



## SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING AT OUR HIVES:



### Teamwork

We'd like tell you a story about a wise professor and her students. She wanted to illustrate a point to them so she handed each of them a balloon and asked them to write their name on it. The students did as instructed. Once the balloons were marked, the professor gathered them, mixed them up, and filled an empty room with them. She then asked her students to find the balloon with their name on it within five minutes. As time dwindled down, none of students could find their name.

The professor stopped the clock and then introduced a new rule: this time, instead of finding their own balloon, they were to pick up any balloon and deliver it to the person whose name was written on it. Within minutes, everyone had their own balloon. She looked at her students and said, "This is what teamwork and cooperation can achieve. When we work together and help one another, we accomplish our goals much faster and with less stress."

We love this story because it beautifully illustrates a valuable lesson: teamwork. Families can find strength and progress through collaboration and mutual support. We all need support in our everyday life — when all is going well, or when tough, unexpected challenges arise. We need a team of family members, educators, therapists, community members — all working side by side helping us make the path clearer and more manageable.

At The Behavior Exchange, we believe in the power of teamwork and community. Just like the students in the professor's story, we know that by working together, we can help each child thrive. We encourage families to lean on one another, share experiences, and collaborate with our expert and dedicated team of BCBA's and RBT's. Together, we can create an environment where every child feels understood, supported, and empowered to reach their full potential. Remember, when we unite in our efforts, the impossible becomes possible, the challenging journey more seamless, and the adventure fills with hope and achievement.

Who do you lean on? Who makes up your team? Tell us, we'd love to know who is there with you on your family's journey. [BUDDY@BEHAVIOREXCHANGE.COM](mailto:BUDDY@BEHAVIOREXCHANGE.COM)

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### TBE Calendar

6/16: Father's Day

### Quote of the day

**"Things work out best for those who make the best of how things work out."** — John Wooden



### Get to know us!

Here's this month's spotlight on an amazing member of the TBE team!

Please meet, **Luke**— RBT, **Boulder Hive.**

**Favorite Song:** Love Yourz- J. Cole

**Favorite Movie:** Avengers Infinity War

**Fun fact about you:** I have one green eye and one blue eye

**Hobbies:** I love hiking and camping

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## Father's Day — Sunday, June 16th.

Did you know that Father's Day didn't become a federal holiday until 1972, when President Nixon signed it into law? Six years earlier, in 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson had designated the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. This proclamation came almost 58 years after the first event honoring fathers, a Sunday sermon on July 5, 1908, at a church in West Virginia. The sermon was held in memory of the 362 men who had died in the previous December's explosions at the Fairmont Coal Company mines in Monongah. However, this was a one-time commemoration and not an annual holiday.

To celebrate this year's Father's Day, we're inviting all dads to share their favorite hacks for a chance to win tickets to a baseball game. One popular hack is the "Draw Dad While He Sleeps." We know the scenario: you're exhausted, the kids are full of energy, and they need something constructive to do. Why not challenge them to draw you while you nap? They'll improve their fine motor skills, and you'll get some rest—a perfect win-win. For more details on how you can win tickets to a Frisco RoughRiders game or a Colorado Rockies game for Boulder Hive families, check out the flyer on PAGE 6.

Plus, on PAGE 7, we have a fun and quick activity the kids can do with dad. Hope y'all enjoy

## School preparation.

Summer Camp at The Behavior Exchange has just kicked off, but as we all know, August and the start of a new school year will be here before we know it. As the saying goes "No time like the present", it's a good idea to speak to your BCBA about school plans for the fall. Both Texas and Colorado have laws that make ABA therapy and other behavioral services excused absences. Read more about excused absences from our blog. [CLICK HERE](#).

## Creating lasting impression

In celebration of April as Autism Acceptance Month, we provided large canvases to each hive and invited our therapists and clients to add their handprints in a symbolic and artistic expression of individuality and uniqueness. We loved the results and will proudly display each artwork in its respective hive. Additionally, we've created letter-sized prints from these artworks for our families to download, frame, and hang in their homes. We hope you enjoy them! See PAGE 8 for a closer look.



