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## Candidates for Littleton City Council

Littleton City Clerk Wendy Heffner has certified the petitions submitted by candidates for the November 5, 2019 Littleton City Council Election. The candidates are:



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District II



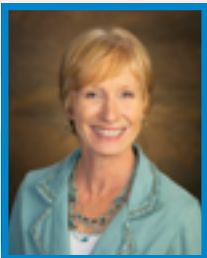
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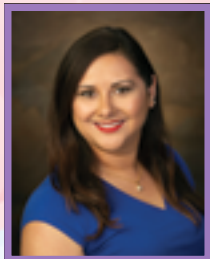
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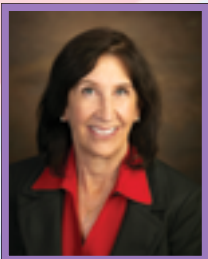
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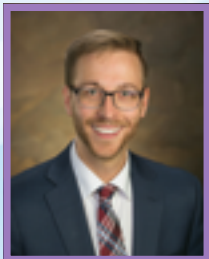
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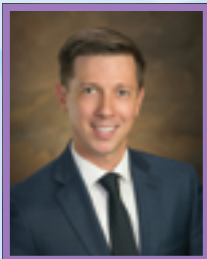
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At Large



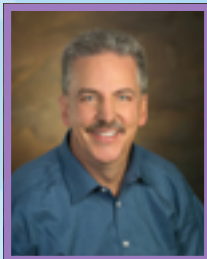
Pam Grove  
At Large



Scott Melin  
At Large



Kyle Schlachter  
At Large



Bill Schwanitz  
At Large

District IV Council Member Debbie Brinkman and At Large Council Member Peggy Cole are term limited and cannot run for re-election.

In the district races, the winners will serve four-year terms. In the at-large race, the person receiving the highest number of votes will serve a four-year term and the person receiving the second highest number of votes will serve a two-year term.

Counties will mail ballots to all registered electors starting on October 14 and the 24-hour ballot drop-off locations will open the same day. October 28 is the last day a voter can request a ballot be sent by mail.

A reception will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, November 19 to welcome the new council members and recognize those who served. The new council members will be sworn in at 6:30 p.m. by Presiding Judge Ethan Feldman who will administer the oath of office. The new council will then elect the mayor and mayor pro tem to serve for the next two years.

More information can be found at the counties’ websites: [arapahoevotes.com](http://arapahoevotes.com), [douglasvotes.com](http://douglasvotes.com), and [jeffco.us/elections](http://jeffco.us/elections); or by calling the Littleton City Clerk’s Office at 303-795-3753. To watch a video about the candidates visit [littletongov.org/2019candidates](http://littletongov.org/2019candidates).

### Election Information

Important dates for the General Election:

- October 14 — Counties will start mailing ballots to all registered electors.
- October 14 — 24-hour ballot drop-off locations open.
- October 28 — Last day a voter may request a ballot be sent by mail.
- November 5 — General Election Day: polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m., including all drop-off locations.

Ballots may be returned by mail, with postage, and must be received by 7 p.m. on November 5. Drop off locations are listed by county. For information on locations go to [arapahoevotes.com](http://arapahoevotes.com), [douglasvotes.com](http://douglasvotes.com), or [jeffco.us/elections](http://jeffco.us/elections).

### Repairs Coming to Mineral Station Bridge

RTD has awarded a maintenance contract for the Mineral Station pedestrian bridge, located at the intersection of South Santa Fe Drive, to perform needed bridge repairs. Work will include concrete, joint, and metal decking repairs; new bridge deck coating, partial structure painting, and removal or replacement of the Lexan panel glazing system.

The work will be phased and will typically occur at night from 7 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. in order to minimize the impact to pedestrian traffic. The bridge will remain open at all times with the exception of one weekend closure, currently scheduled for Friday, October 4, through Monday, October 7. Work will start the week of October 12, with completion approximately November 24.







# Re-striping on Windermere Street

In the fall of 2018 as part of the city’s regular road maintenance, Windermere Street from Bellevue Avenue to Littleton Boulevard was resurfaced and restriped. The striping was intended to be temporary so the city could evaluate its effectiveness. Based on staff observation and citizen feedback, a few changes will be made to the striping in the coming months.

### Turn Lanes and Bike Lanes

Over the last several months, the city has determined that the dedicated left-turn lanes at non-signalized intersections are not needed as the volumes and street width allow people to make these turns without impeding traffic. The city also determined that the bike lanes help more people feel comfortable cycling on Windermere Street, and reduces collisions.

### Shared Lanes and Green Pavement

Throughout Littleton more people are biking and there have been a number of crashes where bike infrastructure is not carried up to or through intersections. In response, the city will add solid green pavement where bike lanes approach an intersection and green “crossbikes” (think of a green crosswalk) that continue bike lanes through non-signalized intersections on this portion of Windermere Street. In addition, the right turn lanes at southbound Littleton Boulevard and northbound Bellevue Avenue will be striped as shared right turn/bike lanes (see photo). This striping shows cyclists they can use the left-most portion of the right turn lane to proceed straight through an intersection. From a legal and enforcement standpoint, cyclists already have the right to do this, but this new striping will make that more clear to drivers and cyclists. There will also be new signage included in these locations to help point out the new striping.

