



June 2024

Northglenn Connection

Art Memorializes Life

▶ Parsons Wall Gallery Re-Named After Ruibal Rivera

Lucille Ruibal Rivera was a champion for arts and inclusion in Northglenn. For her efforts, the art wall next to the Parsons Theatre is now the “Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery.” Council unanimously approved the change at its May 13 meeting.



Ruibal Rivera

Council Member Jay Jaramillo worked with Lucille for a time at the Chicano Humanities & Arts Council (CHAC).

“Lucille truly made a big difference in our community,” he said. “Her legacy will live on in the art that she advocated for.”

As a board member on the Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation (NAHF) and member of

“It’s a testament to the power of art, community, and the enduring spirit of a woman who believed in the potential of every individual to create something beautiful and meaningful.”

—True Apodaca, Lucille Ruibal Rivera’s son

the Diversity, Inclusivity and Social Equity (DISE) Board, Lucille played a crucial role in promoting inclusivity. She facilitated collaboration between Northglenn Arts and CHAC, and curated a space that provided extraordinary experiences for residents and visitors to the Parsons Theatre. She was committed to a broad spectrum

of art, including works representing the LGBTQIA+ community, Dia de los Muertos celebrations, street art, and the creations of the late Stevon Lucero. “It’s a testament to the power of art, community, and the enduring spirit of a woman who believed in the potential of every individual to create something beautiful and meaningful,” wrote True Apodaca, Ruibal Rivera’s son. “To name this space after Lucille is to recognize that art and community are inseparable, and to honor the role of art as a catalyst for change, understanding and unity.”

The public had 90 days to support or oppose the measure, including three Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meetings. The NAHF submitted a proposal for the change in December after Rivera passed away last winter and supported the initiative through the entire process.

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- SMALL BUSINESS:** Micro suites at East 112th Avenue and Washington Street are now under construction. ▶ **Page 5**
- WATER LOGGED:** Drilling is over and testing has now begun on the city's aquifer storage project. ▶ **Page 7**
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CLOSURES

- Juneteenth, Wed., June 19**
- **Closed:** City Hall, Maintenance & Operations Facility, and Municipal Court
 - **Open:** Parsons Theatre, Senior Center, Northglenn Recreation Center and Police Department
- Independence Day, Thurs., July 4**
- **Closed:** All city facilities except for the Police Department.
- The holidays will not affect trash pickup by the city.

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 Northglenn PRIDE
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Local Legislative Recap: May 2024

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.

▶ All items passed unanimously unless noted.

APRIL 22: REGULAR MEETING

- **PROCLAMATIONS:** Arbor Day - April 26, 2024; National Day of Prayer - May 2, 2024; National Public Service Recognition Week - May 5-11, 2024
- **PRESENTATION:** Youth Commission Quarterly Update
- **CONSENT AGENDA:** CR-92 DOLA Peace Officers Behavioral Health Support & Community Partnerships Program Grant Acceptance; CR-94 Adams County Speed Enforcement Saturation Patrols Mutual Aid Agreement
- **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES - SECOND READING:**
 - CB-2019 Unified Development Ordinance Amendment
 - CB-2020 Executive Session Process
 - CB-2021 Supplemental Appropriation and CIP Carry Over
- **DISCUSSION ITEM:** New City Hall Construction Update - April 2024
 - ▶ Learn more on Page 7.

MAY 1: SPECIAL MEETING

- **RESOLUTION:**
 - CR-98 Ethics Complaint Against Senator Faith Winter

MAY 6: SPECIAL MEETING

- **PROCLAMATION:** Mental Health Awareness Month - May 2024
- **PRESENTATIONS:** Family Justice Center - District Attorney Brian Mason; Municipal Court Triannual Update - Judge Amanda Bailhache
- **RESOLUTIONS:**
 - CR-97 Adams County Opioid Council Opioid Abatement Grant IGA
- **DISCUSSION ITEMS:** Draft 2025 Budget Calendar; Proposed Pedestrian Crossings on Irma Drive

COMPLAINT FILED AGAINST WINTER AFTER TRANSITIONAL HOME MEETING

City Council decided to send a formal complaint regarding State Senator Faith Winter’s behavior at the Mental Health Transitional Living Home community meeting on April 3. Here is an excerpt from the complaint:

Dear President Fenberg,

Please let this correspondence serve as a formal complaint against Senator Faith Winter filed on behalf of the City of Northglenn City Council for violating Rule 41, specifically 41(a.5), of the Colorado Senate Rules (the "Rules"). This complaint is being filed pursuant to Rule 43, which requires the signed, written complaint be filed with the Senate President.

Background and Facts

On April 3, 2024, the City Council held a special community meeting (the "Meeting") to discuss the siting of a Mental Health Transitional Living Facility (the "MHTL Facility") in the City.

As has been well documented in the media, Senator Winter appeared at the community meeting that was attended by between 300 and 400 community members, as well as the entire Northglenn City Council and other state and local elected officials, and Senator Winter appeared dis-oriented at best at the Meeting. Throughout the public comment period, for which video is available, she appeared at various times, disinterested, annoyed, and combative, to the point where others had to intervene to cool tensions. In one notable example, she simply refused to answer one of my direct questions. She also appeared to have glassy eyes, slurred speech, and some individuals smelled alcohol on her breath. After the meeting, multiple news sources indicated she was unable to drive herself home, and that she intended to enter rehab for alcohol addiction. Marianne Goodland, Colorado Senator Faith Winter to seek treatment for alcohol use, checking in to rehab, COLORADO POLITICS (Apr. 4, 2024).

Senator Winter is the Senate representative for the vast majority of the City. While the City is sensitive to the disease of alcoholism, there is simply no excuse for showing up to a community meeting under the influence of alcohol. From the City Council’s perspective, this is at a minimum a dereliction of her legislative duties under Rule 41(a.5) as set forth below...

