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Celebrate Community This Summer

DID YOU KNOW?

McDonald's once created bubblegum-flavored broccoli. Unsurprisingly, the attempt to inspire kids to eat healthier didn't go over well with the children testing it. They claimed they were "confused by the taste."

A house becomes a home when you feel connected to the people and places around you. Here are some simple and fun ways homeowners can get involved with their communities this June:

- 1. Shop Local** – Support nearby farmers' markets, craft fairs, and small businesses to help your community thrive.
- 2. Volunteer at Community Events** – Offer a hand at local festivals, charity runs, or school fundraisers.
- 3. Join a Neighborhood Group** – Whether it's a garden club, book club, or sports league, shared interests build lasting connections.
- 4. Host a Gathering** – Organize a backyard BBQ, block party, or potluck to get to know your neighbors better.
- 5. Pitch In on Beautification Projects** – Help with park cleanups, plant flowers along a common walkway, or tidy shared spaces.
- 6. Support Local Schools** – Attend student performances, sports games, or volunteer time to show encouragement.
- 7. Get Outdoors Together** – Invite neighbors for group walks, bike rides, or community fitness classes at the park.
- 8. Be a Good Neighbor** – Simple gestures like helping with yard work, watching a pet, or checking in on someone new to the area go a long way.

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Storm-Ready Homes

Summer storms can pop up quickly, bringing heavy rain, wind, and even flooding. Here are a few smart steps homeowners can take to protect their property and stay prepared:

- **Clear Gutters & Downspouts** – Make sure water flows away from your home to prevent leaks and foundation damage.
- **Trim Trees & Branches** – Cut back any limbs close to your home or power lines that could fall during strong winds.
- **Secure Outdoor Items** – Tie down or store patio furniture, grills, and decorations so they don't become projectiles.
- **Inspect Your Roof** – Replace missing or damaged shingles and check flashing to prevent water from seeping in.
- **Seal Windows & Doors** – Caulk gaps and use weatherstripping to keep water and wind out.
- **Check Your Sump Pump** – Test it to make sure it's working properly and consider a battery backup in case of power outages.
- **Prepare an Emergency Kit** – Stock flashlights, batteries, bottled water, non-perishable food, and a first-aid kit.
- **Review Insurance Coverage** – Make sure your homeowner's policy covers storm-related damage, including flooding if you're in a high-risk area.



Weird, But True!

John Chapman, known as "Johnny Appleseed," planted thousands of apple trees—but his apples weren't for snacking. The trees he planted grew small, bitter fruit, perfect not for pies, but for brewing hard cider. Cheers to that!



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