For questions call 303-795-3867.

## 2020 Budget

The City of Littleton Leadership Team has been working on the 2020 Proposed Budget since early summer. Departmental discussions were held in July and August and an all-day budget workshop was held with city council and staff on September 7.

The council considered 18 policy questions including funding for a major update of the city code, an Economic Strategic Plan, and continuation of Envision Littleton efforts. Other projects include: the addition of four new employees (Crime Lab Technician and three Utility Operators), an increase in employee compensation to keep up with the highly-competitive Colorado labor market, funding for cyber security, disaster recovery, and risk management; and expansion of the police co-responder program to help people who need mental health and substance abuse services.

Funding of more than \$1.4 million is proposed for extensive park investments including: Writer’s Vista Park restroom and shelter replacement, Hamlet Park playground, shelter, basketball court and trail replacement; restroom remodel at the Carson Nature Center; and design work for the Berry and Ida Park playgrounds, the Southbridge Park ball field, playground and shelter replacement; and major trail wayfinding signage.

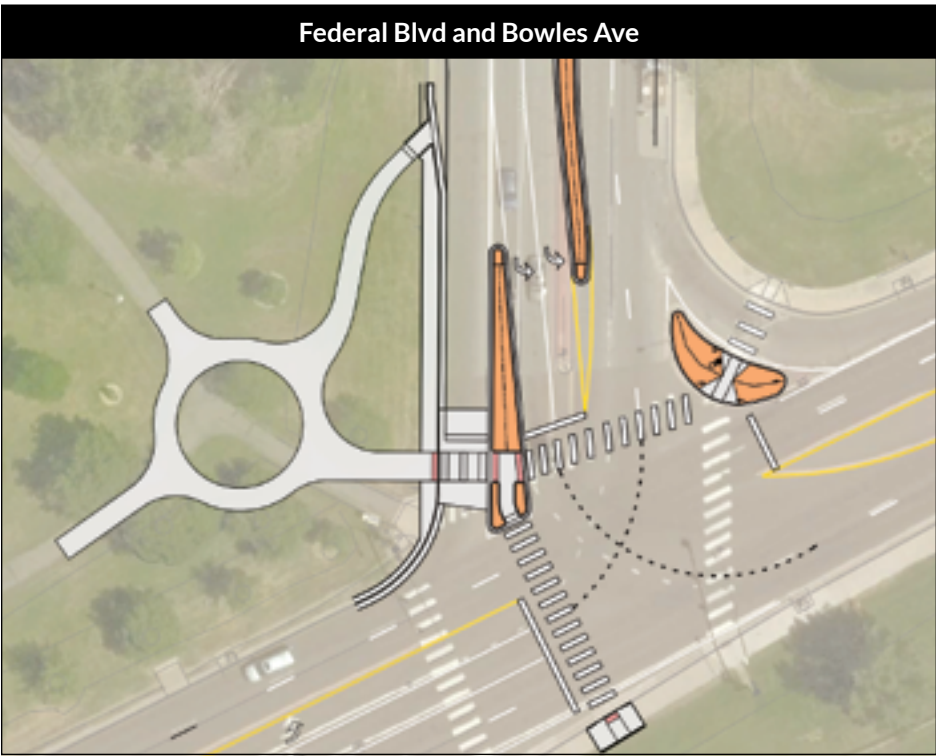
The fiscally constrained 5-Year Capital Projects Fund shows little to no funding available for larger transportation investments, deferred fleet and information technology replacements, and little investment in public buildings. This is not sustainable and will lead to much higher costs in future years as deferred maintenance will cause higher replacement costs. City council is looking to identify opportunities for additional dedicated revenue sources for future infrastructure needs.

The city began implementation of the Priority Based Budgeting tool in 2018 and progress has been swift. Each department extensively reviewed three of its programs to identify service levels and explore opportunities for cost recovery, partnerships, insourcing, outsourcing and efficiencies. The goal is to reallocate existing resources to more closely align with city council priorities. These highlights were presented to city council on August 27 and are part of the budget discussion. In 2020, all programs will be rescored to determine their alignment with the Vision and the Comprehensive Plan, scheduled for a public hearing and consideration of adoption on October 15.

The final budget will be considered by council on October 1 for first reading, and October 15 for a public hearing and second reading. Citizens are invited to attend the public hearing to provide feedback to council. The Proposed 2020 Budget is available on the city’s website at [www.littletongov.org/budget](http://www.littletongov.org/budget).

## Updates for Federal and Bowles

Voters approved the TABOR override in 2017, providing \$545,000 for upgrades to the intersection of Federal and Bowles. This is enough funding to move forward with safety improvements, but not enough for the ultimate intersection changes. Federal and Bowles is the city’s highest accident intersection not involving Santa Fe Drive. The project design has been completed and bids for construction were received in September. The project is anticipated to be constructed from mid-October to mid-December. Construction will require periodic roadway closures and detours in order to complete the project this year. More information will be provided when available at [littletongov.org](http://littletongov.org).



