



DIY backyard party ideas to try this summer

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Throwing a party and need an idea? With just a little planning, you can turn your ordinary backyard into anything you want it to be.

A WATER PARK

Who says you need a pool to cool off on hot days? Create a backyard water park with stations like Slip 'n' Slide, sprinklers, inflatable water play pools and water balloons. Serve guests pop-sicles, funnel cake, hotdogs and other waterpark treats. Be sure to have plenty of beach towels on hand and a designated area for those guests who'd prefer to stay dry.

A MOVIE THEATER

Host a film night under the stars by moving your home theater outside. Create "stadium seating" by putting blankets towards the front of the viewing area, reclining chairs behind those, and then regular lawn chairs in the back. Decorate your backyard in theme with the movie you are screening and serve popcorn.

To get the real movie theater experience, use a high-quality projector, such as those from Casio, which combine a laser and LED light source to produce optimal visuals. Their Intelligent Light Control feature senses ambient

light and automatically adjusts the projection brightness accordingly to ensure that no matter the time of day or lighting conditions, you'll have good visuals.

With these same ideas and just a few snack and decoration swaps, you can host your friends for any big televised event!

SUMMER CAMP

Relive the camp experience with some friendly competition. Assign all your guests to teams and then start keeping score. A prominent score board with the current stats and some motivating music will keep guests on top of their game. Include classic feats of strength and coordination like tug-of-war and a three-legged race, but don't be afraid to branch out to include games that use the mind, such as trivia. Complete the day with an awards ceremony.

Take your backyard party to the next level. Pick a theme and go all out to create a fiesta your guests won't soon forget.

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Dirk Roper

Should you have annual maintenance service on your air conditioner? In a word, yes. Here are my top reasons why.

IMPROVED RELIABILITY

You will be less likely to suffer the inconvenience of a system breakdown. A system that is running well doesn't have to work as hard and is more likely to keep running. Instead of replacing parts when they fail, you can replace them at your convenience.

REPAIRS THAT ARE LESS COSTLY

Often parts fail over time, from a few minutes to many weeks. Parts that are failing can increase stress on other parts, causing them to fail too.

It's important for your service professional to look at the whole system. A part may have failed on its own, but it may also have failed because another part is failing. You pay less when you make repairs before they fail, and cause others to fail too.

LOWER ENERGY BILLS

A well-running system uses less energy to do the same amount of work. This savings will help to offset the cost of maintenance.

LONGER EQUIPMENT LIFE

A well-running system will last longer. This spreads the cost of the system over more years, lowering the annual cost.

SAFER, HEALTHIER INDOOR ENVIRONMENT

Replacing filters and cleaning indoor equipment makes your indoor environment cleaner and healthier.

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WARRANTY PROTECTION

Most major equipment manufacturers require annual maintenance to keep your warranty in effect.

PLANNED REPLACEMENT

Your service professional will be able to inform you as your system nears the end of its useful life. You can be in control and replace your equipment at your convenience, instead of having to make a crisis replacement. You can choose the replacement system that's exactly what you want, and not whatever happens to be available during an emergency.

Take control of your health, your safety, and your home comfort by investing in the proper care of your equipment.

-Dirk

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