

September 2020

# Culpepper Garden III

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**Autumn is here!**



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# From the Office

If you have medications, prescriptions and/or over-the-counter such as Tylenol, aspirin, stool softeners, etc.. **in your apartment**, they must be in a secured place and not out on the counter, table or night stand.

## PLEASE LOCK YOUR DOOR

We need to know all meds that you bring into your apartment. Please do not carry medications around in wheeled walkers(NO PRESCRIPTIONS OR OTC'S)



Bedtime and between meal snacks are available for all residents desiring them, or in accordance with their physicians or other prescribers' orders. The snacks will be offered on the 3rd floor.

## RESIDENT FIRE PLAN

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### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

1. In case of fire in your apartment, go into the hall and pull the fire alarm downward.
2. When you are in your apartment and the fire alarm rings,
  - Stay in your apartment, keep the door closed, put a wet towel at the bottom of the door to keep the smoke out.
  - If you wish, and are able to do so, you, may proceed to the exit door by the laundry room, and exit into the independent living wing.

*We ask that Assisted Living residents stay in their apartments and staff will assist if needed.*

**Note:** - Do not use the elevator.  
- Do not use the emergency cord.



Fire drills are mandatory per state regulations and must be done on as monthly basis during the day and /or night. If there is a real fire, staff will alert you. Follow the instructions on the back of your door and be sure to stay in your apartment with windows and doors closed



## On the Ball

Ballroom dancing was once a privilege afforded only to the upper classes and well-to-do. Today, however, ballroom dancing is a pastime that everybody can enjoy, and you don't need an extravagant ballroom in which to do it. Grab a partner and take to the dance floor for a foxtrot, waltz, tango, pasodoble, rumba, or any other style of dance during the week of September 18–27, Ballroom Dancing Week.



The term *ballroom* comes from the Latin word *ballare*, which means “to dance.” The earliest ballroom dances were invitation-only events where aristocrats were invited to the royal court for formal balls.

Many historians believe that ballroom dancing originated in 16th-century France. The book *Orchésographie*, written by the French cleric Thoinot Arbeau in 1589, explains in great detail the role of dance in aristocratic circles during the French Renaissance. Soon after, in 1650, the French composer and dancer Jean-Baptiste Lully introduced the dance known as the minuet to Paris. These lively and fast-paced dances became all the rage and remained a ballroom staple for a hundred years.

Many formal ballroom dances evolved from folk dances. The minuet was originally a peasant dance from the French province of Poitou. The waltz, too, had its origins as a German peasant dance. During the 18th century, nobles grew bored with the minuet and would steal away to the dances of their servants, where they learned the waltz. The waltz was considered scandalous, with its clasped hands and bodies pressed closely together. It took years before it was accepted into the ballrooms of the aristocracy. So, too, over the years did dances like Argentina's tango and Cuba's rumba gain acceptance to the ballroom. And in the 20th century, as audiences watched Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers dance across the silver screen, ballroom dancing suddenly seemed accessible to the masses. Today, ballrooms offer dance nights for dancers of all abilities. Whether you are a novice or an old pro, Ballroom Dancing Week is a chance to put on your dancing shoes.

## Long-Lived Locomotive

In 1831, Philadelphia and New York were the two largest cities in America. The state of New Jersey, situated between the two cities, became a prime location for a railroad company that could transport people and goods up and down the coast. Robert Stevens founded the Camden & Amboy Railroad (C&A) and enlisted Robert Stephenson and Company of Newcastle, England, to build a steam engine, which was called the *John Bull*. Starting service on September 15, 1831, *John Bull* became the oldest operable steam engine in the country.

The engine was shipped to America in pieces. Steamboat mechanic Isaac Dripps was tasked with putting it together. Despite his inexperience and the lack of assembly instructions, he succeeded. His innovative pilot wheel at the front of the locomotive became standard on almost all steam locomotives at the time. *John Bull* ran for 35 years before being retired. In 1883, it was given to the Smithsonian Institution for exhibition. Then, on September 15, 1981, 150 years after its first operation, *John Bull* ran in Washington, D.C., making it the oldest self-propelled vehicle in the world.

