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Summer Fun Kids Can Do On Their Own

Kids are out of school for the summer. They start out excited, but that can fade quickly into boredom. Here are some ideas to keep them busy.

- Build with Legos
- Make marshmallow and toothpick houses
- Play hide and seek
- Make paper airplanes – Have a contest to see whose flies the farthest
- Jump on the trampoline
- Write a story
- Stack cups game
- Watch learn-to-draw videos
- Play Simon Says
- Have a staring contest
- Play Would You Rather
- Hula hoop
- Play hopscotch
- Blow bubbles (Set up a bubble refill station for hours of fun – with less mess!)
- Put on a fashion show
- DIY Tic-Tac-Toe

Men's Health Week, June 14–20

The purpose of Men's Health Week is to heighten the awareness of preventable health problems and encourage early detection and treatment of disease among men and boys. This week gives health care providers, public policy makers, the news media, and individuals an opportunity to encourage men and boys to seek regular medical advice and early treatment for disease and injury.

*Any man can be a father,
but it takes someone special to be a dad.*
–Anne Geddes

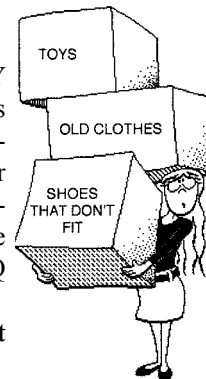
Centennial Ridge Garage Sale

Let's All Have A Garage Sale Together!

July 22nd, 8:00am – 1:00pm

Let's keep our tradition going and have a COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE! I'm really looking forward to it this year as we are "back to normal". So let's go! Time to clean out basements, garages and closets! Please give me a call, email or text and let me know that you want to participate or any suggestions you might have to enhance our celebration (maybe we plan on getting together in the street afterwards for a BBQ and Drinks?). Let's have the best DAY ever!

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Father's Day Activities For Every Kind of Dad



Host a Game Night: He taught you all his poker, Uno and Monopoly tricks, now it's time to literally beat him at his own game.

Pack a Picnic: Fix up a lunch of his favorite foods (hello, roast beef on rye) and enjoy a picnic outside in your local park, or stay closer to home and eat al fresco in the garden or the front yard.

Have a Movie Night: Let Dad pick the film (even if it's some obscure historical documentary you have no interest in). Let him choose the snacks, too.

Share Some Memories: Make a greatest hits video of your family over the years and get everyone seated to watch it together.

Work Out Together: Keep your dad in tip-top shape by cueing up a HIIT class on YouTube and getting a sweat on together. (Or if that's too much for him, try to get him to join you in your Sunday night vinyasa class.)

Go Golfing: Let him show off his stroke while you hone your skills. Alternatively, you can take him to a nearby Top Golf where you can also grab some bites and drinks.

Fire Up the Grill: Let Dad try out those new barbecue tools that you just gifted him and offer up these yummy BBQ side recipes to boot. You'll be looking at one very happy grill-master when all is said and done.

Enjoy the Great Outdoors: If you and your dad always bonded over camping trips or park visits, surprise him with an exciting day enjoying the great outdoors. You can either hit up a longtime favorite or test out a new location.

Take a Hike: If you're not prepared to go all in on a full weekend of roughing it in a tent, don't worry—we all have our limits, after all. Instead, pack a satisfying picnic spread and schedule a day hike for some invigorating physical activity and time spent in nature. Bonus points if you make the experience extra special by picking a hike that culminates in an amazing scenic view.

Go for Ice Cream: Sometimes the best celebrations are the simplest ones—like treating someone to ice cream. Whether it's your own dad or the father of your kids, the guest of honor will surely appreciate this sweet and nostalgic activity involving everyone's favorite frozen childhood treat.

Non-Herbicidal Control of Grassy Weeds in Lawns

- Mow as high as practical during the summer months for the particular grass species present in your lawn. Mow bluegrass, buffalograss, tall fescue, fine fescue and ryegrass at 2 1/2 to 3 inches during the summer. The seeds of some weeds require high light intensity to germinate. The shaded environment near the soil surface in a high-mown lawn helps deter weed seed germination. In addition, the higher mowing height produces a healthier grass plant. Crabgrass and other annual grassy weeds are much more common and aggressive in lawns that are mowed less than 2 inches.
- Mow often enough so that no more than one-third of the grass blade is removed in a single mowing. Letting grass grow tall and then cutting it back to a low height reduces turf density, allowing weed seeds to germinate and grow more easily. It is especially important to mow a lawn more frequently in the spring, when the grass is growing faster. A lawn may require mowing every three to five days during the spring and early summer.
- Irrigate properly to help reduce annual weed infestation. Light, frequent irrigation encourages weed seed germination, even if a preemergence herbicide has been applied.
- Fertilize according to the needs of your lawn species.
- Core cultivate (aerate) the lawn at least once a year to reduce compaction and to control thatch.



