

# Happenings

JUNE 2025



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## “A SOMETHING IN A SUMMER’S DAY”

by Emily Dickinson

*A something in a summer’s Day  
As slow her flambeaux burn away  
Which solemnizes me.*

*A something in a summer’s noon—  
An Akin going home—  
And so I always thought when I was a Boy  
And heard the thunder come.*

*A something in a summer’s night—  
As if the light were all gone out  
And then the morning broke.*

*There seemed that Paradise had been  
A little while before—  
And then the Garden slipped away,  
And I, a Child, no more.*







RIDE TO END ALZHEIMER'S – JUNE 8TH, 2025

*There is still time to give to The Ride!*

Also, **on Sunday June 8th**, the 75-mile ride will leave Canvas Stadium at 7:15am and come right up Centre Avenue! If you happen to be out for an early morning walk, you might be able to catch me riding by!

There is a QR code below that will take you to our donation page. You may also go to [act.alz.org/goto/hiyatoots](https://act.alz.org/goto/hiyatoots) OR you may pick up donation forms at the Worthington Front Desk.

Together, we can all help in the fight to cure Alzheimer's Disease.

**UPDATE:** We can now add my sister, Karen Baker to the list of riders! She will also be riding my mom's bike! Chelsea Irwin, Administrator from the Winslow has also joined the team!



▲ Guest Bartending Fundraiser at Verboten North - Ride to End Alzheimer's 2025.

◀ Columbine Staff at the Ride Fundraiser.



JUNE SPECIAL HOLIDAYS & DATES

- June 5**  
**World Environment Day** – A global event encouraging awareness and action for the protection of the environment.

**Eid al-Adha Begins** – A significant Islamic festival commemorating the willingness of Ibrahim to sacrifice his son in obedience to God.
- June 6**  
**National Donut Day** – Celebrate with free donuts at participating shops and honor the Salvation Army's "Donut Lassies" who served treats to soldiers during WWI.

**June 8**  
**National Best Friends Day** – A day to appreciate and celebrate your closest friends.
- June 11**  
**Loving Day** – Honoring the 1967 Supreme Court decision that legalized interracial marriage in the U.S.

**Full Strawberry Moon** – The full moon of June, named for the strawberry harvest season.
- June 14**  
**Flag Day** - Commemorates the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States, which happened on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress.

**June 15**  
**Father's Day** – Celebrate fathers and father figures with gifts, cards, and quality time.
- June 19**  
**Juneteenth** – Commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African Americans in the U.S.

**June 20**  
**Summer Solstice** – The longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere, marking the official start of summer.
- World Refugee Day** – Recognizes the strength and courage of refugees worldwide.

**June 24**  
**Midsummer** – A celebration of the summer solstice traditions.
- June 26**  
**National Chocolate Pudding Day** – Indulge in this creamy dessert.





# WHAT'S GOIN' ON?

## TORINO CIRCLE LUNCH BUNCH

“Going Out to Eat” ranked #2 in a recent Patio Home Activity Survey. It was also established that the 2nd Thursday of each month works the best for the majority of the residents. In addition, the host/hostess is on a volunteer basis and gets to choose their favorite restaurant or try something new.

**Our 2nd lunch is as follows:  
THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025**

**11:30 a.m.**

Moot House

2626 S. College Ave.

Fort Collins, CO

**RSVP By June 10, 2025**

**to Mary Clark**

**(970) 420-0318 (call or text)**

Email: mclark1440@gmail.com

## MAH JONGG GROUP FORMING

Would you be interested in learning and playing?

We are forming a group!

**Contact us for more information:**

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## THIS MONTH WITH CHAPLAIN REBECCA MCFEE!

Rebecca, the Chaplin, will be back **on Thursday afternoons at 2:30 pm in the Activity Room** to continue her Great Course class on Native Americans of North America. Rebecca would love for you to join her for these great discussions:

## THE TOPICS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

**Thursday, June 5th** – The Indian Wars of the Far West

**Thursday, June 12th** – Assimilation and Allotment

**Thursday, June 19th** – American Indians and the Law

**Thursday, June 26th** – The Ghost Dance and Peyote Road

*The series will be presented every Thursday in June from 2:30 – 3:30pm in the Worthington Activity Room.*

## HYMN SING

Come join our Chaplain, Rebecca McFee, **every Tuesday at 11am** for Hymn Sing and scripture **in the Worthington Town Hall**. All are welcome!

