east of Washington Street, to the N Line overpass, eliminating a bottleneck over that stretch. This is one of the busiest thoroughfares in Adams County; expansion is a necessity and long overdue.

In addition, walking paths will be installed on both sides of the street and all traffic signals in the corridor will be upgraded.

Construction will begin Jan. 9 and is scheduled to last 12 to 18 months. Traffic will be narrowed down to one lane in each direction at times, depending on which area construction is taking place. Motorists are advised to use alternate routes when possible.

Work will primarily take place from



7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays. However, special permission to work every day from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. will be granted early on in the project and perhaps during other high-impact times. The extended hours are an effort to reduce the length of time the community will be affected by the most disruptive closures and construction.

Inflation has affected every aspect of the economy, and construction is no different. The initial project cost estimate in January 2021 was \$13.5 million; it is now \$17.8 million. Federal funds are covering about \$9.5 million, with the City of Thornton and Karl's Farm developers contributing another \$2.8 million. That leaves Northglenn spending \$5.5 million, less than a third of the total project cost.

The city thanks you in advance for your patience, we understand a large road project is inconvenient. When finished, this stretch of East 120th Avenue will have 50% more capacity — reducing congestion and improving safety for everyone.

For more information and updates, contact American West Construction, which will be handling the project, at 719.426.3270 or 120thaveproject@gmail.com. You may also go to www.northglenn.org/120thavenue.

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CLOSURES

New Year's Day City facilities will be closed or have modified schedules.

- City Hall, Municipal Court and Maintenance & Operations Building: Closed Mon., Jan. 2
- Northglenn Senior Center: Closed at noon on Fri., Dec. 30
- Northglenn Recreation Center:
 Open 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sat.,
 Dec. 31; closed Sun., Jan. 1
- Parsons Theatre: Closed Dec. 31 and Jan. 1

Since New Year's Day falls on Sunday, trash will be picked up as normal.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day: Mon., Jan. 16

- City Hall, Municipal Court and Maintenance & Operations Building will be closed.
- All other city facilities will be open.
- Trash will be picked up as normal.

HIGH-PERFORMANCE GOVERNMENT

Council Legislative Recap: Dec. 2022

Here is a recap of recent votes, a glance into the most discussed topics and a look ahead for City Council. Council votes on two types of items: An ordinance (CB) is an enforceable law or regulation that requires two majority votes by council to pass; a resolution (CR) is a decision, opinion, policy or directive and only requires one majority vote to pass.

DEC 5: STUDY SESSION

• Topic: Municipal Court End of Year Update



Gethsemane Lutheran Church was recognized by council and the Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority for its support of the lengthy environmental clean-up of the former Garland Center.

DEC. 12: REGULAR MEETING

- All items from Dec. 12 passed unanimously.
- PRESENTATIONS: Gethsemane Lutheran Church Special Recognition (see above); Recognition of Mayor Pro Tem Jenny Willford (see above, right)
- FINANCIAL REPORT: October 2022 Update
- **CONSENT AGENDA:** *CR-170* 2023 Northglenn/Thornton Victim Services IGA; CR-173 128th & Claude Court Easement Vacation; CR-174 Liquor



Council honored outgoing Mayor Pro Tem Jenny Willford. She will be sworn in as the House District 34 representative in January. HD-34 includes all of Northglenn.

► Read more on the cover.

- Maxine Foster; CR-175 Liquor Licensing Authority Reappointment - Larry Harvey; CR-176 Liquor Licensing Authority Reappointment - Lee Stewart; CR-177 Planning Commission Reappointment - Tiffany Banks; CR-178 Youth Commission Reappointment - Meera Bipin; CR-179 Youth Commission Reappointment

Licensing Authority Reappointment

- Nazly Soufiani; CR-180 Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Appointment - Morell Madrid; CR-181 Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Appointment - Mary Peery

- PUBLIC HEARING and ORDINANCE -**SECOND READING:**
- CB-1998 Community Co-Production Policing Advisory Board Ordinance Amendments
- ORDINANCE FIRST READING:
- CB-1999 Historic Preservation Ordinance
- RESOLUTIONS:
- CR-171 Diversity, Inclusivity, and •-**Social Equity Board Anti-Hate** Resolution
- CR-172 Todd Creek Village Metropolitan District IGA for Section 36 Water Service

WATCH & LEARN

MEETINGS & STUDY SESSIONS

Council must have two meetings

a month. They also typically have two study sessions monthly to

learn about and discuss topics

in-depth. Special meetings are

Time/Date: Council meetings and study sessions are both at 6 p.m. Meetings are on the second and fourth Monday of the month; study sessions are on the first and

Location: Meetings are held in

City Council Chambers in City

Hall, 11701 Community Center

third Monday.

scheduled if more time is needed to complete city business.

