

Welcome to Our Good News Letter

Hello and welcome to our first monthly newsletter! You know us—always trying to improve and update our look! We hope you like it.

With this letter we say hello to September! Can you believe it's here already? Even though the weather is still warm, we turn our thoughts to memories of Septembers past like long Labor Day weekends, going back to school and the start of Fall. Remember—you can't wear white after Labor Day, right? Does anyone pay attention to that anymore? Probably not so much.

So, this month we have some fun activities to keep you active and engaged. We have included special September days of note and we absolutely cannot forget Ines' birthday on September 17th!





Just a reminder for you to join us...

Connections and Kindred Spirits participants are meeting Tuesdays, at 11 am on Connections Corner via Webex. Just click on the link below:

Webex Program Link: <u>https://howardcountymd.webex.com/howardcountymd/</u> j.php?MTID=m3dc0e7020ba11ce230e68b84a9639e1a

Meeting Number: 160 616 7573 Password: Howard50+

As always we wish you all the best as we begin this new month and soon a new season! We hope to see you soon virtually on Connections Corner!

Best, Judy, Andrea and Bridget



September Birthdays

In Astrology, those born between September 1-22 are Virgo's discriminating virgins. Virgos pay attention to detail and are highly organized making them curious and intelligent learners who can get the job done without complaint. Those born between September 23-30 balance the scales of Libra. Libras have strong intellects and keen minds and so need constant stimulation. Libras are also masters of compromise and diplomacy, acting as wise mediators between friends and colleagues.

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Celebrating September

Healthy Aging Month

https://healthyaging.net/september-healthyaging-month/

Happy Cat Month

http://catalystcouncil.org/newsroom/ index.aspx?ID=177

National V-J Day, 9/2

https://nationaltoday.com/vj-day/

National Labor Day, 9/7

https://nationaltoday.com/labor-day/

National Grandparents Day, 9/13

<u>https://nationaltoday.com/grandparents-day/</u>

First Day of Fall, 9/22

https://www.almanac.com/content/first-dayseasons



Famous September

Bírthdays

Lily Tomlin (comedienne) 9/1/1939

Raquel Welch (actress) 9/5/1940

Jesse Owens (athlete 9/12/1913

B.B. King (musician) 9/16/1925

Serena Williams (tennis player)

Agatha Christie (author) 9/15/1890

Frankie Avalon (singer) 9/18/1940





Delicious and Mutritious... As your vegetable garden continues to produce

into September, here's a great recipe idea for your bountiful grape and cherry tomato harvest. It's quick and delicious!

Easy Caprese Appetizer!

https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/212896/caprese-appetizer/

School Days Trivia



- The tradition of giving an apple to a teacher started in the 1700s before governments around the world paid for the education of it's people. Poor families in Denmark and Sweden gave teachers baskets of apples and potatoes as payment for teaching their children.
- The first school bus was horse- drawn, introduced in 1827 by George Shillibeer for a Quaker school at Abney Park in Stoke Newington, London, United Kingdom and was designed to carry 25 children. The bus has subsequently become a major mode of transportation, particularly for transporting children to school.
- Boston became the site of the first correspondence school in the United States in 1873. Funded by Anna Eliot Ticknor, a pioneer of distance education in our country, the school was called the Boston Society to Encourage Studies at Home and offered higher education (exclusively) to women.

By all these lovely tokens, September days are here.

With summer's best of weather and autumn's best of cheer.

Fun Things To Do In September

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Take a beautiful Fall Foliage Road or Train Trip to See Maryland's Autumn Colors.

That special time of the year is almost here! Time for pumpkins, scarves and jumping in leaves. While the entire state of Maryland is pretty gorgeous during autumn, we're highlighting some of the best spots to view



the fall colors in Maryland. Driving time for this road trip to the best fall foliage in Maryland is a little over 4.5 hours! To give yourself enough time to explore each spot, you may want to make this a weekend trip or break it up and make a few day trips. To follow along with the Google Map click the link below. Another option is to view the fall foliage by train which is a real treat!

https://www.onlyinyourstate.com/maryland/fall-foliage-roadtrip-md/

When is the Best Time to Visit an Apple Orchard in Maryland?

Maryland's apples are in their peak season between August and October, so those are the best months to visit an orchard. In September and October, many of Maryland's orchards host exciting fall festivities like hayrides and corn mazes. There's no shortage of autumn fun you can have at these amazing Maryland apple orchards. Learn more about apples and where



to find the best orchards at:

-Helen Hunt Jackson

Labor Day: Beyond the Barbeque

We tend to associate this late summer holiday with beach vacations, barbeques and back-toschool sales without really considering its origins.

According to the <u>New York Times</u>, "in the late 1800s, many Americans toiled 12 hours a day, seven days a week, often in physically demanding, low paying jobs. Children worked too, on farms and in factories and mines. Conditions were often harsh and unsafe. It was in this context that American workers held the first Labor Day parade, marching from New York's City Hall to a gian picnic at an uptown

park on Sept. 5, 1882. Because it wasn't yet an official holiday, many of the attendees risked their jobs by participation in the one-day strike. On their signs, they called for 'less work and more pay', and eight-hour workday and a prohibition of the use of convict labor. They were met by cheers."



Following years of labor unrest, President Grover Cleveland signed a bill in 1894 declaring Labor Day a national holiday.



https://www.onlyinyourstate.com/maryland/ apple-orchards-md/

Reminisce with this...

Enjoy the sights and sounds of yesteryear!

https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=ZMlr9yfG8tk



Challenge Your Brain

Which Unusual Job Would Be Right for You Quiz

https://play.howstuffworks.com/quiz/which-unusual-job-would-be-perfectyou

Jeopardy Game

BRaiNGAM^eS

https://jeopardylabs.com/play/sports1109

National Grandparent's Day

Date When Celebrated: The first Sunday after Labor DayIt is only right and fitting that one day of the year is set aside to honor our grandparents. It is time to celebrate those special people who are always there with a hug, a kiss, a cookie, something special, or take us some-

where. *National Grandparent's*

Day originated in 1978. Then President Jimmy Carter declared it to be the first Sunday after Labor Day.

