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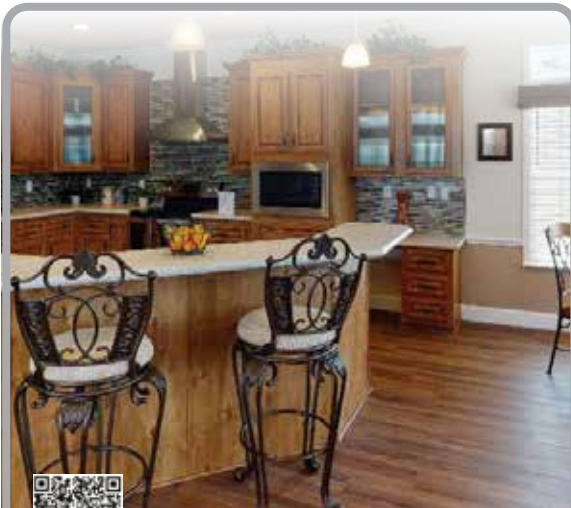
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1 Cindy Wright	14 Marilyn Hodson	24 Tonya Russell
2 Joan Hartnett-Barry	14 Cindy Bryan	24 Steve Shea
2 Rachel Melanson	14 Karyn Reis	24 Ken Wise
2 Deb Slack	15 Harold Parr	25 Dan Klink
2 Jane Wade	16 Julie Burns	25 Howard Moy
3 Larry Klima	16 Celeste Coughlin	26 Marcel Bedard
3 Steve Plaia	16 Don Gagnon	26 Leroy Harrison
7 Barrie Menser	16 Janis Standon	26 Richard Payne
8 Peter Howes	16 Robert McMichael	26 David Shepard
8 Gabriele Kaiser	17 Kathy Cockerham	27 Lori Curit
9 Doug Fleck	19 Linda Franklin	27 Laszlo Herczeg
9 Jack Keenan	19 Owen Parker	27 Sherman Prater
9 Marilyn Burger	20 Rick Jones	28 Mike Clark
10 Angela Labbe	20 Diane Pothast	28 Carol Mills
10 Monique McNutt	22 Roger Chasse	28 Lori St. Pierre
10 Sharon Ray	23 Don Alford	29 Beverly Harbert
11 Jeannie Gray	23 Virginia Fencclau	30 Debra Leamer
11 Nancy McMichael	23 Robert Martin II	30 Marg MacIver
12 Gilles Gagnon	23 Diane Witek	30 Hugh Matthews
12 Jim Knauff	24 Pam Jones	30 Muriel Paradine

September Anniversaries

1 Joe & Veona Spencer			
2 Bill & Sue Hood	1993	14 David & Theresa Smith	
4 Jim & Robin Myers	1971	15 Dale & Pat Peever	1985
4 Dan Steingraber & Lori St. Pierre	1993	20 Gordon & Sandra Harpster	1962
4 Lee Wilson & Chris Walsh	2015	20 Frank & Kim Pepin	1985
5 Steve & Mary Helen Groh		20 Frank & Kim Pepin	1986
5 Robert & Nancy Martin	2015	26 Thomas & Tammy Rau	1992
7 Mike & Cynthia Clark		27 Roger Quandt & Judy Richardson	2009
8 Charles & Pat Cool	1979	27 Michael & Tracey Scott	1997
9 Ed & Mary Ursic	1972	27 Louis & Janice Vedrode	1980
10 Curt & Kaaren Brandt		27 Woody & Laura Wood	1959
13 Paul & Roberta Patterson	1962	28 Paul Mihovetz & Carla Crabtree	2012
		29 Carl & Teresa Wienken	1979

