

THE VILLAGE VOICE

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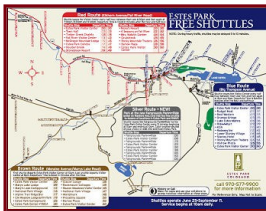
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Happy Independence Day



To see THE VILLAGE VOICE as it's meant to be seen, click at the top to view in your browser.

CELEBRATE YOUR INDEPENDENCE...from downtown traffic & parking hassles. Enjoy the convenience of one stop shopping at NATIONAL PARK VILLAGE, on Moraine Avenue at Mary's Lake Road near the south entrance to Rocky Mountain National Park.



There's lots of free parking & NATIONAL PARK VILLAGE is a shuttle stop on the Brown Line. Catch the bus to Rocky Mountain National Park or go downtown & back. Save gas (and wear & tear on your nerves) by catching the free shuttle in front of THE COUNTRY MARKET.



"What has happened to summer,

That's what I want to know.
Is she on a vacation -
Who knows where did she go?
Tell, what was she wearing;
A zephyr breeze and rosebud
Or grass and wild berry?
Could she be honeymooning
With spring or early fall
Or has she gone so far away
She'll not return at all?"
Dorothy Ardelle Merriam



We were starting to wonder.
Summer weather was very slow
in coming this year but now
that July is here it seems to be
getting better. Keep a sweater
handy just in case, though!
(Photo by Walt Hester -)

THE COUNTRY MARKET



"You have to love a nation that celebrates its independence every July 4, not with a parade of guns, tanks, and soldiers who file by the White House in a show of strength and muscle, but with family picnics where kids throw Frisbees, the potato salad gets iffy, and the flies die from happiness. You may think you have overeaten, but it is patriotism." Erma Bombeck

Make THE COUNTRY MARKET your headquarters for celebrating Picnic Month. You can pick up a hand crafted Boarshead sandwich from the deli or grill up choice steaks, USDA 80% lean burgers or Johnsonville brats from the meat case. Whether it's for 4th of July, Bastille Day or just because, everything you need is right here. We have condiments, salads, fresh fruits & veggies, charcoal, hot dogs, drinks, marshmallows, ice, coolers, chips, even fresh bread & desserts from Aisle 2 Bakery & the Donut Haus here in Estes Park. And don't forget the sunscreen!

Speaking of dessert, THE COUNTRY MARKET is back in the special occasion cake business. Whether you're planning a birthday party, wedding or just because - see Deb to design your perfect cake.

If you're in the mood for something a little lighter, there's a reason July has been designated Blackberry, Blueberry, Peach & Raspberry Months. There's nothing like the taste of summer fruit so enjoy the bounty of our produce case, overflowing with the freshest selections...including organics. Of course they're delicious plain, but why not dress them up a little? Try something like the incredibly easy parfait on the right.

In 1984, President Ronald Reagan designated July as National Ice Cream Month and the third Sunday of the month as National Ice Cream Day. He recognized ice cream as a fun and nutritious food that is enjoyed by a full 90% of the nation's population. In the proclamation, President Reagan called for all people of the United States to observe these events with "appropriate ceremonies and activities."

Ice cream cones have been an Estes Park tradition for longer than anyone can remember - probably so you can walk around & enjoy the scenery along with your treat. THE COUNTRY MARKET deli is waiting for you with the best from Blue Bunny in a variety of flavors & types of cones. Of course, the freezer section has even more selections to take home in case you have late night cravings.

July is Anti-Boredom Month and you'll find all the variety you need at THE COUNTRY MARKET along with the friendly, personal service you've come to enjoy...without traffic or parking hassles. Come see us!

THE VILLAGE STORE

"Each species is a masterpiece, a creation assembled with extreme care and genius." E.O. Wilson

We're fully stocked with the entire line of Mill Creek collectibles. These regal and authentic pieces will be a beautiful reminder



Looking for the perfect patriotic dessert for this weekend? Try this cool & creamy RED, WHITE & BLUEBERRY PARFAIT!



1- 8 oz carton vanilla low-fat yogurt
1/4 t almond extract or 1/2 t vanilla

1/2 of an 8 oz container frozen light whipped dessert topping, thawed

3 c fresh raspberries and/or cut-up fresh strawberries
3 c fresh blueberries

In a large bowl, stir together yogurt and almond extract or vanilla. Fold in whipped topping.

To serve, in six 12-ounce glasses or dessert dishes, alternate layers of the berries with layers of the yogurt mixture. Makes 6 servings

Visitor? Local? Everyone can save with the Rocky Card



of your visit to the Rockies.



You'll find hundreds of ways to celebrate Wild about Wildlife Month at **THE VILLAGE STORE**. There are critters everywhere: t-shirts, jewelry, post cards, statues, decor items, stuffed ones, Christmas ornaments, candy, bears, geese, elk, moose and more.

Estes Park's sun, wind & low humidity can really dry out your skin. If you're already a fan of natural beeswax skin products, you'll love the high-quality, affordable, natural personal care line from the **Naked Bee** in compact, concentrated and convenient sizes. Try **Honey House Naturals Lip Butter, Honey Blossom Soap and Bee Bars**. Of course we're also well stocked with classics from **Burt's Bees**, pioneers in natural beeswax products.

It's been said for many years that Estes Park's population "skews senior." Maybe, but "senior" doesn't exactly mean what it used to. For instance, July 23rd is **Gorgeous Grandmas Day** to celebrate the woman who, among other things, "Refuses to remain static - who is always open to learning, to new ideas, to new challenges and to new experiences."

