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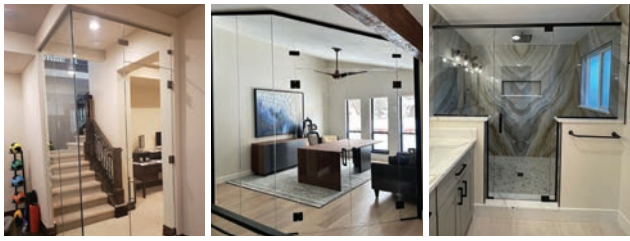
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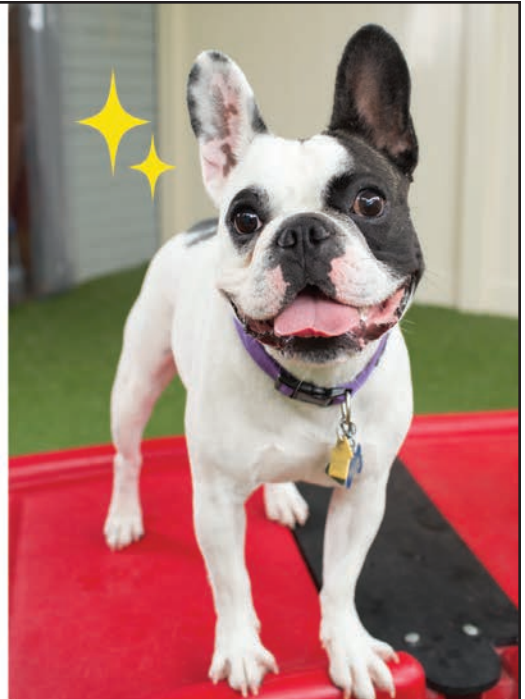
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COMING EVENTS

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Fieldhouse Fright Night

October 10 | 17301 E. Lincoln Ave. | 5:30 - 8:00 pm

Make your way down Trick-or-Treat Street, brave the haunted house, take on the rock'n Halloween climbing wall, play goblin games, show off your costume, and more. Don't wait to register! The first 400 pre-registered participants will receive a reusable trick-or-treat bag.



Pumpkin Smash Softball Tournament

October 24 | 1190 Motsenbocker Rd | 8:00 am

This one-pitch tournament is going to be a day filled with softball, fun, and a whole lot of BOO-tiful moments! Every team is guaranteed three games and will include pumpkins for smashing, Chick-fil-A vouchers, and some spook-tacular prizes!



Floatin' into Fall

October 24 | 17301 E. Lincoln Dr. | 9:00 am

Bob, splash, and win! Dive into fall fun as you search the pool for the lucky apple; find the right one and win a special prize! Enjoy festive games, music, crafts, and seasonal activities while making memories with friends and family.



Trunk Or Treat

October 24, 30 | Downtown | 1:00 - 5:00 pm

Join the Downtown Business Alliance and Dads of Parker for their annual Trunk or Treat. Come dressed up and ready to enjoy treats from local businesses. 1st hour is for sensory sensitive kids only at both events. Check their websites for more information.

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AROUND TOWN

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Mayor's Day of Service

The annual service event was a huge success! Locals came out in droves to help clean up the trails that run along Cherry Creek to keep our town beautiful. Thank you to all the volunteers that gave of their time. You can find more opportunities to serve at justserve.org.



Fall Fest

Residents celebrated the start of autumn at O'Brien Park. Kids participated in the Colorado Avalanche's Game On Street Hockey, lawn games led by Sam the scarecrow, inflatables, and carnival games with prizes. Capping off the event was a drone light show.



So Long To Summer 5k/10k

It was the perfect morning to say *So Long to Summer* and welcome fall at the annual 5k/10k race. Thanks to the volunteers and everyone who participated (and ate amazing pancakes) with Parks and Recreation. Pictures will be added to their Facebook page.



Parker Proud Showcase

Parker departments, elected officials, and citizen commissions came together for an afternoon of activities and demonstrations about the programs and services they provide. Vehicle and equipment displays, interactive games, photo booths, and lots more fun.

