



Happy

March

As we bid farewell to winter and eagerly anticipate the arrival of Spring, March brings with it a sense of transition and renewal. At PPRS, we see change as an opportunity for growth and innovation. Join us as we embrace the possibilities that lie ahead and work together to create positive change in our lives and communities.

This month, we can expect to see gradual shifts in the weather as we transition from the chill of winter to the warmth of spring. While temperatures may still fluctuate, longer days and the promise of blooming flowers remind us that brighter days are ahead. Be sure to stay updated on local weather forecasts to make the most of outdoor activities and events. Don't forget to "spring forward" on March 10th as Daylight Saving Time begins. Remember to set your clocks forward one hour before going to bed on the evening of March 9th. While losing an hour of sleep can be an adjustment, the longer daylight hours offer more opportunities to enjoy the outdoors and soak up the sunshine.

Wishing you a March filled with warmth, joy, and new beginnings!

Your PPRS Admin Staff

MARCH

HOLIDAYS

- 1-Peanut Butter Lover's Day
- 3-National Anthem Day
- 6-National Frozen Food Day
- 8-Popcorn Lover's Day
- 10-Middle Name Pride Day
- 11-Johnny Appleseed Day
- 12-Girl Scouts Day
- 14-National Pi(e) Day
- 14-Potato Chip Day
- 15-Ides of March
- 16-No Selfies Day
- 17-St. Patrick's Day
- 21-World Down Syndrome Day
- 22-National Goof Off Day
- 23-National Chips and Dip Day
- 23-National Puppy Day
- 24-National Chocolate Covered Raisin Day
- 25-Palm Sunday (varies each year)
- 25-Waffle Day
- 26-National Spinach Day
- 28-Something on a Stick Day
- 30-Good Friday (varies each year)
- 30-Take a Walk in the Park Day





ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Lunch Box Jokes

Why can't you borrow money from a leprechaun?
Because they're always a little short.

What kind of bow can't be tied?
A rainbow!

Why should you never iron a four-leaf clover?
Because you don't want to press your luck!

What do you call a clumsy Irish dance?
A jig mistake.

Where can you always find gold?
In the dictionary!

Knock Knock.
Who's there?
Irish.
Irish who?
Irish you a Happy St. Patrick's Day!

What do you call a fake stone in Ireland?
A shamrock.

Why do frogs like St. Patrick's Day?
Because they are always wearing green.

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MARCH CRAFT IDEAS



UPCOMING PPRS SPONSORED EVENTS



Challenger Baseball: "To provide an opportunity for individuals with intellectual and physical challenges to enjoy the benefits of Little League participation in an environment structured to their abilities."



Alpine Autism Center 17th Annual "Run for the One" 5k

Walk/Run

Saturday April 27th, 2024

Colorado Springs, CO

[Official Website](#)

SUPPORTING LGBTQ+ IN THE PIKES PEAK REGION!



PIKES PEAK PRIDE FESTIVAL & PARADE

JUNE 8TH & 9TH, 2024

ALAMO SQUARE PARK

FESTIVAL: 10AM-7PM - SAT & SUN

PARADE: 11AM ON SUNDAY



Autism
Vision of Colorado

**Sensory-friendly Egg
Hunt for All Ages**
March 23rd from 10am to noon
@ 1930 Frequent Flyer Pt.
**FREE TO ALL, BUT
REGISTRATION REQUIRED**
REGISTER AT: [HTTPS://BUYTICKETS.AT/
AUTISMVISIONOFCOLORADO/1168733](https://buytickets.at/AUTISMVISIONOFCOLORADO/1168733)

OR VISIT THIS QR CODE: 

2024 COLORADO FREE DAYS

<p>Denver Zoo 2300 Steele St. Denver denverzoo.org</p> <p>1/5 & 1/21 2/11 4/7 11/1, 11/9, 11/17</p> <p>Must reserve free tickets 7 days prior to free day. First come, first serve lottery system.</p>	<p>Clyfford Still Museum 1250 Bannock St. Denver clyffordstillmuseum.org</p> <p>2/29 4/28 7/28 11/2 (10am-10pm)</p> <p>Must reserve free tickets 7 days prior to free day. There are also pay as you wish days offered.</p>	<p>Denver Botanic Gardens 1007 York St. Denver 8500 W Deer Creek Canyon Rd. Littleton denverbotanicgardens.org</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>1/15</td><td>6/5</td></tr> <tr><td>2/15</td><td>7/3</td></tr> <tr><td>3/9</td><td>8/28</td></tr> <tr><td>4/22</td><td>11/29</td></tr> </table> <p>Must reserve free tickets the 1st of the month. No onsite tickets available.</p>	1/15	6/5	2/15	7/3	3/9	8/28	4/22	11/29																								
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BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