MAY 13: REGULAR MEETING

- **PROCLAMATIONS:** National Police Week & E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Day - May 12-18 & May 30, 2024; Public Works Week - May 19-25, 2024
 - ▶ Learn more on cover.
- **FINANCIAL REPORT:** March 2024 Update

- **CONSENT AGENDA:** CR-99 Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Reappointment - Mary Peery; CR-100 Youth Commission Reappointment - Akaam Alex Sandhu; CR-104 Wastewater Treatment Plant Biosolids Removal, Hauling & Disposal

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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 scheduled if more time is needed to complete city business.

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 third Monday.

Location: Meetings are held in City Council Chambers in City Hall, 11701 Community Center Drive.

WATCH & LEARN

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 June meetings by phone at 720.961. 5043. See the agenda at www.northglenn.org/webdocs for meeting ID.

Channel 8 Rebroadcast Schedule:

Sunday, Wednesday, Friday: Study sessions at 1 p.m., meetings at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: Study sessions at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., meetings at 1 p.m.

Monday: Meetings at 7 a.m., study sessions at 1 p.m.

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

COUNCIL SCHEDULE

Meetings are 6 p.m. in Council Chambers.

- **June 3 & 17:** Study Sessions
- **June 10 & 24:** Regular Meetings
- **Tentative Items:** Economic Development & NURA Reports; Fireworks Ordinance/Enforcement; Flock Safety Cameras & Use of Drones Update; 2023 Financial Audit; Easements and Rights-of-Way; June Neighborhood Beautification Awards

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:

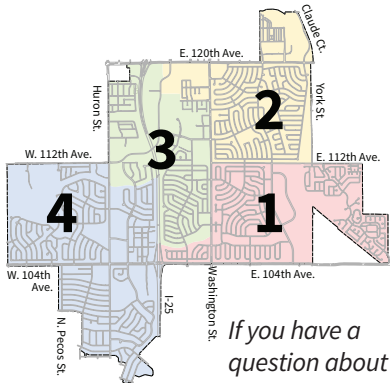
Comments on city business or matters of community interest are heard at the start of regular meetings, and comments on items previously addressed by

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



If you have a question about what ward you live in, please call 303.450.8756.

MEET YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

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KEEP ON FOOD TRUCKIN'



Over 22,000 people converged on the Civic Center from May 17 through 19 for the annual Food Truck Carnival! They were treated to exciting rides and games while enjoying the wares of local food trucks and country/bluegrass performers. Thanks to everyone who came out and had a good time!



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NORTHGLENN ARTS

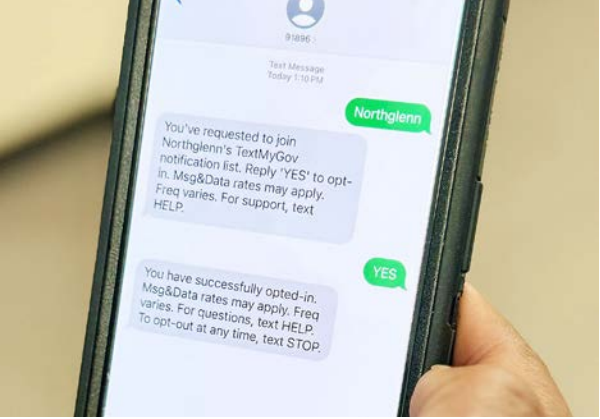
NORTHGLENN COUNCIL

NORTHGLENN EVENTS

NORTHGLENN UTILITIES

NORTHGLENN REC

Northglenn now has TextMyGov! This is a new way to stay “in the know” on city happenings. If you opt in, you receive text messages on your mobile phone about city happenings like events, road closures, waterline breaks, upcoming shows and more. To receive all text messages the city sends, text 'Northglenn' to 91896. The city also has specific lists for events, recreation, utilities and more. ➤ Go to www.northglenn.org/textmygov for details. Please note, you may opt out at any time, just text 'stop'.



PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCIES: 911

Animal Control.....	303.450.8886
Animal Impound.....	303.288.3294
Building Permits	303.450.8745
City Hall	303.451.8326
City Clerk	303.450.8756
City Court	303.450.8701
City Manager	303.450.8709
Economic Development	303.450.8743
Fire (non-emergency)	303.452.9910 (North Metro Fire Rescue)
Graffiti Hotline	303.252.3849
Communications.....	303.450.8713
Neighborhood Services .	303.280.7876 (Code Enforcement)
Parks & Trails.....	303.280.7821
Planning & Zoning.....	303.450.8739
Police (non-emergency) .	303.288.1535
Police Records	303.450.8892
Rec Center	303.450.8800
Senior Center.....	303.450.8801
Snow & Ice Removal.....	303.450.4001
Streets.....	303.450.4001
Trash & Recycling	303.450.4004
Utility Billing	303.450.8770
Volunteering	303.450.8904
Water	303.450.4045
Conservation Hotline	
Water/Sewer Problems..	303.450.8770
Water/Sewer 24-hour Line	303.451.1289

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.

SOCIAL MEDIA

- www.facebook.com/cityofnorthglenn
- www.x.com/NorthglennCo
- www.youtube.com/cityofnorthglenn
- www.northglenn.org/nextdoor
- www.instagram.com/cityofnorthglenn

LIQUOR LICENSING AUTHORITY SEEKS MEMBERS

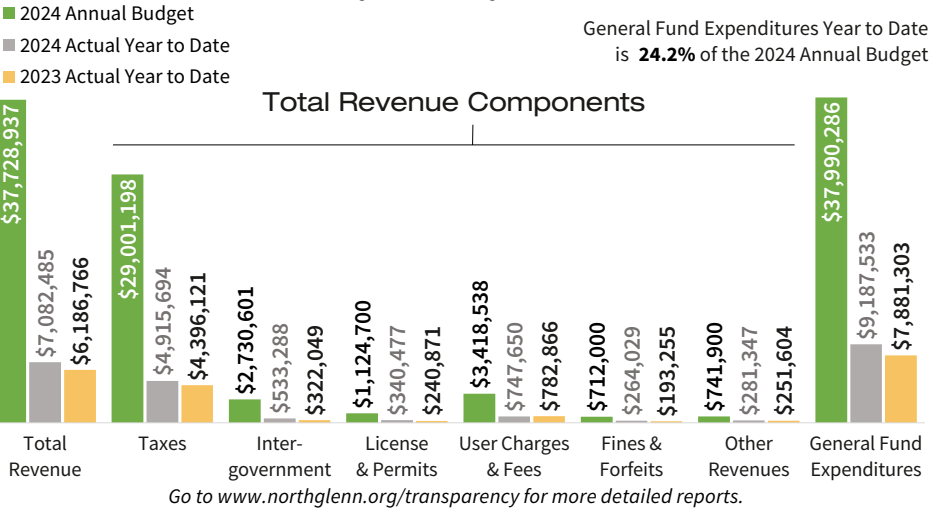
Want to get involved with your city government, but work times or other responsibilities prevent you from attending evening meetings? Join the Liquor Licensing Authority!

