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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Forget Plan B... I think we're on Plan W! All of us have had to change plans this summer. Whether it was going to be a summer cruise, a week at camp, or just a summer of hanging out at the neighborhood pool with friends, we've all been disappointed in some way or another from the restrictions due to Covid. Everyone here at Space City Publishing is hoping you and your family are staying safe and healthy, but we also know how bored the kids can get on long summer days with nowhere to go. This month we bring you lots of ideas on how to keep them entertained. Starting with Summer Camps and Vacation Bible School, we have guides to get you started on finding the perfect option for your family. Some are in person, while some are virtual, so there really is something for everyone.

Then we have Boredom Busters, some old-fashioned outdoor games, and a Summer Family Fun "Sand Bucket List"! Check off as many activities as you can, post and tag us on social media, and be entered to win a surprise gift! You have all month to complete them! After you've completed this, you will want to check out our Education Guide so you can start making plans for fall. While there are still many questions, I know that local child cares and schools are working very hard to insure they are doing all they can to keep your children safe.

We hope you are enjoying your summer as best you can, and we sincerely hope everyone is staying healthy. Wishing you all the best.

Kim
Kim Carlisle, Editor

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COVER CUTIE



This precious angel is 11 month old Grace Jewell. Her favorite things to do are throw things because daddy taught her to throw, play with anything other than her toys, and spend time outside. Her favorite activities are zooming around the kitchen in her walker, riding in her stroller on a family walk, playing with her sister/aunt, watching Mickey Mouse playhouse, going to the beach, and playing in any type of water. She is very adventurous! Her favorite show is Mickey Mouse. Her favorite foods are mac n'cheese, refried beans, mashed potatoes, and she will eat almost any vegetable except peas. Grace Jewell's best friend is her 17 year old sister/aunt Madison (she is technically her aunt, but being raised by her mom as her own.)

She loves dogs, and her parents are thinking about getting her one soon. As a family, they enjoy spending time together eating dinner, and walking in the neighborhood.

Parents Jake and Ronna are very proud of their sweet baby girl!

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BOREDOM

BUSTERS

Ten Simple Ideas for Indoor Fun

By Gayla Grace

As summer drags on, the pandemic has us all staying home, and hot days push kids inside, even the most patient mom can lose her cool. When emotions start heating up, it's time for fresh ideas that can turn a long day into a fun day.

1 CREATE A NERF GUN SHOOTING TARGET.

Take a sleeve of plastic cups and help your kids stack them upside down in a triangular fashion. Add some action figures on the cups on the ends. Let the kids take turns at target practice, gaining points for shooting action figures. If you don't have a Nerf gun, use a small soft ball.

2 SCULPT WITH FOIL.

Ask each child to make five animals with aluminum foil and let others guess them. Have a small prize on hand to give to the child who creates the best-guessed animals.

PLAY "I SPY"

3 I spy something red... a simple game you can play with the kids while you are folding laundry or making dinner, and they want your attention. They have to search for the item you are thinking of. When they guess correctly, they get to choose the item and you have to guess. (You could spy a color, a size- larger than a football, smaller than a cookie, etc...)

4 FINGER PAINT THE TUB.

A great way to extend bath time! Drop blobs of finger paint on the sides of the tub and ask the kids to paint the sides. It's easy clean up when the fun is over as the paint washes down the drain!

5 THROW A DANCE PARTY.

Kids have pent up energy on hot days that needs to be released. Blare the stereo and dance around the house. Let the kids pick their favorite songs so they'll be sure to participate.

6 WATCH OLD MOVIES OF YOUR KIDS.

Dig out the movies of years' gone by. Pop popcorn, make coke floats, and create loads of fun while the kids laugh at themselves and their siblings from younger years.

7 SKYPE OR ZOOM WITH GRAM & GRAMPS.

During the pandemic, Zoom and Skype have become a vital way to stay in touch with distant relatives, or even local relatives that you aren't able to visit right now. Grandparents love to see their grandkids smiling faces and they need some human interaction while they are isolated. Help your kids color a special picture or work a hard puzzle and then let them brag about it to Grandma.

8 BUILD A FORT AND GO CAMPING...INDOORS.

Our kids have spent hours playing in homemade, indoor forts. Let your kids move the chairs from your dining table to an out-of-the way room and drape sheets and blankets over the chairs, securing them with clothespins or rubber bands. Encourage them to take books, games, snacks, legos, or whatever they need to create hours of fun.