	Phyllia S.	2nd
Vanessa M.	1st	Malcom M.
Alicia P.	2nd	Emiliano C.
		4th

Joseph C.	5th	Gabriel Y.	17th
Shannah O.	5th	Amber A.	18th
Tina W.	5th	Carrie H.	19th
Mackenzie Y.	5th	Dara J.	19th
Leah F.	10th	Linda B.	20th
Laticia L.	10th	Haley T.	20th
Justin R.	11th	Kylee W.	23rd
		Aleida T.	24th
		Tanea Z.	25th
		Ciara M.	27th
David F.	16th		
Luis L.	16th		



1 Year

Chelsea A.
Sheena A.
Alycia J.

Ashyrion C.
Renee F.
Debra M.

Vicky J.
Mindi M.
Benjamin P.
Mindy P.

Ryan M.
Ella O.
Star S.

Valerie D.

2 Years

Katie G.

Kathleen R.

3 Years

Daniel S.

Janell J.
Lisa R.

4 Years

Ingrid M.

From The Admin Team

Submitting shifts before the time of completion is not allowed. You cannot have a parent/guardian/client sign for a shift before the shift is over, no matter what the parent/guardian/client/provider tells you.

Virtual monitoring's will happen with a member of admin via Microsoft Teams. We will send paperwork, including shift verification to the parent/guardian/client to make sure shifts are correct.

ISSP, Protocols, and IBSSP will be sent via Adobe with the name under Lucas Inc, Pikes Peak Respite Services, or compliance team. The parent/guardian/client and providers will need sign and initial in the appropriate places. It is important that each person reads those documents for accuracy or for any changes needed.

PPRS Facebook Page

For the most up to date news and Events
like our Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/PikesPeakRespiteServices>

PPRS NEWSFLASH GROUP

Join our Facebook News flash Group to fill
your schedule!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/156823936506856>

We love to see you!
Stop by our office and say hi!

**If you know of any events that would be of interest to our Providers and Families
Let us know!!!**

PPRS is always on the lookout for things for our Providers and Families to do.

We keep a close eye on upcoming events in the areas we serve.

Many times we find out about events a few days or a week before they happen, and always post them to our Facebook Page!

Please like and share our Facebook Page to receive up to the minute news!

Here is a list of a few great places to look for events!

<https://www.coloradosprings.com/events/#!/>

<https://www.pueblo.us/2801/Events>

<https://www.denver.org/events/>

<https://www.fcgov.com/events/>

<https://www.peakradar.com/categories/free-events/>

<https://www.visitcos.com/events/>

<https://ppld.librarymarket.com/>

<http://pueblolibrary.libnet.info/events?et=Kits2Go>

<https://www.denver.org/events/free-events/>

<https://www.larimer.gov/events>

<https://poudrelibraries.evanced.info/signup/>

El Paso

<p>Paws to Read</p>	<p>Where: 832 Village Center Drive When: Every Wednesday 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM What: Children may practice reading skills by reading to a Canine Good Citizen dog. Cost: Free Admission</p>
<p>Sensory-Friendly Egg Hunt</p>	<p>Where: 1930 Frequent Flyer Point, Colorado Springs When: Sat, March 23rd 10am-12pm What: Come and look for a dozen filled eggs at the annual egg hunt. All ages welcome! Cost: Free Admission</p>
<p>Manitou Springs Carnivale Parade</p>	<p>Where: 502 Manitou Avenue, Manitou Springs 80829 When: March 2nd; 1:00pm-3:00pm What: It's tradition in Manitou Springs to march down Manitou Avenue and celebrate Mardi Gras in true fun and funky color that Manitou is known for! So grab your beads and costume-up with us! The more the merrier, so bring your family, your neighbors, your co-workers, your friends, everyone! Cost: Free Admission</p>
<p>Teen Game Night</p>	<p>Where: 685 N Murray Boulevard, Colorado Springs 80915 – Ruth Holley Library When: Join us every 1st and 3rd Tuesday in the Ruth Holley Library Teen Space for Teen Game Night! What: Hang out with your friends for an evening of Nintendo Switch and Xbox games! Teens are welcome to bring their own games from home as well. Come ready to have some fun! Snacks will be provided. Cost: Free Admission</p>
<p>Home Depot Kids Workshop</p>	<p>Where: All Home Depot Locations – see local store for most accurate information When: 1st Saturday of every month 9am-12 noon What: Join us the first Saturday of each month between 9 am – 12 pm for free in-person Kids Workshops. While supplies last. Cost: Free Admission</p>