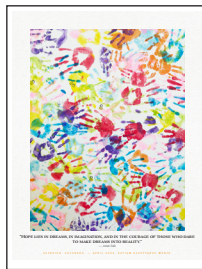
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## Why did you choose to work in ABA therapy with children with autism— what's your superhero origin story?

I worked at a summer camp and really connected with a kid with autism and later learned about ABA and The Behavior Exchange and knew it was place I had to be.

**One life hack or expert tip that can benefit families of the children we serve:** 1. Provide a variety of choices for a demand 2. Patience, Kindness and Respect

**Game recommendation:** "Minecraft, it's a game where children can create and build their own world. Plus it's really fun.



In the early morning hours of June 3rd, six planets, including Jupiter, Mercury, Uranus, Mars, Neptune and Saturn will momentarily align on the ecliptic path, however, experts say they will not all be visible from Earth with the naked eye. "Mercury, Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn may be spotted with the naked eye, but you'll need a telescope or high-powered binoculars to see Neptune and Uranus," Star Walk, a planetarium app, claimed in an article published on April 25. You can view the planets through its Sky Tonight stargazing tool. [LEARN MORE](#)

Speaking of celestial occurrences, don't forget that the astrological start of summer will take place on Thursday, June

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## THE BUZZ AROUND DFW:



### Destination: Dinosaurs Sensory Friendly Day

As one of the country’s largest immersive dinosaur exhibits, Destination: Dinosaurs at the Dallas Zoo features more than 100 dinosaurs of all shapes and sizes. The experience truly transports you back in time for a trek among these Jurassic giants. Sensory Friendly Day is specially designed for individuals on the autism spectrum and those who have sensory sensitivities to enjoy a fun day at the Zoo with their families and caregivers. You’ll have access to the zoo before it opens to the public to ensure limited crowds and reduced sensory triggers. Sensory Havens are also available, which are modified to create relief from overwhelming situations. Sunday, June 9. [LEARN MORE](#)

### Spray parks in Frisco and Prosper

It’s summer, so the spray parks are open for endless family fun! Frisco offers three spray grounds open daily from 8a-8p, including Frisco Commons, J.R. Newman, and Shepherd’s Glen. Of the three, only Frisco Commons have restrooms. In Prosper, you can head to Frontier Park, home to a large sports complex, the community-built Windmill Playground, and a spray park featuring lots of interactive water features. Learn more — [FRISCO](#) | [PROSPER](#)

### Father’s Day on the Grapevine Vintage Railroad

Treat Dad to an excursion on the Grapevine Vintage Railroad. Climb aboard and you’ll immediately be swept back in time inside an authentic, luxury 1920s coach, while enjoying modern conveniences like air-conditioning. You’ll travel along the Historic Cotton Belt Route to the Historic Stockyards Station in Fort Worth, while spending some quality time with Dad, before the return trip to Grapevine. The adventure also includes live entertainment on the train! Sunday, June 16. [LEARN MORE](#)

### Six Flags Over Texas

Six Flags Over Texas in Arlington is also a Certified Autism Center, which means that at least 80% of its staff is highly trained, fully equipped, and certified in the field of autism. To help families with kids with autism, you can request a special accessibility card that you can use when you’re at the park so you can make a reservation to get on rides instead of waiting in line. The park also offers a guide that rates the intensity level of the park’s rides in the areas of touch, taste, sound, smell and sight. [LEARN MORE](#)

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20th, while meteorologically speaking, summer got rolling on May 27 — on Memorial Day.

## On this day in history

### June 19, 1865.

Juneteenth is also referred to as Emancipation Day, Freedom Day, Jubilee Day and Liberation Day. Juneteenth National Independence Day is the first federal holiday established since Martin Luther King Jr. Day in 1983 and is at least the 11th federal holiday recognized by the US federal government. More than half of the states recognize Juneteenth as a paid state holiday, and all states have some recognition or observance, according to the Pew Research Center. Former Texas state representative Al Edwards was known as the “father of Juneteenth.” Edwards sponsored the bill that made Juneteenth a state holiday in 1980.