Council meetings and study sessions are shown live on Comcast Channel 8 or 881 HD in Northglenn and on www.youtube .com/cityofnorthglenn.

Listen to the January meetings by phone at 720.961.5043. See the agenda at www.northglenn.org/ webdocs for meeting ID.

Channel 8 Rebroadcast Schedule:

- Sunday, Wednesday and Friday: Study sessions at 1 p.m., meetings at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday: Study sessions at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., meetings at 1
- Monday: Meetings at 7 a.m., study sessions at 1 p.m.

Watch videos at www.youtube. com/cityofnorthglenn or www. northglenn.org/webdocs.

Audio recordings are available the day after meetings at www. northglenn.org/webdocs.

DISE BOARD, COUNCIL DENOUNCE ANTI-SEMITIC MESSAGES •

In June 2022, the Diversity, Inclusivity and Social Equity (DISE) Board expressed concerns about baggies thrown into Northglenn residents' yards that contained rocks with anti-Semitic messages. These baggies were not targeted; rather, they were randomly distributed.

In a subsequent DISE Board meeting, invited guest Hilary Graham, an attorney from City Attorney Corey Hoffmann's office, spoke about what constituted hate speech versus freedom of speech. Graham then offered to assist the DISE Board in drafting an anti-hate resolution to denounce the anti-Semitic messages, which was adopted by the board. City Council unanimously voted to approve a resolution on Dec. 12 supporting the DISE Board's resolution and

reaffirming the importance of diversity in the city.

Here is a partial excerpt of the resolution:

The City Council stands against hate speech and affirms its commitment to supporting the City as a place where all individuals feel safe to live, work, learn, play and worship, and where all individuals are treated equitably regardless of characteristics including, without limitation, religion, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, income, political persuasion, or cultural practices.

COUNCIL SCHEDULE

Meetings are in-person. All start at 6 p.m. unless noted

- Jan. 2 and 16: Canceled due to New Year's and Martin Luther King Jr. holidays
- Jan. 9: Study session and special meeting
- Jan. 23: Special meeting
- Jan. 28: (Note Saturday meeting; time TBD) Ward 4 vacancy applicant interviews
- Jan. 30: Study session
- Tentative topics: New City Hall; Legislative Issues Guide; Deza Estates; Special Events

YOUR THOUGHTS?

Input from residents makes a difference - the mayor and council members appreciate hearing from you! Here are options to learn more about council action and weigh in:

Comments on city business or matters of community interest are heard at the start of regular meetings, and comments on items previously addressed by council during the meeting are heard at the end. Comments

are not heard at study sessions.

Anyone may address council in person or by phone. To call in, see the top of the agenda posted online at www. northglenn.org/webdocs. For in person, there is a sign-in sheet or speak up when prompted by the mayor.

You may also call or email council to share your opinion on city issues. > Contact details are below.

CITY WARDS



MEET YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

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City Manager's Column: A Letter from Heather Geyer

Voices Heard at State Capitol

City Takes Positions on Issues That Affect Local Government, Residents



January marks the start of the state legislative season, which means city staff and elected officials are geared up to make sure Northglenn's voice is heard.

Our state elected officials make many decisions that impact our community - fees, licensing requirements, new regulations, business laws, land use, trans-

portation funding, water and environment regulations and more. As a city, it's important we are proactive and stay on top of what is happening.

The city has a legislative committee consisting of city staff, lobbyists, attorneys and council members. The job of this committee is to develop a formal policy statement, review legislation that may impact our city or pertains to a subject relevant to our residents, and make recommendations to council if we should oppose or support legislation.

City Council is scheduled to vote on the Northglenn 2023 State Legislative Issues Guide on Jan. 9. If approved, it will be available at www.northglenn.org/citycouncil. We share this document with a variety of state-level elected officials and offices. Additionally, council hosts a legislative dinner

to discuss upcoming legislation and city positions with our local state officials.