If that sounds like you, come in to THE VILLAGE STORE and check out "Magnabilities" necklaces & bracelets. These versatile bracelets & necklaces come with interchangeable magnetic inserts to match any mood or outfit.

Try them with something from our collection of women's apparel from outdoor wear by Royal Robbins and Woolrich to fun and casual pieces from Erin London, Adventura, Tribal and Nomadic Traders - even add a little extra bling to embellished denim jackets from Christine Alexander. And it won't be too long till we start seeing the new fall fashions. Didn't it just quit snowing last week?

THE OTHER SIDE



"The finest landscape in the world is improved by a good inn in the foreground." **Samuel Johnson**

And, the reverse is true; a fine meal is improved by a great view in the background!

We can't guarantee you will see a bear swimming in the pond as some lucky lunch guests did last week, but you're sure to see the ducks and maybe the occasion elk wandering by. Where else will you get that kind of free floor show?

July means it's Rooftop Rodeo time. The parade and all the events are exciting, but the fairgrounds can get awfully crowded so take a breather by coming to THE OTHER SIDE...on the other side of town! Highway 7 south to Peakview, right on Mary's Lake Road and here you are. **Stay in the Western spirit with a Buffalo Steak, Elk Loin Chops or Cowboy (bone-in ribeye) Steak. You'll be relaxed, refreshed and ready for more hootin' & hollerin'!**

Since we're talking beef and July is Horseradish Month, we also have to mention our luscious Prime Rib Dinner, served Friday through Monday. If it seems appropriate, you can mention to your dinner companion that the ancient Greeks thought horseradish was an aphrodisiac.

Are you in charge for Family Reunion Month? Keep the troops in line with a visit to THE OTHER SIDE. We've got the perfect room for the family to gather and enjoy a great meal or join us for Sunday Brunch with something to satisfy everyone from cantankerous Aunt Maude to little Mikey who doesn't like anything! Give us a call at 586-2171 to find out how we can make your group feel right at home.

Coming in August...

Colorado Statehood Month,
Eat Dessert First Month,
Elvis Day, Kool Aid Day
and more.



at NATIONAL PARK VILLAGE and all around town.

Opening July 1st, the Rocky Mountain Opry in the Park Village Playhouse.



"The world will present itself to you for its unmasking. . . in ecstasy it will writhe at your feet." **Franz Kafka**
born July 3, 1882

"If ya ain't got it in ya, ya can't blow it out"
Louis Armstrong
born July 4, 1900

"Don't ever become a pessimist... a pessimist is correct oftener than an optimist, but an optimist has more fun, and neither can stop the march of events." **Robert Heinlein**
born July 7, 1907

"Old minds are like old horses; you must exercise them if you wish to keep them in working order." **John Quincy Adams**
born July 11, 1767

"We must walk consciously only part way toward our goal, and then leap in the dark to our success." **Henry David Thoreau**
born July 12, 1817

"I have learned a great deal from listening carefully. Most people never listen." **Ernest Hemmingway**
born July 21, 1889

"Facts do not cease to exist because they are ignored." **Aldous Huxley**
born July 26, 1894

"You don't save a pitcher for tomorrow. Tomorrow it may rain." **Leo Durocher**
born July 27, 1906

In honor of the Rooftop Rodeo, we leave you with a song.



WARNING: If you are of a certain age, you may get lost in youtube - Happy Trails!

JULY, 2011

ANTI -BOREDOM MONTH, BAKED BEAN MONTH, BLACKBERRY MONTH, BLUEBERRY MONTH, CELL PHONE COURTESY MONTH, CULINARY ARTS MONTH, FAMILY REUNION MONTH, FOREIGN LANGUAGE MONTH, GRILLING MONTH, HORSERADISH MONTH, HOT DOG MONTH, ICE CREAM MONTH, INDEPENDENT RETAILERS MONTH, OUTDOOR MONTH, PEACH MONTH, PICKLE MONTH, PICNIC MONTH, RASPBERRY MONTH, RECREATION & PARKS MONTH,

WILD ABOUT WILDLIFE MONTH, WOMEN'S MOTORCYCLE MONTH

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					1 Canada Day	2 Halfway Day
					Rocky Mountain Opry opens in the Park	

					Village Playhouse	
3 Great Auk Day	4	5 Have a S'more Day (Sylvester Graham born 1794)	6 Richard I "The Lionhearted" crowned King of England 1189	7 Chocolate Day	8 Roswell Crash announced 1947 Ice Cream Sundae invented 1881	9 "Rock Around the Clock" hits #1 1955
10 Pina Colada Day Sports Cliché Week 7/10-16	11 Tab Hunter turns 80	12 MLB All Star Game Rooftop Rodeo 7/12-17 Parade today 10:30am	13 Embrace your Geekness Day	14 Bastille Day	15 Rembrandt born 1606	16 "Summer in the City" (Lovin' Spoonful) released 1966
17 Sing in the Sunshine Day	18 Disneyland opened 1955	19 Hug your Kid Day	20 First Moon Landing 4:15am EDT 1969	21 Junk Food Day	22 Jeopardy Day	23 Day of the Cowboy Gorgeous Grandmas Day
24 Tell an Old Joke Day 31 You've got a Friend Day	25 Festival of Ilyap'a, Incan Thunder God	26 All or Nothing Day	27 Take your Houseplant for a Walk Day	28 1st Hamburger sold (maybe) 1910	29 Garlic Days 7/29-31	30 Cheesecake Day
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