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*Brandi Wilks, Anne Barrington, and Erik Frandsen each
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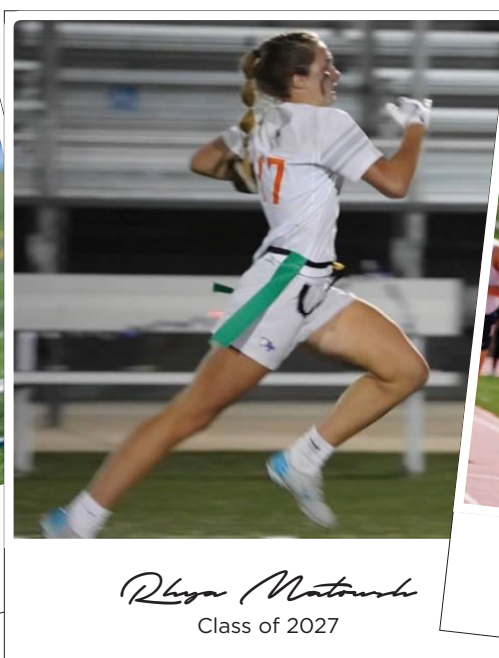
EXPERIENCE IN ACTION

Three current Parker Town Councilmembers. Together, Brandi, Anne, & Erik bring experience across Parker's biggest issues. They share a commitment to listening, thoughtful leadership, and Parker's future.

PAID FOR BY THE COMMITTEES TO ELECT BRANDI WILKS, ANNE BARRINGTON, ERIK FRANDSEN

ATHLETES TO WATCH

Douglas County has some of the best athletes in the country. Many enter their senior seasons with multiple D1 offers to some of the best universities. During this school year, we will highlight some of those athletes, their accomplishments, and their promising futures.





TOMMY GAMLIN

CHAPARRAL WOLVERINES
CROSS COUNTRY

Tommy currently holds three school records (unless he has broken another one since this went to press) - 14:43 in the 5k, 9:15 in the 3200m, and 4:16 in the 1600. He was also 2nd Team All-League last year in the 800m. Gamlin is among those expected to compete for the league title this year as well as at the state level.

RHYA MATOUSH

LEGEND TITANS
FLAG FOOTBALL

The Legend senior was nominated 1st team All-Continental League for flag football in 2025 and 1st team All-Continental Linebacker for 2024. Rhya was selected All-State in both 2024 and 2025. She currently has offers to 11 universities for flag football and basketball but is undeclared. Rhya hopes to major either as a veterinarian, in sports medicine, or business.



BRODY WRIGHT

PONDEROSA MUSTANGS
FOOTBALL

During his standout 2025 junior season, Brody earned First-Team All-League honors. His performance over the year established the 6'4" tight end as one of the premier talents in the state, leading to a wave of recruitment from schools like Cornell, Columbia, Army, and Navy. He has committed to the University of Montana.



THROWING SHADE

BY BRET TUELLER

Sun's out, umbrellas up!
It's patio season in Colorado, and these are some of the best around.

FUZZY'S TACO SHOP

Frosty drinks, good vibes; it's taco heaven. Add a patio that looks out toward Hess Reservoir and there is enough reason to celebrate.

12231 Pine Bluffs Way, Suite 101 | 720-638-6030

HICKORY HOUSE

Eating the best ribs in town can be done anywhere, but enjoy them out on the Hickory House patio for a treat. And where else can you order a pig roast?!

10335 S. Parker Road | 303-805-9742

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A spot full of real Mexican culture and Mexican food. The menu is expansive and the customer service is second to none. The patio is a highlight with stunning views of the front range.

19600 Solar Circle | 303-862-4406

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16526 Keystone Blvd | 303-220-7422

LOS DOS POTRILLOS

Adding a brewery to an established Mexican joint was risky, but the Ramirezes aren't done. They have plans to add a second level to the patio seating. The party continues at Los Dos.

19340 Cottonwood Dr. | 303-840-6574

PARKER GARAGE

One of my favorite patio dining experiences. The serene spot, right on main street, makes people-watching a favorite pastime, if you can pull yourself away from the food for a minute.

19420 Mainstreet | 720-389-8105

RORY'S DINER

Comfort food gets even more comfortable when you are streetside in downtown Parker. The ambiance of the patio makes you loose track of time. If the nostalgia doesn't get you, the chicken fried steak will.