Our stances on these topics are critical to maintaining the quality of life for our residents:

- Transportation
- Telecommunications
- · Public Health and Safety
- Attainable Housing
- Homelessness
- Education
- · Advancing Racial Equity
- Unfunded Mandates
- Urban Renewal Authority
- Sales and Use Taxes
- Environment Sustainability
- Public Employment
- · Local Control and Municipal Home Rule

The 2023 State Legislative Issues Guide will be available at www.northglenn. org/citycouncil.

The city's proactive steps and relationship-building efforts to inform our state legislators about city endeavors, the make-up of Northglenn, our positions on issues, and our values and goals help them make decisions that benefit not only Northglenn, but all of Colorado.

- City Manager Heather Geyer

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Water/Sewer 303.451.1289 24-hour Line

NORTHGLENN CONNECTION

The Northglenn Connection is delivered monthly to residents as a reference for city information and to learn about what is happening in the community. This and past editions are also at www.northglenn.org/connection. Contact John Eisel at jeisel@ northglenn.org for any questions, comments or concerns.

COUNCIL WANTS TO KEEP STANDLEY LAKE BOATING BAN TO PREVENT INFESTATION OF INVASIVE MUSSEL SPECIES

At the end of the Nov. 28 regular meeting (which did not occur until after the December 2022 Connection had gone to print), City Council held an executive session regarding water rights.

One of the issues discussed was a request by the City of Westminster to revisit a memorandum of under-

standing (MOU) from November 2019 that bans motorized boating on Standley Lake.

Some Westminster City Council members would like to consider rescinding the ban, which was put in place due to the threat of zebra and quagga mussels. In other areas, these mussels have reproduced extensively

and caused issues with water infrastructure and filtration processes.

Since Standley Lake is the major source of water for our city, Northglenn City Council responded to Westminster that they have no interest in reopening the discussion on this issue and would like the MOU to remain in place as-is.

Resident Spots Open on Police Board

involved in how the city's Police Department serves the community?

Community Advisory Board has following openings:

• Ward 4 representative

Do you want to be more • Two at-large members

• Youth member

Applications will be taken from Jan. 4 through 30. You Co- can apply online at www. Production Policing (CCPP) northglenn.org/ccppboard or stop by the City Clerk's Office in City Hall at 11701 • Balancing influence Community Center Drive.

The building is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

The goals of the board include:

- Reducing fractionalism
- Creating transparency
- between residents and

Revenues Expenditures

police on department services

We're looking for members who represent all of Northglenn. They need to be able to share their perspective while being open and respectful to other opinions and the "how and why" behind current policing practices.

SOCIAL MEDIA

www.facebook.com/ cityofnorthglenn



www.twitter.com/ NorthglennCo



www.youtube.com/ cityofnorthqlenn



www.northglenn.org/ nextdoor



www.instagram.com/ cityofnorthglenn



October 2022 General Fund Financial Report

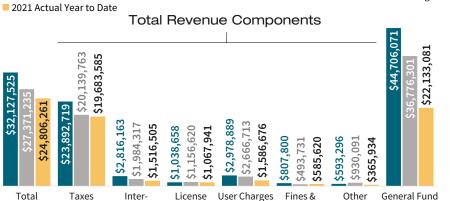
Unaudited figures are through the end of October. ■ 2022 Annual Budget

government & Permits

■ 2022 Actual Year to Date

Revenue

General Fund Expenditures Year to Date is 82.3% of the 2022 Annual Budget

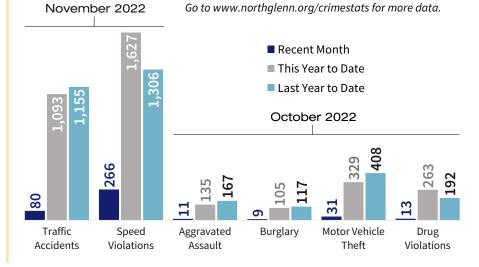


& Fees

Go to www.northglenn.org/transparency for more detailed reports.