9 SCAVENGER HUNT WITH YOUR FAVORITE PET.

Does your dog have special treats he likes? Hide them in not-hard-to-find-places and time how long it takes for him to find them. If you have a cat and a dog, hide treats for both and see which one wins.

10 ASK YOUR KIDS TO HELP MAKE HOMEMADE PLAYDOUGH.

Use peanut butter and honey so they can eat while they mold! (just make sure they wash their hands first!!)

Don't let hot days ruin summer fun. Create indoor adventure and make memories in the process that will carry over to cooler days!

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July COVER CONTEST CUTIES!

LOOK FOR THESE 4 CUTIES ON THE COVER. ONE EACH WEEK IN JULY!



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ZAIDEE

Zaidee Angelique is a very bright 5yr old. She is full of life, laughter and love! She loves to sing, dance, act and strike a pose. She is also very kind hearted.



AXEL

Axel is 2 years old and he loves cars, dinosaurs and pizza! He is silly, fearless and loves the water.



JOSIE

Josie is our little red headed firecracker who turns 2 on the Fourth of July. She loves taking care of her baby dolls and playing outside!



JOSHUA

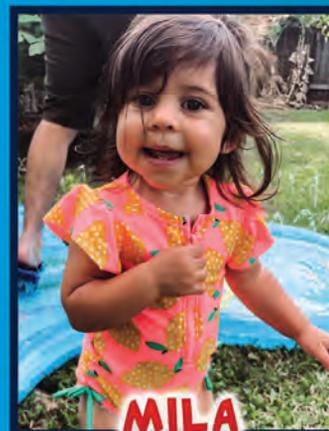
Joshua is 8 he loves baseball , an his astros specially forth of July he's fun , silly an loves random hugs



NICHOLAS & AARON

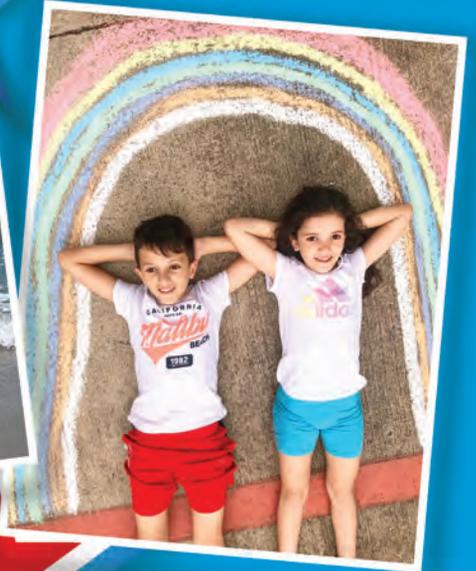
Nicholas is 5yrs old. He loves Spider-Man, playing baseball, soccer going fishing and swimming. His favorite foods are Mac n cheese, pho, white rice, donuts, strawberries and oranges.

Aaron is 1yr old. He likes trucks, playing outdoors, dancing and playing in water. His favorite foods are Mac n cheese, pizza, black beans and all types of fruits



MILA

Mila is 1 years old and loves being outdoors! She is brave and confident and loves being around her family.



Thank you to all our readers for sharing pictures of your cuties! Follow us on facebook and sign up for our eblasts for more contests and ways to entertain your cuties this summer!

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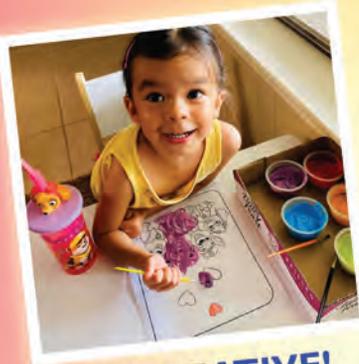
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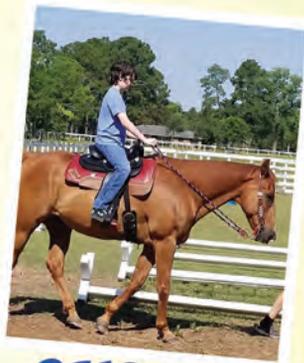
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15 Old Fashioned Summer Time Activities

By Pam Molnar

Summer is the best time to be a kid. School is out, the weather is great and each day promises a new adventure. At least that is how it used to be. Today, summer's biggest rival is the computer screen. With sunny skies outside, there is no need to bask in the artificial light of a digital display. Instead, get the whole family out and show them how to have some old fashioned summer fun.

