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## 'Mom, there's nothing for us to do.' Heard that before? Is it accurate?

Ever wondered what the Loveland city government offers for local young people? Many people do.

Through the comments offered by respondents to the annual City Quality of Life Survey, it's become apparent that many members of our community are unaware of the multitude of opportunities available to Loveland children by their city government. We believe the list is broad and diverse.

The City offers a great variety of events, classes, workshops, facilities, competitions and more. Activities range from swimming lessons for toddlers to hands-on experiences for teenage future police officers.

Opportunities exist during the day, after school, evenings, weekends, during school holidays and the summer. There's something available almost



every day of every season.

Inside this edition of City Update, we've put together a list of what's available. We've probably missed a few items, and we wouldn't be surprised if something new has been added just recently. We hope you'll find something that your child or grandchild would find of interest.

*More about Youth Programs inside*

## Help LWP keep the lights on

Loveland Water and Power (LWP) installs, operates and maintains all of the roughly 6,000 streetlights throughout the City. That's a lot of lights to keep track of and some problems may go unnoticed by repair crews since lights are not on during the day.

Residents can help LWP's repair crews keep Loveland's lights turned on and promote safety for drivers and pedestrians by reporting burned out or damaged streetlights.

When reporting a streetlight in need of repair residents should provide the following information:

- Resident's name and contact information – in case LWP needs more information.
- The pole number – yellow two-digit number located roughly eye level in the middle of the pole.
- The street address and closest major cross streets to the pole – for example: 1234 Taft, Northwest corner of Taft and Hwy 34.



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## Athletics needs volunteer coaches

The City's Parks & Recreation department is actively recruiting volunteer coaches to coach the following youth sports:

**Soccer, Flag Football & Volleyball**  
Sept. 4 – Oct. 20

**Basketball**  
Oct. 29 – Dec. 15

Two 1-hour weeknight practices.  
Games are on Saturdays.

For more information call  
962-2450 or visit the City's  
Volunteer Program webpages at  
[www.cityofloveland.org](http://www.cityofloveland.org).



# Especially for children—Facilities, events, programs and activities

What	Type	When	Where
<b>Library</b>			
Children's Section: books, computers, rooms, more	Facility	All year	Library
Library Teen's Section: books, computers, rooms, more	Facility	All year	Library
Brick Masters (Legos building)	Recurring event	Some Saturdays	Library
Humpty Dumpty Storytimes	Recurring event	All year	Library
Storytimes for toddlers	Recurring event	All year	Library
Waggin' Tales (readings with therapy dog)	Recurring event		Library
Anime game club	Recurring event	Monthly	Library
Creative Writing workshop	Recurring event	Monthly	Library
Book club	Recurring event	Monthly	Library
Gaming club	Recurring event	Weekly	Library
Battle of the Books	Program	Spring	Library
Loveland Lights/Gingerbread Challenge	Program	December	Library
Summer Reading/shows	Program	Summer	Foote Lagoon
<b>Athletics</b>			
Gymnastics, volleyball, basketball, softball, baseball, football, tennis, golf, swimming, Martial arts, soccer, skating, t-ball, lacrosse and more	Programs & activities	All year	Chilson, parks
<b>Recreation, interests</b>			
Dance, music, art, crafts, hobbies, horses, holiday themes, fire safety, pottery, outdoor recreation, teen day trips, preschool, day camps, more	Programs & activities	All year	Chilson, parks
26 playgrounds	Facility	All year	City parks
8 baseball fields	Facility	All year	City parks
20 softball fields	Facility	All year	City parks
21 tennis courts	Facility	All year	City parks
Outdoor swimming	Facility	Summer	Winona pool, Swim Beach
Outdoor spray park	Facility	Summer	Fairgrounds & Sports Parks
37 athletic/soccer fields	Facility	All year	City parks
10 basketball courts	Facility	All year	City parks
3 in-line hockey/skate areas	Facility	All year	Centennial, Sports parks
<b>Chilson Recreation Center</b>			
Gyms, fitness equipment, lap pool, leisure pool, racquetball, track, weight room, more	Facility	All year	Chilson Center
Swim beach	Facility	Summer	N. Lake Park
Batting Cage	Facility	Summer	Barnes Complex
Mini Golf Course	Facility	All Year	Cattail Creek
Athletic camps/clinics: skateboard, soccer, basketball, volleyball, flag football, tennis, more	Event	Summer	Chilson, parks
Tours, trips: skiing, horse camps, day camps	Event		From Chilson
Ski & Sports Swap	Event	November	Chilson
<b>Arts</b>			
Painting, drawing, clay, crafts	Programs & activities	All year	Museum
History: summer classes, history classes	Program & activities	All year/summer	Museum and Lone Tree School
Tours of art, history, fire museum	Tours	All year	Museum
Outreach teaching trunks	History Outreach	All year	Museum
ArtSteps community projects and school district show	Event	Ongoing	Museum
Tours, trips	Event	Holidays, summer	No. Colo.
Children's Theater	Event		Rialto
Children's shows, movies	Event		Rialto
Summer Concert series	Event	Summer	Foote Lagoon
Halloween Festival	Event	October	Museum
Cherry Pie Festival	Event	July	Museum
Battle of the Bands	Event	August	Foote Lagoon
Energy Education	Program	Ongoing	WC Mid. School
Electric Safety Demo	Program	By request	Schools, events
Water festival	Event	May	At schools
Stormwater puppet show	Event	By request	At schools
Car seat Installation	Program	By request	Fire stations
Bike helmet fittings	Program	All Year	Fire Admin. Bldg
Fire, safety presentations	Event	All year	Schools, daycare
Juvenile firesetter intervention	Program	By request	Fire Admin. Bldg
Police Explorers	Program	Ongoing	Police Bldg.
Santa Cops (gifts to children)	Event	Christmas	Home
Fishing derby	Event	June	N. Lake Park
Children's Day	Event	April	Civic Center
Public Works Day	Event	May	Fairgrounds Park