## Kitchen Creativity



September 13, or 9/13, brings 9x13 Day, a day for cooks of all abilities to fill their 9x13 pans with something delicious.

These versatile pans can be used for everything from appetizers to dessert. They can hold baked dips, beans, potatoes, casseroles, baked pasta, savory breads, meats, cakes, bars, cakes, and cobblers. The 9x13 pan is truly a workhorse of the kitchen. If you're looking for another excuse to whip up something special in the kitchen, September is Bake and Decorate Month. With apples and pumpkins begging to be picked, why not make one of these the star of your next cake or pie? And don't forget to decorate your dish with a decorative crust or a delightful icing.

## Leaf-Peepers Delight



By the last weekend of September, Fall Foliage Week, you have likely noticed that the weather has begun to cool and leaves have started changing from green to shades of yellow, orange, and red. This dramatic transformation is the result of a careful and complex chemistry occurring within the leaves.

Throughout the summer months, tree leaves are hard at work, photosynthesizing thanks to chlorophyll. Not only does chlorophyll absorb sunlight and convert light energy to the chemical energy plants need to survive but they also give leaves their green color. But leaves also contain carotenoids, plant pigments that create hues of yellow and orange. Dominant chlorophyll normally covers up the carotenoids, but as the weather cools and days grow shorter, chlorophyll degrades and fades. Suddenly, the yellows and oranges of the carotenoids become dominant. But what of the brilliant red hues? The color red is the result of a pigment produced in autumn called *anthocyanin*. Cool nights stimulate the production of sugars within trees, and this stimulates the leaves to produce anthocyanin. Weather conditions in late summer, such as drought, heavy rain, or too many clouds, can affect the production of sugars and the resulting anthocyanin, either resulting in eye-popping (more sugar) or dull reds (less sugar). Dedicated leaf peepers enjoy nature's show regardless.

New England enjoys fame as a prime leaf-peeping destination, thanks to its leafy forests and chilly September nights, a combination that produces excellent fall foliage displays. Yet plenty of other places around the world offer excellent fall foliage. Japan is a prime spot for leaf-peeping, especially the northernmost island of Hokkaido, where leaves begin to turn as early as mid-September. Romania's Carpathian Mountains offer another excellent destination, especially the alluring Lake Sfânta Ana. No matter where you go, if there are leaves and chilly nights, then you are bound to find some spectacular fall foliage.

