



Notable Quotable

“Any woman can fool a man if she wants to and if he’s in love with her.”

~ Agatha Christie, mystery writer, born Sept. 15, 1890

September Horoscopes and Birthdays

In astrology, those born between September 1 and 22 are Virgos. Virgos are observant, independent, reliable, and intellectual. Virgos have sharply organized minds and enjoy analyzing problems to bring order to chaos. Those born between September 23 and 30 balance the scales of Libra. Libras seek equality, justice, and harmony. Eager to cooperate, Libras are charming diplomats.

Happy Birthday to our WVL Residents for September

Larry Barshaw – September 1
John Parks – September 5
Jogn Gilbert – September 10
Victoria Scheimer – September 19
Charles Staubus – September 27
Marie Saville – September 30

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Artists experimented with new sounds, helping shape modern popular music.

Fashion followed suit with bold styles and colorful self-expression. Bell-bottom jeans became one of the decade’s most recognizable trends, often paired with platform shoes, wide collars, and eye-catching patterns. Whether on city streets, school

campuses, or television screens, 1970s fashion embraced individuality and flair.

Looking back, the 1970s were a decade of distinctive sounds, memorable television, and bold fashion choices. From disco dance floors and funk concerts to sitcom premieres and bell-bottom jeans, the era left a lasting mark on American culture.



Westchester Village

September 2026

Celebrating September

Classical Music Month

Courtesy Month

Newspaper Carrier Day September 4

Labor Day (U.S.) September 7

Chocolate Milkshake Day September 12

Line Dance Week September 14–19

International Day of Democracy September 15

Fall Equinox September 22

Fall Festival September 26 Time 1-3

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Back to the '70s

September often marks a return to routines, and during the 1970s, it also signaled the start of a new television season. Long before streaming and on-demand viewing, fall TV premieres were major events. Families gathered around the television to watch the first episodes of returning favorites and discover new shows that would soon become part of daily conversation.

The 1970s are often remembered as a golden age of TV sitcoms. Programs such as *All in the Family*, *The Mary Tyler Moore Show*, and *Happy Days* reflected changing social attitudes while providing plenty of humor. Their

characters, catchphrases, and storylines became cultural touchstones, influencing entertainment for decades to come.

Music was equally influential. The decade saw the rise of disco, a dance-driven style that filled clubs and radio stations. Funk also gained widespread popularity, blending powerful rhythms, bass lines, and energetic performances.

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Come join us in healthcare with some great piano music with Ruben on Thursday September 24 at 3pm.



Nutt’s cool, soothing voice transformed the booming new industry. Emma Nutt was so successful that telephone operation became an exclusively female profession. Indeed, women relished the professional opportunity, which was considered a step up from domestic duties and factory work. Women would operate the telephone lines for almost the next 100 years.

The Write Stuff



The oldest known handmade greeting card dates back more than 600 years.

It's happened to many of us: You want to buy a greeting card, and the next thing you know you've spent countless minutes reading every card in the aisle. But did you ever stop to wonder who penned all those greeting cards? It is the job of the greeting card writer to find the perfect words for our thoughts and feelings. Most greeting card writers remain anonymous, but that shouldn't stop you from celebrating Hug a Greeting Card Writer Day on September 18.

Despite the rise of digital greetings, text messages, and social media, the greeting card industry continues to thrive. Americans still purchase billions of greeting cards each year, generating roughly seven billion dollars in annual sales. While many people now send birthday wishes online, physical cards remain popular for milestones,

holidays, expressions of sympathy, and heartfelt occasions. Perhaps that is because, deep down, we still value tangible messages of love and appreciation. After all, many of us have old greeting cards tucked away in drawers or keepsake boxes.

Opportunities abound for freelance writers who want to break into the greeting card business. While artwork and design may capture a shopper's attention, the message inside often determines whether a card is purchased. Payment varies by publisher and card type, but submissions can still earn writers anywhere from \$25 to well over \$100 per card.

As cards continue to evolve alongside technology, one thing remains unchanged: People still appreciate receiving thoughtful words delivered in a personal and memorable way.



Welcome to WVL Fall Festival on Saturday September 26 from 1-3 please join us with family activities, crafts, corn hole, Music-DJ-Geno , refreshments, drinks and lots of fun.



Los del Río sparked a worldwide dance craze with their one-hit wonder "Macarena."



By 1851, Day was printing 18,000 papers in an hour.

A Paper for the People

On September 3, 1833, in New York City, Benjamin Day began printing his daily newspaper, *The Sun*, for which he charged one penny per copy. For this reason, September 3 is celebrated as Penny Press Day. Day's small paper was groundbreaking for many reasons. First, it brought the news to the masses. Working-

class families and immigrants could at last afford to be well informed. Secondly, it relied on advertising, not subscriptions, for revenue, which helped keep its cost low. Day was also the first newspaperman to hire reporters to follow stories. Thanks to his ingenuity, Day became New York's first newspaper magnate.

Superstition Busters

If you find the number 13 unlucky, then September 13, Defy Superstition Day, may be just what the doctor ordered. Superstitions are irrational beliefs, but if they are so irrational, why are so many people superstitious? Psychologist B. F. Skinner hypothesized that superstitious behaviors stem from the concept of reinforcement; that is, a person performs an action expecting a reward. What makes superstitions unique is that people repeat an action over and over, even if the reward is not realized. For example, someone may always throw salt over their shoulder to ward off bad luck, even though there is no immediate benefit or consequence.

The salt superstition stems from da Vinci's painting *The Last Supper*. In the painting, Judas, the apostle who betrayed Jesus, is depicted knocking over the salt. The act of spilling salt has since been associated with treachery and lies.

Do you walk under ladders? It's a common superstition that it is bad luck to do so. This superstition began in ancient Egypt. A ladder leaning against a wall forms a triangle, which was considered a sacred shape, similar to the shape of the pyramids. Passing under the ladder was considered an insult to the gods, a superstition that carries on to this day.

Perhaps the most prevalent superstition is to knock on wood to prevent disappointment and promote good fortune. Many ancient pagan cultures worshipped trees because they were believed to be inhabited by spirits. It was common to lay hands on trees and ask for favors or give thanks. Of course, on September 13, you'll need to defy all these superstitions by spilling salt, walking under ladders, and not knocking on wood. While you're at it, open an umbrella indoors and break a mirror for good measure.