## Loveland library's computers have users' heads in the clouds

When the Loveland Public Library underwent its renovation more than a year ago, library staff wanted to design their new computer labs to support the cultural and technological shift that was taking place towards digital and mobile communication and information. They also had to figure out how to increase the number of computers for public use while not increasing maintenance and labor for library staff.

The solution was in the clouds—or rather, in cloud computing. In place of standard stand-alone PCs, the library installed a cloud computing system that streams virtual desktops to 122 computers around the library.

Cloud PCs are computers that only

The new computers contain no moving hard drives, are quiet and produce very little heat because they use so little energy; less than 15 watts each – a fraction of the 54-90 watts consumed by the old PCs. The cloud system has enabled the library to reduce its carbon footprint while greatly expanding computer access to Loveland residents.

An article authored by library staff about their new cloud computing



**Above:** The library's iLearn classroom has served more than 500 students in various computer classes since the beginning of the year.

**Left:** To accommodate the community's ever-growing demand for public computing, 48 new computers and carrels were included in the design of the iExplore lab.



contain the necessary hardware to interact with the user. The application data, hard drive storage and memory live on a server elsewhere on the network.

The library is able to host so many computers now because updating them in the cloud is so easy. Before the renovation, technology staff had to go to every individual machine to install software, operating systems, licensing updates, etc. Today, changes only have to be made one time in one place to update all the computers.

system was recently published in *Colorado Libraries*, an online library journal. To view the full article, go to [www.coloradolibrariesjournal.org/articles/building-computer-labs-out-clouds](http://www.coloradolibrariesjournal.org/articles/building-computer-labs-out-clouds).

The library was also honored as a Computerworld Honors Laureate in the digital access category. The library was awarded for applying technology that had measurable results in meeting a specific social need plus demonstrating humanitarian benefits.

## Green library earns Gold award

The Loveland Public Library was recently awarded the LEED® Gold certification from the U.S. Green Building Council for its use of efficient building systems and materials for the library's expansion and renovation last year. The library is the first City of Loveland building to receive LEED certification.

Using LEED as a guide, the library selected materials and efficiency strategies that would reduce water use, reduce energy use, improve the quality of the indoor environment, increase natural light and promote alternative modes of transportation to and from the library—all tenets of LEED construction.