Forfeits

Northglenn Police Statistics



Mayor's Memo: A Message from Mayor Meredith Leighty

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Big Projects in Store for 2023

Happy 2023 Northglenn! Now that the holidays are behind us, I am anxious to get started on the work we have planned for our city this year. I thought a look ahead might spark your interest. Here's a short "coming attractions" list for Northglenn in 2023:

New City Hall

We are on track to break ground on a new city hall



Leighty

this spring. It will be located just east of the current city hall and will have much more community gathering space. I am excited to have a welcoming building that encourages engagement and participation in local government. In terms of sustainability, the building will have Net Zero

energy use and CORE Green Building Rating certification. The tentative opening of the new facility is fall 2024.

Widening of East 120th Avenue

This project is possible thanks to matching funds from the federal government, Karl's Farm developers and the City of Thornton. It was delayed because bids came in high (like many projects in the current economy). However, we secured more funding and are now ready to roll! The construction part is always tough for commuters and the neighborhood – please be patient, the end result will be fantastic.

► See story on cover.





▲ Top: Artist rendition of the new City Hall, which is set to break ground just east of the current facility this spring.

Left: Footprint of the new building

E.B. Rains Jr. Park Upgrades

Our most-used and well-loved park will receive some extra TLC this year. The city budgeted for some improvements, and also received a sizeable county grant (see story below) that will help immensely. A total re-do of the current bathrooms, a new set of bathrooms, trail enhancements and parks storage will be appreciated by all park users. Additionally, some of the playground equipment will be replaced.

State of the City in July

Last summer I enjoyed conversations with residents at an event held in the Festival Lawn area near the

new rec center. This year I again invite the community to come out and engage with me, City Council members, city staff and each other! In addition to entertainment and food, there will be great community information about the current state of the city.

Those are only a few of the terrific things coming to our city in 2023. I hope you join me in appreciating how lucky we are to be a part of this "small but mighty" Northglenn community.

- Mayor Meredith Leighty

County Grant Going to E.B. Rains Upgrades

On Nov. 29, the city received a \$1.35 million open space grant from Adams County for renovations at E.B. Rains Jr. Memorial Park.

- Renovation/replacement of the existing permanent restroom near the playground
- Sitting wall and pedestrian access trail replacement
- Hardscape enhancements at Don Anema Memorial Skatepark
- New storage facility with restrooms

This will refresh and update several key areas of the park while increasing accessibility, safety and security while encouraging adequate use of the facilities. Construction will take place in 2023.

The city would like to thank the Adams County Board of County Commissioners for its generosity, as well as patrons of E.B. Rains Jr. Park who wrote letters of support for the project.

Funding for the fall 2022 grant



Sitting wall sections like this will be replaced.

cycle came from revenues from the first half of the 2022 Adams County Open Space Sales Tax, which was passed by Adams County voters in 1999, and in perpetuity in 2020.



Council members Rich Kondo (holding certificate) and Ashley Witkovich (back, center right), and Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Vice President Andy Hall (far right), along with staff, accept the award from the Adams County Board of County Commissioners.

CHRISTMAS CRUSADE FOR CHILDREN







Almost 200 local youth will have a little extra to open this holiday season thanks to the Northglenn Police Department's partnership with KYGO and Christmas Crusade for Children. The department collected requests for youth in the community for toys and needed items. Thanks to donations of toys, cash and gift cards, Northglenn police officers secured a ton of presents for the kids. Then the police, along with a number of volunteers including Council Member Rich Kondo, wrapped them up. On Dec. 17, the youth stopped by the Northglenn Justice Center to pick up their gifts, where they were greeted by Northglenn police officers, Mayor Meredith Leighty and other City Council members, City Manager Heather Geyer, and Santa, of course. Thanks to everyone who donated to this program – you made a child's holiday a little brighter! The Northglenn Police Department is just one of the many law enforcement agencies in the metro area that participate in this program.

Mariam and Jamie Nunez

from Council Member Jay

Note: This is the second in

a series featuring winners

Go to www.northglenn.

from the 2022 Business

Appreciation Event.

org/bae to see videos

about all the winners.

received their award

Jaramillo in October.

Rookie Business Award Goes to MJ Better Books

Miriam and Jamie Nunez, owners of MJ Better Books. won the Northglenn 2022 Rookie Business of the Year Award. Miriam started the business from her home in 2017 and built her clientele with just referrals. Her intent was not to become an entrepreneur but to help friends and family members launch their businesses and assist them with accounting or taxes.

