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Budget TECH UPGRADES



To Give Your Porch, Patio, or Deck a *Lux* feel

Upgrading your patio doesn't require a massive budget or major renovation. With a few affordable strategic tech additions, you can completely transform the mood, comfort, and convenience of your outdoor space.

Here's a list of a few simple items that can elevate a space to feel more luxurious without the lofty price.

Smart Power & Lighting

Smart Plugs for Outdoor Use (~\$15 - \$25)

Adding a touch of fanciness can simply be scheduling patio lights, fountain, fan, or holiday decor to turn on automatically at sunset or control them with your phone or voice commands. Devices like the **TPLink Kasa Outdoor Smart Plug** or **Amazon Basic Outdoor Smart Plug** are weather-resistant and give you instant control features.

Smart Outdoor String Lights (~\$40 - \$70)

Smart budget lights like those from **Govee** let you dim the brightness, control color, or set a vibrant scene for a party from an app.

Solar-Powered Accent Tech (~\$20 - \$40)

Solar-powered path lights or small solar-powered spotlight provide nighttime visibility and security with zero wiring. Modern versions have dusk-to-dawn sensors and warm-white LED options for a relaxed vibe.

Rechargeable Table Lamps (~\$15 and up)

Cordless LED table lamps can add instant "hip-factor" to your patio, porch, or deck. They create ambient lighting without running extension cords and are rechargeable with a USB.



THANKS DAD



To all the *Wrench Wranglers, Grill Geniuses, Garden Gurus... Dad, you're the BEST!*

Whether you've shared your love of sports, grilling tips, love of meticulous yardwork, or life's wisdom, we want to **thank you** for all you've done for us, the life lessons you've shared, making us laugh, even those embarrassing Dad jokes!

Audio & Entertainment

Ultra Portable Waterproof Bluetooth Speakers (~\$30 - \$60)

Background music is always welcoming when you enter a space. It sets mood and adds to the moment of any occasion. Getting music from your phone for everyone to enjoy is easier and affordable with ultra portable speakers like **Anker Soundcore** and **Tribit PocketGo** or **Storm Box Portable Speaker**.

Budget Mini-Projector Set Up (~\$70 - \$129)

Create a low-cost outdoor movie night with many more to come! With a budget 1080p mini-projector paired with either a blank white wall, cheap pull-up screen, or a bed sheet, can easily turn into outdoor theater after dusk. **HAPPRUN Native** or **TMY Mini Projector** comes with HDMI and USB ports, and can be bluetoothed to speakers for great audio.



HAPPRUN Native
Mini Projector
Amazon

Comfort & Climate Control

Misting Fan Attachments (~\$12 - up)

If you already have a patio fan, you can buy a low-cost misting line kits that attach directly to a fan grill then twist onto a standard hose, dropping the surrounding air temperature by about 20 degrees on hot days.



Homenote
Misting Fan Attachment
homenotefactory.com

Thermacell Patio Sheild (~\$27 - up)

Thermacell Fuel-ZoneGuard Base Mosquito Repeller can make get-togethers more enjoyable when you don't have to fight off bugs. While this is not "smart home" tech, this gadget uses specialized heat-activated tech to create a 15 ft mosquito-free zone without smelly sprays or smoky torches.



Thermacell.com

SUMMER

EVENTS

JUNE

18 - Wilmot Cancer Fundraising Dinner
Wilmot Community Center

21 - Dad's Day

JULY

4 - Happy 250th Birthday America
Kranzburg July 4th Parade

10 - 12 - Summit's Fog Bless America

17 - Big Stone Lake Boat Poker Run

24 - 26 - Wilmot's Harvest Fest

AUGUST

7 - 8 - Peever's 125th Celebration

22 - Veblen Summer Bash & Rodeo

a chance to win cool prizes

COMMANDQ

Your Wi-Fi

SUMMER CONTEST

GRAND PRIZE:
FREE Internet for 1 Year!

Households with active RC Internet Service and CommandIQ app will be automatically entered into Weekly Drawings from June 21, 2026 through July 21, 2026 for a chance to win prizes!

Don't have CommandIQ the Wi-Fi app? It's free to download with no additional fee to use, contact RC Technologies!

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We will be announcing our weekly prize winners on our Facebook page.

Contest Rules: Households with active RC Technologies Internet Service and the CommandIQ are eligible for this contest. One winner per household per contest. RC employees are not eligible. The Grand Prize of 750 Mb / 750 Mb RC Technologies Internet Service for 1 Year is valued at \$1,308 and is not transferrable nor is it redeemable for cash.

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