## The First Miss America

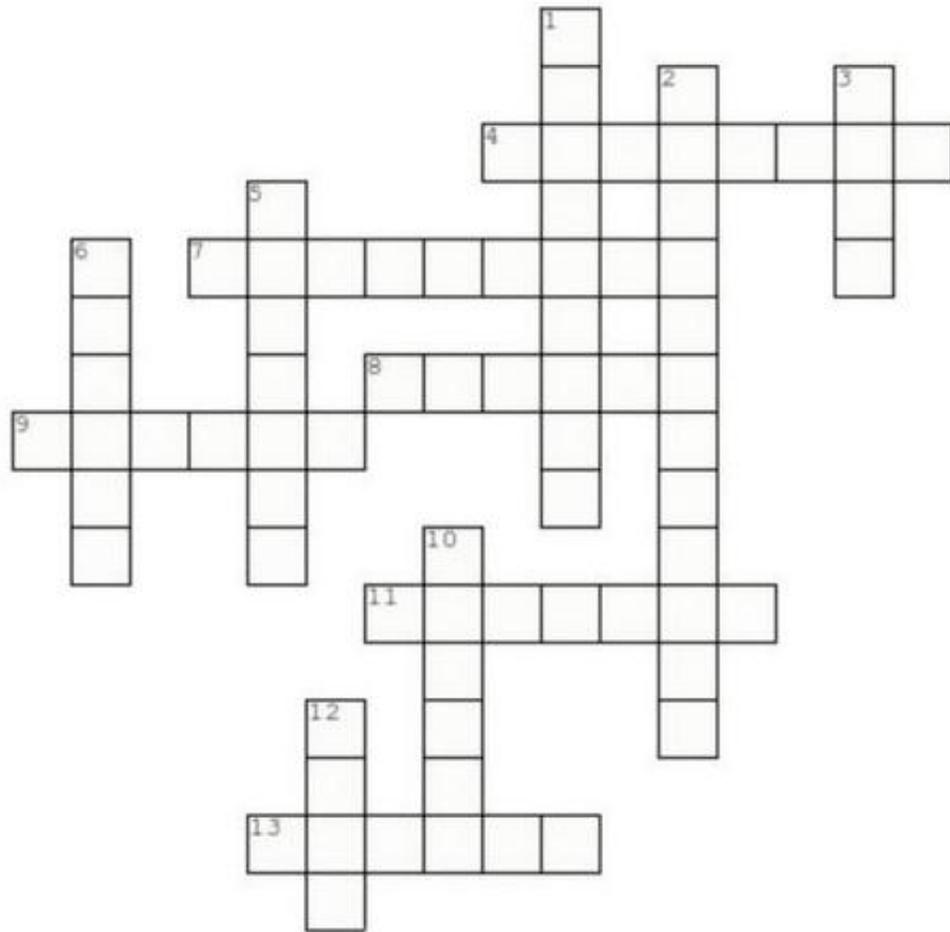
In 2018, the Miss America competition abandoned its swimsuit competition, explaining that it would “no longer judge our candidates on their outward physical appearance.” My, how times have changed. Almost a century ago, in September of 1921, Atlantic City held a pageant for “The Most Beautiful Bathing Girl in America.” In this very first Miss America pageant, women were judged solely on how they looked in a bathing suit, and 16-year-old Margaret Gorman was handed the Golden Mermaid Trophy while still wearing hers. Some historians trace the beauty pageant back to 1854 when none other than P.T. Barnum attempted to add an exhibition to his New York museum where visitors judged women by their appearance. Barnum's project was nixed after public protests, but local newspapers used the idea as a way to attract readers and began to run photo-based popularity contests of local women. In fact, Margaret Gorman, that first Miss America pageant winner, had won her local newspaper's popularity contest, which led to her being crowned Miss District of Columbia, making her eligible for Miss America.

## Shetland's Golden Fleece



The last Saturday in September brings Shetland Wool Week, a week that places Scotland's generations-old textile industry in the spotlight. Shetland wool is a luxuriously soft, warm, and airy wool that is sheared from Shetland sheep, a breed that originally hailed from the Shetland Islands, found in the northernmost isles of Scotland. *Fair Isle* knitwear, sweaters that are world famous for their colorful patterns, warmth, comfort, and durability, come from the Shetland island named Fair Isle, where knitters have been turning Shetland wool into garments since the 1600s. Family-based knitters produce up to 40 garments a year by hand. With hundreds of pending requests, buyers may have to wait years before they get a genuine Fair Isle Shetland wool sweater.

# Fall Crossword



## **Across**

- 4. Jewish Holiday, Rosh \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Scary Holiday
- 8. Fall from oak trees
- 9. Change colors
- 11. For carving and pie
- 13. Color

## **Down**

- 1. Used to frighten birds
- 2. Feast Holiday
- 3. Tool to clean the grass of leaves
- 5. Marks the end of the growing season
- 6. Squirrel
- 10. Another name for Fall
- 12. Grows on stalks

