# Pikes Peak Respite Services



# Newsletter

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As the leaves change colors and the air turns crisp, we welcome the beautiful season of fall. In this month's newsletter, we're here to support you on your caregiving journey with valuable tips and updates to help you provide the best care during this cozy season.

#### 1. Fall Safety Tips

With the changing weather and outdoor conditions, safety becomes a top priority. Here are some essential fall safety tips for caregivers:

- Ensure everyone has appropriate clothing for cooler weather.
- Keep walkways clear of fallen leaves to prevent slips and trips.
- Check heating systems to ensure they are functioning properly.
- Prepare for daylight saving time adjustments.

#### 2. Seasonal Activities

Engaging in seasonal activities can boost the mood and create memorable moments. Consider these fall-themed activities:

- Pumpkin carving or painting.
- Nature walks to enjoy the fall foliage.
- Baking autumn treats together.
- Visiting local fall festivals or farmers' markets.

#### 3. Flu Shots and Health Updates

Now is the time to schedule flu shots for both you and your loved one. Consult your healthcare provider for guidance on vaccinations and other health updates specific to this season.

#### 4. Emotional Well-being

Caregiving can be emotionally challenging. Don't forget to take care of yourself as well. Reach out to friends and family for support or consider joining a caregiver support group.

#### 5. Preparing for the Holidays

The holiday season is just around the corner. Start planning early to make the festivities enjoyable and stress-free for you and your loved one. We'll provide more tips in next month's newsletter!

Thank you for your dedication to caregiving! PPRS

# October 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1. International Coffee Day	2. International Day of Non- Violence	3. National Techies Day 🖺	4. World Animal Day & 🐧 🐯 🚳 🐴 🐯 🛎	5. World Teachers' Day 📳	6. World Smile Day <b>⊕</b>	
	9. World Post Day 📮	10. World Mental Health Day ②	11. National Coming Out Day <b>■</b>	12. World Sight Day ⊚		14. National Dessert Day
	16. Boss's Day		18. National Chocolate Cupcake Day		20. World Osteoporosis Day &	21. Back to the Future Day
22. National Make a Difference Day		24. United Nations Day	25. World Pasta Day 🎳			28. International Animation Day
	30. National Checklist and Publicist Day	31. Halloween				

# October is Disability History and Awareness Month





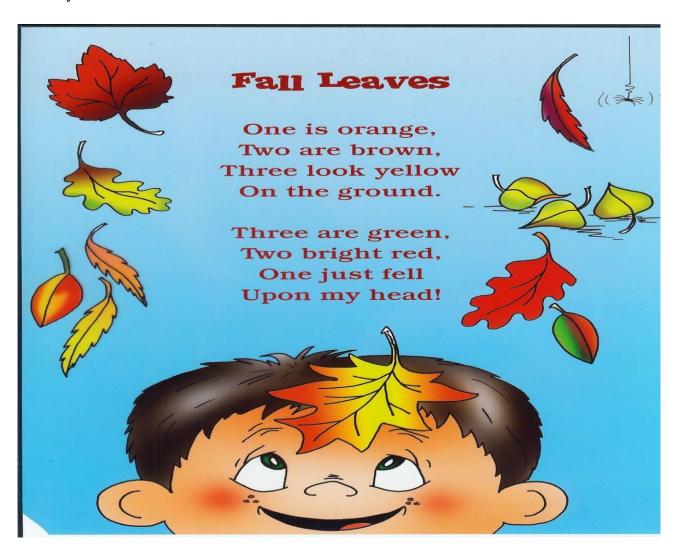


Homemade Applesauce

3 Pounds Apples
½ C. Water
2 Tablespoons Fresh Lemon Juice
¼ C. White Sugar (optional)
½ Teaspoon Ground Cinnamon
¼ Teaspoon Salt

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Place the peeled, cored, quartered and chopped apples in a large pot. Stir in the 1/2 cup of water, lemon juice, sugar (if using), 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon, and salt. Bring to a boil over high heat. Once simmering, reduce heat to low and cover pot with a tight-fitting lid. Maintain a low simmer for 30 minutes or until the apples are completely soft and cooked through.
- 2. Once fully cooked, remove from heat. For chunky applesauce, mash the apples directly in the pot using a potato masher. For smooth applesauce, add the apples to a food processor or blender and blend until smooth (if using a blender, work in batches and allow time to cool), or use a hand-held immersion blender and blend directly in the pot.
- 3. This applesauce is delicious served warm or cold.









### SENSORY FRIENDLY FOR ALL AGES OCTOBER 21ST, 10am-2pm @ 1901 N. UNION BLVD - INTERIM

#### WE'LL HAVE:

- \* bounce house \* food truck
- \* tace painter \* balloon artist ...and more!

