

September always feels like the beginning of a new year to me. School starts, church programs begin and when I worked in The Salvation Army's Community and Family Services, we not only were giving out school supplies and backpacks in September, but we were also planning for our Christmas toy and food drives.

As a minister in The Salvation Army, it has never just been about preaching sermons or Bible studies, while those things are very important in the church, our founder William Booth believed that our faith should bear the fruits of good works and service.

Did you know? When Booth was too sick to speak at a big event, he sent a one-word message to be read to everyone. The word? "Others."

That one word summed up his whole mission — living to serve and care for others.  $\heartsuit$ 

In another sermon he said, "Faith and works should travel side by side, step answering to step, like the legs of men walking. First faith, and then works; and then faith again, and then works again—until they can scarcely distinguish which is the one and which is the other."

My faith tradition has always taught me that my life should reflect more than good wishes, it must also include service. Hebrews 10:24 says, "Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works." And here's the absolute beauty in that, serving others brings great blessing.

Today I challenge you to bless another with a kind word, a smile, an act of kindness and then as you reflect on that action at the end of the day, tell me that you do not feel blessed because you acknowledged the "Other" person.

Major Donna Simms
Dir. Spiritual care/Chaplain



# And we are off to the RACES!





















These two combined to have a winning race!















Brian Mosoir



# DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

ANNUAL APPLES

AUTUMN

CELEBRATION

CONTESTS

CORN

CORNUCOPIA

CROPS

FARMER

FEASTING

**FESTIVAL** 

**FIELDS** 

GAMES

# Harvest festival

#### Word Search

Ε S R C F 0 R D Ζ Ε S S G E S S Α В Ε S C D Ε Ε S С R L G W S



HAYRIDE

LEAVES

MERRIMENT

MUSIC

**OCTOBER** 

**PUMPKINS** 

REGIONAL

SCARECROW

SEPTEMBER

SQUASH



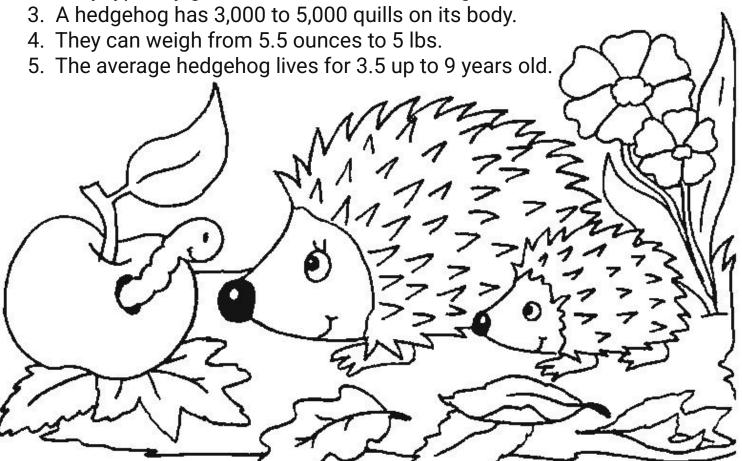






### Colour the HEDGEHOGS

- 1. There are 17 species of Hedgehogs.
- 2. They typically grow from 4 to 14 inches long.







## Let's be a Sunflower!



I know having the home in outbreak can be frustrating and maybe even a little disheartening, but maybe we can learn something from the beautiful Sunflower.

Sunflowers are fascinating. I love its beautiful, bright, cheery petals that seem to reflect the beauty of the sun's rays. This year Guy and I planted some in our backyard and whenever I look at them, I never fail to think, "How beautiful!" However, I'm not just attracted by its beauty, I'm intrigued by its story.

If flowers were known for their personality type the sunflower would be classified as an optimist. The sunflower always turns away from negativity. When everything is dark and bleak the sunflower turns itself until it finds the little sunlight that is peeking through the clouds, and it turns and faces that way. It focuses on the little positive and backs away from the negative.

Wouldn't it be nice to be like the sunflower? To turn your back on the negativity and face the brightness of possibility? Just as the sunflower closes and loses some of its luster and beauty in the dark, we can also lose our bright smiles, enthusiasm, and exuberance in the darkness of negativity.

Today let's try to be like the sunflower. Let's turn our back on the darkness of negativity and face the brightness of God's possibilities. Remember God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble (Psalms 46:1)

So, when you're going through a dark period in your life, He's the ray of sunshine shining through the clouds that you need to turn your face towards.