# Fall Word Search



ACORN  
APPLE  
AUTUMN  
CHESTNUTS  
CHILLY  
CIDER  
COBWEB  
FALL  
FOOTBALL  
GOURD

HALLOWEEN  
HARVEST  
HAY BALE  
HAYRIDE  
LEAVES  
MAIZE  
NOVEMBER  
NUTS  
OCTOBER  
PUMPKIN

QUILT  
RAKE  
SCARECROW  
SEPTEMBER  
SLEET  
THANKSGIVING



# MEET OUR NEW SERVICE COORDINATOR

Hello! My name is Rebekah Pearson and I am the new Service Coordinator (Social Worker) here at Culpepper Garden. I am so excited to get to know all of you, and join the Culpepper family. A little bit about myself: I grew up north of Seattle, Washington. I lived in Fort Collins, Colorado for my undergraduate degree. I graduated with my Bachelors in Social work, and moved out to Virginia where I have been living since!

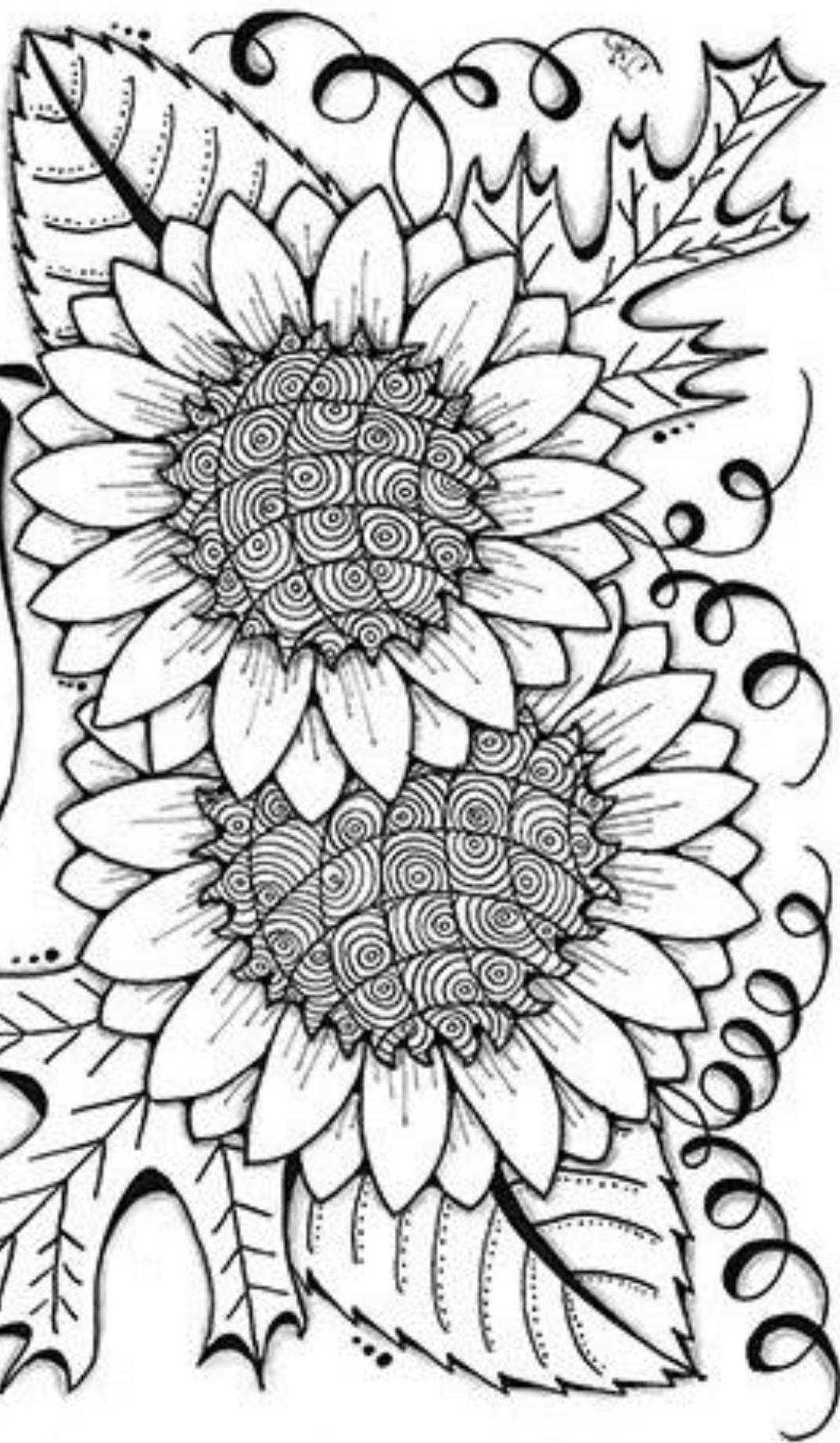
## **Fun Facts about Me:**

- I am currently in graduate school, at George Mason
- I have worked in geriatrics my entire professional career, and have worked in Senior Living in three different states.
- I have a large black cat named Bagheera. He is named after the character in Jungle Book. Bagheera means black panther in Hindi.
- I love animals and have: swam with a beluga whale, kissed a kangaroo, and held a cobra.
- I have two black belts in Tae Kwon Do, and currently kickbox in my spare time.
- My favorite book is “The Beautiful and Damned” By F. Scott Fitzgerald.





Stomn Splendor







# August Birthdays



James Fagley-August 2<sup>nd</sup>



Doris Faber-August 13<sup>th</sup>



Margaret Ellis- August 19<sup>th</sup>

## Britain's "Bobbies"

Visitors to Britain might be surprised to learn that their police officers are nicknamed "bobbies" and that they carry no firearms. The invention of this unique police force on September 29, 1829, is credited to then-British Home Secretary Sir Robert Peel, for whom they are named.



Before 1829, there was no British police force. Order was maintained by a mishmash of officials: night watchmen, local constables, and the red-coated army soldiers we remember from the American Revolutionary War. Sir Robert