It became apparent that the type of assistance she was providing for family and friends was a real need in the business community.

"I was in the corporate world for 17 years and during my professional career, I was able to help many businesses achieve success at the national level. Then I found out in my community there was a lack of information and resources for Hispanic business owners and entrepreneurs," stated Miriam.

In 2020, she launched a YouTube channel to provide information and resources to business owners and people who wanted to start a new business. That led to phone calls from people from all over the country. So in 2021, Miriam and Jamie decided to expand the business and open an office location. They now employ 10 people and work in 16 states.

NOMINEES

- Andres' & Lana's Market
- MJ Better Books
- New Era Jiu Jitsu
- Urban Indian Grocery

Services they offer include accounting, bookkeeping, and payroll. They also assist entrepreneurs with business registration, fiscal planning, and tax preparation. Their employees share the company values of honesty and integrity and have a strong desire to make a difference for the business owners that they work with.

MJ Better Books is more than an accounting firm. They have positioned themselves as a coaching resource to business owners and are here to help them achieve success.

"We are excited to serve the Hispanic community and all business owners and entrepreneurs. If you are a business owner looking for guidance, MJ Better Books will be a great resource for you," said Miriam.

MJ Better Books is located at 10701 Melody Drive, Suite 555. Se habla español.

For more information, call 720.446.6507 or go to www.mjbetterbooks.com.



- Every Body Health and Wellness

View of Karl's Farm from the north facing East 120th Avenue in October

Growing Season

Residential, Commercial & Senior Living Construction Underway at Karl's Farm

The Karl's Farm development at East 120th Avenue and Irma Drive is well underway with a variety of housing options ready to move in and many already occupied by some of the city's newest residents.

The housing includes duplexes, single-family detached, townhomes, and apartments.

Also under construction is a

164-unit senior affordable living apartment complex. For more details, call 303.626.8466.

Included in the 64-acre development is 8.3 acres of commercial space along East 120th

Avenue. Dutch Bros., Raising Canes, and Quick Trip (QT)



will be building, or are already under construction. The commercial portion is anticipated to be fully built out in 2024.

There is a lot of work occurring in the background, so stay

tuned for more exciting news at Karl's Farm.

These businesses will be opening on the south end of Karl's Farm, just off East 120th Avenue.







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Q4 NURA GRANTS

The Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority awards matching grants for up to \$12,500 through its Business Improvement Grant (BIG) and Business Utility Assistance Grant (BUAG) programs. BIGs are for exterior improvements that are visible from the public right-of-way, while BUAGs are for utility upgrades.

BIG Grants	Amount	Use
Annabella's Alterations	\$2,034	Exterior signage
Big O Tires	\$12,500	Exterior bay doors
GRiN Pediatric Dentistry	\$7,746	Exterior signage
BUAG Grants	Amount	Use
Itacate Mexican Restaurant	\$12,500	Electrical and plumbing upgrades
GRiN Pediatric Dentistry	\$12,500	Electrical upgrades

To learn more about NURA grants and if your business is eligible, email Marisa Phillips at mphillips@northglenn.org.

% RIBBON-CUTTINGS ANNABELLA'S ALTERATIONS



Annabella's Alterations held its ribbon-cutting on Dec. 7. This business leased 600 square feet at 11910 Washington St. and employs two people. They provide clothing alterations to wedding dresses, pants, tops, skirts, and dresses. ► For more information, call 720.949.0519.

DREAM INTENTIONS WELLNESS STUDIO



Dream Intentions Wellness Studio held its ribbon-cutting on Dec. 7. This one-person yoga and self-care studio leased 600 square feet at 11178 Huron St., Suite 202. For more information, call 720.441.4697 or go to www.dreamintentions.com.

BUSINESS ANNIVERSARY SPINE GEEK CHIROPRACTIC



Spine Geek Chiropractic celebrated its 30th anniversary on Nov. 30 with an open house and presentation on health and wellness. Dr. Joe Arvay opened his chiropractic office in 1992 at 10673 Melody Drive. ► For more information, call 303.457.8080 or go to www.spinegeek.com.

SUSTAINABILITY



Bags like these will be available for free at the Northglenn Recreation Center in January or until they are all given away. Limit four per person.

