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10 Things To Do Before School Starts

Soak up the last few weeks of summer with these fun family outings. As you prepare to say goodbye to summer vacation, consider what is left on your list of things to do before school begins. Take a break from back-to-school shopping with these 10 fun ideas. Make the final days and weeks of summer memorable.

- 1. Take a hike.** Set aside a day for a kid-friendly hike, such as St. Mary's Glacier.
- 2. Camp out.** Roast hot dogs and marshmallows in an outdoor fire pit or over the grill. Snuggle up under the stars, point out constellations or play a game of "would you rather" with your kids.
- 3. Bike along Platte River.** It's an outing filled with exercise and fresh air, and you can stop along the way as much as you like.
- 4. Check out a Rockies game.** Head to the ballpark for a hot dog and some action-packed baseball with the whole family.
- 5. Catch a sunrise.** A sunrise in Colorado is one of the most wonderful beauties to witness. Wake your kids up early just one morning (if they aren't already up) to share in the first light of the day.

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Letter From The President

National Night Out – Tuesday, August 1, 2023. Woodbury Hills will be holding our National Night Out on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. Officers from the Jefferson County Sheriff Department and West Metro Fire Department will be joining us for ice cream. We are going to set up again this year in the cul-de-sac on Owens Ct. Blue Bell Ice Cream is kindly donating individual cups of ice cream this year. There will be toppings provided. We will have side walk chalk and bubbles for the kids. Please come join us for ice cream and visit with your neighbors and bring a chair!

Remember that school starts again on Tuesday, August 15th! So please remember that school zones will be in affect again. Please watch for the school buses in the neighborhood. Also, please remove any 2023 graduation signs in your yards.

Please check your email and sign up for the new KC& Associates website.

Keep spraying and pulling the weeds. It is looking great in the neighborhood. Please remember to fill out your ACC requests for your outdoor projects!

Reminder that Waste Management has changed our trash day from Tuesday to Thursday so please remember to have your trash cans out after 6:00pm on Wednesday.

Please check your emails and the Woodbury Hills Facebook page for information happening around the community!

Hope to see you at National Night Out! Tues., August 1st, 6:30 to 8:00pm.
— Mary Allen, President marybethallen@hotmail.com

Concerts in Clement Park

Littleton plays host to Concerts in Clement Park, a series of FREE evening concerts on Thursdays at 7 p.m. Two Performances left at the Grant Family Amphitheater. Bring your family and friends to picnic in the park and enjoy this wide range of talent. Blankets or lawn chairs are allowed. No glass containers.

August 3 — Michael Friedman Band; August 10 — Lucky Catch

Parking is free, but please do not park at Columbine Library. Amenities near the Grant Amphitheater include restrooms, playgrounds, walking paths and picnic shelters. Picnic Shelter rentals are available by calling 303-409-2600. If shelters are not rented, they are available on a first come, first served basis.

—<https://www.ifoohills.org/>

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6. Pick some fruit. Load up the car with the entire crew and head out into the fields to pick fresh berries. It's like an easy treasure hunt with the best payoff ever.

7. Take a sunset stroll. Walk around any of the metro area's beautiful parks in the evening. Choose one with a playground so the kids can play until the sun sets, then stop and admire the last rays as a family.

8. Spend the day at a mountain resort. The winter slopes transform into family-friendly playgrounds each summer, with a plethora of activities the entire crew can enjoy. From scenic chairlift rides to hiking trails and alpine slides, there's a little something for everyone.

9. Drive up Trail Ridge Road. If you have yet to make your way up Trail Ridge Road this season, now is the time. Spend the day enjoying everything that Rocky Mountain National Park has to offer. Make the drive up Trail Ridge Road to stand above the treeline and gaze over miles and miles of mountains and sky. You must make a reservation to get into Rocky Mountain National Park.

10. Ride the Georgetown Loop. A scenic ride on an old mining railroad is an exceptional way to close out the summer with your family. The Georgetown Loop takes reservations online, and for an additional fee, you can enjoy a tour of a mine while learning about the history of gold mining in Colorado.

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August Gardening Calendar

By Eileen Tully, Colorado Master Gardener, CSU

As gardeners, we enter a slower, more easy-going phase in the garden process. There's always something to do in the garden but we don't need to keep up the frenetic pace of planting-mulching-weeding that April and May demand. June's blooms may have faded, but with proper pruning some may make a reappearance in August. July's heat is over and there's still a lot of summer left.