### By the Numbers

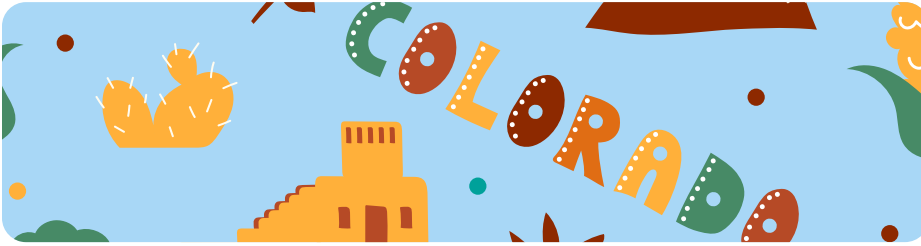
Before the Civil War, it was legal in 15 states to enslave people: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

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## THE BUZZ AROUND BOULDER:



### Meadow Music with Jeff & Paige

Meadow Music is Boulder's award-winning environmental education program at Chautauqua Green. It stars partners and creators Jeff and Paige, presenting a fun-filled hour of original music, educational skits, and interactive activities designed to connect kids with the wonders of nature. The outdoor concert lasts an hour, and there's also a short, toddler friendly pre-concert hike around the base of the Foothills. Bring picnic blankets and/or low chairs, your fav picnic foods, and plenty of water. Performances on June 3, 17, & 24. [LEARN MORE](#)

### Build: Design & Create with LEGO!

Head to the Longmont Museum for a hands-on exhibit that captivates guests of all ages. At the event, you can build and race a LEGO car, tackle an architectural challenge, save the world with a wondrous invention, or explore and play as far as your imagination takes you. Whether you're a seasoned LEGO enthusiast or just discovering the magic of these iconic bricks, there's something for everyone to enjoy. The exhibit also showcases a gallery of intricate and imaginative custom LEGO creations crafted by talented regional artists. Starts June 1. [LEARN MORE](#)

### Sensory Friendly Afternoons at the Butterfly Pavilion

This sensory-friendly event allows children and adults with sensory sensitivities and other social, learning, or cognitive disabilities to enjoy an event in a welcoming, safe, and comfortable environment. You'll notice certain exhibits might be turned off, or their volume has been turned down. Some exhibits also have alternative items for guests to touch, depending on their comfort level. In addition, the facility limits the number of guests during this time and other lights and noises are reduced. Thursday, June 27. [LEARN MORE](#)

### Hiking the Anne U. White Trail

Enjoy a low-pressure nature walk with the whole family on the Anne U. White Trail. It's sure to capture your attention with lush vegetation and variety of wildlife along the trail through a narrow canyon. Little ones will want to hop across the shady creek bed and dip their toes in the creek pools along the way. No bicycles or horses are allowed, so it's a peaceful walk without a lot of distractions. [LEARN MORE](#)

In 1860, there were almost 500,000 free African American people in the United States. According to Encyclopedia Britannica, about half were in the North and half were in the South.

Enslaved people in the United States were estimated at 3,953,760 in 1860, according to statistics provided by the National Bureau of Economic Research.

During the Civil War, almost 200,000 African American men served in the Union Army and Navy.

30.2 percent of the 1860 population of Texas was comprised of enslaved people, or "bondsmen."

There were 47,030,856 Black or African American people (one race alone or in combination) in the United States in 2021, according to the most recent Census Bureau estimate.





## Corny kids jokes!

As they say, laughter is the best medicine!

*Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your ears...  
I've got more jokes for ye.*



- What does corn say when it gets a compliment? Aw, shucks!
- What's the difference between a poorly dressed man on a tricycle and a well-dressed man on a bicycle? Attire.
- What's red and bad for your teeth? A brick.
- What do sprinters eat before they race? Nothing. They fast.
- What has more lives than a cat? A frog, because it croaks every day.