10-Cent Plastic Bag Fee Now in Effect

A new state law passed during the 2021 Colorado General Assembly goes into effect on Jan. 1.

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Medium and large Colorado stores will now charge customers 10 cents for each recycled paper bag or a single-use plastic bag they use for their purchased items. Additionally, starting in 2024, those stores will not be allowed to furnish plastic bags, only recycled paper bags. \triangleright *More details*

on the bill can be found at https://tax. colorado.gov/carryout-bag-fee.

To help residents make this transition, the city is offering free reusable bags in January. Green Northglenn reusable grocery bags (*shown above*) are available for pickup at the Northglenn Recreation Center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway, during open hours. Patrons may take up to four bags per person while supplies last.

Highline Canal Cleanup March 4

Help keep Northglenn beautiful by signing up for the Farmers' Highline Canal Cleanup. Join more than 200 volunteers in cleaning up over 30 miles of Greenway Trails, riverbeds and walkways.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to take part. This includes sports teams, church groups, fraternal organizations, school groups or just proud patrons of our parks and trails.

Afterward, we'll celebrate with lunch!

- When: Sat., March 4, 9-11 a.m. (In case of inclement weather, the cleanup will move to March 11.)
- Where: Locations throughout Northglenn
- Registration: Contact Jenni Murphy at 303.450.8904 or imurphy@northglenn.org

LEARN ABOUT ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Electric vehicles, or EVs, are a new driving option for many, so it can be hard to know if an EV is right for you! There are lots of benefits to driving an EV, including:

- Fuel cost savings
- Lower vehicle maintenance costs
- Ability to charge your EV at home or work
- Better air quality

- A large enough range to cover the average daily needs
- ► Ready to learn more about EVs? Check out https://bit.ly/CanvaEVIntro from Xcel Energy Partners in Energy!
- Interested in learning about the city's Electric Vehicle Action Plan? Visit www.northglenn.org/ev.









The STEM Lab students left signs to encourage and thank everyone for turning off the lights as they exited and entered the building as part of the Renew Our Schools Fall 2022 Energy Saving Competition.

The school is located at 11700 Irma Drive in Northglenn.

STEM Lab Wins Energy Saving Competition

Adams 12 Five Star Schools

STEM Lab won their cohort's Renew Our Schools Fall 2022 Energy Saving Competition hosted by Resource Central.

Led by engineering teacher Stephanie Basile and a dedicated group of middle school students, the team brought focus, awareness, and energy saving actions to STEM Lab during the six-week competition.

The whole school participated in an energy saving hour during the competition and received information and updates through the daily announcement. The Energy Team created "Lights Out" signs and also looked throughout

the school for lights on or off with no one in the room. They left "Good Job" or "Gotcha, remember to turn off your light reminders" throughout the

Along with helping the planet, the school will receive \$2,500 to put toward energy upgrades, additions, and retrofits.

Resource Central is an award-winning nonprofit in Boulder that offers the Slow the Flow and Garden in a Box programs for City of Northglenn residents.

Learn more about Resource Central and the Renew Our Schools competition at www.resourcecentral. org.



Are you interested in e-bicycles and electric scooters?

The city is assessing its current regulations regarding both modes of transportation and would love your feedback.

Please go to www.northglenn.org/ebikesurvey to help us learn more about what our residents want!

Christmas Tree Drop Off Spots

Residents can drop off Christmas trees at these three spots from Dec. 26 through Jan. 6.

Please remove tinsel and decorations from your tree. Trees dropped off will be turned into mulch that will be available to the public.

Residents can cut up their tree and put it in their trash cart. However, the cart lid must be closed.

Trees left on the curb will NOT be taken.

Call 303.450.4004 for questions.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



Some of the participants in the Gingerbread House Building Competition on Dec. 10

YOUTH & TEEN

These activities are at the Northglenn Recreation Center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway. Call 303.450.8800, go to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn, or stop by the center and use the RecTrac code to sign up.