- Peppers can be harvested anytime they achieve the size you need or want.
- Water tomatoes regularly until late August. After that, fruit will ripen more quickly when water is withheld.
- After harvesting and areas become empty sow cover crops, like annual rye grass, often called green manure, to build garden soil.

In August harvesting our gardening efforts has begun, but we can take time to do it right, even enjoy the process. If we pay attention, August presents a wisdom not available any other time of year. The garden is maturing now. We can see our mistakes, our successes, and the intrusions on our efforts that nature presents on her own. In August there's time to look around and appreciate the garden...and then get back to work.

MAJOR CHORES FOR AUGUST

Vegetables:

- Plant spinach and lettuce mid-month for a fall harvest.
- Harvest cucumbers intended for slicing when they are 6 to 8 inches.
- Onions are ready to harvest when their green tops fall over. Lift the bulbs and brush off loose soil. Bring them to a protected area like a porch or covered shed. Lay them out in a single layer on a surface that permits ventilation top and bottom. When the outer skins have turned papery place them in a mesh bag or old panty hose and place them in a dark and cool place.

Lawn:

- Begin lawn renovation and repair. Build up low areas with garden soil and over-seed areas that are thin or bare.
- Attack persistent weeds like bindweed with a 2, 4-D product. But the ultimate goal is to grow a thick healthy turf that will choke out weeds.

Garden:

- Newly planted perennials, trees and shrubs need consistent watering to get established.
- Fertilize roses for the last time around August 15th. Fertilizing later may stimulate new succulent growth that could damage the plant if there is an early frost.
- Divide spring blooming perennials if needed. Ways to tell if a perennial needs to be divided is if the plant has a 'hole' in the middle and doesn't look as attractive as it used to, if blooms decrease or stop altogether or if the plant is crowding out neighboring plants.

Take advantage of plant sales. Usually starting mid-to-late-August and into September many nurseries will have plants sales with prices as much as 50% off.

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Create a Message Center: Life can be chaotic during the school year with all those online class meetings, sports practices and rehearsals. Create a message center so everyone in the family can keep track of schedules and appointments. You can build a home message center or purchase one that is ready to go.

Stock up on Supplies: Whether you homeschool your child or send them off to a private or public school, there's a good chance they'll need some supplies. Many schools provide a list of everything your child will need. Stock up on pencils, erasers, markers and rulers now so they are ready to go on day one. And keep your school supplies organized so you can find everything when you need them.

Get a Lap Desk: A lap desk is perfect for doing school assignments on the go. It can function as a laptop stand, travel desk, breakfast table, kids study desk and much more. There's also extra storage space under the desktop. And the legs fold in flat, making these trays easy to store and portable. It's the perfect accessory for your school technology.

Prepare for Morning: Now's the time to prepare for those hectic early mornings. Get in the habit now of making lunches the night before. About two weeks before school starts, have your children go to bed a little earlier each night and wake up to an alarm clock so they're ready for the first day.

Get An Insulated Lunch Box: Back to school also means packing your child's lunch each morning. This insulated lunch box will keep everything cool (or warm) until they're ready to eat.

Make Sure Work is Completed: Was your child assigned school work to complete over the summer? Make sure they've done their reading and any summer homework packets.

Create a Backpack Station: Set up a backpack and coat station. This can be installed in an entryway or mudroom as a designated spot for kids to hang their belongings when they come home each day. It can also help cut down on clutter.

Choose Outfits: Get your kids in the habit of choosing clothes for the week on Sunday. Have your child lay out his or her clothes that they plan to wear the night before. Not only will this make mornings less chaotic, but it may even help cut down on your laundry throughout the week.

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Columbine Kiwanis Club is an active service group in the south Jeffco area. We work with nonprofits and local schools to help the community. Our emphasis is on children and food banks. We do have many fun social events. If you want to volunteer with our community, check us out. at columbinekiwanis.org. We invite you to come for a free breakfast Wednesday at 6:45am at 4Gs restaurant, 5950 S Platte Canyon Rd, Littleton, CO 80123. You do not need to join the club to help with our service projects. For information email me at kensweet@gmail.com.

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