Pueblo

<p>Easter Celebration at El Centro del Quinto Sol</p>	<p>Where: El Centro del Quinto Sol 609 E. 6th Street Pueblo, CO 81001 When: Saturday, March 30 from 12-2pm! What: FREE Event full of games, crafts and outdoor activities for children of all ages! If you have any questions about the Easter Celebration at El Centro del Quinto Sol please call 719-553-2950 or email jplascencia@pueblo.us Cost: Free Admission</p>
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<p>Scavenger Hunt</p>	<p>Where: Greenhorn Valley When: Wednesday’s What: Find all the pictures and receive a prize Cost: Free Admission</p>

Denver Metro

<p>Botanic Gardens</p>	<p>Where: Botanic Gardens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>York Street</u> 1007 York Street Denver, CO 80206 720-865-3500 ○ <u>Chatfield Farms</u> 8500 West Deer Creek Canyon Road Littleton, CO 80128 720-865-3500 <p>When: 2024 Free Days for York Street and Chatfield Farms</p> <p>Monday, Jan. 15 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day) Thursday, Feb. 15 Saturday, March 9 Monday, April 22 (Earth Day) Wednesday, June 5 Wednesday, July 3 Wednesday, Aug. 28 Friday, Nov. 29 (Thanksgiving Friday)</p>
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	<p>2024 Free Days at Plains Conservation Center Thursday, Jan. 18, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Saturday, March 16, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Thursday, June 13, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday, July 13, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.</p> <p>What: Free Days occur throughout the year, thanks to funding from the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD). Cost: Free Days – Please visit website for details and free tickets. www.botanicgardens.org/events/free-days</p>
<p>Free Day at the Denver Art Museum</p>	<p>Where: Denver Art Museum: 100 W. 14th Ave. Pkwy. Denver, CO 80204</p> <p>When:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday, January 9 • Saturday, January 27 • Tuesday, February 13 • Tuesday, March 12 • Sunday, March 24 • Tuesday, April 9 • Sunday, April 28 • Tuesday, May 14 • Tuesday, June 11 • Tuesday, July 9 • Sunday, July 21 • Tuesday, August 13 • Saturday, September 7 • Tuesday, September 10 • Tuesday, October 8 • Saturday, November 2 • Tuesday, November 12 • Tuesday, December 10 <p>What: Engage with art, explore onsite activities, and experience exhibitions on view all while enjoying free admission! Advance ticket reservations are encouraged. Cost: Free</p>

<p>Hammonds Factory Candy Tour</p>	<p>Where: Hammond’s Candies 5735 Washington St, Denver CO 80216 When: Recurring weekly on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday What: Bring your curiosity and your sweet tooth for a complimentary tour of our factory. Thousands of kids and kids at heart visit us every year to watch as their favorite treats are pulled, twisted, shaped and packaged by hand</p>
<p>Mining Museum of Earth Science</p>	<p>Where: Mines Museum of Earth Science 1310 Maple St., Golden, 303-273-3815 When: Open Monday to Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. What: It has two floors displaying fossils, gemstones, meteorites, minerals and mining artifacts. Cost: Free Admission</p>
<p>U.S. Mint of Denver</p>	<p>Where: 320 W. Colfax Ave., Denver When: Guided tours are offered at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday What : FREE tours show every step in the process of turning dull, blank metal slugs into shiny pocket change. Cost: Free Admission</p>
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[Larimer County](#)

<p>Fort Collins Winter Farmers Market</p>	<p>Where: 215 East Foothills Parkway When: Saturday, Jan 27, 2024 from 10:00am to 2:00pm Saturday, Feb 10, 2024 from 10:00am to 2:00pm Saturday, Feb 24, 2024 from 10:00am to 2:00pm Saturday, Mar 9, 2024 from 10:00am to 2:00pm Saturday, Mar 23, 2024 from 10:00am to 2:00pm Saturday, Apr 6, 2024 from 10:00am to 2:00pm What: Farmers Market Cost: Free Admission</p>
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Tiny Trekkers	Where: Lions Open Space 2425 N. Overland Trail Laporte, CO 80535 When: What: Bring your 2–5-year-old for a morning filled with nature exploration, stories, and connection with our amazing natural world. A parent or guardian must accompany the child for this program. Registration is required but the program is free. Please call Natural Resources main desk at (970) 619-4564 or 4570 the night before or day of program to cancel or inquire about availability. Cost: Free Admission
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