This board meets at 9 a.m. on the first and third Thursday of every month. They grant or refuse licenses for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages and tobacco products, as well as review applications for alcohol sales or consumption on public grounds.

➤ For more information, go to www.northglenn.org/lla.

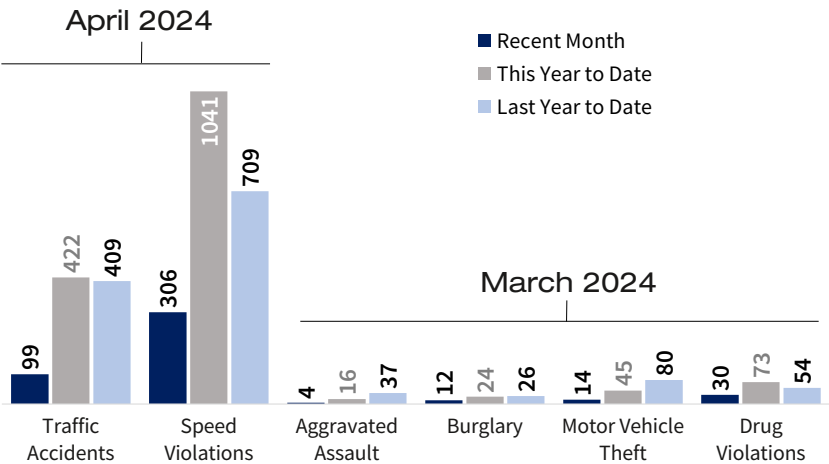
March 2024 General Fund Financial Report

Unaudited figures are through the end of March.



Northglenn Police Statistics

Go to www.northglenn.org/crimestats for more data.





Mayor's Memo: A Message from Mayor Meredith Leighty

Regional Collaboration

► CML Participation Encourages Learning, Cooperation



Leighty

On May 15, Northglenn hosted the Colorado Municipal League (CML) district meeting at the recreation center. This meeting drew elected officials from our neighbors Westminster and Thornton, and outside the North Metro area like Lone Tree and Idaho Springs. Though I thoroughly enjoy showing off all the fantastic things going on in our city, the main reason to take advantage of these opportunities is to set a foundation for strategic partnerships, collaboration and learning.

CML serves cities and towns across the state; they provide advocacy/legal support, education/training, networking opportunities and current information on key issues. I appreciated hearing a recap of state legislation that affects cities. Many proposed state bills have the potential to be cumbersome, hard to implement or have a negative effect on city services. We have a legislative committee that looks at

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and weighs in on these issues; there is power in numbers. Joining our voice with other cities and towns helps draw attention to our concerns and many times leads to bill amendments.

Northglenn always has representation at the June CML conference as well. At sessions like “Greening your Infrastructure,” “Navigating Homelessness,” and “Air Quality – What Local Governments Can Do,” we share ideas with each other, hear about funding opportunities, and more. This

year we’ll also support Mayor Pro Tem Shannon Lukeman-Hiromasa as she runs for re-election to the CML Executive Board!

The 2023-24 CML Board President (Thornton Council Member Jessica Sandgren) chose Civility Starts Here as the annual theme. This theme really resonated with me. Civility is the steadfast practice of respect, even in disagreement, that fosters constructive dialogue and connection, recognizing the inherent dignity of every person. I have experienced many situations where civility is lacking and I felt disagreement turned into a personal attack. I am committed to the guiding principles of civility and hope to serve as a role model in this area.

I am proud our council makes the extra effort to engage with (and at times lead) regional organizations like CML. The efforts bring many advantages to Northglenn and that ultimately means better services and opportunities for our residents.

– Mayor Meredith Leighty

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• RESOLUTIONS:

- **CR-101** Lucille Ruibal Rivera Gallery Naming Proposal Recommendation ► See more on cover.
- **CR-102** North Metro Fire Rescue District IGA for Sanitary Sewer Service
- **CR-105** 120th Avenue West of Sylvia & Northwest Open Space Road Paving

• MARIJUANA LICENSING AUTHORITY:

- Manager Registration Application – The Green Solution, LLC d/b/a The Green Solution – passed 8-1, No vote Kondo
- Annual Renewal Applications and Modification of Premises - Physician Preferred Products, LLC d/b/a Doc's Apothecary

- **DISCUSSION ITEMS:** Land Acknowledgment Statement; Civic Campus Parking Study

MAY 18:
CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION

MAY 20:
STUDY SESSION

- **TOPICS:** Letter of Opposition to Increasing Heavy Truck Size and Weight; Senior Center Transportation; Traffic Calming Update

HOME FIREWORKS ILLEGAL IN NORTHGLENN

- There is a \$1,000 mandatory MINIMUM fine if you are caught using or in possession of fireworks.
- You may report fireworks use via www.northglenn.org/accessnorthglenn or 303.288.1535. You must have an address for officers to respond.
- You may pick up a free yard sign like the ones below at City Hall, the rec center or Justice Center to share the no fireworks message with neighbors.

Do not take the risk – skip the home fireworks and come to the city celebration on July 4 at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park instead!