Tug-o-War

Start summer off with a splash. Break the group up into teams, find a long rope and stand on opposite sides of a kiddie pool filled with water. On "go", see who will make the first splash of the summer.

Frisbee Tic Tac Toe

Draw a tic tac toe board on the driveway with chalk or in the yard with spray paint. Gather four Frisbees for each player and try to get the Frisbees to land in the squares to win tic tac toe.

Water Gun Shooting Range

Gather empty water and soda bottles and set up on a deck railing or table edge. Fill your water gun and try to knock them over. On windy days, fill each bottle with an inch of water.

Obstacle Course

Dig out the hula hoops, soccer cones and jump ropes. Use your creativity to set up an obstacle course in the backyard and let the races begin.

Pillow Case Race

It's the same idea as a potato sack race, but easier to come by. Line up the kids and their pillow cases at the starting line and watch them go.

Nature Scavenger Hunt

Whether you are in the backyard or a local forest preserve, help the kids make a list of items they can gather and race back to the starting line. Find things like a river rock, pinecone, acorn or a robin's egg shell.

Sharks and Minnows

Line up the players (minnows) on one end of the yard. One shark stands in the middle of the yard. The minnows try to cross to the other side of the yard without getting tagged and becoming a shark themselves. Play continues until all minnows have changed to sharks. (works in the pool, too!)

Watermelon Eating Contest

Cut watermelon into half-moon pieces and set in front of each player on the table. Try to eat the watermelon as fast as you can without using your hands. (Afterwards, you can have a watermelon seed spitting contest!)

Five Hundred

One player stands at the end of the yard or street with a baseball bat and tennis ball. He throws the ball up and hits it with the bat into the crowd. They try to catch it on a fly - 100 points, with one bounce - 50 points or two bounces - 25 points. Whoever scores 500 first is the winner.

Dodgeball

Set up several soft vinyl balls in the center of two teams. On "go", charge the center to get to a ball and start throwing them at other players. If a player catches it, the thrower is out. If he misses the catch or gets hit with the ball, the player is out.

Kick the Can

Place a metal can in the middle of the driveway or backyard patio. The players hide while the person who is "it" tries to find them while keeping an eye on the can. If he gets too far away from the can, another player can come out of hiding and kick the can. If the player is tagged, he becomes "it". If not, he is safe. Play continues until all players kick can or until a player is found or tagged.

Clothes Pin Tag

Everyone clips a hinged clothes pin to the back of their shirt. The person who is "It" tries to grab the clothes pin as they run by.

Water Balloon Toss

Stand in parallel lines and pass a water balloon back and forth without dropping it. Change it up by setting one person in the middle of a circle with a bowl on his head. Players try to toss the balloon in the bowl.

Drip, Drip, Drop

Played like Duck, Duck, Goose, this is a fun game for a hot day. Instead of tapping the players in the circle for 'duck', drip a little water from a sponge. When you choose a player to "goose", yell 'drop' and squeeze the sponge over their head before you start running.

Kickball

This game is similar to baseball, but it levels the playing field so all ages and skill levels can play. The pitcher rolls a large ball to the "batter" who kicks it with his foot. Like baseball, the batter runs the bases and the opposing team tries to get him out by tagging him with the ball before he gets home.

YOUR SUMMER FAMILY FUN "SAND BUCKET LIST"

Let's face it, the kids are bored, the parents are bored... we just need some fresh fun ideas to keep us entertained! Use this bucket list of activities to keep from wasting your summer away.

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- Watch a summer sunrise
 - Memorize a special quote or Bible verse
 - Take a nature walk
 - Do a science experiment
 - Make a list of what you're grateful for
 - Pet a pet
 - Spend entire day in PJ's
 - Take 5 silly selfies
 - Hang spoons from your noses
 - Build a fort
 - Wear sunglasses at night
 - Learn how to say Hi in a foreign language
 - Jump in a pool with your clothes on
 - Catch a lizard or a frog
 - Make and play a musical instrument
 - Call or zoom with a friend or relative
 - Pick fresh flowers for someone you love
 - Tell or listen to a spooky story
 - Watch an old movie
 - Write a nice note to a neighbor
 - Make a meal
 - Make a bird feeder
 - Watch a sunset
 - Have breakfast for dinner
 - Stay up past your bedtime
 - Bake a cake
 - Write a letter to a distant relative
 - Color a picture
 - Do a cartwheel
 - Play in the sprinkler

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