Improvements to the library include:

- New water fixtures that reduce water consumption by 48 percent
- High performance, operable windows that help regulate and maintain a comfortable interior temperature
- Efficient electrical lighting
- Skylights throughout the structure to increase natural daylight
- High-efficiency HVAC system in the expanded spaces
- High performance insulation resulting in a 23 percent reduction in energy use for heating and cooling the building
- Use of non-toxic materials
- Use of recycled building materials (more than 30 percent of building materials came from recycled content)



## Noted author coming to Loveland



Noted author Alexander McCall Smith will appear at 7 p.m., Oct. 21 at Thompson Valley High School's Roberta Price

Auditorium as part of a national tour. McCall Smith, who has written more than 60 books and is known for his No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency series, will discuss his writings, his ideas and his experiences living in Africa and Scotland. A book signing will follow the presentation.

The Friends of the Loveland Public Library are sponsoring this event. For tickets and information go to visit [www.friendsofthelovelandlibrary.org](http://www.friendsofthelovelandlibrary.org) or call 962-2402.

The City's pursuit of LEED certification for the renovation was consistent with the City's interest in finding creative and sustainable ways

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## Loveland sculptures travel to travelers

While sculptures are not typically prized for their portability, they are prized for their beauty and ability to inspire feelings and thoughts in those who view them. Recently, four sculptures by Loveland artists made the trip from Loveland to Denver International Airport (DIA) where they are now on display through November.

Each sculpture is distinct in its subject and mood. “We wanted to provide viewers at the airport with a variety of genres – something for everyone was our goal,” said Marcie Erion, business development specialist for the Office of Creative Sector Development with the City. “We are thrilled to be able to showcase Loveland and the Loveland arts community to visitors from all over the world.”

Erion contacted DIA last February to get the ball rolling. Once DIA approved her request for an installation she coordinated with local sculptors to choose the art and arrange for the installation.

All of the sculptures are on the sixth floor of the airport; two on the east side of the terminal and two on the west side.

**Right:**  
Denny Haskew  
“White Deer  
of Autumn”

**Below:**  
Josh Tobey  
“High Roller  
and Barefoot”



## ‘Birds’ coming to roost at Museum/Gallery

*Birds in Art*, a world-renowned exhibition, is on display through Oct. 28 at the Loveland Museum/Gallery. Each year, hundreds of artists from all over the world vie for placement in this juried exhibition, which this year features 50 paintings and ten sculptures by 60 artists from eleven countries.

Films, lectures and hands-on activities will accompany the exhibit. Information on all the activities may be found in the Cultural Services section of [www.cityofloveland.org](http://www.cityofloveland.org).

“The Birds in Art exhibition is a wonderful opportunity to see many creative approaches to this subject matter, from the high detail of representational art to dreamlike images more abstract in nature,” said Maureen Corey, curator of art at the Museum/Gallery.

Admission is \$5 per person and tours of the exhibition are included with the cost of admission at noon on Fridays.



**Above:** Ewoud de Groot, *Winter Swan*, 2011, Oil on linen

**Below left:** Timothy David Mayhew, *The Trumpeter’s Tribe*, 2011, Oil on Belgian linen

**Below right:** Dale A. Weiler, *Solitary*, 2010, Colorado alabaster on steatite



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## Name selected for HP/Agilent space

The HP/Agilent open space property has a new name – *River’s Edge Natural Area*. Loveland residents submitted more than 150 name suggestions with references to local wildlife, plants, history and people.

After reviewing all submissions, staff and the Open Lands Advisory Commission selected *River’s Edge Natural Area* based on the natural features and location of the site. Although there was a desire to honor the legacy of Hewlett-Packard, that name was not selected due to possible confusion about current ownership of the site.

The site is located along the Big Thompson River in central Loveland. It will be accessible from the recreation trail and consists of 121 acres including three ponds, wetlands and upland prairie.

The plan to enhance the habitat and aesthetics of the natural area are available at [www.cityofloveland.org/riversedge](http://www.cityofloveland.org/riversedge).

## Green library earns Gold award

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to save on operating costs, while designing a building that would be comfortable and pleasing to patrons. The renovation not only met but exceeded project goals for construction waste diversion and use of recycled materials. The City always incorporates energy efficiency into its construction projects and the success of the library project will encourage LEED in future sustainable renovations and construction.

“The City’s efforts toward continuous improvement and cost savings with each capital project fit perfectly with the LEED process. We’re very pleased with the outcome and look forward to future opportunities like this one,” said Ken Cooper, City of Loveland facilities operations manager.

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