A Message from Police Chief Jim May

Ensuring Safety

► Northglenn's Approach to Managing Sex Offender Policies



May

It is our belief at the Northglenn Police Department that Community Policing is the foundation for fighting crime and establishing a peaceful community. The members of the department are a dedicated team committed to protecting life and property, as well as reducing crime.

Recent news surrounding the possibility of sex offenders living in a transitional house within our city has understandably sparked concern among our community members. As your chief of police, I want to address these concerns and shed light on Northglenn's approach to managing sex offender policies. First and foremost, let me emphasize the safety and well-being of our residents are paramount. We understand the apprehension that arises when discussing the presence of sex offenders in our neighborhoods.

Colorado law does not restrict sex offenders from living within a certain proximity of schools, parks, or other areas frequented by children.

Northglenn has made its own laws concerning sex offenders and where they can live in the city. It can be found in the city's Municipal Code, Section 4-3-3:

It shall be unlawful for any Registered Sex Offender convicted of a felony or who has multiple convictions for offenses requiring registration to establish a permanent residence or temporary residence within 1,000 feet of any school, and 500 feet of any park, playground, licensed daycare center, recreation center or swimming pool.

We want to assure people living in the city that we have a dedicated team of law enforcement professionals who specialize in enforcing sex offender laws. For more in-depth information about our sex offender registration procedures, you can head to www.northglenn.org/police. Our officers undergo rigorous training to effectively monitor and supervise individuals who fall under these categories.

Also, our detectives possess years of experience in investigating and prosecuting sex-related crimes, ensuring

COFFEE WITH THE CHIEF

Fri., June 14, 8-9 a.m., Safeway Starbucks, 500 E. 120th Ave.



Come talk to Chief May on the second Friday of every month about any police or public safety concerns you may have. As an added bonus – the coffee is on us!

that justice is served, and communities are safeguarded. As an example, Det. Paul Gesi, a 38-year veteran of the department, has been specializing in sexual assault cases for 32 years. “I work diligently with other detectives and team members to seek justice for the victims,” he said. “I have personally witnessed the long-term harm these offenders have on the victims and their families. That is why I have dedicated my life to making sure Northglenn is a safe community for all.”

I am committed to keeping the lines of communication open and listening to the concerns of our community. Your voices matter, and your input helps shape the decisions that impact our community's well-being. Thank you for your ongoing support and trust in our efforts to keep Northglenn a safe and thriving community for all.

– Police Chief Jim May

ON THE MOVE



EUROPEAN MARKET

European Market held a ribbon-cutting for its new location on May 3. They relocated to 10701 Melody Dr., Suite 101. They sell a variety of European groceries and provide deli and catering services. ► For more information, call 720.220.1917 or go to www.europeandelicious.com/en.

Would you like a ribbon-cutting? If you've opened a business in Northglenn in the past three months, the city wants to welcome you! ► Please contact Shannon Fields at sfields@northglenn.org or 303.450.8938.

NEW BUSINESSES: APRIL 2024



- **Aly Creations** leased a 1,445-square-foot unit at 980 W. 104th Ave. This one-person business is a small boutique that specializes in formal wear, bridal, alterations, and sewing. ► For more details, call 303.429.7030.
- **Lenon's Auto Care** purchased a 5,233-square-foot building at 11450 Huron St., Unit K. This auto repair shop employs six people. ► For more details, call 720.400.7500 or go to <https://lenonsautocare.com>.
- **Kara Bates, MA, LMFT** co-leases a 1,490-square-foot unit at 11454 Huron St., Unit 104. This one-person business offers mental health services and counseling. ► For more, go to www.karabatestherapy.com or call 720.242.9796.
- **Office Evolution** welcomed the below businesses to its location at 11990 Grant St., Suite 550:
 - **XLVII's Bakery** specializes in baking and selling authentic pretzels. ► For more details, call 720.209.4474 or visit www.xlviibakery.com.
 - **ACT Immigration Law** offers immigration legal services. ► For more details, call 720.507.3272 or visit www.actimmigrationlaw.com.
- **Wanderspring** purchased a 1,490-square-foot unit at 11154 Huron St., Suite 104. This one-person business offers mental health services and counseling. ► For more details, go to www.wanderspring.com or call 720.343.6040.
- **Paramount Printing** purchased a 2,500-square-foot facility at 10475 Irma Dr., Unit 15. This two-person business offers printing services for signs, banners, stickers, wraps, and more. ► For more details, call 303.280.2753 or go to <https://paramountprinting.com>.
- **Peak Kickboxing** leased a 2,822-square-foot facility at the Webster Lake Promenade, 100 E. 120th Ave., Suite F-160. This fitness company specializes in fitness kickboxing and boot camps. They employ six people. ► For more details, call 720.749.3191 or go to <https://kickboxingdenver.com>.
- **Phenix Salon Suites** welcomed this one-person business to its location at 10620 Melody Drive, Unit F:
 - **The Blink Brow Bar** offers skin care including waxing, dermaplane, and brow and lash services. ► For more details, call 720.982.5788.



ON THE PULSE OF ENERGY

IECRM NAMED LARGE BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

The future of Colorado's power infrastructure starts in Northglenn at Independent Electrical Contractors Rocky Mountain (IECRM).

It is the largest electrical training program in the country, providing instruction to over 2,500 apprentices and licensed electricians each year. IECRM also supports over 250 electrical contractors and industry partners through membership services. Think of them as a chamber of commerce just for the electrical industry.

For that, IECRM earned Northglenn's 2023 Large Business of the Year award.

"We are not going to use less energy tomorrow than we do now. We might use it more efficiently, but we are not going to use less of it," said Marilyn Akers Stansbury, CEO of IECRM. "We need skilled



From left, Council Member Rich Kondo presents Holly Andrews, Katie Shobe and Brett Reyes with IECRM's award at the Business Appreciation Event in October 2023.

Note: This is the seventh in a series featuring winners from the 2023 Business Appreciation Event. Go to www.northglenn.org/bab to see videos of all the winners.

decide if an electrical career is a good fit.

They recruit a wide range of students for their apprenticeship program – women, men, people of color, those from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, young people, and those looking for a second career.

