Useful Words Regarding Time

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ACRONICAL Happening at sunset

AORISTIC indefinite as to time

BIMESTRIAL happening once every two months

BISSEXTILE February 29th; designating or of a Leap Year

CADUCOUS fleeting, not enduring

CANICULAR of the “dog days” in July and August

CHILIAD 1000 years

CREPUSCULE twilight, dusk

EPACT the period of approximately 11 days by which the solar year exceeds the lunar year; the age in days of the moon on January 1st

ESTIVAL of or for Summer

ESTIVATE to spend the Summer

FUGACIOUS transitory, passing quickly away

HEBDOMAD 7 days, a week

HOGMANAY New Year’s Eve

HORARY hourly

HOROLOGUE a timepiece

IDES the 15th of March, May, July, or October or the 13th day of all other months

LUNATION a lunar month

LUSTRUM a 5-year period

NOACHIAN of Noah and his time

NONES the 9th day before the ides of a month

OCTAN occurring every 8th day

PROXIMO in or of the next month

QUADRAGESIMAL lasting 40 days

QUINDECENNIAL happening every 15 years

QUINQUAGESIMA the Sunday before Lent

SEPTENARY a group of seven years

SEXENNIAL lasting or occurring once every six years

SEXT noon, the 4th of the canonical hours

SINE DIE for an indefinite period

TERTIAN occurring every third day

ULTIMO in the preceding month

WHILOM formerly, at one time

**TIME IMMEMORIAL in British law, the time beyond legal memory – fixed by statute as prior to 1189, the beginning of the reign of Richard I**

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