



# Lyons LINK

## NOV 2024

### LYONS HOLIDAY EVENTS DEC 7 & 8

#### Mark your calendars Lyons!

The 2024 Holiday Artisan Market and Parade of Lights is scheduled for the weekend of December 7th and 8th. The Holiday Artisan Market will be held at the Lyons Elementary School, from 10 am - 4 pm on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 7th and 8th.

The parade will take place on Saturday evening, December 7th. This year's theme is **Magical Lyons**. New this year will be a Drone Show to be held in Bohn Park, presented by students from the St Vrain Valley School District's Innovation Center.

If you know creative kids who would like to sell their wares at the Artisan Market they may sign up for a 2 hour time slot to sell their handmade goods. Children under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. To register for the youth booth, visit [townoflyons.com/recreation](https://townoflyons.com/recreation)

If you have any questions about the Artisan Market, please call 303-823-8250 or email [recreation@townoflyons.com](mailto:recreation@townoflyons.com)

### 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

The Town budget process is one of the most important policy decisions made by the Board of Trustees. During this process, funds are allocated for the next year to ensure we have the services and resources available that make Lyons one of the best places in Colorado to live.

Municipal budgets must be balanced; Town expenses must not exceed revenue, and a minimum amount must be held in reserves. Department supervisors and the Town Administrator review staff recommendations for the budget beginning in July and August. Then, the Town's Board of Trustees review and adjust areas based on citizen input and other financial priorities.

Citizens are welcome to attend upcoming Board of Trustees meetings to hear more about the funding sources and expenses that are being determined for 2025. The Town's 2025 draft budget has been submitted to the BOT and is available online at [townoflyons.com/budget](https://townoflyons.com/budget)

Thanks to those who gave input.

### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### NOVEMBER

- 4 BOT Meeting
- 5 Election Day
- 11 PCDC Meeting
- 18 BOT Meeting
- 25 PCDC Meeting
- 28 Thanksgiving Holiday
- 29 Town Hall Closure
- 29 Tree Lighting Ceremony

#### DECEMBER

- 2 BOT Meeting
- 7-8 Artisan Market
- 7 Parade of Lights
- 9 PCDC Meeting
- 16 BOT Meeting
- 23-25 Town Hall Closed

The Board of Trustees (BOT) meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month at 7 pm, unless it is a holiday. Public comment should be made in person or submitted in advance to the Town Clerk, [dvasquez@townoflyons.com](mailto:dvasquez@townoflyons.com).

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## SHOP LOCAL THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

Shopping locally is the best way to show LYONS and its small businesses your love. Keeping your spending in Lyons, almost \$.70 of every \$1.00 you spend stays in town. Every dollar you spend at a local business returns three times more money to the local economy than one spent at a chain and almost 50 times more than buying from a large online retailer.

The kick-off to the holiday shopping season in Lyons is Small Business Saturday, November 30. It's Shop Small Saturday, a day to celebrate and support our small local businesses and all they contribute to Lyons. Shop and dine locally, enjoy our quaint downtown and the small-town atmosphere in Lyons.

## HELPFUL REMINDERS

- Town Hall will be closed on November 28th and November 29th for Thanksgiving.
- For the second year, there will be a **tree lighting ceremony** on Friday, **November 29** in Sandstone Park with hot cocoa and caroling.
- The **Lyons Holiday Artisan Market** will be held from 10 am - 4 pm on Saturday, December 7th and Sunday, December 8th.
- The **Parade of Lights** will be held on Saturday, December 7th at 6 pm, with this year's theme **Magical Lyons**.
- NEW! A Drone Show for the Holiday Parade of Lights weekend, presented by the St Vrain Valley School District Innovation Center.

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## HOUSING SURVEY

Housing affordability has been identified as a priority of the Board of Trustees. Housing affordability refers to housing options for people earning less than 80% of the area median income (AMI) in Boulder County. Please spend 5 minutes to give the BOT your opinion on housing in Lyons.

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## FATS, OILS, & GREASE (FOG)

Now that we are heading into the big cooking season, it's a good time to remind everyone that dumping Fats, Oils, and Grease (F.O.G.) down your drain is never a good idea.

After a while, the grease builds up and causes sewer backups, which are not fun and can be expensive to fix. Instead of rinsing them down your drain, pour the leftover drippings and grease into a disposable container and allow it to cool before disposing of it in the trash. Then wipe out the pan with a paper towel before you wash it.

These simple tips will help keep your plumbing healthy and minimize sewage backups.



### TREE LIGHTING CELEBRATION

Join us on Friday, November 29th at 5 pm for a Tree Lighting Celebration in the southwest corner of Sandstone Park. There will be caroling and hot cocoa. Let's kick off the season together, Lyons!

## CHANGING SEASONS

It has been a long, hot summer, and fall is finally upon us. That means less weeding and mowing but more raking and shoveling. We want to thank you now for being a good neighbor this fall and winter. Raking leaves in your yard for bagging or mulching and not into the street keeps them from clogging up the Town's stormwater drains and street sweepers. As we approach snow season, please remember to remove snow from your sidewalks within 24 hours of a storm ending. Keeping your sidewalk clear allows kids to walk to their school and adults to get some exercise or walk their dogs, and it is greatly appreciated.

Visit [townoflyons.com/snowresponseplan](http://townoflyons.com/snowresponseplan) to see the Town's snow removal policy and priorities.

Join a board or commission and help to shape the future direction of Lyons.  
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