



WHAT'S COOKING September 2007

brought to you by the RestRock Restaurant Group: Tortilla Marissa's, and Windsor's Main Street Grill

What's Your Favorite Season?

At one of our recent Rotary Club meetings, I was asked which was my favorite season. I had to think for a moment because there are things that I enjoy about each season.

Winter brings the obvious pleasures of fires in the fireplace, comforting hearty meals, outdoor activities such as skiing and snowshoeing, and the special family holidays that occur.

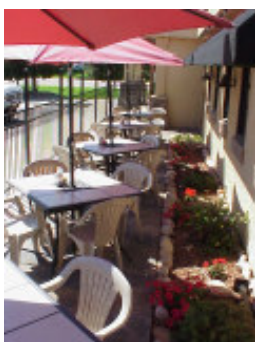
Spring brings the beginning of longer daylight hours, warmer temperatures, the emergence of daffodils, tulips, green grass, and leaves on the trees.

Summer gives us the longest daylight hours of the year, backyard bbqs, watermelon and sweet corn, summer vacations, and farmers markets.

Yet, I'd have to say, my favorite season is Fall.

The outdoor temperatures start to cool off from the heat of summer, it's the start of a new school year, football season begins (I love to follow the Broncos and the CSU Rams), the aspen trees will soon show their famous colors, and the fall harvest brings us the full bounty of the growing season.

But my favorite thing about the fall season - the grass will stop growing and I won't have to spend so much time mowing the lawn.



Fall is usually perfect weather for patio dining and we've just completed adding front patios to both of our restaurants. So call your friends and have them meet you on the patio at Tortilla Marissa's or Windsor's Main Street Grill. We'll look forward to serving you soon.

Party On, *Doug*

Win a FREE DINNER

We're looking for your favorite
CORN RECIPE.

Will you share it with us?

E-mail your entry to
restrock@aol.com
by September 23rd.

If your recipe is selected,
we'll reward you with a FREE Dinner to
Tortilla Marissa's or
Windsor's Main Street Grill.

Congratulations to our
Tailgate Picnic Recipe Winner

Jerome Whitehall's
"BBQ Pork Burgers"

Want to get the recipe?

Go to our websites:
www.tortillamarissas.com
www.windsorgrill.com

Riddle for the Month

— A cowboy rode into town on Friday, stayed 2 days, then rode out of town on Friday.

How did he do that?

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DID YOU KNOW? September is

Apple - Baby Safety - Be Kind to Editors & Writers - Chicken - Children's Good Manners - Classical Music - National Coupon - Eye Health & Safety - Fall Hat - Food Education Safety - Healthy Aging - Jazz - Honey - Library Card Sign-Up - Little League - Marriage Health - Organic Harvest - Rice - International Self Awareness - School Success - Self-Improvement - Sewing - Southern Gospel Music - Tiger - Women of Achievement

Month



Visit both of our award winning restaurants! Open daily for lunch and dinner from 11 a.m.

Windsor's Main Street Grill
1294 Main Street, Windsor
970-674-0810

www.windsorgrill.com

Tortilla Marissa's - North of the Border Cafe
2635 South College, Fort Collins
970-225-9222

www.tortillamarissas.com



Are You Being Rewarded?
You are if you belong to our RestRock Rewards Program.

To check your point balance or verify your contact information, you can access your account information by going to:
www.myrepeatrewards.com.



And Remember
Every Tuesday is TWOSDAY
when it comes to
RestRock Rewards.



That's right -dine with us for lunch or dinner on any Tuesday and you will receive double RestRock rewards points. Yep! Two points for every dollar you spend with us on Tuesdays.

You'll be on your way to your next rewards certificate twice as fast.

Remember you get a free \$10 reward certificate for every 200 points.

So, join us this TWOSDAY and get twice the points.

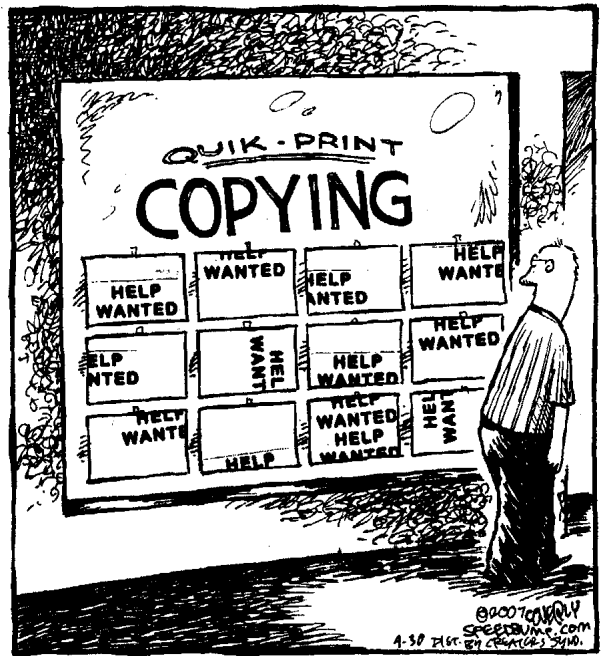
Funny Headlines

- Include Your Children When Baking Cookies
- Something Went Wrong In Jet Crash, Expert Says
- Police Begin Campaign To Run Down Jaywalkers
- Safety Experts Say School Bus Passengers Should Be Belted
 - Drunk Gets Nine Months In Violin Case
 - Survivor Of Siamese Twins Joins Parents
 - Prostitutes Appeal To Pope
- Panda Mating Fails; Veterinarian Takes Over

Why Did You Say That?

