



Maryland Renaissance Festival

Aug 23-Oct 19
Crownsville Fairgrounds
10-7 most weekends
Prices vary
rennfest.com

Maryland Seafood Festival

Saturday and Sunday, Sept 5-7
Sandy Point State Park
Annapolis
Mdseafoodfestival.com
\$10-\$15

Good Life Thursdays at Boordy

Now until September 25
4-8PM

Free Admission to a sustainable happy hour featuring local and organic products, dinner, wine and music. - No pets or alcohol other than Boordy wine allowed on the premises.

Defense of the Nation, Maryland in the War of 1812

Now until September 20
Baltimore Visitor Center
401 Light Street
Free event

9/11 Maryland Memorial Exhibit

Thursday, September 11, 2014 - 8:00am to 6:00pm
The Top of the World Observation Level hosts exhibit featuring artifacts from the Twin Towers, Pentagon, and Flight 93 National Memorial. The display honors the lives of Maryland victims of the September 11, 2001 attacks.

Baltimore Book Festival

Sept 26, 27 noon to 8
Sept 28- noon to 6
Inner Harbor
Light and Pratt Streets

The Gathering: Food Truck Rally

September 6th (Towson University)
September 19th (War Memorial Plaza)
Baltimore's Best Street Food Festival featuring Maryland's Mobile Food Vendors, Live Music and Fabulous Bar! Stimulate Your Senses!

Dogfest -- and Paws on Parade Walkathon

September 27th : 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. ([Also, the walkathon runs 10 a.m.-noon.])

Baltimore Humane Society

601 Nicodemus Rd , Reisterstown , MD ,21136
\$10.00

Evening At The Farm

September 13th : 5 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

[Baltimore County Center for Maryland Agriculture](#)

1114 Shawan Rd , Cockeysville , MD , 21030

Enjoy local wines and Heavy Seas beer, delight in lite fare while exploring the beautiful setting of the Agricultural Center. The sounds of the blue grass band Late For Supper, a great silent auction and ice cream from Prigel Family Creamery will add to fun of the evening. Dress in "Country Casual" wear your blazer and blue...

Star-Spangled Spectacular

September 13th : 10 a.m. Free

[Fort McHenry](#)

Celebrate the 200th anniversary of our national anthem with public Navy ship tours, a Blue Angel air show, and a patriotic concert followed by a fireworks display.

8 Green Ways To Go Back To School



1. Get a chemical free back pack
2. Pack a reusable stainless steel water bottle
3. Purchased recycled paper notebooks
4. Pack an organic real food lunch
5. Use plastic free lunch containers
6. Walk to school
7. Get new clothes at the second hand store
8. Give them a hug and kiss goodbye everyday!

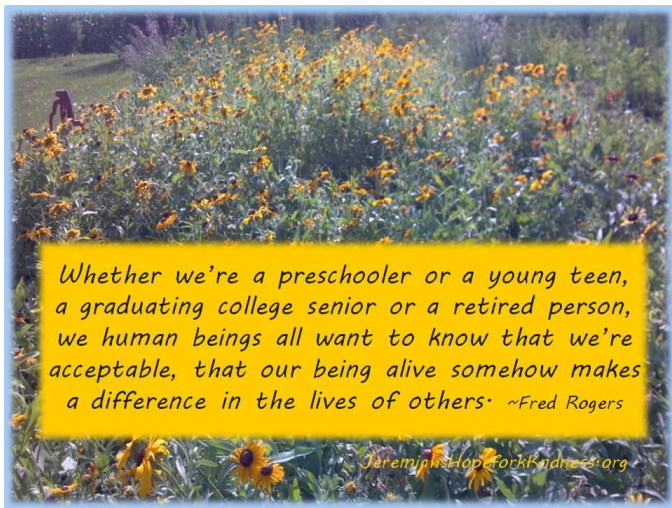


If you have children, then fall is extra busy -- not only do you have to get yourself organized and your home prepared for the oncoming cold, but you also have to get ready for back-to-school. Here are Estelle Gee's best home organizing tips to help get you and your family ready for school.

- Set up a station in the entryway or mud room to store the children's backpacks. This will minimize back-to-school stress, especially in the morning.
- Create a study area for your kids. This can be done in a communal room or in their bedrooms and helps keep books, homework and stationery all in one place.
- Make sure you start tomorrow on the right foot by organizing backpacks, making lunches and updating the family calendar the evening before.
- Minimize the morning routine by picking outfits the day before. If you're really proactive, use a clothing organizer to lay out a week's worth of outfits.

Simple home organizing solutions

- Fall is the second busiest season and one of the most common problems standing between you and an organized home is the ability to **establish a routine**. Think about your daily routine and then plan out ways to maximize your time and accomplish your chores efficiently.
- Put systems in place to **minimize the time and effort usually spent clearing clutter** and running around the house trying to find misplaced objects.
- Keep the family on the same page by **synching up** everyone's cellphones.
- **Preach punctuality**. Help ensure that you aren't downstairs waiting to leave in the morning while your teen is still upstairs getting ready by ensuring all the clocks in the house keep the same time.
- Keep a **calendar** in a common room like the kitchen to keep track of everyone's important dates and appointments.



Labor Day is a day to honor and exhibit the American spirit through its hard-working people. It is typically a three day weekend celebration with picnics, family celebrations, parades and fireworks. A rite of passage between summer and fall.