## Home Improvement Tips

Thinking about starting some home improvement projects soon? Projects like landscaping, decks, patios, fences, and remodeling may require some planning ahead for the delivery and storage of materials during construction. Storing these materials on the street or sidewalk is not permitted because construction and landscaping materials, roll-away dumpsters, storage pods, storage crates, semi-trailers, or any other item could damage the roadway and causes extra wear and tear on the streets. This could mean more frequent roadway maintenance is required. If there are special circumstances, residents and business owners can call for a permit through the Public Works Department at 303-795-3863. The permit also allows city staff to make sure there is a safe plan for traffic to get around the items.

Aside from roadway damage, materials stored improperly can also contaminate stormwater. Contaminated stormwater can flow into nearby streams and rivers and harm wildlife and the environment. Even small amounts of yard clippings allowed to enter the street can end up in the storm sewers and eventually the river. Other construction activities like washing out equipment or a concrete truck can impact the storm sewer system and waterways. With all this in mind, keep items and materials out of the street to protect the roadways and the environment.



### Congressman Jason Crow in Littleton

On July 31, Congressman Jason Crow visited Littleton for his Lead Locally Initiative. He met with Mayor Debbie Brinkman and city staff on issues such as transportation, affordable housing, and Envision Littleton, the city’s comprehensive plan.



## Envision Littleton Adoption Scheduled for October 15

On Tuesday, October 15, the Littleton City Council will consider the draft Comprehensive and Transportation Master Plans for adoption.

The two plans are the result of a community-driven process that began in March, 2018. The emphasis has always been to go out into the community and listen through small group sessions and interviews. Last year's efforts included 42 pop-up events to build awareness and encourage idea sharing for the future. In 2018, Envision Littleton sought to renew and create partnerships that would build lasting relationships to not only plan for the next 20 years, but implement the plans that deliver on the unifying vision adopted in December 2018.

This year, Envision Littleton has been building on last year's input and doubled the number of presentations and discussions, grew email subscribers and added things like a street fair, a telephone town hall, and a four-part speaker series.

The 18-month Envision Littleton process has included almost 8,000 in-person conversations and over 64,000 electronic communications. Both draft plans were available for public review and comment from August 14 through September 16. The Joint Leadership of city council and the planning commission will review public comment at an October 8, study session. The planning commission will consider the draft plans for recommendation to city council for adoption on October 14.

Reflecting on the last 18 months, City Manager Mark Relph said, "we have spent an enormous amount of time and energy with our community trying to first understand their shared values and talk with them about the vision of our community for the next 20 years. We've done a lot of work to listen as best we could and these plans represent our attempt to capture what we heard." Relph emphasized to the city council at the release of the two drafts that, "These documents represent one of the biggest decisions that this city will make for years to come, the policy direction for the next 20 years."

All members of the community are encouraged to attend or tune-in to the regular city council meeting for consideration of the resolution adopting the Envision Littleton Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Master Plan on Tuesday, October 15 at 6:30 p.m.



## Denver Water Work in Downtown Littleton

Denver Water is replacing the water main on Rapp Street, between Alamo and Church Avenues. The replacement work kicks off a major project to replace aging and leaking pipes in and around Downtown Littleton and will eventually include 1,500 feet of new pipe on Main Street from Sycamore to Rapp Streets possibly starting in 2022. The investment in this project now will reduce the need to make emergency road closures for leaks and repairs later.

The Rapp Street repairs started at the end of September and should take 4 to 6 weeks. The project will create inconveniences as several businesses will experience water outages. Any planned outages will be communicated in advance. There will be full road closures since the new water main will be laid directly down the middle of Rapp Street. Access will be allowed for people getting to their homes and businesses. Parking will be prohibited on Rapp Street between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. as equipment and materials will be staged along the street.

The project will replace water mains dating to about 1950. Additionally, Denver Water will replace any customer-owned lead service lines connecting the water main to any homes or businesses — at no cost to the customer. Denver Water has met with the Littleton City Council and Littleton Downtown Merchants Association to talk about the work and letters were mailed to property owners on August 30. Door hangers will also be posted to communicate about the project. For questions contact Denver Water Customer Care at 303-893-2444 (7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Monday – Friday) or visit [denverwater.org/pipes](http://denverwater.org/pipes).



## Homelessness Policy Group Approves IGA

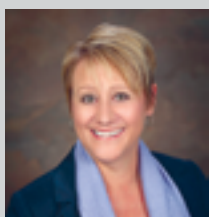
The Tri-Cities Homelessness Policy Group, comprised of the cities of Littleton, Englewood and Sheridan, has approved an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the University of Denver's Burnes Center on Poverty and Homelessness. They've come together through this IGA to better understand chronic and family homelessness. While homelessness is evident throughout the state, the Tri-Cities share physical borders and often collaborate on regional issues. The project includes interviewing adults experiencing homelessness and assessing family homelessness. A final report is expected in 2020 with the goal of better understanding the current situation and needs.