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**Saturday Services**  
Frisco Hive  
9:00am-3:00pm

*Wear a Dress Day*

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			<i>Global Running Day</i>	<i>D-Day, WWII</i>	<i>National Doughnut Day</i>	<i>World Oceans Day</i>
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	<i>World Craft Day</i>		<i>Loving Day</i>		<i>Flag Day</i>	<i>Saturday Services</i> Frisco Hive 9:00am-3:00pm
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<i>Father's Day</i> <i>Eid-ul-Adha</i>	<i>Eid-ul-Adha</i>	<i>Autistic Pride Day</i>	<i>Juneleenth</i>	<i>Summer Solstice</i>	<i>National Selfie Day</i>	<i>Saturday Services</i> Frisco Hive 9:00am-3:00pm
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				<i>Helen Keller Day</i>	<i>National Tapioca Day</i>	<i>Saturday Services</i> Frisco Hive 9:00am-3:00pm

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All times are in Central Standard Time Zone (CST).  
Some dates and events are subject to change.

*Asteroid Day*



- Why was the fish's grades bad? They were below sea level.
- What's Forrest Gump's password? 1forrest1.
- What do you call a fish without an eye? Fsh.
- Why shouldn't you use a broken pencil? Because it's pointless.
- What do you call a pig that practices karate? A pork chop.



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# Hey Daddy-O, let's root, root, root for the home team!

Ya like free stuff? Of Course you do, you're a dad!

Here's your chance to score some awesome FREE STUFF! If you send us your best "dad-hack," you'll be entered for a chance to win family pack of 4 Frisco RoughRiders (Sunday, June 30) OR Colorado Rockies (Sunday, June 23) tickets! Don't miss out, for one, two, threes strikes you're out!



## SUBMIT YOUR DAD-HACK BEFORE FRIDAY JUNE 14!

Plano, Frisco, and Prosper hives families will draw for RoughRiders tickets



Winners will be announced on Monday, June 17 through email address provided on Google form. Tickets will be for game on Sun, June 30 — 6:05 PM.

Boulder Hive families will draw for Colorado Rockies tickets.



Winners will be announced on Monday, June 17 through email address provided on Google form. Tickets will be for game on Sun., June 23 — 1:10 PM.



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# All About My Dad!

My Dad's name is: \_\_\_\_\_

My Dad was born in: \_\_\_\_\_

My Dad's job is: \_\_\_\_\_

His favorite food is: \_\_\_\_\_

My Dad's favorite song is: \_\_\_\_\_

His favorite band is: \_\_\_\_\_

My Dad is good at: \_\_\_\_\_

My Dad's favorite memory of me is: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

