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# **HOW ABOUT SEPTEMBER!!**

September, the ninth month of the year, marks the beginning of <u>Spring</u> in the southern hemisphere and unfortunately the beginning of Autumn in the northern hemisphere. It is often one of the most temperate weather-wise transitions between seasons of the year.

The name September comes from the Latin *septem*, meaning seven, since it was the seventh month of the <u>Roman calendar</u>, which began with March. There are 30 days in the month of September, which starts on the same day of the week as December each year but does not end on the same day of the week as any other month in the year.

September has three birth flowers: the forget-me-not, the morning glory, and the aster. Forget-me-nots represent love and memories, asters represent love as well, and the morning glory represents unrequited love. The <u>birthstone</u> for the month is the sapphire.

September has several United States and international holidays.

- **Labor Day** is the most well known holiday in September. It is observed every year on the first Monday in September.
- Native American Day is always celebrated on the 4th Friday of September.
- **Grandparent's Day** is observed in the United States on the first Sunday after Labor Day.
- Constitution Day, celebrating the ratification of the governing document of the United States, is observed on the 17th.

**The autumn equinox**, which is the traditional transition from summer into fall, takes place on or around September 22nd, depending on the year.

There are lots of days dedicated to fun activities in September. Look out for these days.

- September 5th: National Cheese Pizza Day
- September 9th: National Teddy Bear Day
- September 16th: National Play-Doh Day

September 19th: International "Talk Like A Pirate Day"

Some other wonderful days of September

**September 2, 1666**: The <u>Great Fire of London</u> was started, completely destroying the old city located within the ancient Roman Walls. It was believed to have started in a bakery and took three days to put out.

**September 1, 1715:** Louis XIV, known as the Sun King, died at the age of 76, after ruling France since the age of five. He was succeeded by Louis XV and Louis XVI, who was executed during the <u>French Revolution</u> in 1789, thus ending the reign of monarchical rule in France.

**September 5, 1774**: The 1st <u>Continental Congress</u> was called to order. Comprised of delegates from all 13 American colonies, it served as the governing body during the American

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### **CLUB GOINGS ON**

So, here we are well into the rotary year and we are still struggling with meeting times and lack of members attending. Because Joe's is closed on Tuesdays we have rescheduled our meeting days. Trying to get enough people together to make it worthwhile for a speaker to make a presentation led us to make arrangements to meet with the Kiwanis Club. This should help both of us get interesting speakers. We have also cut back on the number of meetings and setup various meeting times. All of these things are subject to further changes as necessary for the operation of our club.

Here is the new schedule of days and times of our meetings:

First Monday of the month Meeting at Joe's Diner at 7:30 am.

Second Monday of the month Meeting at Joe's Diner at 12:00 noon.

Third Thursday of the month Joint meeting with the Kiwanis club at Joe's Diner at 12:00 noon

Note: If the second Monday falls in the same week as the third Thursday then we would not meet on the second Tuesday instead we would meet on the third Monday at Joe's at 12;00 noon.

Hopefully that is as clear as mud. Let's try to get our club back up to speed and hopefully get some new members so that we can do our Rotary thing for Willard.

Thanks Bob

P.S. I will not be available for the Presidents chair for the next Rotary year as my time will be required for the care of my wife.



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# Roasted Chicken and Acorn Squash with Sumac Brown Butter

Pre-salting the <u>chicken</u> makes for savory flavor throughout and helps crisp up the skin. Browning the butter adds nutty depth to the sauce; a flourish of sumac and Aleppo—though not fresh ingredients—adds a fresh, bright flavor to the finished dish.

### **INGREDIENTS**

- 4 chicken leg quarters (about 3 1/2 lbs)
- 3 1/4 teaspoons kosher salt, divided
- 4 teaspoons lemon zest, divided
- 2 teaspoons black pepper, divided
- 2 medium acron squash, halved and cut into 1/2 inch slices
- 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 3 thyme sprigs
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1 teaspoon honey1 teaspoon sumac, divided
- 1 teaspoon Aleppo pepper

Fresh thyme leaves for garnish



### **DIRECTIONS**

Place chicken on a rimmed baking sheet; sprinkle evenly with 2 teaspoons salt, 2 teaspoons lemon zest, and 1 teaspoon black pepper. Refrigerate, uncovered, 8 hours or overnight.

Let chicken come to room temperature, about 1 hour. Preheat oven to 450°F. Add acorn squash to baking sheet; drizzle chicken and squash with olive oil. Sprinkle squash with 1 teaspoon salt and remaining 1 teaspoon black pepper. Tuck thyme sprigs around chicken and squash.

Bake in preheated oven until a thermometer inserted in thickest portion of chicken registers 165°F and squash is tender, about 35 minutes. Transfer chicken and squash to a platter. Discard thyme sprigs; reserve pan juices.

Heat butter in a small saucepan over medium, stirring occasionally, until browned and fragrant, about 3 minutes. Scrape pan juices from baking sheet into saucepan. Whisk in honey, 1/2 teaspoon sumac, remaining 2 teaspoons lemon zest, and remaining 1/4 teaspoon salt. Drizzle over chicken and squash. Sprinkle with Aleppo pepper, thyme leaves, and remaining 1/2 teaspoon sumac.

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## LAUGH IF YOU WANT







Two blondes were driving to Disneyland.
The sign said:
Disneyland Left..
So they started crying and headed home.



















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Revolution, from 1774 to 1789. Two years later, on September 9, it changed the name of the United Colonies to the United States.

September 22, 1862: President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation, which ended slavery in the territories held by the Confederacy, effective January 1, 1863. In spite of the ruling, the Civil War would not end for another year and a half after that.

September 14, 1901: President William McKinley was shot on September 6, 1901 while attending the Buffalo Pan-American Exposition in New York. He passed away eight days later.

**September 1, 1939:** In the early morning hours of this day, Hitler invaded Poland, starting World War II in Europe. Der Führer called the move a "defensive" retaliation against the persecution of Germans in Poland.

**September 5th, 1961**: President John F. Kennedy signed a hijacking bill, making air piracy a federal crime. Punishment ranged from a \$10,000 fine to 20 years in prison; if a deadly weapon was used, the perpetrator(s) could receive life in prison or even death.

**September 8, 1974**: President Gerald Ford gave an unconditional pardon to former president Richard M. Nixon, for his role in the infamous "Watergate" fiasco.

**September 9, 2006:** <u>Typhoon</u> Ketsana hit the Philippines, China, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, and Thailand, resulting in 750 fatalities and over \$1.09 billion in damages.

On Tuesday morning, <u>September 11, 2001</u>, members of the Islamic terrorist group <u>al-Qaeda</u> hijacked four airliners as part of a series of coordinated attacks against targets in the United States. The Twin Towers in New York City were hit by one plane each, American Airlines Flight 11 and Flight 175, while American Airlines Flight 77 was crashed into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. The fourth plane, United Airlines Flight 93, is thought to have been headed for the White House, but passengers overtook the hijackers and the plane crashed into a field in rural Pennsylvania.

More than 3,000 people lost their lives during what the deadliest terror attack on U.S. soil to date. Property and infrastructure damage amounted to over \$10 billion. The attack is thought to have been ordered by Osama bin Laden, who was finally located and killed in Pakistan by U.S. Navy SEAL Team Six in May 2011. The 9/11 Memorial Museum occupies the sites where the Twin Towers once stood.



Never, ever, forget what happened in the past. Our history is not always beautiful, but the lessons that are learned there can only help us to live much better lives now and in the future.

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