Babysitting Class

Sat., Jan. 7, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. | Ages 11-14

First-time babysitters will learn about basic childcare such as feeding, bathing and diapering. Also stressed will be home and fire safety and prevention and treatment of common injuries. Please bring a sack lunch and water bottle. Prices are \$60 for residents, \$72 for non-residents. Please RSVP by Jan. 4. RECTRAC CODE: 10636002

Video Game Days

Sat., Jan. 28, 1-6 p.m. | Ages 10-17

Have some festive fun while playing local pick-up competitive games! Participants will also receive Overwatch minis. Cost is \$5. Please sign up by Jan. 25. RECTRAC CODE: 10921001

Club Rec: Returning Jan. 30! Mondays 3:30-6 p.m. and

Wednesdays 1-6 p.m. | Ages 10-17

Spend your afternoons after school enjoying all the rec center has to offer!

- Play video games and board games in the poolside classroom
- Swim in the pool
- Play in the gymnasium
- Work out in the fitness area (and use the weight room if you're at least 14!)
- Get homework help from your peers
- Just hang out

Drop in for \$2.50 for residents or \$3.25 for non-residents, or purchase a membership for unlimited access all year. RECTRAC CODE: 10922001

Club Rec: Catch a Ride From Northglenn Middle School

Starting Jan. 30, the city will provide free transportation from Northglenn Middle School to the rec center on Club Rec days. To reserve a space on the van, please register at least 24 hours in advance. RECTRAC CODE: 10922002

NORTHGLENN SENIOR CENTER

Activities are for people 55 and over and are free unless noted. They are all at the Senior Center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway. For items with a RecTrac Code, go to the center, go online to www. northglenn.org/playnorthglenn, or call 303.450.8800 to sign up.

First Friday Flick Fri., Jan. 6, 1 p.m.

Hang out and enjoy a movie and popcorn. Titles will be announced one week prior at the center and online. RECTRAC CODE: 10530001

Gaming With The Chief

Fri., Jan. 13, 10:45 a.m.

Challenge Chief Jim May in crokinole – a disk-flicking dexterity board game. No need to sign up – just come on by!

Chili Cook-Off Fri., Jan. 20, 12 p.m.

Do you make the best chili on the block? Enter it into the 17th Annual Chili Cook-Off. Red and green chili are judged in separate divisions. Bring your chili entry or a complementary side dish or dessert for this potluck. Please RSVP by Jan. 18. RECTRAC CODE: 10530004

SENIOR BOOK CLUB:

"The Snow Child"

Tues., Jan. 24, 1 p.m., in person or virtually at www.northglenn.org/ seniorbookclub

Alaska, 1920: a brutal place to homestead, and especially tough for recent arrivals Jack and Mabel. Childless, they are drifting apart. In a moment of levity during the season's first snowfall, they build a child out of snow. The next morning the snow child is gone – but they glimpse a young, blonde-haired girl running through the trees. Call or stop by the center to reserve a copy.

The Four Estate **Planning Docs** That Everyone **Should Have**



Tues., Feb. 7, 2 p.m.

Do you want to keep your family out of court and save them thousands of dollars in legal fees after you pass? Learn from attorneys at Althaus Law how to avoid the probate process, protect your family, and get your hard-earned assets to the people you want to inherit them. Please sign up by Feb. 6. RECTRAC CODE: 10527001

ACTIVE & HEALTHY

These take place at the Northglenn Rec Center, 1 E. Memorial Parkway. For items with a RecTrac code, stop by the center, call 303.450.8800 or go to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn to register.

Try It Out Dancing Days!

Belly Dancing: Wed., Jan. 4, 7:30-8:30 p.m. | Ages 16+

Line Dancing: Thurs., Jan. 5, 12-1 p.m. | Ages 18+

Drop in, get to know our instructor and take a sample beginning class! Just pay the rec center drop-in fee and head on up to check it out. If you love it (we know you will!), then feel free to register for the winter sessions. Call 303.450.8800 for more information.

6-Foot and Under Adult Basketball **Tournament**

Sat., Jan. 14, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Adults 6-feet-tall and under can hoop it up in this 4 vs. 4 tournament. Rims will be set at 8.5 feet tall and dunking is allowed. Teams have four to eight players, and they must provide white and black shirts or jerseys. All squads are guaranteed at least three games. The round-robin followed by single-elimination tournament is limited to 12 teams. The deadline to register is Jan. 9, or until filled. Players must be at least 18 years old. Cost is \$140 per team. RECTRAC CODE: 10746003

Sound Bath

Sat., Jan. 21, 12-1:30 p.m. Ages 16+ or 12+ with an adult

Experience what sound vibration immersion can do for your body, mind and energy field. Register through the day of the event. Cost is \$20 for residents, \$25 for non-residents. RECTRAC CODE: 10423001



PERFORMANCES

Friday, January 27 @ 10:00am Saturday, January 28 @ 2:00pm Saturday, January 28 @ 7:00pm Sunday, January 29 @ 2:00pm



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to www.northglenn.org/movievote

ARTS & CULTURE

Family Art Workshops

Sat., Jan. 7 and Feb. 4, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Northglenn Rec Center, 1 E. Memorial Pkwy.