Happy Anniversary



Wednesday Cribbage

7/1/2025

Glenn Gifford 5 329

Marie Pelletier 4 421

7/9/2025

Glenn Gifford 6 222

Lois Bruzek 6 153

Bill Westerman 3 545

7/16/2025

Bill Westerman 4 423

Marie Pelletier 4 422

7/30/2025

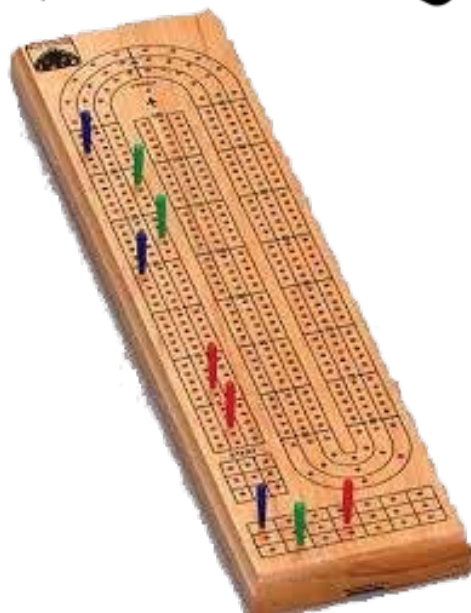
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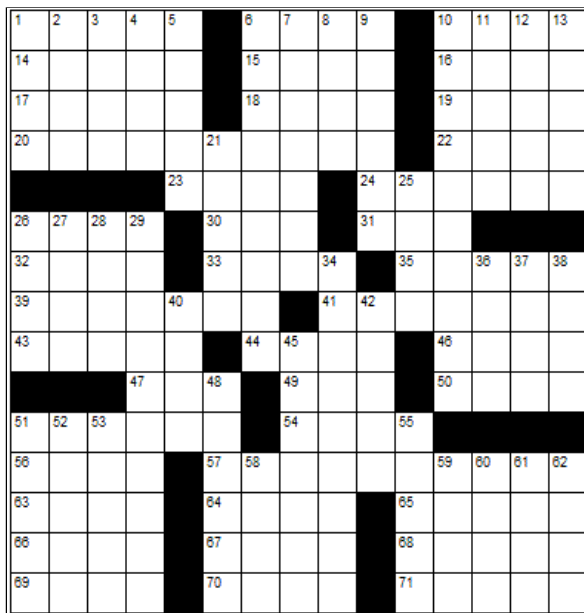
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6. Beige
10. Clutter
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15. Blackball
16. Broadcast
17. Moan
18. Writing styluses
19. Nil
20. Value
22. Greasy
23. Coin opening
24. Granny Smiths and Red delicious
26. Ballet attire
30. Half of two
31. Anagram of "Eat"
32. Any minute
33. Voting district
35. Scrutinize
39. Coating of gold
41. Annoying
43. Not liquid
44. Being
46. European mountains
47. Observe
49. S
50. In order that not
51. Mixologist
54. Female deer (plural)
56. Fertilizer component
57. Teasingly
63. Between black and white
64. Whale
65. Red Sea peninsula
66. Wash
67. Bearing
68. Economic down time
69. Got a good look at
70. Strong fiber
71. Affirmatives



DOWN

1. Seaweed
2. Distort
3. At the peak of
4. Backside
5. Anagram of "Sneer"
6. Spying
7. Deceiver
8. Litter member
9. Oust
10. Relating to menopause
11. Electronic letter
12. Move furtively
13. Doesn't go
21. Buffoon
25. Summit
26. Anagram of "Stag"
27. Freshwater mussel
28. Fee
29. Undaunted
34. Disharmonious
36. Handout
37. Little devils
38. Exam
40. Bright thought
42. Adjust again
45. Lures
48. Bury
51. Army brass instrument
52. Impressive display
53. Female ruff
55. Pantywaist
58. Diva's solo
59. Egyptian river
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Statewide Events & Parties

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Family-friendly picnics and cookouts

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Orlando – GLO Summer Nights at Grande Lakes

Where: JW Marriott Orlando, Grande Lakes

What: A resort-exclusive celebration with glow-themed nights, fireworks, and poolside entertainment.

Note: Events are for resort guests only, but it's a great option for a staycation.

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What: A beachside celebration with:

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Deck parties

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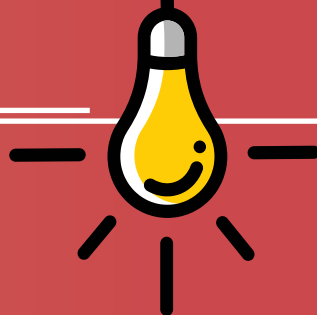
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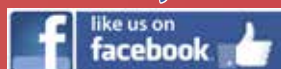
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6. Bonfire Bonding

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7. The Pie Contest Twist

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September



September is the 9th month of the year in the Gregorian calendar.

Its name comes from the Latin word “*septem*”, meaning **seven**, because it was the seventh month in the ancient Roman calendar.

Seasonal Significance

In the **Northern Hemisphere**, September marks the start of autumn (around September 22–23).

In the **Southern Hemisphere**, it signals the beginning of spring.

Back to School

September is traditionally associated with the **start of the academic year** in many countries, especially in the U.S., Canada, and Europe.

Celestial Events

September often features the **Harvest Moon**, the full moon closest to the autumn equinox. It's also a month known for **clear night skies**, making it great for stargazing.

Historical Highlights

World War II began in September 1939.

The **Constitution of the United States** was signed on **September 17, 1787**.

Birth Flowers

Aster and Morning Glory are September's birth flowers, symbolizing love, wisdom, and affection.

Birthstone

The sapphire is September's birthstone, representing wisdom, loyalty, and nobility.



