

# Powderhorn News

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## Downtown Littleton Pumpkin Poles

Halloween begins with the creation of Pumpkin Poles by the downtown merchants. They will be on display in early October through Halloween (depending on the condition of the pumpkins). Located throughout downtown on Main, Alamo and Prince Streets, visit early in the month. You don't want to miss these one-of-a-kind creations.

## Littleton Craft Fair

Mark your calendars for the Littleton Craft Fair on Saturday, October 4, 2025 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the scenic grounds of Ketring Park.

Since 1971, shoppers have browsed over 250 booths of hand-crafted items and purchased snacks from the nonprofits running food concession stands.

Due to high attendance, shoppers are asked to observe all parking signs and directions. Littleton Craft Fair parking is prohibited in the Bemis Public Library lot as spaces are needed for Library patrons. The Littleton Museum parking lot is used for Museum visitors, staff, and as accessible parking for shoppers.

Proceeds from booth fees are used by the Friends of the Littleton Library and Museum organization to sponsor programs at the Littleton Museum and Bemis Public Library.

—<https://www.museum.littletonco.gov/Events-Programs/>

*October is the month of painted leaves.  
Their rich glow now flashes round the  
world. As fruits and leaves and the day  
itself acquire a bright tint just before they  
fall, so the year near its setting.*

*October is its sunset sky;  
November the later twilight.*

—Henry David Thoreau

## Fall Landscape Ideas For A Gorgeous Autumn Garden

### ADD FALL CONTAINER PLANTS

Lean into container plants featuring late-blooming flowers and succulents, like mums and stonecrop, as temperatures start to drop this fall. They'll add so much color and interest to your porch, plus you can repot and move them inside when it gets too cold in the winter!

### PLANT TREES AND SHRUBS

Surprisingly, fall is a great time to plant evergreen and ornamental trees in your yard! In autumn, the weather and soil conditions can help trees develop a strong root system before the summer heat kicks in. If you're looking for evergreens, go for boxwood, spruce, and pine trees. On the other hand, if you want to add stunning autumn hues to your yard, plant sugar maple, Japanese maple, dogwood, or redbud trees.



### CREATE A FALL COMPOST PILE

There's no better time than fall to start a compost pile, especially with all that fallen foliage! Instead of throwing away those big piles of fall leaves after raking them, add them to a compost pile along with vegetal food scraps and twigs. By spring, you'll have a nutrient-rich additive for your garden beds that'll improve your soil quality!

### REFRESH YOUR YARD

Spring cleaning may be the norm, but fall is also a great time to refresh your yard or garden! The cooler months following summer are great for tidying up your yard before spring rolls around again. To start, get rid of unruly weeds and wilting annuals. Then, start patching up bare spots in your lawn with overseeding and fertilizer.

### START A POLLINATOR GARDEN

It's never a bad time to plant flowers and shrubs to support the pollinator population in your yard. Add perennials that extend the season for bees and butterflies, such as black-eyed Susan, autumn-blooming sedums, asters, and Shasta daisies.

### CREATE AN OUTDOOR DINING SPACE

If you never got around to it during the hot summer months, autumn is a great time to create an outdoor oasis. A small table and chairs are all you need for evening meals al fresco.

### ADD DECORATIVE ACCENTS

A simple obelisk or trellis can be a focal point in the garden, long after the first frost. Place it where it's visible from indoors so you have something of interest to see in the winter garden. Bonus: Add lights to it for the holidays!

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## Fall Landscape, *continued from front page*

### CREATE COZY SEATING AREAS

Fall is a great time to sit and enjoy the cooler weather and the stunning panorama of colors. Create a cozy seating area by placing Adirondack chairs or a simple wicker chair where you can soak up nature's beauty. Oh, and don't forget the cozy blanket!

### DECORATE WITH PUMPKINS

This might seem obvious, but decorating with pumpkins is one of the easiest ways to get your home ready for fall. Add different color pumpkins, including orange, white, and green, throughout the yard and on the front porch.

### PLANT BULBS FOR SPRING

It might seem like an exercise in delayed gratification (and it is!), but it's a good idea to start planting spring-blooming bulbs right now. Many flowers such as daffodils, tulips, and hyacinths must be planted in the fall for blooms next spring. Trust us: You'll be so happy and grateful when you see your flowers pop up after a long winter.

### ADD EXTERIOR LIGHTING

Adding a few outdoor lighting options will make the long, dark days of winter a little brighter. Update exterior lights and add lighting along walkways. Even a solar-powered LED lantern or string lights on the patio can make a seating area feel more intimate and special during fall gatherings.

### BRING IN COLD-SENSITIVE PLANTS

There's no point in allowing all your plants to die back in the first frost. Bring in plants that can be enjoyed as houseplants (dig them up and put them in pots). Plants to consider include rosemary, begonias, hibiscus, and succulents. Also, in cold climates, don't forget to dig up tender bulbs such as dahlias and gladioli after the first frost to save for planting next spring.

*October is crisp days and cool nights, a time to curl up around the dancing flames and sink into a good book.*

*—John Sinor*

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## Youth Confidence Day: October 20th

Building a framework of positive role models is vital to developing responsible, confident young adults. Incidentally, National Youth Confidence Day encourages us to connect and inspire today's youth for tomorrow's success. National Youth Confidence Day celebrates the energy, spirit and potential of young people. The day is an acknowledgment of all they will accomplish, respectively. Guidance, leadership and mentors will help light the path, indeed. In addition, today's youth will navigate the obstacles that will inevitably lay before them.



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## Kiwanis Club of Columbine

Coming up: We can use help with Meals on Wheels, Sheridan Food, Bank, Action Center Clothes Sorting, blood drive, ushering at the Jeffco Symphony, donating toys to local hospital, and others. We will need a lot of help in December with our Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army, we will ring for about 2 weeks at two King Soopers stores.

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The Kiwanis Club of Columbine is a group of volunteers (70 members) dedicated to improving the lives of children and families in our community. All are welcome to help with any of our projects or attend any of our social events. You do not need to join the club to participate. We have fun, meet new people, and do a lot of good things for our community.

## Fall Clean-up To Prevent Disease

Fall garden clean-up is an important step to help prevent disease and insect problems next spring. Some organisms (like pathogens and insect eggs) overwinter on plant vegetation.

After a hard freeze, remove plants such as tomato and pepper plants, squash and cucumber vines, and dig potato tubers. Pick up and dispose of fallen apples.

Powdery mildew is generally prevalent on vegetables and herbaceous plants most seasons. Cut back and throw away these plants to reduce infection next spring. If there was pronounced black spot damage on roses, rake and throw away leaves.

It is suggested that infested plants not be composted. Home compost bins rarely reach temperatures that would kill disease (140 degrees F). Instead, throw plants in the trash.

Rake or mulch leaves on the lawn. A thick layer of leaves acts like insulation and can encourage diseases like snow molds.

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