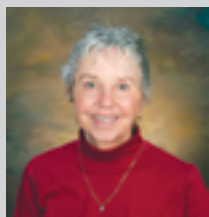
## New Playground at Field Elementary

The students at Field Elementary celebrated new playground equipment August 23 which replaced old swing sets and an outdated playground. The new swings, slides and climbing structures are a result of a grant from Arapahoe County Open Spaces that was secured through a partnership with the City of Littleton. On hand for the ribbon cutting were: Principal Joe Hayes, Mayor Pro Tem Jerry Valdes, Council Members Kyle Schlachter and Pat Driscoll, and Arapahoe County Open Spaces representatives Bev Bradshaw, J.D. Key and Dala Griffin.

## Littleton City Council



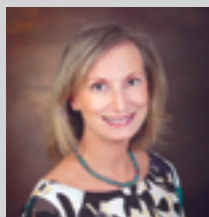
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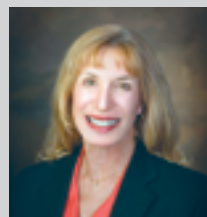
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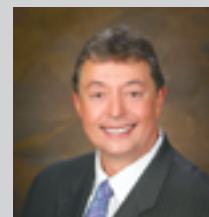
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## Veterans Day

On Monday, November 11 at 11 a.m. come and honor all who served at the City of Littleton WWII Memorial



The Littleton VFW Post 4666 and the American Legion Post 103 will jointly observe Veterans Day honoring all armed services. The ceremony will feature the El Jebel Shrine Pipe Band, remarks by Littleton Mayor Debbie Brinkman, and the Littleton United Methodist Church Choir. All veterans, family, friends and the public are welcome to attend.



## Searching for Koda's Replacement

In 2013 five hopeful police canine candidates made the long trip from Germany to Littleton, Colorado with aspirations to become the next dual purpose K9 for the Littleton Police Department (LPD). Of those five, only one stood out, his name was Koda, and he became 13K3, the third K9 in the history of the LPD.

Koda underwent rigorous in-house training to develop not only the skills, but the bond required to be paired with his handler, Officer John Jones. Officer Jones was selected through an internal process of a posting, oral board and final selection as the handler for the new K9. Officer Jones and Koda spent over 12 weeks learning how to be a dual purpose team. Koda's training included narcotic detection, patrol work, tracking, apprehension, officer protection and building searches. K9 Koda, being trained prior to the legalization of marijuana was trained to locate the presence, or odor of marijuana, cocaine, heroin, methamphetamine and ecstasy.

Officer Jones and K9 Koda became a certified team through the Colorado Police Canine Association and began to work as a patrol team. K9 Koda was utilized not only by officers of LPD, but also the Arapahoe County Impact Team and Englewood Police Department. K9 Koda successfully tracked several suspects, ultimately leading to their arrest and protecting the city he and Officer Jones swore to protect.

After six years of faithful service, and due to the legalization of marijuana, and a supreme court ruling against police K9's trained to detect marijuana, K9 Koda is handing in his leash to enjoy the life of luxury as a retired police K9. K9 Koda will live out his days frolicking about the home of Officer Jones, where he has resided since his initial selection. He will be loved deeply by Officer Jones, his wife and children and their sweet Yorkshire Terrier in the years to come. K9 Koda will be missed by his fellow officers on patrol, but thought of fondly and wished the best as he lives the life we all wish we will be given in retirement.

The LPD thanks Officer Jones and K9 Koda for their service and dedication to the Littleton Police K9 unit and wish K9 Koda all the belly scratches he wishes in the years to come.

As for the future of the Littleton Police K9 unit, it is now searching for the next handler and police K9 to fill the paws of K9 Koda and Officer Jones. The position of the handler will be filled by an internal selection process, followed by five weeks of rigorous training with the selected police K9. The team will then return to patrol the streets of Littleton. The K9 will be selected for the needs of the department and paid for by a non-profit group, Friends of Littleton K9. The group has supported the K9 unit for over five years through fundraising efforts and generous citizen donations. The Friends of Littleton K9 have provided funds for K9 Koda, K9 Zan and the newest K9; each K9's cost being \$20,000 for both handler and K9 training. The LPD looks forward to meeting its newest K9 and being a part of all the adventures that come along with a new K9 team.

## New Exhibits at the Littleton Museum



### The Way We Played

The Littleton Museum announces the exhibition, The Way We Played. Inspired by nostalgia, this is a toy exhibit for all ages, especially adults. Located in the Museum's Changing Exhibit Hall, the exhibition opened on September 13 and will close January 3, 2021.

"By discovering and playing as kids, we grew strong, learned important social and tactile skills, and developed powerful relationships. It is the memory of these experiences, and our connection to our favorite toys, that evoke strong feelings of nostalgia for our younger years," said Museum Curator of Collections Jenny Hankinson. Using interactive stations, photographs of Littleton locals and their favorite toys, and artifacts from the Littleton Museum's Collection, visitors of all ages are invited to experience and recall the ways they played.

### Within and Without: Works by Nathan Abels

Winner of the 2018 Littleton Fine Arts Board Own an Original competition, Nathan Abels brings his distinctly enigmatic style of pencil drawings and oil and acrylic paintings to the Littleton Museum in the upcoming fine art exhibition, Within and Without: Works by Nathan Abels. Located in the Museum's Fine Arts Exhibit Hall, the exhibition opened September 20, 2019, and will close, October 20, 2019.