On goals

A goal without a plan is just a wish.

— *Antoine de Saint-Exupery*

Let me tell you the secret that has led me to my goal. My strength lies solely in my tenacity.

— *Louis Pasteur*

Funny Quotes



On vices

He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire.

— **Sir Winston Churchill**

To escape criticism — do nothing, say nothing, be nothing.

— **Elbert Hubbard**

If criticism had any power to harm, the skunk would be extinct by now.

— **Fred Allen**

Before you criticize people, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you're a mile away. And you have their shoes.

— **J.K. Lambert**

I love criticism just so long as it is unqualified praise.

— **Noel Coward**

On friends

The imaginary friends I had as a kid dropped me because their friends thought I didn't exist.

— **Aaron Machado**

On vacations

No man needs a vacation so much as the person who has just had one.

— **Elbert Hubbard**



Cat wisdom

Dogs come when they're called; cats take a message and get back to you later.

— **Mary Bly**

Some people say that cats are sneaky, evil, and cruel. True, and they have many other fine qualities as well.

— **Missy Dizick**

If cats could talk, they wouldn't.

— **Nan Porter**

To bathe a cat takes brute force, perseverance, courage of conviction and a cat. The last ingredient is usually hardest to come by.

— **Stephen Baker**

One cat just leads to another.

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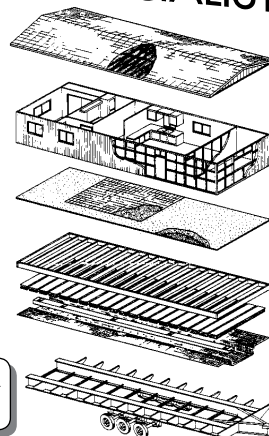
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Monthly Observances

- National Suicide Prevention Month
- National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
- National Preparedness Month
- National Self-Care Awareness Month

Notable Observances by Date

September 1

- American Chess Day
- Ginger Cat Appreciation Day
- National Cheese Pizza Day
- National Tofu Day
- World Letter Writing Day



September 2–7

- Sept. 2: National Blueberry Popsicle Day, World Coconut Day
- Sept. 3: National Skyscraper Day, U.S. Bowling League Day
- Sept. 4: National Wildlife Day, Eat an Extra Dessert Day
- Sept. 5: International Day of Charity, World Samosa Day
- Sept. 6: National Read a Book Day, Fight Procrastination Day
- Sept. 7: International Bacon Day, National Beer Lovers Day

September 15 – October 15

Hispanic Heritage Month begins – celebrating the histories, cultures, and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America.

September 22

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September 7

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Snow birds



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In Port Charlotte, a local diner owner shared how snowbirds would start lining up at 4:30 p.m. for the early bird special. “It’s like clockwork,” he said. “They come in, order the fish fry, and are out before sunset. One couple even brought their own salt shaker because they said ours wasn’t ‘zesty enough.’”



Gator Misunderstanding

A snowbird from New Jersey staying near the Everglades mistook a sunbathing alligator for a “weird-looking log” and tried to take a selfie with it. A neighbor quickly intervened. “I thought Florida wildlife was just flamingos and pelicans,” she said later. “Now I know better—and I zoom in from a safe distance!”



Laundry Room Diplomacy

In a Sarasota condo complex, the shared laundry room became a hub of snowbird diplomacy. One Canadian retiree recalled, “We had a sign-up sheet, but it turned into a social calendar. You’d go to do laundry and end up chatting for an hour about hockey, grandkids, and the best place for grouper sandwiches.”



Golf Course GPS

A Michigan couple new to The Villages got lost on their golf cart trying to find the right course. “We ended up at a pickleball court, then a dog park,” the husband said. “Eventually, someone gave us a paper map. It felt like a treasure hunt—but with sunscreen.”



Community Theater Surprise

In Naples, a snowbird from Ohio auditioned for a local play “just for fun” and ended up landing the lead role. “I hadn’t acted since high school,” she said. “But the director said I had the perfect ‘retired librarian energy.’ Now I’m a star every winter!”



On vices

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Why did the tree worry about going back to school?
It was afraid of getting stumped!

What's the best thing to put in a pumpkin pie?
Your teeth!

Why do birds fly south in the fall?
Because it's too far to walk!

What did one autumn leaf say to the other?
I'm falling for you!

Why did the scarecrow win an award?
Because he was outstanding in his field!

What's the cutest season?
Aww-tumn!

Why don't trees play poker in the fall?
Too many cheaters!

What do you get when you drop a pumpkin?
Squash!

Why did the apple stop in the middle of the road?
Because it ran out of juice!

What's a tree's favorite drink in the fall?
Root beer!



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