11020 South Pikes Peak Drive | 720-708-2889

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Nobody parties like Tailgate Tavern! The most well-known patio dining in town, and with good reason. Don't look for a quiet evening here. Live bands keep the party rolling.

19552 Mainstreet | 303-841-7179

THE UPPER DECK GOURMET BURGERS & SPIRITS

The second-story venue serves up large portions and great service. It also offers incredible views from the 2500 square foot outdoor pergola-covered patio. Fire pits, sofas, and mounted TVs complete the atmosphere.

18595 Mainstreet | 720-572-1910

WEST MAIN TAPROOM & GRILL

The largest, albeit temporary, patio by far. The gorgeous setting lets you unwind and relax in the cool summer night air. You may not ever want to leave.

18595 Mainstreet | 720-826-3689



7 Questions

WITH BRANDI WILKS



Brandi Wilks

A Parker native and long-time resident, Wilks was part of the inaugural graduating class of Chaparral High School. She and her husband, Cory, own a local real estate business and reside in Parker's Idyllwilde neighborhood with their four children. Brandi is in her first term as a Parker Town Councilmember, having been elected to office in 2022.

What is your best memory serving on Town Council?

One of my greatest memories was the first time I went to Washington, D.C. to present and advocate for the School Resource Officer funding legislation.

I still remember walking into those congressional offices and thinking about how something that started as an idea back home had made its way all the way to the halls of Congress. There was something incredibly meaningful about that moment. I wasn't just there representing myself or talking about my bill, I was giving Parker a voice and making sure our community had a seat at the table.

After nearly three years of working to develop the legislation, seeing it make its way into Congress was incredibly rewarding. It also reminded me of something I will never forget: one person really can make a difference. An idea that started with one person in Parker had the potential to grow into something that could help cities and communities across the country.

What made that experience even more meaningful was knowing I had the full support of such a strong group of fellow Councilmembers along the way. Having them behind me gave me even greater confidence to carry Parker's voice all the way to Washington, D.C. Now, seeing 4 bipartisan members of Congress working to turn that concept into actual legislation has become my favorite council memory (so far).

What is a skill you once saw as a weakness that has become a strength?

My brain has always processed information extremely quickly. For a long time, I actually viewed that as a weakness because I would have to consciously slow myself down when I was working with people who needed more time to process the same information. As I've gotten older and gained more experience, I've realized it's actually one of my greatest strengths.

I'm able to take in a lot of information, analyze the facts and possible outcomes, and get to the heart of an issue fairly quickly. That helps me move conversations toward solutions instead of getting stuck in the problem.

What I've really learned, though, is that I don't need to slow my brain down. I need to make sure I'm giving the people around me the space to process things in their own way and at their own pace. That lesson has made me better in every part of my life, whether I'm talking something through with my husband or kids, helping a client as a Realtor, serving in the community, or sitting on Council.

I've genuinely learned to appreciate this part of myself. I jokingly call it my superpower now, but I really do see it that way.

What is your favorite thing about your hometown?

Parker isn't just where I live. It is my hometown, and as a third-generation Parker native, there are so many things I love about this community that it is hard to choose just one.

Some of my favorite memories are the simple ones. I remember running around Downtown with my cousins, stopping at Mountain Man, which is now The Local, to get candy before heading to the park.

I remember doing theater productions in the Quonset hut, riding horses around Parker with my Papa, and growing up in a community where so many places, people, and traditions became part of my story.

What makes that even more special is that I get to watch my four kids grow up here too. I have the unique opportunity to carry three generations of Parker memories, values, and history into a fourth, while watching them create memories of their own.

Parker has grown tremendously, and there are so many things I could say I love about it. But at the end of the day, my favorite thing is that no matter how big Parker gets, it still has a way of feeling like a small hometown. You still run into people you know, you still feel connected to your neighbors, and there is still a sense that this is more than just a place on a map.

That feeling of home is what I work hard to make sure we never lose.

Which member of Council would you be stuck on an island with?

I would be fine being stuck on an island with any of them, and I genuinely mean that.

One of the things I appreciate most about THIS Council is that we can listen to each other, understand different points of view, and work through disagreements without making things personal or political. We may not always see an issue the same way, but at the end of the day, we all care deeply about Parker and want what is best for the community as a whole. I think that mutual respect is a big part of why this Council works so well.