The Littleton Museum is located at 6028 South Gallup Street. For hours visit [littletongov.org](http://littletongov.org).

## Littleton Transportation Network Announces Nonprofit Status

The Littleton Transportation Network (LTN) has been approved by the IRS for nonprofit 501(c)3 status. The mission of the LTN is to enhance and improve the quality of life for all people living in Littleton including but not limited to:

- Supporting transportation options for seniors and the disabled to enable them to travel around the city and surrounding communities.
- Serving as a fiscal agent for nonprofit organizations that support educational, civic, environmental, human and intercultural relationships, housing, artistic, and other quality-of-life-promoting projects and activities within the City of Littleton.

The Omnibus was established in 1980 to transport seniors and the disabled to medical, dental, social and other events in the region. The Shopping Cart carries older residents to specific grocery and other shopping locations in the community. "LTN is now open to accept tax-deductible donations on behalf of the Omnibus and Shopping Cart programs," said Wendy Heffner, Littleton's city clerk. There is no charge for transportation, but donations are encouraged. Last year the two programs made approximately 19,383 trips. "LTN's Board of Directors will consider applications from nonprofits that meet the criteria of the mission statement and are seeking a fiscal agent so that donations to them are tax-deductible," said Heffner. Members of the LTN Board of Directors include Heffner; Linda Haley, Housing and Community Development/Senior Resources Manager, Arapahoe County; Hugh Hilleary, community volunteer; Corey Reitz, executive director of South Metro Housing Options; Wendy Shea-Tamag, Littleton's Transportation Coordinator; and former Mayor Susan Thornton.

For more information, call 303-795-3753 or email [wheffner@littletongov.org](mailto:wheffner@littletongov.org).



## Progress at Progress Park

With support from the City of Littleton and Arapahoe County Open Spaces, South Suburban Parks and Recreation renovations to Progress Park are complete. The park has brand new amenities including a new restroom with water fountain and bottle filler, an enlarged pavilion, and an expanded nature-themed playground with separate equipment for children ages 2-5 and children ages 5-12. A new sidewalk connects the Dry Creek Trail through the park to the new amenities. New landscaping, including trees, have been added. The pavilion is available for rent.

## Leaf Recycling Returns

The cities of Littleton and Englewood are continuing their annual leaf-recycling program on October 26 and November 2 and 11. In the previous 26 years of the program, 36,500 cubic-yards of leaves have been recycled. There is no Littleton or Englewood residency requirement for the free leaf drop-off. Bring leaves in bags, trash cans or tarped loads. Residents with tree branches, shrubs or mixed loads of organic recyclables, as well as lawn service companies or other commercial ventures, will be charged fees of \$12 per cubic yard. The recycling location is at A1 Organics Mountain States, 2300 West Radcliffe Avenue in Sheridan. Vouchers for reduced-price landscape products will be provided. For more information call 303-795-3766.

## Budget Award

For the 12th consecutive year, the City of Littleton is the recipient of The Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). This notable accomplishment reflects the commitment of the city staff in meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting.





# 2019 Fall & Winter Events



Town Hall Arts Center

## Cabaret

Sept. 6 - Oct. 13



Friends of the Littleton  
Library and Museum

## Craft Fair

Oct. 5  
9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Ketring Park



Oct. 5  
9 a.m.-2 p.m.

## A Paris Street Market Aspen Grove



Historic Downtown  
Littleton Merchants  
Zombie Crawl  
& Pig Roast

Oct. 5

Littleton Museum

## Harvest Festival

Oct. 12  
10 a.m.- 3 p.m.



Historic Downtown  
Littleton Merchants

## Pumpkin Poles

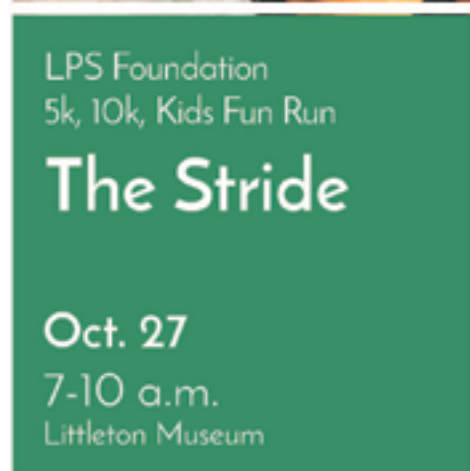
Oct. 11 - 31



Historic Downtown  
Littleton Merchants

## Goblin Give Out

Oct. 27  
12-4 p.m.



LPS Foundation  
5k, 10k, Kids Fun Run

## The Stride

Oct. 27  
7-10 a.m.  
Littleton Museum



Town Hall Arts Center  
Meet Me in  
St. Louis

Nov. 8 -  
Dec. 29



## Small Business Saturday

Nov. 30



## Candlelight Walk

Nov. 29  
5:30 p.m. - Entertainment  
6:30 p.m. - Parade



## Elf Crawl

Nov. 30  
7-10 p.m.