# A \$5 donation is required to secure your spot. SIGN UP AT:

<u>https://buytickets.at/</u> <u>autismvisionofcolorado/1010137</u>



# a month of crafts & activities to October



<u>Pin on Where Imagination Grows (pinterest.co.uk)</u> https://www.pinterest.co.uk/pin/409757266101293968/



Jeffry C. 1st

Asha C. 5th

Jerica H. 6th

Raquelle B. 9th

Dena V. 10th

Hannah k. 18th

Vilma M. 18th

Daesha W. 18th

Kathleen R. 19th

Kary T. 19th

Reace Z. 19th

Paul H. 22nd

Tamara M. 22nd

Renee F. 23rd

Tiffany P. 28th

Mary P. 29th



#### 1 Year

Fahra B.

Brittany C.

Manuel D.

Roberta S.

Kristina W.

Nicole B.

Asia M.

Ciera H.

#### 2 Years

Vanessa M

McKenna R.

#### 3 Years

Amanda R.

Rene C.

Sabina R.

#### 4 Years

Stacie C.

#### 7 Years

Calista H.

## Jessica's Corgi Corner

Danny was completely disappointed! He was not able to participate in the 1st Annual Florida Corgi Derby it was canceled due to rain and lightning! It will be rescheduled we just don't know when yet. I will keep you posted.

Providers, please make sure you take the time with visit notes. Check and see you have your signature, and the goals are addressed if it's a goal based service. It avoids your note going into rejected. Everyone is so amazing thank you so much for your Hard work!!

~Jessica



# From The Admin Team

From the Compliance Team:

Effective immediately:

- \* All ISSPs, IBSSPs, and Protocols will be sent via Adobe Acrobat Sign by our compliance team.
  - \* Providers must sign and initial to acknowledge receipt and understanding.
  - \* Compliance with Pikes Peak Respite Services requires signing for record-keeping and is mandatory.
  - \* Signed documents are legally binding, making you responsible for the content.
  - \* Google Drive email acknowledgments will no longer be accepted and all access to the google drive has been removed.

For needed documents like an ISSP, IBSSP, or Protocols, contact the compliance team via email and we will send them as soon as possible via Adobe.

#### **PPRS Facebook Page**

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

 $\frac{https://www.facebook.com/PikesPeak}{RespiteServices}$ 

#### PPRS NEWSFLASH GROUP

Join our Facebook News flash Group to fill your schedule! https://www.facebook.com/groups/1568239 36506856

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 abut events a few days or a week before they happen, and always post them to ourFacebook Page!

Please like and share our Febook 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/

 $\underline{https://www.visitcos.com/events/}$ 

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

ELLASO	
Paws to Read	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
Emma	Where: Manitou Springs
Crawford	When: Saturday, October 29th
Coffin Races	What: This one-day festival is FREE and is preceded by a coffin
& Parade	parade. There will also be a free after-party featuring live entertainment at Soda Springs Park at 5 PM. Without a doubt, there is FUN in the word funeral in Manitou Springs.  Cost: Free Admission
Night at the	Where: Ivywild School Gym
Movies	When: Oct 5, 2023 at 07:00 pm - 09:00 pm (Thu) What: Hocus Pocus 1993, PG, 1h 36m Cost: Free Admission
Music in the	Where: 2408 West Colorado Avenue
Park	When: Every Tuesday June – October. 6pm – 8pm.
	What: Music in the Park
	Cost: Free Admission
<b>Home Depot</b>	Where: All Home Depot Locations – see local store for most accurate
Kids	information
Workshop	When: 1st Saturday of every month 9am-12 noon
	<b>What:</b> 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
Fall Fun Fest	Where: First & Main Town Center When: October 14 <sup>th,</sup> 10am-3:00pm
	What: Artisan Market
	Live Music by Wirewood Station
	Kids activities including: Face Painting, Bounce House, Pumpkin
	Painting, & Balloon Animals
	Costume Contests with prizes for kids AND pets
	and MORE!
	Cost: Free Admission

#### Pueblo

Trunk-or- Treat	Where: Pueblo West When: October 31 <sup>st</sup> , 4pm-6pm What: Enjoy balloon animals, face painting, free books, candy, toys, popcorn and more! While supplies last.	
	Cost: Free	
Home Depot Kids Workshop	Where: All Home Depot Locations – see local store for most accurate information	

	When: 1st Saturday of every month 9am-12 noon		
	<b>What:</b> 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		
Halloweek	Where: Lamb Library When: 10/27: Fantasy Friday		
	10/28: Superhero Saturday		
	10/29: CLOSED		
	10/30: Magical Monday		
	10/31: Happy Halloween (no theme)		
	What: Costume fun at the library the week leading up to Halloween		
	Stop by the Lamb Library in costume according to the theme for the day and earn a prize!		
	Cost: Free Admission		
Scavenger Hunt	Where: Greenhorn Valley When: October 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup> , 28th		
	What: Find all the pictures and receive a prize		
	Cost: Free Admission		