Do you know where these common expressions come from?

- Barking up the wrong tree originated with hunting dogs that would bark at the bottom of a tree where they mistakenly thought their quarry was hiding.
- When you can't hold a candle to someone, you can't measure up. This comes from the practice of apprentices holding a candle so their masters could see what they were doing. If an apprentice couldn't even do that, he was obviously inferior.
- When tempers get out of control & you fly off the handle, you're like a loose axe head that flies off its handle.
- Stealing one's thunder: this phrase originated in 1709 when John Dennis, an English playwright, invented a new method of simulating the sound of thunder on stage that used metal balls rolling around in wooden troughs. Dennis's play was not successful but his technique was, and when he realized it was being used in a later production of Macbeth, he purportedly accused the director of stealing his thunder.
- A flash in the pan, something with great promise that doesn't come to fruition, dates back to Gold Rush days. A miner might see a flash in his pan that didn't turn out to be gold. Similarly, something doesn't pan out when it doesn't meet expectations.



Thanks for All Your Great Comments

"We came to the Main Street Grill because it was close, but now we'll come back because of the service!
 We thoroughly enjoyed Howard - he was attentive, kind, great personality. He made our night."
 — Virg Schoonover, Windsor, CO

"We love the great food and service at Tortilla Marissa's!
 My husband loves the Mesquite Chicken Relleno."
 — MaryLee Leivestad, Loveland, CO

Because September is National Coupon Month

We are declaring September 10th - 16th Coupon Amnesty Week

All expired certificates are valid again!

But only Monday, September 10th through Sunday, the 16th!

**Check your purse. Check your glove box.
Any old certificates still stuck to your refrigerator?**

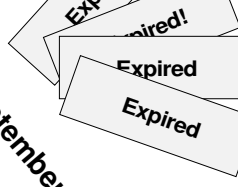
All expired certificates are good this one week only.

This includes: Rewards postcards, Birthday cards, Anniversary cards,
Un-opened Easter Eggs, Scratch-off cards, Old e-mail offers, old No Peeking Envelopes...

Regular Coupon Rules Still Apply

Only one coupon may be used per table or carryout order, and coupons cannot be combined with any other discount, coupon or special offer. No separate checks.

(Valid September 10-16, 2007 only)



10 Ways to Have a Safe Start of the School Year

1. Be sure your child knows his or her home phone number (including area code) and address, your work number, the number of another trusted adult, and how to use 911 for emergencies. Make sure your child has enough change to make a phone call or they carry a telephone calling card.
2. Plan a walking route to school or the bus stop. Choose the most direct way with the fewest street crossings and use intersections with crossing guards. Test the route with your child. Tell him or her to stay away from parks, vacant lots, fields, and other places where there aren't many people around.
3. Teach children — whether walking, biking, or riding the bus to school — to obey all traffic signals, signs, traffic officers, and safety patrols. Remind them to be extra careful in rainy, foggy, or snowy weather.
4. Make sure they walk to and from school with others — a friend, neighbor, brother, sister.
5. When car-pooling, drop off and pick up children as close to school as possible. Don't leave until they have entered the schoolyard or building.
6. Teach your child never to talk to strangers or accept rides or gifts from strangers. Remember, a stranger is anyone you or your children doesn't know well or doesn't trust.
7. Set up rules for locking doors and windows, answering the door or telephone.
8. Make sure he or she checks in with you or a neighbor immediately after school.
9. Agree on rules for inviting friends over and for going to a friend's house when no adult is home.
10. Take time to listen carefully to children's fears and feelings about people or places that scare them or make them feel uneasy. Tell them to trust their instincts. Take complaints about bullies and other concerns seriously

These Words Will Cost You Money

Consumer Action's 2007 Credit Card Survey unearthed some findings of that many consumers might not be aware of because the details are buried in the "fine print" of the agreements customers accept when they activate their cards. Watch out for:

- **"Universal default clauses,"** considered one of the most egregious practices in the industry, has many issuers denying they employ the rule. The clauses basically say that the credit card company can change the terms of the agreement—meaning the interest rate charged—based on the way the customer is handling other debt. That means that credit card companies can change your agreement at any time based on your credit report. But though issuers are backing away and denying they now use universal default clauses, when you look deeper into agreements, what you are likely to find is an "Any Time, Any Reason," clause often slipped in the "Change of Terms Provisions" section. Nine out of the Top 10 card issuers included change of terms clauses in their solicitation materials. Discover was the only one of the Top 10 issuers that did not include this type of clause.
- **Late payments result in penalty interest rates**—that means they raise your previously agreed upon rates—with 85 percent of issuers. And the penalty rates can be steep.
- More than half of the 83 cards surveyed offered 0 percent balance transfers, meaning that the issuer won't charge interest for an agreed upon period. However, **75 percent of issuers charge a "balance transfer fee,"** reducing and sometimes eliminating any savings for the customer. You have to do the math before you can know whether you are really going to save money when you transfer a balance.
- **Watch out if you pay by phone**—many card issuers now charge up to 15 dollars if you pay your bill over the phone, even though it's on time!

Riddle for the Month Answer

- The cowboy was riding a horse named Friday.