## Keep Sewers Clean

The city owns and maintains about 120 miles of sanitary sewer pipe. This extensive municipal pipe system is designed to carry wastewater away from individual buildings to the South Platte Water Renewal Partners treatment plant in Englewood. There, the water is treated before it’s discharged into the South Platte River. When items such as disposable wipes, diapers, and feminine products are flushed down the toilet, sewer blockages can occur which leads to costly maintenance and possibly even a backup of sewage into homes or businesses. Excessive amounts of cooking grease can also cause blockages in the sewer.

What you can do:

- Never pour grease down the drain
- Scrape grease and food scraps into the trash
- Place a strainer on the kitchen sink drain to catch scraps that can then be put in the trash
- Limit flushing of “disposable” wipes and feminine hygiene products.

The city is proactive in maintaining the sanitary sewer system to repair aging pipes and to minimize the occurrence of blockages. As part of this maintenance program, the city has invested in televising equipment that can quickly investigate problems and locate the cause of blockages, and a jetting machine which generates a high-pressure water stream to efficiently clean sewer pipes and dislodge obstructions. The continued success of this program depends not only on the hard work of the Public Works Utilities Division personnel, but also on the important role that all Littleton residents play by not disposing of improper items into the sanitary sewer system.

For more information, visit: [spwaterrenewalpartners.org/citizens/what-not-to-flush/](http://spwaterrenewalpartners.org/citizens/what-not-to-flush/).



## Sidewalk Repairs

CDOT and its contractor, Noraa Concrete Construction Corporation, began replacing curb ramps and making public right of way improvements at various locations across Littleton. The project is well underway as crews upgrade 118 curb ramps across multiple counties to meet new Americans with Disabilities (ADA) compliance guidelines.

## New Features at the Buck Recreation Center

Littleton residents have two new all-inclusive features to explore at South Suburban’s Buck Recreation Center pool. The outdoors are now inside with the addition of an artificial palm tree. Water “rains” from the palm tree, which is located in the leisure pool.

The Rain Drop Play Center is a multi-sensory inclusive experience for children of all ages! A range of tactile sensations are present, from the flow and temperature of the water to the textures of the smooth fiberglass bowls and bumpy dams. Guests utilize both fine and gross motor skills to navigate around the play center’s various activities. The restrooms and the cabanas in the pool entry were recently remodeled and the locker rooms are being upgraded. Come check out the new additions.



## The Bears are Back

The popular bronze sculptures, *Under a Watchful Eye* and *Hanging Around*, by Colorado sculptor Stephen LeBlanc, were re-installed at Hudson Gardens in August. Removed in January, the project was part of a large redesign of the entrance on the west side of the gardens, along the Mary Carter Greenway and the South Platte River.

While construction at the gardens took place, the sculptures underwent extensive cleaning and had new patina put on to preserve the surface finish. A final coat of wax was applied the day before installation by Rocky Mountain Bronze Shop in Loveland. Extra care was taken to protect the stone base of the mother bear sculpture, *Under a Watchful Eye*, and the naturally growing lichen on the surface. The base was wrapped in tin foil to protect it from the patina overspray and the blowtorch, which affixed the patina into place.

For *Hanging Around*, the sculpture depicting three precocious bear cubs climbing a tree, a significant amount of dried mud and debris had to be cleaned out from the inside of the sculpture, brought in over time by ants, before applying the patina.

The sculptures were moved by Art Management and Planning Associates, Inc., of Denver.

Both of the sculptures are part of the City of Littleton Fine Arts Committee collection. *Under a Watchful Eye* was purchased in 1996 by special resolution for funds upon the recommendation of the Littleton Fine Arts Committee, who applied for a grant from the Arapahoe County Scientific and Cultural Facilities District. *Hanging Around* was purchased in 2004 with funds from both the Littleton Fine Arts Committee and from Mary Bradford; in memory of Mary Bradford’s daughter, Wendy Carpenter Bowe.

Hudson Gardens will celebrate with a grand-reopening on Wednesday, October 2 at 3 p.m. For more information, contact Hudson Gardens at 303-797-8565.

## Littleton’s Pavement Management Program

Maintenance of the city’s infrastructure is one of the most essential services provided by municipal government and requires considerable planning. The City of Littleton owns and maintains a large network of public infrastructure including pavement, underground utilities, traffic signals, municipal buildings, grounds, and much more. These infrastructure assets represent a large capital investment.

A major portion of this infrastructure is in the form of the pavement. The Pavement Management Program emphasizes pavement preservation as a proactive approach to maintaining streets while they are still in good condition. The most cost-effective strategy in pavement preservation is applying the right treatment to the right road at the right time, thereby maximizing the life of the pavement. The Pavement Management Program lays out a schedule for future improvements needed to keep the infrastructure in optimal operating condition.

With voter approval of fire unification in November of 2018, an additional \$3.1 million will be dedicated to transportation infrastructure improvements each year. This funding becomes available in 2020, and will allow the city to begin catching up on deferred street maintenance and raise the overall quality of the pavement condition on Littleton’s streets.

The 5 Year Pavement Management Program (2020 – 2024) developed by the Public Works Department includes some type of pavement preservation technique applied to over 55 miles of streets, which is around 33% of the network. The program will be reviewed annually and is subject to change as pavements age and different needs arise.

To view maps of the proposed 5-year Pavement Management Program visit [littletongov.org](http://littletongov.org).