My Dad is: (Circle one) **LEFT HANDED** **RIGHT HANDED** **AMBIDEXTROUS**

If he could fly anywhere, he would go to: \_\_\_\_\_

If he was a superhero his power would be: \_\_\_\_\_

My Dad's favorite food is: \_\_\_\_\_

My Dad's favorite movie is: \_\_\_\_\_

His favorite book is: \_\_\_\_\_

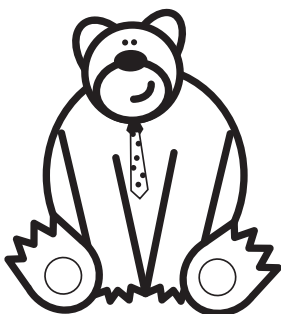
My Dad always says this: \_\_\_\_\_

My favorite thing about my Dad is: \_\_\_\_\_

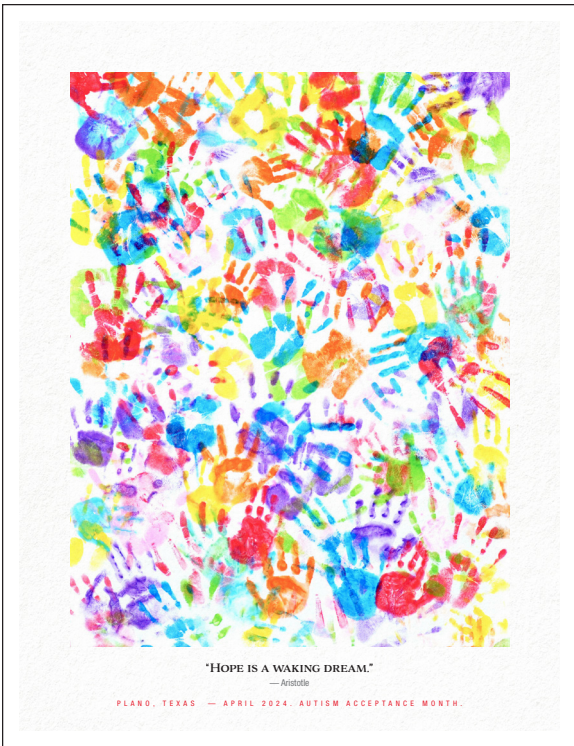
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I love my Dad because: \_\_\_\_\_

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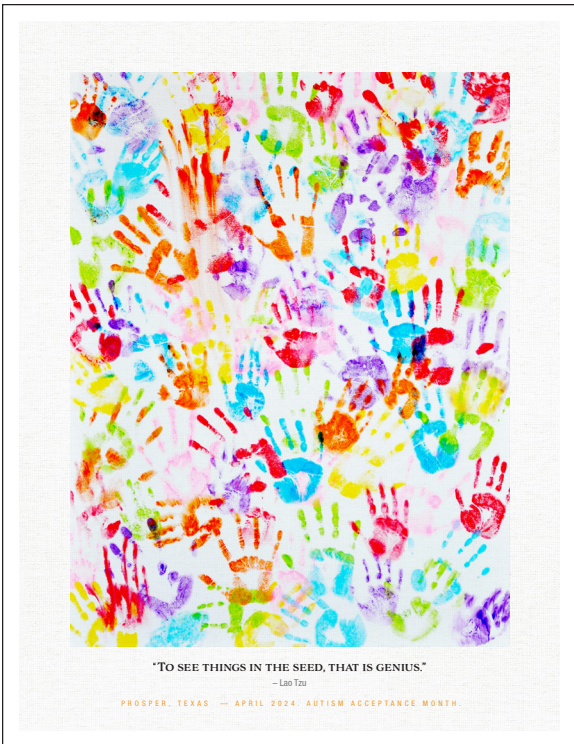


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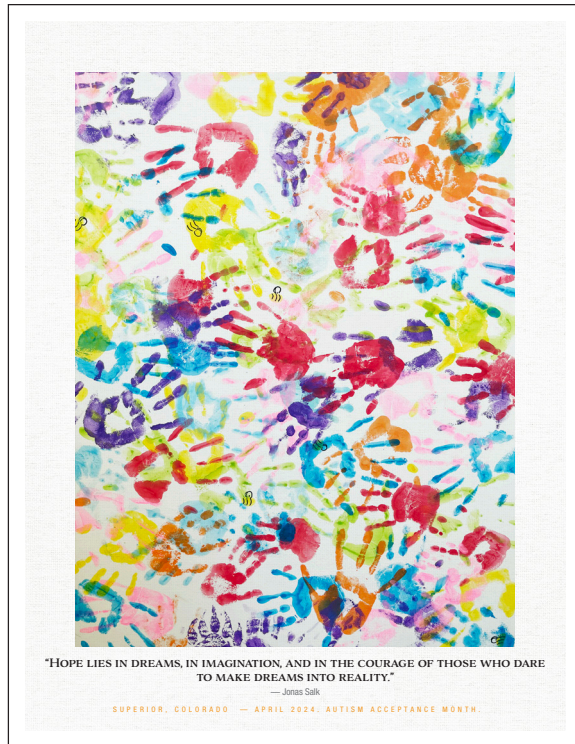


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