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Storage 101: Top Organization Strategies

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We all love the idea of decluttering our lives and having an organized home, but it's easier said than done. Life gets messy, and trying to keep your family organized can be a challenge. Here are some of our favorite strategies for keeping everything in its place:

Basket Storage

Catchall Baskets - Open shelves may be great for showing off your favorite books or other eye-catching collectibles, but what about those less visually appealing items? Consider using attractive catchall baskets to share the space on your open shelves. These are great to keep things organized, and will easily store your daily go-to items like blankets, toys, and magazines.

Pantry Storage

Pantries can become a huge, jumbled mess if we don't keep them organized. **Clear Containers** - Find pantry ingredients in a jiffy with clear containers. Not only will making meals become faster and easier, you'll be able to see what's running low.

Wire Organizers - Install pullout wire shelves in one of your cupboards for easy access to plates, snacks, or cooking supplies.

Door Storage

Shelf Rods - Short on kitchen space for

staple items? Hang a vertical shelf rod on the back of the pantry door for wire baskets. This keeps all the items you use on a regular basis organized and ready to grab for those busy weeknight dinners.

Hanging Caddies - These aren't just for storing shoes — hang up a hanging caddy to hold all of your cleaning supplies! Store spray bottles and air fresheners on the back of your laundry room door. These can also be used in other rooms of your home and work great for storing beauty products, spices, cords, and sewing supplies.

Drawer Storage

Customized Cubbies - Our desk drawers tend to get cluttered with the most random things — office supplies, art supplies, paperwork, and probably a few things no one in the family even recognizes. Organize your desk supplies by creating cubbies inside your drawers. This keeps everything tidy and in the correct spot.

Divide and Conquer - Cooking can be a pain when you can't find what you're looking for. Kitchen drawers get really messy — we rummage through everything and cram it back in when we're done. Keep your drawers organized with dividers! They make storing food, utensils, and cooking supplies easy and keep it all in tiptop shape.

July Calendar

7/4 - Independence Day

7/3 - 8/14 - Air Conditioning

Appreciation Days Begins

July is National Picnic Month

Moving Made Easy: Top Apps for the Big Day!

The moving process can be stressful. Thanks to these helpful moving apps it doesn't have to be. These 4 apps can streamline the process and save you some moving day headaches.

MagicPlan - Create floor plans in minutes with just your phone's camera. MagicPlan lets you view your new home's space in 3D and design it before you even move in.

Homestyler - Turn your phone into a virtual fitting room by taking photos of your home's space and adding various wall colors, decor items, and furniture. Take the guesswork out of home remodeling.

Sortly - Keep track of all your items during your move with photos, tags, notes, and more. Group items exactly how you like and keep track of their whereabouts in organized folders. No more rummaging through mystery boxes.

Updater - What often causes the biggest headaches when you move is contacting every single service provider individually to update them on your new address. Updater connects your home services, updates your accounts, and saves you hours of phone calls and countless headaches.

Now, download one or two of these high-tech helpers, and get moving!



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Red White and Blue Brownie Pizza

Ingredients for brownie crust

- 1 box brownie mix
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/3 cup vegetable oil
- 1 egg

For cream cheese frosting and toppings

- 8 oz cream cheese at room temperature (1 package)
- 1/4 cup sugar granulated
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 cup fresh blueberries
- 2 to 3 cups strawberries sliced

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 F degrees. Prepare a pizza

pan or a large cookie sheet with parchment paper.

In your mixer add all the brownie ingredients and mix just until everything is well blended. Spread the brownie mix over the parchment paper to form a circle that's about 14 inches in diameter. Bake for 20 minutes. Let it cool completely.

In your mixer, add the cream cheese, sugar and vanilla extract and mix well until smooth.

Using a spatula spread, the cream cheese mixture evenly over the brownie crust.

Arrange berries over the cream cheese mixture.



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