# BEYOND BOOKS... WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BEMIS LIBRARY?

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## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

**Ready, Set, BUILD Lego Club\***  
Oct. 5 and Nov. 2, 3 p.m. For kids in grades K-5.

**Paws to Read—Oct. 12 and Nov. 9, 10 a.m.–noon\***  
Kids in grades K-5 can practice reading to a furry friend. Presented by Denver Pet Partners and the Delta Society.

**Paint a Rock... Hide a Rock—Oct. 12, 10:30 a.m.**  
Hear a story about a kind rock then paint rocks and spread kindness by hiding them in Gallup Garden. Rocks will be provided, but feel free to bring your own. All ages.



**Murdock's Magical Halloween Delights  
October 26, 3 p.m.**  
A delightful, "not-too scary" performance filled with audience participation, magic, comedy, puppets and lots of laughs and surprises. Feel free to wear Halloween costumes, too. For ages 3 and up.



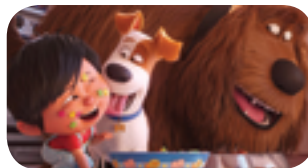
**Winter Reading Program: November 23-January 6\***  
A special program just for independent readers in grades 1-5. Pick up a reading log in the Children's Room beginning November 23, read chapter books and record the number of pages that are read. Children will meet goals by completing a certain number of pages based on grade level. Finishers will receive a free book to keep plus other surprises.

**Stone Soup with Merry Andrew Afoot  
November 24, 3 p.m.**  
Leroy Leonard, a one-man theatrical hoot, will re-enact the folktale "Stone Soup" with unusual ingredients, including a hungry tiger fish, a pickle named Ben and of course, ROCKS! For all ages.

**Play with Your Food—Nov. 25, 10:30 a.m.**  
Get creative with Thanksgiving-themed food crafts. Make teepees and turkeys out of food. Then use them to decorate a Thanksgiving dinner table or just gobble them up! For ages 3 and older.

**Drop-in Crafts—November 26, 10-11 a.m.**  
Get ready for Turkey Day with some make and take, crafty fun. All ages.

**Movie Matinée: *The Secret Life of Pets 2*  
November 27, 3-4:30 p.m.**  
For ages 3 and up. Kids under 8 must attend with an adult. PG. 86 minutes. Reservations required beginning Nov. 13.



## TEEN PROGRAMS

**Monster Murder Mystery—Oct. 4, 5-6:30 p.m.\***  
Monsters are on the loose in Bemis Library. Search for the tools to defeat them in this social deduction game and scavenger hunt... before the monsters get you! Teens must arrange for a ride home at 6:30 p.m.

**Board Game Night—Oct. 11 and Nov. 8, 5-7:30 p.m.**  
Play board games and enjoy snacks in the library after-hours. Teens must arrange for a ride home at 7:30 p.m.

**Teen Advisory Group (TAG)  
October 26 and November 23, 12-1:30 p.m.**  
Enjoy fun and games while earning community service credit by helping make the library better.

**National Novel Writing Month  
NaNoWriMo Kickoff Party  
Nov. 1, 3-5 p.m.**  
The world needs your novel. There will be a celebration with snacks and creative fun to kick off National Novel Writing Month.



## GENERAL PROGRAMS

**Essential Oils—October 1, 7 p.m.**  
Discover the basics of how essential oils support health and learn how to build an essential oil kit. Presented by Jennifer McCalib, nutritional health coach for Natural Grocers.

**Poetry Performance with Lisa Zimmerman  
Creative Aging program—October 3, 2 p.m.**  
Colorado poet and UNC Professor of English and Creative Writing Lisa Zimmerman will read from her published work and current manuscripts in this special performance. Her work incorporates historical and persona poems about Saint Clare of Assisi and other lesser-known Catholic saints. This program is sponsored by Think 360 Arts for Learning.

**Musical Performance—The Carbone Family Band  
October 5, 2 p.m.**  
This Denver based group specializes in bluegrass and old time music.

**Poetry Writing: a Creative Aging Workshop\*  
October 10, 2 p.m.**  
Colorado poet and UNC Professor of English and Creative Writing Lisa Zimmerman will lead this one-hour poetry workshop. Get the creative juices flowing with fun writing prompts guaranteed to help put words on the page. This program is sponsored by Think 360 Arts for Learning.

**The Ghosts of Denver  
October 14, 2 p.m.**  
Hear what's haunting Denver from Phil Goodstein who has been telling ghost stories since the late 1980s. He is the author of the definitive book on the subject, *The Ghosts of Denver: Capitol Hill*.



**Crafts for Grownups\***  
Join others for a different featured craft on the third Sunday of each month from 2-4 p.m. The library will provide materials, inspiration, tools, and techniques. Just bring creativity.

- **Oct. 20, 2-4 p.m. Masking Your Intentions\***  
Have a fantastic time creating masks—spooky, glittery, silly or glamorous.
- **Nov. 17, 2-4 p.m. Purely Ornamental\***  
Create one-of-a-kind ornament treasures to keep or give away.

**Beer with Active Minds—October 21, 2 p.m.**  
Learn about the origins and history of beer, how it's made, different types of beer, as well as the rise of several great American brewers and beer families. The program will end with a discussion of the current trends of microbrews and craft beers and their strong Colorado connections. Cheers!