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MARKET ON YOUR CALENDAR

Saturdays

SOUTHWEST PLAZA

MAY 6 - OCTOBER 28
 Southeast Parking Lot
 Wadsworth & Bowles
 8am-2pm or Sellout

Saturdays

LAKWOOD

JUNE 10 - SEPTEMBER 30
 Mile Hi Church
 9077 W Alameda Ave
 10am-2pm or Sellout

Sundays

HIGHLANDS RANCH

MAY 7 - OCTOBER 29
 HR Town Center
 9288 Dorchester St.
 10am-2pm or Sellout

Wednesdays

LITTLETON

JUNE 14 - SEPTEMBER 27
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Free Family Summer Activities

- Go for a nature walk
- Set up an obstacle course
- Visit the fire station
- Build a blanket fort inside
- Make microwave s'mores
- Make a painters tape race track
- Visit the library
- Scavenger hunt
- Visit an aquarium
- Pool day
- Visit a local farm
- Go hiking
- Go camping
- Go fishing

Fun June Events

CIVIC CENTER EATS

Wednesdays & Thursdays, May 17th to September 2023
Denver

Civic Center EATS is a one-stop shop for some of the best food on wheels you can find in the Mile High City. Located in Denver's Civic Center Park, there will be about 10 to 15 food trucks selling a myriad of delicious meals.

A TASTE OF COLORADO 2023

Sundays: May 14, June 4, July 9, August 6

Civic Center Park, Denver

Four free Sunday festivals held throughout the summer in collaboration with Viva Streets Denver featuring lots of great local food, arts & crafts booths, and live music, now in its 40th year.

GOPRO MOUNTAIN GAMES

Thur-Sun, June 8-11, 2023, Vail

About: Summer GoPro Mountain Games are the biggest festival of adventure sports, art, and music, held annually in Vail. There are competitions in biking, climbing, fishing, kayaking, slacklining, standup paddling, rafting, running, disc golf, and even events for dogs.

COLORADO MEDIEVAL FESTIVAL

Fri-Sun, June 9-11, 2023, Loveland

It's an outdoor medieval-themed festival with live entertainment including knights, swordsmanship, and music. There'll be plenty of food, beer, craft vendors, and a kid zone. No pets are allowed.

DENVER CHALK ART FESTIVAL

Sat-Sun, June 10-11, 2023

Golden Triangle, Downtown Denver

Watch over 200 artists spend the weekend making the sidewalks of Golden Triangle come to life with brilliant chalk creations.

COLORADO SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Mixed days, June 11 – August 13, 2023, Boulder

About: With over 60 successful seasons under its belt, the Colorado Shakespeare Festival showcases multiple performances of some of Shakespeare's best plays. It's held on varying days on the CU campus.

STRAWBERRY DAYS

Fri-Sun, June 16-18, 2023, Glenwood Springs

126th annual festival is held the third weekend in June every year. It features live music, stage entertainment, a FamilyFest for kids, arts & crafts, a food court, a carnival, and a parade down Grand Avenue. Of course, there are free strawberries and ice cream after the parade.

COLORADO RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

Saturday & Sunday, June 17 – August 6, 2023

650 W Perry Park Ave, Larkspur

The Renaissance Festival is held over 8 weekends in June, July, and August with medieval events for all ages. It's held from 10 am until 6:30 pm each day, rain or shine. Parking is free and no pets are allowed.

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Facts About Your Father's Day Gift

Father's Day is June 20 this year, and the 65 million fathers in the United States (give or take a few million) will bask in familial attention and be showered with gifts—mostly neckties. So where did neckties come from? The earliest known version dates back to 210 B.C., when the Chinese emperor Shih Huang Ti was buried in the ancient Chinese capital Tian. The 7,500 terra cotta warriors built to guard him in the afterlife all wore neck cloths, for reasons unknown.