#### **Denver Metro**

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Denver	Where: Denver Zoo: 2300 Steele St, Denver, Co 80205	
Zoo Free	When: 4/9/2023, 10/7/2023, 11/7/2023, 11/12/2023	
Day	What: limited number of tickets for each Free Day, using an online	
	lottery system. Follow steps at the website to enter the lottery for 5 free	
	tickets.	
	Denver Zoo Free Days	
	Cost: Free Admission	
Free Day at		
the Denver	80204	
Art	When: 4/11/2023, 4/30/2023, 5/9/2023, 5/14/2023, 6/13/2023,	
Museum	7/11/2023, 7/30/2023, 8/8/2023, 9/9/2023, 9/12/2023, 10/10/2023,	
Museum	11/4/2023, 11/14/2023, 12/12/2023	
	,	
	What: Engage with art, explore onsite activities, and experience	
	exhibitions on view all while enjoying free admission! Advance ticket	
	reservations are encouraged.	
	Cost: Free	
	Where: Hammond's Candies	
Hammonds	5735 Washington St, Denver CO 80216	
Factory	When: Recurring weekly on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,	
Candy	Friday, Saturday	
Tour	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
Mining Museum of Earth Science	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
Denver Botanic Gardens	Where: 1007 York St. Denver, Colorado 80206 When: 4/22/2023, 6/6/2023, 7/5/2023, 8/15/2023, 11/24/2023 What: Free Days occur throughout the year, thanks to funding from the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD). Advanced online registration is required to ensure that we can accommodate people safely given ongoing COVID-19 concerns. Free Days are for regular Gardens hours only and do not include ticketed events Cost: Free Admission
U.S. Mint of Denver	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
Home Depot Kids Workshop	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

**Larimer County** 

Larimer	Where: Fort Collins
County	200 W. Oak Street
Farmers	When: Every Saturday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM until October 28th
Market	What: Farmers market
	Cost: Free Admission
	Where: Estes Park
Elk Fest	When: Sept.30th – October 1st
	What: Celebrate Estes Park's resident elk at Estes Park Elk Fest®, a family-friendly festival in Bond Park (170 MacGregor Ave). Enjoy
	vendors, live music, food trucks, bugling contests, performances and
	more!
	Cost: Free Admission
Tiny	Where: Lions Open Space
Trekkers	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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Florissant Fossil Beds National	Where: 15807 Co Rd, Florissant CO When:		
Monument	<ul> <li>January 16: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</li> <li>April 22: First day of National Park Week</li> <li>August 4: Anniversary of the Great American Outdoors Act</li> <li>September 23: National Public Lands Day</li> <li>November 11: Veterans Day</li> </ul>		
	What: Come experience the national parks! All National Park Service sites that charge an entrance fee will offer free admission to everyone. Mark your calendar for these entrance fee–free dates in 2023  Cost: Free		
Parks and	Where: Greenhorn Valley		
Recreation	When:		
Family Fun Festival	What: Every Friday morning, families are invited to the library for crafts,		
i estivai	games, or another activity. All ages welcome, guardian participation is		
	recommended. Supplies are provided but are limited.		
	Cost: Free Admission		
Hallow- Palooza	Where: Woodland Park When: Pumpkin Dive Saturday October 21, 2023   6:00 PM - 8:00 PM   Woodland Aquatic Center (111 N Baldwin St)  Dive for pumpkins at the Woodland Aquatic Center! This fun, spooky event is kid friendly and will feature pumpkin diving, pumpkin decorating, caramel apple walk, and more!  Trick or Treat in Memorial Park Friday October 27, 2023   3:30 PM - 5:00 PM   Memorial Park (200 N Park St)		

Walk about Woodland Park's most loved community park and collect candy along the way! This event features numerous businesses in our community with fun activities! Wear your best costume and be prepared for some sugar-filled fun!

Costume Cornhole Tournament
Friday October 27, 2023 | 6:00 PM | Ute Pass Cultural Center (210 E Midland Ave) | Ages 18+

Costume Cornhole is getting spooky! Grab a friend, get dressed up and enjoy the boos and booze with this fun twist on a Cornhole Tournament. Top 3 winners will get a cash prize. Make sure to wear your spookiest outfit (Winner receives a trophy!)

Bark in the Park

Saturday October 28, 2023 | 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Golden Meadows Dog Park (2000 Evergreen Heights Dr)

Bring your furry friends out to the park! Do you believe your pup has the best costume, best tricks, or even the best parent pup duo? Join the contests! 1st place winner from each contest will receive a trophy!

What: We need YOU to help make this ghoulish affair a success! The City of Woodland Park, Parks and Recreation department has YOU covered! Featuring 4 fun events, you're bound to have a spook-tacular time! Hallow-Palooza is a fun, exciting series of events for the Woodland Park Community. The Parks & Recreation Department, Ute Pass Cultural Center, and Woodland Aquatic Center have come together to give our community 4 FUN FILLED events leading up to Halloween! Cost: Free