**Reel Life: Documentary Film Club\*  
Hippie Family Values  
October 25, 6 p.m.**  
Join the movie discussion series: Reel Life! Watch a documentary and then participate in an open discussion about the film. Refreshments will be served.



**Movie Matinée—Toni Morrison: The Pieces I Am  
October 26, 2-4 p.m.**  
See this artful and intimate meditation on the life and works of the acclaimed novelist. PG-13.

**Musical Performance—Mark McQuery Trio  
November 2, 2 p.m.**  
Enjoy the acoustic guitar musical stylings of the Mark McQuery Trio.

**Adult Gaming Night—November 5, 6-8 p.m.**  
Who says kids get to have all the fun? In this grown-ups only video game extravaganza enjoy a chance to play with the PlayStation 4 VR and Nintendo Switch.

**Bone Health—November 13, 2 p.m.**  
Bones are living tissue that responds to bone-building care throughout life. Support lifelong bone health by knowing how to get all the nutrients bones need. Presented by Jennifer McCalib, nutritional health coach for Natural Grocers.

**Native Americans in Colorado with Active Minds  
November 18, 2 p.m.**  
Join Active Minds to hear the stories of the original inhabitants of Colorado. From Mesa Verde to the high plains, trace the civilizations of the Ute, Cheyenne, Arapaho, Pueblo and other tribes to understand Colorado's Native American history and legacy.

**Movie Matinée: *Yesterday*  
November 23, 2 p.m.**  
A struggling musician realizes he's the only person on earth who can remember The Beatles after waking up in an alternate timeline where they never existed. Free popcorn and lemonade. PG-13.



**\*Registration required. To register for an event, call the library at 303-795-3961.**





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## ROX Arts Gallery and Roxborough Arts Council

ROX Arts, located in Aspen Grove, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that promotes art and art appreciation through advocacy, education, and stimulating interest in arts-related activities. The co-op of local artists is proudly celebrating 10 years of promoting and supporting the arts in the community. Its mission is to enrich the lives of the Littleton community by bringing artists and residents together. ROX provides venues for artists to exhibit their works and provides forums for artists to share information and receive feedback that promotes growth. ROX offers art classes and scholarships in addition to hosting free monthly receptions. The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. There is something for every taste as the art for sale ranges in size, style, and price. Stop in anytime or enjoy receptions on the second Friday of every month from 5:30 to 8 p.m. This is an opportunity to meet the artists and enjoy food, wine, music, and art. For more information call 720-724-5730 or visit them on Facebook at Roxborough Art Gallery.



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## A-1 Scuba & Travel Aquatic Center

From learning to snorkel to diving with sharks, A-1 Scuba and Travel Aquatic Center has it all. The surprisingly spacious building is located at 1603 West Bellevue Avenue and is home to an indoor swimming pool that is equipped with a current generator, ceiling lift for adaptive divers and even an underwater sound system. A-1 Scuba offers diver training and certifications with two classrooms, providing instruction for the beginner all the way to instructor certification. The shop also has a full-service travel agency, booking trips for groups or individuals to travel and dive all over the world. The building is equipped with an elevator to accommodate adaptive divers and is essential to the adaptive diver program that A-1 Scuba began over 40 years ago. The program caters to people with disabilities and is handicapped accessible, allowing any and all a chance at diving. A-1 Scuba has partnered with the Denver Downtown Aquarium for over 15 years and provides people the opportunity to perform open water dives or even swim with sharks. The shop also has a large retail department and a complete service department with highly trained service technicians. Over 40,000 people have tried snorkeling or scuba diving at A-1 Scuba. For more information call 303-789-2450 or visit a-1scuba.com.



## Nook Coffee

The new Nook Coffee on Main Street is a stylish, bright espresso café serving premium café latte, coffee, tea, cold-pressed juice, avocado toast, paninis, sandwiches, organic salads, cheeseboards, gluten-free options and other eclectic eats with free Wi-Fi. Its bakery partner, Trompeau, creates many delicious pastries like cinnamon rolls, danishes, croissants, cookies, and bread.



Nook has a passion for really great coffee, it is one of their core values. They encourage guests to close their eyes and imagine wandering into a cafe one might find while exploring the streets of Rome, Buenos Aires or Paris. Walk through the door to find a friendly barista, and order a café latte and Danish. The latte is incredible, almost sweet with hints of chocolate, caramel or even tropical fruit. Nook is located at 2449 West Main Street and is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. For more information visit nookcoffeelittleton.com or call 303-536-5600.

## Culver's Opens in Littleton Village

Culver's began as a small family-owned restaurant in rural Wisconsin and is now a taste that is enjoyed far and wide. The new Culver's in Littleton is located in Littleton Village at 7440 South Broadway and opened in mid-August. The first Culver's opened in 1984 and has since expanded to around 600 locations throughout the nation. With its signature ButterBurgers, where the buns are lightly buttered then toasted, and its delicious frozen custard, slow-churned in the store, this Midwestern burger chain was named one of American's most loved restaurants. For more information call 303-795-7849 or visit culversmenu.com.