So if I were stuck on an island with any of them, I think we'd be just fine. Now, whether we'd all agree on how to get off the island is another question.

What do you wish more people understood about you?

I wish more people understood that I am a very facts-based person, and that is something that carries through every part of my life.

Whether I am making a decision as a business owner, a mom, a wife, or a Councilwoman, I tend to approach things the same way. I want to understand the facts, hear different perspectives and look at the bigger picture before I decide where I stand. I naturally think through the possible outcomes, both good and bad, because I know that decisions, even small ones, can affect other people.

I do not like to make assumptions or form an opinion based on the first thing I hear. I want to understand the

whole story. On Council, that means trying to understand how a decision could affect thousands of people with very different needs and perspectives.

Sometimes that may look like overthinking, but for me it is really about responsibility. The people in my life matter deeply to me, and when a decision affects them, my business, my family, or my community, I want to know that I took the time to think it through. I want people to know that there is thought, care, and intention behind the choices I make. That is simply how I am wired.

What is the best advice you have ever received?

One of the best pieces of advice I've ever received is this: if someone who doesn't really know me has already decided they have a problem with me, that is more about them than it is about me.

That took me a long time to fully understand.

I've learned that my life is simply too short to spend my energy worrying about a negative opinion from someone who has never met me, never had a conversation with me, and doesn't really know who I am. If there is truth in criticism, I want to hear it and learn from it. But if it is just judgment from a distance, I've learned not to carry it with me.

What I can control is how I show up. I stay kind, work hard, treat people well, stay true to my values, and remain open to learning when there is something I genuinely need to improve.

What question do you wish people would ask you more often?

I wish people would ask me, "What makes you happy?"

I think we spend so much time talking about what needs to be fixed, what's going wrong and what we disagree about that we sometimes forget to talk about the things that bring us joy. I'd love for people to ask me what I'm passionate about, what excites me, and what I'm looking forward to.

And more than just sharing those things, I want to bring people into them. I want the people around me to experience that same sense of excitement, possibility and optimism. Life is too short to focus only on what's wrong. There is so much good happening around us, and so much more good we can create.

I think we should ask each other that question more often. When we understand what brings someone happiness, we get to know a completely different side of them, and maybe we find a little more common ground along the way. That's the kind of connection I want to create with the people around me.



Shelf Life

Alexander Graham Bell said,
"If anything else, preparation
is the key to success."

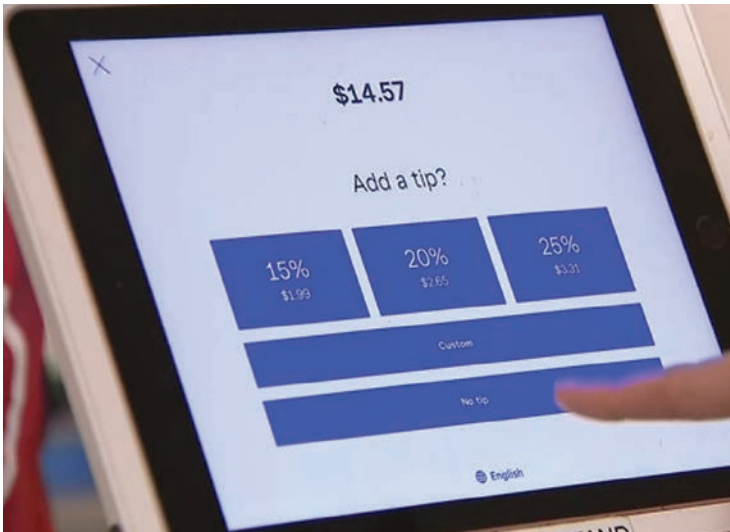
If COVID taught us anything, it's that emergencies happen quickly and being prepared makes a big difference. When we were having trouble buying milk, eggs, toilet paper, hand sanitizer, or plastic gloves, having some storage of nonperishable items in our home gave us great peace of mind. Storing food and supplies for emergencies can help us to be prepared and know we can make it through a variety of trying times. Strikes in the trucking industry, a flood or break that affects our water quality, loss of a job, personal tragedy, or, of course, a pandemic are all events that can affect our food and water sources. These or other scenarios can leave our family without our usual supplies. We can prepare for these possibilities by using a small part of our income on a regular basis to store up for such events.