## ROLLERS & STROLLERS

Join the patio home residents **every Wednesday at 10am** as they “Roll ‘n Stroll” around the circle. A great way to get some fresh air and connect with your neighbors. The weather is nice, come out and get some exercise with friends!

## DISCOVER “LIFESCAPES AND ANTHROSCOPES” — PART 6 OF KEVIN’S NATURE SERIES

Join Kevin **on June 12th at 10:00am in the Worthington Activity Room** for the fifth installment of his always-popular nature series! This year’s theme, “Colography: The Nitty-Gritty Colorado,” offers a fun and fascinating blend of Colorado’s natural history and human impact on the landscape.

In this session, titled “*Lifescapes and Anthroscopes*,” Kevin explores how life across Colorado varies from region to region. As he explains:

“Precipitation and temperature shape where plants grow; plant communities, in turn, determine which animals thrive. Human activity changes the land in ways that only some wildlife can adapt to—turning Colorado into a patchwork of lifescapes and anthroscopes.”

This unique and thought-provoking presentation is perfect for anyone curious about how nature and humanity shape each other across the Centennial State.

**Don’t miss it!**

**Sign-up required!** Call 970-490-1000

## DECIPHERING HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS

Please join us **on Thursday, June 19th at 11am in the Worthington Activities Room**. Denise, Activity Director at Worthington, is starting a workshop where she and residents will be deciphering and figuring out what historical documents say. The US National archives is asking for help in deciphering thousands of cursive written documents dating back to the civil war and beyond. Computer programs have failed to correctly translate these documents properly since there is so much diversity in handwriting. Therefore, they need human eyes to do it, especially older adults who are better versed in the art. The first meeting will be an overview of the program and how it works and who it benefits then in the following meetings we will get down to work by translating the documents. If you have an interest in helping, please join us.

## MAJORIE MORNINGSTAR: A JOURNEY TO MAINE

Once again Marjorie will join us at The Worthington for a travelogue **on Wednesday, June 18th at 2:30pm in the Worthington Activity Room**. This time, she will be taking you to the wonderful state of Maine! Marjorie combines her own photos and experiences along with known history, geography, and trivia from the area. It’s always a fascinating presentation. **Sign-up required!** Call 970-490-1000

## STEP BACK IN TIME WITH MARY ELITCH – A LIVING HISTORY PRESENTATION

**Join us in the Activities Room on June 11th at 2:30pm** for a captivating portrayal of Colorado historical figure Mary Elitch Long.

Mary Elitch was a true pioneer—co-founder of Denver’s iconic Elitch Gardens, she was the first woman to own and manage a zoo west of Chicago, and one of the first women to operate a theater. An author of children’s books and a trailblazer in entertainment and education, she earned her place in the Colorado Women’s Hall of Fame in 1996.

A member of the Loveland Historical Society will bring Mary’s remarkable story to life in full period costume, sharing her accomplishments and legacy in a unique, first-person presentation.

Don’t miss this educational and entertaining event—perfect for history enthusiasts and anyone who loves a good story!

## TORINO CIRCLE DISCUSSION GROUP

**Please join us Monday, June 9th at 10am** for our monthly Discussion Group!

**Hostess:** Victoria Benson

**Address:** 817 Torino Circle

**Phone:** 302-593-2286

## GUEST SPEAKER EVENT: ONCE UPON A YEAR WITH JIM WILLARD

*Thursday, June 19th at 11:00 AM*

We’re excited to welcome back Jim Willard for his popular series, *Once Upon a Year!* **Join us on Thursday, June 19th at 11:00am** for a nostalgic journey through time.

In this engaging program, Jim will take us on a trip down memory lane—exploring notable moments from years past, including highlights in world events, politics, pop culture, music, and entertainment. It’s a fascinating and fun look at the decades that shaped our lives.