Major Donna





**Eventide's Foyer** 

Hove Wednesday chapels and looking out on all these **Beautiful Faces** 









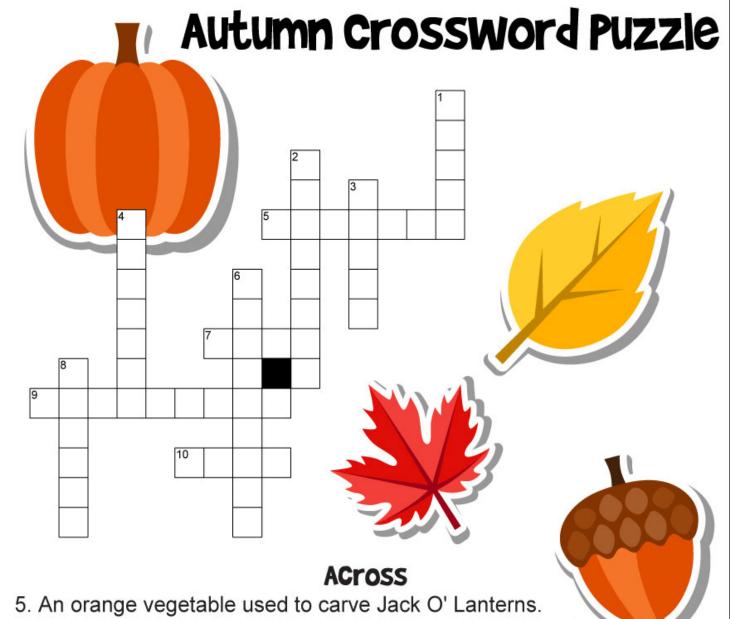












7. A garden tool used to capture fallen leaves from the yard.

9. The ninth month of the year, when autumn begins.

10. A vegetable that grows inside a green husk with yellow kernels inside.

#### Pown

- 1. The seed produced by oak trees.
- 2. A small, usually brown mammal with a long, fuzzy tail that lives in trees.
- 3. A type of fruit that can be red or green and is baked in pies.
- 4. The gathering of crops at the end of the growing season.
- A dummy used to scare away birds and other animals from eating a farm's crops.
- 8. The flat, usually green parts of a plant that grow from a stem or branch.

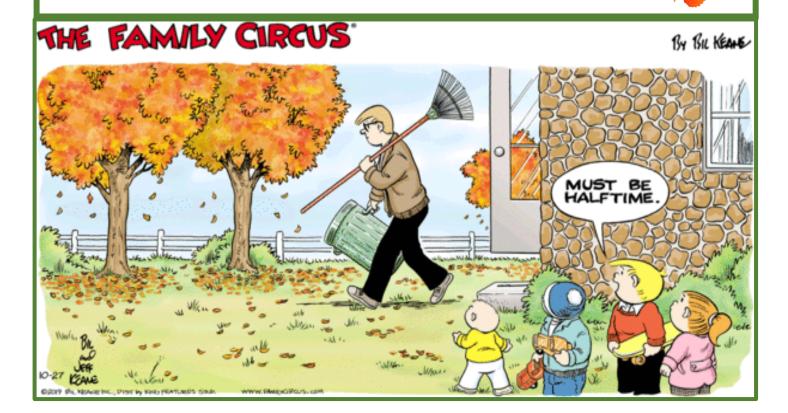




- 1. **Squirrels and Their Nuts:** Did you know that squirrels bury up to 3,000 nuts in the fall? They use clever strategies to remember where they've hidden them, ensuring they have food during the winter months.
- 2. **Leaves change color** due to the decreasing amount of chlorophyll, which is what gives leaves their green color. As daylight hours shorten and temperatures drop, chlorophyll breaks down, revealing the vibrant reds, oranges, and yellows of fall.
- 3. Special holidays in fall are...

**Thanksgiving** in Canada which is centered around giving thanks and enjoying harvests.

**Oktoberfest** in Germany is famed for its beer, food, and festivities. **Diwal**i, the Hindu festival of lights, often falls in autumn. It's a time of joy, reflection, and community, marked by fireworks, sweets, and lanterns.





**Raouf Hebeiche**Mar 34, 1936— Aug 29, 2025

**Betty Lenson**Mar. 27, 1926 — Sept. 16, 2025



Staying connected To family

# Enjoying the Outdoors





#### HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY

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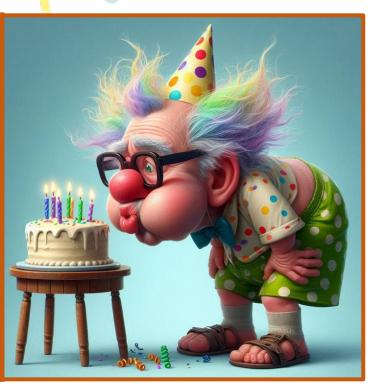
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Colleen Q Sept 21

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The Salvation Army Hon. Ray & Helen Lawson Eventide Home

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of The Salvation Army Hon. Ray & Helen Lawson Eventide Home is to provide long term health care and compassionate service for the spiritual, physical, emotional, and social well-being of those entrusted to our care.

These services will be embodied in Christian principles, values, and ethics.

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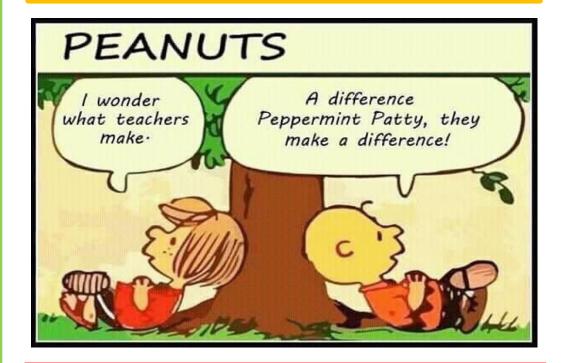
#### The Salvation Army Canada and Bermuda has four core values:

Hope: We give hope through the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Service: We reach out to support others without discrimination.

Dignity: We respect and value each other, recognizing everyone's worth.

Stewardship: We responsibly manage the resources entrusted to us.



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