Similarly, the Roman emperor Trajan erected a marble column in 113 A.D. commemorating a military victory; the 2,500 soldiers depicted all wore some form of cloth neck covering. The modern necktie evolved from the small, knotted neckerchiefs worn by Croatian mercenaries working for the French in the Thirty Years' War. The word cravat derives from a combination of the French "Croate" and the Croatians' own name for themselves, "Hrvati."

With the rise of the business class in the 19th century, demand grew for neckwear that was durable, comfortable, and easy to tie.

In 1926, a New York tie maker named Jesse Langsdorf developed a technique that improved the tie's elasticity, which allowed it to more easily revert to its original shape. The "Langsdorf" became the most common form of necktie. Since then, ties have widened as far as 4.5 inches and thinned to three inches (or skinnier) depending on the current style, but whatever their width, they seem to be here to stay.

Living and Aging Well Luncheon: Adult Fraud

Enjoy lunch, meet local seniors, and discover something new with different entertainment at each luncheon!

Please join the Living & Aging Well Commission in welcoming Jennifer Roger-Flynn, Lone Tree Police Department Victim Advocate, and Deputy Ryan Falkner, Douglas County Sheriff's Office Senior Resource Deputy, to discuss Adult Fraud at the June 12 luncheon!

- When: Monday, June 12, beginning at 11:30 a.m.
- Where: Lone Tree Golf Club and Hotel (9808 Sunningdale Blvd, Lone Tree, CO 80124)
- Cost: \$16 per person, which includes a beverage, lunch, and tip. Registration required.

Payments for the monthly luncheons must be made in advance through the online form. Credit cards, debit cards, and e-checks are accepted payment types through the online reservation system.

Reservations & Cancellations

Lunch reservations through the online payment system will be accepted until 6 p.m. on the Monday one week prior to the event. Cancellations will be accepted and fully refunded until 6 p.m. on the Monday one week prior to the event. Cancellations after this time or "no shows" will not be refunded.

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Film on the Rocks

Movies at Red Rocks returns for it's 24th season. The summer film series will kick off on June 12 at Red Rocks Park and Amphitheatre and feature five blockbuster movies. Each film is preceded by live entertainment.

- Monday, June 12: **Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark**
Pre-show performance: Pathfinder and The Mañanas
- Monday, June 19: **Black Panther: Wakanda Forever**
Pre-show performance: Aquile
- Monday, July 10: **Top Gun: Maverick.** Pre-show performance: Rocket Surgeons
- Monday, July 24: **Mamma Mia!** Pre-show performance: Claire Heywood
- Monday, Aug. 21: **Star Wars: Return of the Jedi.** Pre-show performance: TBD

COST

General Admission tickets \$20/VIP \$35.

There are options for large groups. If you have 20-49 friends that want to attend a movie, it will be \$19 per person. For 50-100 guests it will be \$18 a person, and for 100 or more guests it will be \$17 a person. For more information on group pricing, you can email russel@denverfilm.org.

World Giraffe Day, June 21

World Giraffe Day 2021 is dedicated to Operation Sahel Giraffe II, the second giraffe conservation translocation in Niger. There are only 660 West African giraffes left in the world.

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Centennial Ridge

Neighborhood Update & Recent Market Activity (7 mos)

AVERAGE DAYS (of Solds) in MLS—66

AVERAGE SOLD PRICE— \$675,000

Status	Address	Total Sq Ft	List/Sold Price	Days on Market
Pending	7340 Rattlesnake Dr	2603	\$729,900	3
Sold	10044 Armadillo Dr	3710	\$675,000	82



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The TALE of TWO MARKETS!

What are buyers and sellers experiencing? We simply say “It Depends”! Inventory continues to be perplexing, and stubbornly lower than expected, Active Inventory at the end of April is only up 2.3% from last month.

New Listings for April were around 4,750 while the month before they were 5,100. Year to date, the market has sold some 12,800 Residential Properties, and that is almost 24% less than this time last year! The Average price of a Single Family Home was 4% less than last year. The Average price of Condos and Townhomes was 1.5% less than last year.

So sellers are holding off a bit and Buyers are much more PRICE AND PAYMENT sensitive and sometimes a little picky. It seems as though we still have some Seller indifference, but we may see some of the best opportunities for increased Inventory from Investors that may want to sell their properties before new possible state legislation is passed.

We remain so grateful to have the opportunity to share my knowledge and experience and look forward to helping you navigate your Real Estate needs!

Enjoy this beautiful Spring, as Summer is right around the corner!

**As always, if you have any questions,
 please give me a call!**

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