This event fills up fast, so sign-ups are required! **Reserve your spot today by calling 970-490-1000.**

***Don’t miss out on this entertaining and enlightening stroll through history!***

## BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Did you know that the Worthington holds a Blood Pressure Clinic run by Columbine Nurses and CNAs **every third Friday of each month from 10am to 11am?** This is a free service and open to our patio home residents. **Next clinic is Friday, June 20th, in the Worthington Galleria Coffee Shop.**

## THE TORINO CIRCLE WOMEN’S BOOK CLUB

**June 16th, 2025 at 10:00am**, will find us at the home of Barb Hagen (#847). Barb will be leading our discussion of the book *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande.

*Being Mortal* is a book that gives us information “through eye-opening research and gripping stories of his (Gawande’s) patients and families. Gwande reveals that when it comes to the inescapable realities of aging and death, what medicine can do often runs counter to what it should.”

*Barbara Hagen and Carol Herbert, Co-Organizers*

If you are new to our community or would like to join our group, but haven’t read the book, join us anyway. We’d enjoy having you there. Any questions about joining, or anything else about the group, **please contact Barbara Hagen at (970) 219-9600** or e-mail her at [bhagen6NT@gmail.com](mailto:bhagen6NT@gmail.com)

## NEW! TORINO CIRCLE GENTLEMEN’S BOOK CLUB

**The second meeting of this new group is Monday, June 16th, 2025 at 10:00am** at the home of Frank Tranzow (#853) The book “*The Women*” by Kristin Hannah will be discussed. If you are a new resident; didn’t make the first meeting, or haven’t read the book, you are more than welcome to attend. It’s a good way to meet your neighbors.

**Questions call Bob Clark at (970) 420-0318.** See you there!

## MONTHLY MEN’S BREAKFAST

*Friday, June 27 at 8:00 AM*

Start your morning off right! Join the men of our community for our Monthly Men’s Breakfast **on Friday, June 27th at 8:00am in the Worthington Private Dining Room.**

Enjoy a hearty breakfast, hot coffee, and meaningful conversation in great company. It’s a perfect way to kick off the day—relaxed, social, and satisfying.

We look forward to seeing you there!

**Sign-up required!**  
**Call 970-490-1000**



## MAINTENANCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Maintenance can assist with hanging personal items as time allows and will provide basic hardware. Any hardware beyond what we consider basic (shelves, nuts, bolts, hangers, TV mount, etc.) for personal use should be supplied by the tenant. Grab bars are supplied and installed free of charge.

**REMINDER:** Maintenance is available on-call for emergent needs on weekends and after hours. Some examples of a maintenance emergency include air conditioning or heat not working, no hot water, water leaks or flooding, and egress-related issues.

**NOTE: If your smoke detector is alarming and saying “fire” or “carbon monoxide”, please contact 911, do not contact the front desk.**

Please do not put nails in any of the doors, woodwork, or cupboards. You may find which hooks are acceptable by checking with maintenance first.

Maintenance is not allowed to work on personal appliances, move tenants' furniture, flip mattresses or work on residents' automobiles or electric scooters.

## MAINTENANCE REMINDERS AND NOTICES:

We are using a new Maintenance Application to hopefully better serve you, **for all work orders please dial the Worthington Front Desk at 970-490-1000** so we can enter it into our system

**Remember, Pest control from EnviroPest occurs once a month on the 28th of each month.** This continues throughout the Winter months.

- Please remember to ask your guests and caregivers to park in the designated parking spaces at the East and West ends of the neighborhood.
- Please remember to call the Worthington for all work orders at 970-490-1000. We ask that you allow **24-48 hours** for call and email responses from Andrew.
- Furnace filters are on a 6-month cycle and will be replaced accordingly, if you notice a large build-up of dust around the vents, please give us a call.
- For a maintenance request or any further questions, call The Worthington front desk at (970) 490-1000.

**For all maintenance requests, concerns, complaints, or any further questions, please call The Worthington front desk at (970) 490-1000.**

**Columbine Patio Homes is dedicated to preventing the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).** The primary source of information for prevention and management is found on the Centers for Disease Control and Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment websites. Social distancing means keeping a physical distance between yourself and others. The CDC recommends a distance of at least 6 feet to prevent the spread of germs. Thank you for helping to keep our community healthy and safe. Please call the Worthington front desk if you are experiencing symptoms of Covid-19.