Kids ages 5 to 10 and their grown-ups can come create an awesome art project together! We'll provide all the materials. Cost is \$40 for residents and \$48 for non-residents. Price covers four people; additional participants are \$8 each. Please register three days in advance. > Call 303.450.8800 or go to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn to sign up. RECTRAC CODE: 10316006

TRAVEL FILM

Germany & Switzerland Wed., Feb. 1, 10 a.m., Parsons Theatre, 1 E. Memorial Parkway

Travel to Germany, Switzerland, Austria, and Hungary with Marlin Darrah. In Munich, where locals specialize in good living, you'll visit boisterous markets and go to Baroque palaces. Head into the foothills of the Alps and tour the fairy-tale castles of "Mad" King Ludwig. Cruise the Rhine River as well as visit interesting cities in Austria and find the treasures of Budapest.

Cost is \$7 for seniors, youth and active or retired military; \$9 for adults. Add \$13 for a catered lunch. ► Go to www.northglennarts.org or call 303.450.8888 to purchase tickets.

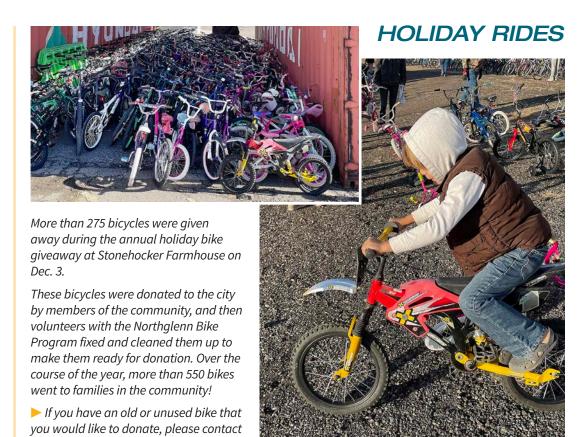
Don't Leave Your Vehicle Running Unattended

We know it's cold out, but please don't leave your car running to warm up.

Crooks roam around neighborhoods, parking lots, gas stations and convenience stores looking for these vehicles, commonly known as 'puffers.' It just takes a few seconds, and your car is gone.

Unfortunately, when a car is stolen, the harm goes beyond the hassle, anger and financial loss of reporting and possibly replacing the vehicle. Not only do criminals often use stolen vehicles to commit more misdeeds, but they can also use any documents, keys or garage door openers to wreak havoc on your identity, security and peace of mind.

Thankfully – the solution is simple. Do not leave your car running unattended. If you want to make sure your car is warm in the morning, consider a remote starter. The keys aren't in the vehicle, making it harder for thieves to steal.





On Dec. 9, Northglenn businesses, City Council members, Historic Preservation Commission members, and city staff celebrated the holidays at Stonehocker Farmhouse, 10950 Fox Run Parkway, for the 2022 Business Holiday After-Hours networking event.

HONOR A RESILIENT YOUTH

You only have until Jan. 31 to nominate a Northglenn resident for the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Awards!

This program honors young people who have faced overwhelming obstacles to become successful and productive students and members of the community.

Nominees must be in sixth through 12th grade, up to 20 years old, as of Dec. 31, 2022. City Council will salute the Northglenn nominees during a special event, and at least one city nominee will be honored at the county level.

Send in your nomination at *https://bit.ly/acmcya2023.* ► *For details, contact Jenni Murphy at jmurphy@northglenn.org or 303.450.8930.*

Northglenn Arts

Performances at the Parsons Theatre 1 E. Memorial Parkway, Northglenn



Jenni Murphy at 303.450.8904.

MORE INFORMATION & TICKETS at NORTHGLENNARTS.ORG or 303.450.8888

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