"We are making a difference in the community, the lives of individuals pursuing a career, and our employees in what they are doing. We really are a mission-driven organization," said Akers Stansbury.

► Operating in Northglenn since 2016, IECRM is located at 11429 Pearl St. Call 303.853.4886 or go to www.iecrm.org for more details.



trades people, like electricians, going through apprenticeships to become licensed and serve the growing electrical demands in residential, commercial, industrial, solar, EV, and mobile. If it is electrical, we do it!"

IECRM caters to anyone interested in the sustainable, living wage that being an electrician can provide. In addition to their four-year apprenticeship program, they offer shorter courses to help potential students



Computer rendition of the Northglenn Business Suites, which are expected to open by the end of the summer.

Construction Started on New Micro Biz Suites

► Located at E. 112th Ave. and Washington

Enterprise Northglenn LLC has begun construction on the Northglenn Business Suites project at East 112th Avenue and Washington Street.

After hosting a variety of retail businesses for decades, the property will be redeveloped into eight micro offices to accommodate small

businesses or sole proprietors. Demolition of two buildings on the parcel was completed in early 2024, and the new office suites are anticipated to be ready for occupancy by the end of the summer.

The Northglenn Urban Renewal Authority (NURA) purchased the property

in 2021 before selling it to Enterprise Northglenn in 2023 as part of NURA's mission to remediate blight, encourage redevelopment, and enhance neighborhoods throughout the community.

► For more information about NURA projects, please visit www.northglenn.org/NURA.



EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

In addition to the Northglenn Economic Development Department, the North Metro Denver Small Business Development Center (SBDC) is another great resource for local businesses. It helps existing and new businesses grow and prosper by providing free and confidential consulting and low-cost training programs. Their main office is at Front Range Community College in Westminster, 3645 W. 112th Ave. ► For more information, call 303.460.1032, go to <https://northmetrosbdc.com> or email northmetro.sbdc@frontrange.edu.

CSI: NORTHGLENN

On April 23, Northglenn High School STEM invited the Northglenn Police Department to its Forensics Science class. Officers, detectives and crime scene investigators enjoyed hearing the students' presentations on unsolved cases.



National Night Out returns on Aug. 6. If you are interested in hosting a block party, please contact Officer Chris Miller at 303.450.8852 or cmiller@northglenn.org.

► For more details about National Night Out, go to www.northglenn.org/nno.

**TO CONNECT & SERVE**

Youth from Malley Drive Elementary, Leroy Elementary and Summit Academy in Westminster took on the Northglenn Police Department in the annual Cops vs. Kids Kickball Challenge on May 8 at

Northglenn High School.

In the end, Summit Academy came out on top. Thanks to all the schools who participated!

► Go online to www.facebook.com/northglennpolice to see more photos from the event.

**LEARN BY FIRE**

Adams 12 Five Star Schools and local fire districts teamed up for some hands-on education about working in a fire department.

FutureForward firefighting students practiced the skills they've been learning at the North Metro Fire Training Center on May 2. The center is located in Section 36 in the Weld County portion of Northglenn.

Then on May 13, kindergartners at STEM Lab K-8 in Northglenn toured Adams County Fire Rescue Station 11 in unincorporated Adams County to kick off their First Responder Project-Based Learning. During the tour of Station 11, firefighters, engineers, and EMTs taught the kindergartners about fire safety and the important work they do. They showed them new technology and lifesaving equipment, and students even got to have a hands-on experience at the station! STEM Lab K-8 salutes their service and all the important work they do.

— ADAMS 12 FIVE STAR SCHOOLS



UDPATE – NORTH METRO FIRE, ADAMS COUNTY FIRE NO LONGER CONSIDERING MERGER

After going to print, the city was informed that the North Metro Fire District and the Adams County Fire Protection District are NO LONGER pursuing a merger.

► For more information, go to the news story at <https://www.northmetrofire.org>.



City Manager's Column:
A Letter from Heather Geyer

Staying Centered

► Construction, Redevelopment and Planning at the Civic Center

\$2.75M Grant Received For Soil Remediation

In May, the Environmental Protection



Agency (EPA) announced a \$2.75 million award to the city for a Brownfields Cleanup Grant for the old recreation center site. This is a significant grant award. Without this funding, it would have been difficult for the city to move forward without applying for funding in two grant cycles. Instead, city staff successfully secured funding in one. A huge thank you to our Planning Division staff who made this effort possible.

As we've previously shared, the old recreation center demolition completed this spring took longer than expected due to required remediation of the building. Additionally, the soil under the old recreation center needs to be remediated before any redevelopment of the site or other use occurs. The EPA grant funds will make this effort possible.



Site of the old rec center

Civic Center Master Plan

Over the past six years, the Civic Center Master Plan, adopted by City Council in 2017, has changed and evolved. The first phase was

completed with the construction of the 85,000-square-foot recreation center, senior center and theatre. Phase two is construction of the new City Hall, which is on track to open in the fall (see below). City Council updated the 2017 plan in 2022 with the help of consultants by creating a vision for a downtown main street area with live-work townhomes and workforce housing.

Addressing Parking

The city has faced several challenges as plans have evolved for the site, including parking. Original plans for the redevelopment of the site did not include maximizing use of the recreation center, senior center and theatre. On May 13, consultants presented the results of a parking study that provided City Council with options to address current parking challenges. While some of these challenges will be alleviated with the opening of the new City Hall, and the addition of parking along the south entrance to the site (which is currently closed during construction), the city needs to take additional steps to evaluate solutions such as a parking structure and or different parking configurations on the site. The key takeaway from the study showed that there is not enough parking near the recreation center.

Council decided to look at the 2022 Civic Center plan holistically before providing additional direction on parking solutions. Along with parking on the site itself, Council will also discuss growing community events that utilize the Civic Center space.

If you have thoughts on what you would like to see happen in the Civic Center area, please contact me or your council members. Your input helps us make good decisions for Northglenn. We will continue to keep you informed as progress on the redevelopment of the site continues.