There are many sources to find information and advice regarding storing the necessities your family will need in such a case. There are also many companies that provide large cans, freeze dried meals, storage shelves, and other supplies that make stocking food more convenient. I have been interested to see that homesteading, canning, owning chickens, farming... many of these lost arts have been on the rise and, due to the internet, have been shared through blogs and websites more easily. These are also great resources for home food storage information. Here are a few of my favorite sources:

Colorado State University extension has an in-depth page about food and water storage, including suggested amounts and tips for storing. See extension.colostate.edu/disaster-websites/food-safety-and-storage-for-emergency-preparedness/.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints teaches a lot about self-reliance and preparation. Their website offers information about food storage and financial preparedness, and you can even search for calculators to aid in these endeavors. Visit providentliving.churchofjesuschrist.org.

Jill Winger and her husband decided to live a different life than many and moved out to a farmstead far from civilization. They have been documenting their journey of learning to live off their land. In her blog, Jill shares many helpful tips about gardening, canning, and food storage. Find out more at www.theprairiehomestead.com/blog.



SPEAKING ON BUSINESS

Tipping The Scales

As more local businesses adopt digital gratuity, tipping fatigue is growing among consumers.

We're tipping past the point of no return.

Across the county, there's a silent frustration brewing about a cultural practice that many say is getting out of hand: tipping.

Some frustrated consumers are posting rants on social media complaining about tip requests at every store they enter. They're tired of being asked to leave a gratuity for a muffin or a simple cup of coffee at their neighborhood bakery. What's next, are we going to be tipping our doctors and dentists, too?

As more businesses adopt the new trend, customers are automatically being prompted to leave a gratuity - many times as high as 40% - at places they normally wouldn't. And some say it has become more frustrating as regular prices have skyrocketed due to inflation.

Unlike tip jars that shoppers can easily ignore if they don't have spare change, experts say the digital requests can produce social pressure and are more difficult to bypass. And your generosity, or lack thereof, can be laid bare for anyone close enough to glance at the screen - including the workers themselves.

Traditionally, consumers have taken pride in being good tipplers at places like restaurants, which typically pay their workers lower than the minimum wage in expectation they'll make up the difference in tips. But academics who study the topic say many consumers are now feeling irritated by automatic tip requests at places where tipping has not typically been expected; workers make at least the minimum wage and service is usually limited.

So Americans are tipping less.

The tipping percentage for quick-service restaurants last quarter was 15.9%, dropping from 16.4% last year. People are tipping less in part because of inflation, experts say. They are also overwhelmed with the number of places that give them the option to tip with a card on an iPad, leading people to be less generous.

Adding to the changing dynamics, customers were encouraged to tip generously during the pandemic to help keep restaurants and stores afloat, raising expectations.

The shift to digital payments also accelerated during the pandemic, leading stores to replace old-fashioned cash tip jars with tablet touch screens. But these screens and the procedures for digital tipping have proven more intrusive than a low-pressure cash tip jar with a few bucks in it.

Customers are overwhelmed by the number of places where they now have the option to tip and feel pressure about whether to add a gratuity and for how much. Some people deliberately walk away from the screen without doing anything to avoid making a decision.

Tell us your thoughts on the trend by emailing contribute@tuellers.com.

THE GUIDE

THE BEST PLACES TO DINE IN DOUGLAS COUNTY

In the interest of providing the 50 best dining options in Douglas County, we must be able to personally recommend each listing. The guide is subject to change. If you have a suggestion for inclusion on the list, email us at contribute@tuellers.com.

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CASA MARIACHI

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LA LOMA

Upscale-rustic atmosphere known for traditional Mexican meals. **6361 Promenade Pkw, Castle Rock** 303-632-9900 **\$\$ (N)**

LAS POTRANCES

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LOS DOS POTRILLOS

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**363 Village Square Lane,
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303-814-2487 \$\$\$

FOGO DE CHAO

Upscale Brazilian steakhouse with all-you-can-eat meat carved tablesides. Guaraná is a must, and try the Creme de Papaya. **8419 Park Meadows Center Dr., Lone Tree** 303-481-4001 \$\$\$ (EC)

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