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***Ventura County Events******30th Annual Angels Wine & Food Festival***

*June 2nd 1pm to 5pm  
Cal State Channel Islands*

***Ojai Music Festival***

*June 9th to 13th  
Ojaifestival.org*

***Touch A Truck Event  
Thousand Oaks***

*June 15th 10am to 2pm  
Thousand Oaks Community Park  
Big Rigs, Tractors, SWAT, etc.*

***Conejo Valley Days Carnival***

*June 20th - 23rd &  
June 26th - 30th  
Conejo Creek Park*

***Summer Palooza at  
Community Park Camarillo***

*June 21st - 22nd 4pm to 8pm  
Movie night to follow*

***Santa Barbara Lavender Fest.***

*June 29th 10pm to 5pm  
SB City College*

**Father's Day Facts**

On Sunday, June 16, dads across the United States will be showered with gifts as they celebrate Father's Day. Though it's something we can count on celebrating every June, the holiday wasn't always a happy celebration of our father's sadly, it was originally rooted in tragedy. Read on to learn about the tragic

origins and eventual nationwide acceptance of this beloved holiday.

**The modern day Father's Day was rooted in tragedy.**

On July 5, 1908—the same year that Mother's Day is credited as beginning, a small church in West Virginia held the first public event to specifically honor the fathers of their community. The day was held in remembrance of the 362 men who were killed the previous December in a mining explosion at the Fairmont Coal Company. Though this specific day did not transform into an annual tradition in the town, it did set a precedent of reserving a day for dads everywhere.

**Washington was the first state to celebrate Father's Day.**

In 1909, Spokane resident Sonora Smart Dodd was listening to a Mother's Day sermon at her local church when she had the idea to try and establish a similar day to honor the hard-working fathers of the community. Dodd was the daughter of a widower and Civil War veteran named William Jackson Smart, who raised six children on his own after his wife died during childbirth. She contacted local church groups, government officials, YMCAs, businesses, and other official entities, hoping to gather the community to recognize fathers around the state of Washington. The campaign Dodd embarked upon would eventually culminate in the first statewide Father's Day celebration in 1910.

**Roses were originally a big part of the Father's Day celebration.**

The first Father's Day included a church service where daughters would hand red roses to their fathers during the mass. The roses were also pinned onto the clothing of children to further honor their fathers—red roses for a still-living father and a white rose for the deceased. Dodd also brought roses and gifts to any father in the community who was unable to make it to the service. This gave birth to the now-nearly-forgotten tradition of roses as the customary flower of Father's Day.

## Welcome to Ventura Management!

Steve Whitelaw

### Summer Solstice Summer begins on June 20th 2024



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### Father's Day Facts (Cont.)

#### In Europe, Father's Day has its roots in the Middle Ages

For Catholics in Europe, the idea of Father's Day stretches back to feasts established in the Middle Ages to honor Saint Joseph's Day on March 19th. The celebration was prevalent in countries like Spain, France, and Italy, and as it focused on Joseph—the foster father of Jesus—it eventually turned into a day to honor the institution of fatherhood in general. Though many European countries have adopted a more secular observance of Father's Day, some still uphold the tradition of linking it to Saint Joseph's Day.

#### Father's Day wasn't recognized as a national holiday until 1972

It took until 1966 for President Lyndon Johnson to make a nationwide proclamation endorsing Father's Day across the country. In his proclamation, Johnson wrote that on June 19, 1966, "I invite State and local governments to cooperate in the observance of that day; and I urge all our people to give public and private expression to the love and gratitude which they bear for their fathers." It wasn't until President Richard Nixon signed Public Law 92-278 that Father's Day was permanently recognized by the federal government.

#### Americans are expected to spend over \$30 billion on Father's Day Gifts

All those BBQ accessories, coffee mugs, and screwdriver sets add up: Americans are expected to spend about \$30 billion on gifts in 2024 for Father's Day, with clothing and "special outing" gear making up the bulk of the gifts.



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### June Quote:

*Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside in a cloud of smoke, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming, "Wow, what a ride!"*

*... Hunter S. Thompson*

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