– City Manager Heather Geyer

SAND BLAST



Youth at the city's Public Works Open House on May 21 had a great time playing with this stream table (while simultaneously learning about river science and conservation principles). In addition to water conservation, those who came to the event at the Water Treatment Plant interacted with some of Public Works' machinery and learned about all the services that the department provides. The event was held as part of National Public Works Week. Thanks to everyone who stopped by!

Tests For Aquifer Storage Project

Drilling on the city's Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) project is complete.

Now, testing is underway to see how successfully the city can extract water from the wells. After that, a water line will be installed to connect the wells to the Water Treatment Plant. The city will then test how the wells hold the injected water and the resulting water quality. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will monitor the testing, which will take several months.

is then available for future recovery during droughts or seasonal high-demand periods. If successful, ASR will provide additional drought resilience and sustainability to the city's water supplies.

The wells are located next to the Water Treatment Facility, 2350 W. 112th Ave. The city would like to thank everyone for their understanding with the noise from the drilling.

ASR injects water into deep bedrock aquifers for long-term storage. The water

► For more information on the project, go to www.northglenn.org/aquifer.

WHERE DOES THE FOX (RUN) PLAY?



The playgrounds at the three Fox Run parks - North, Central and South - are in various stages of being replaced. Above is Central Park. Staff used online surveys from area residents to decide on the features and colors of the new playgrounds.

COMING TOGETHER



The new Northglenn City Hall resembles its final form more each day.

In May, panels started being placed on both the inside and outside as crews started on interior finishes and flooring. Also, start-up and testing for the state-of-the-art HVAC system began.

June will bring the final painting of the interior of the building, testing of the facility's solar power system and installation of the south canopy.

This 32,600-square-foot facility will be Net Zero and have a CORE Green Building Rating – the first municipal building in Colorado with that certification. The \$33.8M facility is being funded completely through reserves. It is scheduled to open in late summer/early fall.

► Go online to www.northglenn.org/newcityhall for more details and to see a live camera feed of the construction site.

LET'S BOCCE!

Attention park-goers! The new bocce ball courts at Danahy Park are installed and ready for use! We hope you enjoy this new, family-fun amenity near Roseanna and Livingston drives. Bocce originated in Italy. To play, you throw a ball, called a boccia, down a court to get as close as possible to the smaller target ball, known as a pallino. A full set of rules is available at the park.



On April 25, the Northglenn Garden Club joined city horticulturalist Allan Duckworth to view new flowers growing at the Briggs Greenhouse Center in Westminster. They started being planted in the city's flowerbeds in late May.

Making Home Solar More Affordable

► Sign Up By
June 5 For
Solar Switch

Solar United Neighbors

Are you considering purchasing a solar installation?

\$4,810

Average savings on standard installation through the program

Solar Switch is a program by the City of Northglenn and nonprofit Solar United Neighbors that makes it more affordable for homeowners to install solar panels. Optional

add-ons such as battery storage and EV chargers are also available.

Solar Switch conducts a rigorous review of installer

qualifications, ensuring participants receive a high-quality install.

In the most recent program, homeowners saved an average of \$4,810 on a standard-sized solar installation. The federal solar tax credit can further reduce system costs, making

solar energy more accessible than ever before. It is free to register, and there is no obligation to purchase a system.

► Take advantage of this opportunity by registering at www.SolarSwitch.com/Northglenn by June 5.

33 CHEERS FOR TREES



Preschoolers and seniors came together with city Parks Division staff for an Arbor Day tree planting at Festival Lawn on April 25!

This year, Northglenn celebrates its 33rd year as a Tree City USA as designated by the Arbor Day Foundation. City Council also proclaimed April 26 as Arbor Day in the city.

What better opportunity to get our hands dirty and appreciate our trees?

TREE-MENDOUS SELECTION

Some honors you're not born for – you just have to grow into. Like Northglenn's Most Magnificent Tree Award!

If you are particularly enamored with a tree inside the city's borders, nominate it for the honor at www.northglenn.org/magnificentree. The owner of the winner will receive a water bill rebate and a plaque for the tree. Nominations will be taken through July 31.



Voucher Helps With Cost of Discarding Household Hazardous Waste

Do you have cleaning, yard or automotive products to dispose of – you're just not sure what to do with them?

First off – don't put them in your trash cart.

Instead, a new Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) voucher program is now available to residents of Unincorporated Adams County, Bennett, Brighton, Commerce City, and Northglenn.

Each residence can receive one voucher per year that is valid through Nov. 30. It will cover the \$27 facility fee at the Veolia HHW Recycling Center,

9131 E. 96th Ave. in Henderson. You'll then pay the per-pound fee at drop-off.

► To learn more and request your HHW drop-off voucher, go online to https://adcgov.org/recycling-and-waste-diversion#hard_to_recycle_materials.

Please note that you must schedule a drop-off appointment for a Wednesday or Saturday at <https://hhwdisposal.com/colorado/appointments> or by calling 303.526.8155.

The city has a list of other options to safely dispose of oversized, overweight, irregular or potentially dangerous items at www.northglenn.org/altwaste.

LED Bulbs Available Online for Discount

Xcel Energy

Did you know? LED light bulbs typically use 70-90% less energy and last 15 times longer than traditional bulbs. Switching out your old, incandescent light-bulbs can help you save energy and money.

You can purchase LED bulbs in stores for as

low as \$0.12 with Xcel Energy's LED Discount Tool. Here's how:

1. Find a store participating in LED discounts at <https://xcelenergy.com/HomeLighting>.
2. Spot the Xcel Energy sticker or sign next to discounts LEDs.

3. Shop and save without any coupon needed – the price on the shelf includes the Xcel Energy discount!

Xcel Energy customers can also shop discounted LEDs and other energy-efficient products online at <https://poweredbyefi.org/xcelenergyco>.



View the Drinking Water Quality Report for 2023 at www.northglenn.org/waterreport. It has detailed reports and lab results about the city's water supply. If you have questions, or would like a paper copy or translation of the report, contact John Winterton at jwinterton@northglenn.org or 303.450.4074.