Peel's vision was to create a centralized and professional law enforcement body for the service of all equally under the law, not just the well-to-do. Britain had long been at war with France, and many Britons were familiar with France's powerful, state-run police force. Peel also knew that many Britons would be opposed to forming such a force in Britain, so he launched his police force in central London and laid out nine principles for policing that he called the "General Instructions." Chief among these was the notion of *policing by consent*. Peel wanted the authority of his officers to rest on the support of the public, not the threat of power by the state.

Peel's Metropolitan Police, headquartered on a small street called Scotland Yard, did not don the red coats of the army, but black coats, tall wool hats, and shiny badges. They did not carry firearms, for they did not rule by force but by consent of the populace. Instead, they carried a short club and a whistle, which they could blow if they needed backup. Officers walked routine beats so that their faces would grow familiar, thereby gaining the trust of the citizenry. In time, the Metropolitan Police and their so-called "Peelian Principles" of policing were deemed a smashing success. In London, officers came to be called "Peelers," after Sir Robert Peel, and also, more famously, "Bobbies." Those Peelian Principles are, for the most part, still practiced today. In Britain, most Bobbies still do not carry firearms, and they proudly police by consent.

## 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.

Lily Tomlin (comedian) – September 1, 1939  
Richard Wright (author) – September 4, 1908  
Raquel Welch (actress) – September 5, 1940  
Jacob Lawrence (artist) – September 7, 1917  
Otis Redding (singer) – September 9, 1941  
Jesse Owens (athlete) – September 12, 1913  
Agatha Christie (author) – September 15, 1890  
B.B. King (musician) – September 16, 1925  
Frankie Avalon (singer) – September 18, 1940  
Jim Henson (puppeteer) – September 24, 1936  
Serena Williams (tennis pro) – September 26, 1981

## September Birthdays

Roy Paul – Sept. 1st  
Chie Layman – Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Marjorie Manley -Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Teresa Sala-Rueda – Sept. 16th  
Dorothy Miller – Sept. 18th  
Lois Bell – Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>