MUSIC FROM THE HEART

Northglenn Arts was thrilled to welcome Heart of Afghanistan on May 11 to the Parsons Theatre. The group features four Afghan musicians, one of whom was a famous television star. Unable to perform inside Afghanistan now as the Taliban has banned all music, they carry the flame of their complex musical heritage throughout the rest of the world. Northglenn Arts also worked with Project Worthmore to help nearly 100 Afghan refugees and immigrants attend the performance. Project Worthmore provides programs that foster community, self-sufficiency and increased quality of life among refugees and immigrants. It was a very moving performance for all.

ANDREW MINER OF AUTHENTIC MOMENTS PHOTOGRAPHY

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Help Your Environment

Are you passionate about sustainability and want to make a difference in your community?

Northglenn is calling on dedicated individuals like you to join the city's revamped Sustainability Committee.

Together, we'll shape the future of our city by integrating sustainable practices and fostering resilience in the face of environmental challenges.

Join us today! If you're ready to roll up your sleeves and help build

a greener, more resilient Northglenn, we want to hear from you!

► To learn about the committee or express your interest in joining, email Sustainability Coordinator Mara Owen at mowen@northglenn.org.



WORDS MOVE US

The Anythink Bookmobile will be at the Northglenn Senior Center-Parsons Theatre entrance every Friday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. from June 7 through July 26. The bookmobile is like a mini branch, complete with books, movies and activities.

SUMMER CONCERTS

Northglenn Arts FESTIVAL LAWN

FREE LIVE MUSIC
FOOD TRUCKS

2024



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MORE INFORMATION AT NORTHGLENNARTS.ORG

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10AM

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KIDS CONCERT
Featuring Animal Farm

JUN 26

BELOVED INVADERS
Classic/Modern Surfer Tunes



JUN 12

DELTA SONICS
New Orlean Blues



JUL 10

A-MAC & THE HEIGHT
Multi-Genre Fusion
Reggae/Hip-Hop/Funk/Alt Rock

JUN 19

A JUNETEENTH DOUBLE HEADER
THE COLLECTIVE - Featuring
Coco Brown & Cody Brown
Motown Hits
JOFOKE AND SAME CLOTH
Eclectic blend of Jazz, Soul, & Gospel



JUL 17

LATIN SOL
High Energy Party Band



JUL 24

SONS OF GENESIS
Tribute to Genesis



GOAT FOR IT!

Around 1,800 people visited Northwest Open Space on May 12 for the Live Goat Encounter.

The goats had been on site since late April to help with the city's open space land management plan. Goats prefer eating the broadleaves of noxious weeds over grass. So rather than use noisy, gas-powered machinery or chemicals for weed and fire mitigation,

this was essentially a 250 Spanish goat-mowing operation.

In addition to our goats of honor, the public was able to interact with other wildlife, including rescued raptors, reptiles and mammals. Thanks to everyone who came and spent Mother's Day afternoon with the park ranger team and our flocked and furry friends!

LIVE WELL NORTHGLENN

Make Community A Healthier Place to Live

The Northglenn Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) Committee is now Live Well Northglenn. The committee's scope has expanded beyond access to food and activity to include social and mental health, and safety.

Live Well Northglenn is looking for more resident and business members. ► If you are interested in joining, please contact Becky Smith at 303.450.8741 or bsmith@northglenn.org.

The committee's new mission statement is:

Live Well Northglenn is dedicated to fostering a healthier, more vibrant, and environmentally responsible city where every resident thrives. Through meaningful community engagement, we will identify and recommend equitable policies and programs that holistically address the overall physical, social, and mental health and safety of our residents. Our goal is to work in partnership with decision makers to advance Northglenn's commitment to community health by ensuring our programs and policies create an equitable, inclusive, and sustainable future for all residents.

BIKING IN NORTHGLENN

RANGER RIDE: Birding

Sat., June 8, 3-4:30 p.m., Northwest Open Space, meet near the restrooms in the south parking lot

Do you know what a red-winged blackbird, great blue heron or double-crested cormorant look like? On the next Ranger Ride, these are just a few of the bird species we could find.

Ranger Rides are fun, leisurely trips for the whole family. There's no cost and the trip covers no more than 3 miles.

All participants must have a helmet, bike/scooter and water. Drop-ins are welcome, but you are encouraged to register at www.northglenn.org/rangerride. If you can't make it this time, we'll have more Ranger Rides on the second Saturday of each month through October, starting at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park or Northwest Open Space.

► For more about this program, including future trips and itineraries, go online to www.northglenn.org/parkranger.

Bike to Work Day



Wed., June 26, 6:30-9 a.m., Dogwood Pavilion at E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park, 11800 Community Center Dr.

Join in on this fun community event, even if you work from home! Bike to Work Day has been celebrated regionally for 40 years and

encourages everyone to ride a bike, and ride more often. Each year, tens of thousands of people throughout the metro area participate. Those who stop by the Northglenn station will be treated to breakfast. Bike to Work Day in the north metro area is organized by Smart Commute, in partnership with Way to Go.

► To plan your route, go to <https://biketoworkday.co>. Pledge to ride for a chance to win a Tern Ebike!

Opportunities to Give, Receive Through City's Bike Program

Momentum is building for the Northglenn Bike Program. The community has more opportunities to donate an old or used bike so it can be cleaned, refurbished and then given away!

The city is partnering with JustServe for these bike collection opportunities:

- Weekdays, June 1-21, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Carlson Office, 12460 1st St., Eastlake (across from the FasTracks 124th Avenue Eastlake station)
- Sat., June 22, 9-11 a.m., Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 100 Malley Drive (across from Boondocks)

You may also drop off your bike anytime at the Maintenance & Operations Facility (M&O), 12301 Claude Court.

The next two giveaway events are Saturday, June 1 and July 6, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., at M&O. Bicycles will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis.

► For more information about the Northglenn Bike Program, contact Jenna Gragg at 303.450.8904 or jgragg@northglenn.org.

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Make a difference in your community and volunteer with the Northglenn Community Foundation! This 501c3 is dedicated to enhancing the lives of city residents. Their projects include the Memorial Bench and Tree program, collecting back-to-school supplies, utility assistance and more. ► For more information, go to www.northglenncf.org/volunteer.

THE WAYS OF WATER

Several staff members participated in the annual Youth Water Festival at Front Range Community College in Westminster on May 9. They educated elementary students on multiple topics, including pH levels of water, cloud seeding and more!



► The Northglenn Recreation Center, Northglenn Senior Center and Parsons Theatre are located at 1 E. Memorial Parkway.

► For items with a **RECTRAC CODE**, sign up at www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn or call 303.450.8800.

CATCHING IN THE COLD



About 30 kiddos and their families braved the cold and wet to compete in the Kids' Fishing Derby on April 27 at Webster Lake in E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park. About 15 received a new bike as well. Thanks to Mayor Meredith Leighty, Colorado Fish & Wildlife and volunteers for supporting the derby. Leighty presented awards to Elliott, Lazzden, Emmitt, Elijah, Naomi, Jackson and longest fish winner Jakub. Congrats!

COLLEGE TOUR: SCHOOL OF MINES & RED ROCKS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Fri., June 14, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. | Ages 13-19 plus guardians

Want to check out local colleges on your own or with guardians? On this trip, visit the Colorado School of Mines and Red Rocks Community College. We will walk you through the campuses or request a guided group tour. Bring a sack lunch, water bottle and sunscreen. Only 13 spots are available. Register by June 7. Cost is \$5 per person. **RECTRAC:** 10924001

HEALTH & FITNESS

Reach your wellness goals with these activities at the recreation center.

Sound Bath

Sat., June 15, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. | Ages 16+

Experience what sound vibration immersion can do for your body, mind and energy field. Cost is \$20 for residents, \$25 for non-residents. Please register by June 12. **RECTRAC:** 20423001

Weight Room Orientation

Fri., July 5, 9:30-10:30 a.m. | Ages 14+

The weight room offers a variety of workout equipment and resources. If you are new to it, this is a great place to start! Cost is free. Please RSVP by June 28. **RECTRAC:** 20425001

SENIOR CENTER

In addition to hot coffee and warm smiles, the Northglenn Senior Center offers activities throughout the month. Unless noted, these events are free, for people 55 and over, held at the center and registration is two days in advance.

► Sign up by stopping at the center, calling 303.450.8801, or going to www.northglenn.org/playnorthglenn.

Gaming With The Chief

Tues., June 4, 1 p.m.

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

Summer Salad Days Potluck

Fri., June 7, 12 p.m.

Celebrate the summer season with an all-salad potluck. **RECTRAC:** 20530005

Wii Sports

Tues., June 11, 1 p.m.

Bowling, golf, tennis and more – we've broken out the controllers for some electronic fun. **RECTRAC:** 20531005

Art on Parade Breakfast

Wed., June 12, 9 a.m., Dogwood Pavilion in E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park, 11800 Community Center Drive

Go on a walking tour of the 2024 Art on Parade sculptures. Enjoy breakfast burritos beforehand. **RECTRAC:** 20531003



2023/24 Art on Parade People's Choice Winner Metamorphosis

Senior Picnic

Fri., June 21, 11:30 a.m., E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park

Enjoy fried chicken and all the fixins' in this summer favorite. Open to Northglenn Senior Organization members and Northglenn residents ages 62 and up. Sign up by June 18. **RECTRAC:** 20531002

SENIOR BOOK CLUB: "The Wishing Game"

Tues., June 25, 1 p.m.

Years ago, a mega-bestselling children's author quit writing under mysterious circumstances. Now he has resurfaced with a new book and a one-of-a-kind competition. Call or stop by the center to reserve a copy.



Fourth Friday Flick

Fri., June 28, 1 p.m.

Hang out and enjoy a movie and popcorn on us. Titles will be announced one week prior. Please sign up at least a day in advance. **RECTRAC:** 20530001

Dungeons & Dragons

Fri., July 5, 1 p.m.

Join your friends as we exercise imagination, creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving skills. **RECTRAC:** 20530006



Summer Solstice Yoga Retreat

Sat., June 22, 12:30-3:30 p.m. | Ages 14+

Embark on a transformative journey of self-discovery and holistic well-being. This condensed escape is thoughtfully curated to provide a perfect blend of meditation, journaling, vinyasa & yin yoga, and a blissful soundbath. Join us for an enriching experience that will leave you rejuvenated and centered. Please bring a yoga mat, blanket, water bottle, journal and pen. Spots are limited. Cost is \$40 for residents, \$48 for non-residents. **RECTRAC:** 20424004

FUN IN THE PARK

Fridays, June 7 to Aug. 9, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Ages 10-17

Join us for games, crafts, Park Ranger activities and fun every Friday! Locations rotate between E.B. Rains, Jr. Memorial Park, Northwest Open Space, Wyco Park and Hugh Danahy Park. Go to www.northglenn.org/teens for the schedule. Transportation to and from the Northglenn Recreation Center is available. Don't forget a sack lunch, water and sunscreen. Cost is \$30 for the entire summer; come as many or as few days as you would like. **RECTRAC:** 20925001

GRAND & ME PANCAKE PARTY

Fri., June 28, 9-11 a.m., Recreation Center Community Room | Ages 2-6, 55+

Grandparents and grandkids can come read, "If You Give A Pig a

Pancake," followed by a fun activity and a nice breakfast. Cost per person is \$10 for residents, \$12 for non-residents. Sign up by June 26. ► Call 303.450.8776 for more details. **RECTRAC:** 20206003



Just when your washing machine has finally recovered – Mudapalooza is approaching! The 16th edition of this co-ed mud volleyball tournament will be held July 20 at Northwest Open Space. ► Go to www.northglenn.org/mudapalooza for more details.



July is National Park and Recreation Month, and this year's theme is "Where You Belong." We are celebrating throughout the month with special events, pop-up activities, and discounts. ► Check out the July Connection or visit www.northglenn.org as we get closer!



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