

Bulletin Board of the Month Fill Your Backpack with Learning Power

Feature a backpack on a bulletin board and display graphic and/or 3-D representations of contents that depict well-balanced tools and resources that are available for home use for students—virtual, nonprint, and print (e.g., online resources and the URL for the library media homepage, various books and print resources, CDs, DVDs, audio books, or open source tools). Grades K-12.



► **Flower of the Month: Aster or Morning Glory**

► **Birthstone of the Month: Sapphire**

► **Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Month**

PPSI; <http://www.ppsinc.org>

► **Backpack Safety Month**

John Carroll; <http://www.backpacksafe.com>

► **Children's Good Manners Month**

Have students create slogans that promote good manners. How do good manners connect to the concepts of respect and kindness? Why are they important? How can their slogans be promoted? How will they know others are observing the use of good manners? Grades K-4.

► **Fall Hat Month**

Use a hat theme to learn and practice inquiry. Through the theme of hats, children can learn about cultures around the world. What can they discover about cultures and climates based on the traditional hats worn in various countries? Create classroom hat books that lead students to know more about the world and its people. Link the information to geography, history, and traditions. Compare and contrast various hats. Grades 1-5.

► **Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month**

Gynecologic Cancer Foundation; <http://www.thegcf.org>

► **International Strategic Thinking Month**

International Center for Strategic Planning; <http://www.icfsp.com>

► **Million Minute Family Challenge**

This is an effort to bring families and friends together through board games. This could become a real-time/real-world experience for students to create a game lending library through donated games with the plan to log a million minutes of game playing

to the running total at the Web site (<http://www.milionminute.com>). The tally takes place from September through December. More information and resources are available at the Web site. Grades K-12.

► **Mold Awareness Month**

Jason Earle; <http://www.MoldFacts.org>

► **National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month**

<http://www.recoverymonth.gov>

► **National Childhood Cancer Month**

Cure Search, http://www.curesearch.org/support_curesearch/raise_awareness/index.aspx?id=3742; Bear Necessities Pediatric Cancer Foundation, <http://www.bearnecessities.org>

► **National Coupon Month**

Coupon Council of the Promotional Marketing Association; <http://www.couponmonth.com>

► **National 5-A-Day Month**

Produce for Better Health Foundation; <http://www.5aday.com>

► **National Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15—October 15)**

► **National Honey Month**

National Honey Board; <http://www.honey.com>
Have students research information about the Colony Collapse Disorder (CCD) and

possible causes for the disappearance of honey bees. Why are bees so important to agriculture? What happens when bees are absent? What is a bee colony? Grades 3-8.

► **National Mushroom Month**

Lewis & Neale; <http://www.mushroominfo.com>

► **National Potato Month**

Cape Cod Potato Chips; <http://www.cape-codchips.com/>

► **National Rice Month**

USA Rice Council; <http://www.usarice.com>

► **National School Success Month**

Parenting Without Pressure; <http://www.parentingwithoutpressure.com/holidays/nssm.htm>

Use this celebration as a reason to communicate the role of the school library to parents. Have students fill out exit slips after a unit is completed with the intention of informing parents/family members about what students learned, what resources were used, what skill was seen as valuable, or what tool was most useful. Share the results with parents and administrators. Make this an ongoing effort. Prof.

► **National Sickle Cell Awareness Month**

Sickle Cell Disease Association of America; <http://www.SickleCellDisease.org>

► **National Skin Care Awareness Month**

Renee Rouleau Skin Care; <http://www.reneerouleau.com>

► **National Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month**

► **Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month**

► **Self Improvement Month**

Online Organizing; <http://www.onlineorganizing.com/CalendarHoliday.asp?holiday=32>
The school year is just getting started so take time to identify ways you would like to improve skills, expand professionally, or learn something new. Make a list and create a plan of action. Incorporate it into your self-assessment for the year (formal or informal). At the end of each semester, reflect on what you have accomplished and how it has helped you. Be sure to share your plan and the results with your principal. Prof.

Library Card Sign-Up Month

American Library Association; <http://www.ala.org>

Budget cuts are threatening libraries at a time when people are losing jobs and families are faced with economic crisis. Libraries are more important than ever to help provide needed services and equitable access to resources. Work with local public libraries to make sure students and their family members have library cards and are aware of the services that libraries provide, including the school library. Prof., K-12.



SEPTEMBER 1-5

- ▶ Ramadan (August 22-September 20)
- ▶ Brazil: Independence Week (September 1-7)
- ▶ National Childhood Injury Prevention Week (September 1-7)
Safe Kids Worldwide; <http://www.safekids.org/skwHome.html> and As Safe as Possible Campaign; <http://www.AsSafeAsPossible.org>
Have students brainstorm possible reasons why accidental injury is a leading killer of children under 14 years of age. How can this be prevented? What measures are being taken locally and nationally to protect children? Students could plan their own campaign to raise awareness. Grades 5-9.
- ▶ International Enthusiasm Week (September 1-7)

1 Tuesday

- ▶ Emma M. Nutt Day
- ▶ Libya's Revolution Day
- ▶ Slovakia's Constitution Day
- ▶ Uzbekistan's Independence Day
- ▶ Death of Jacques Cartier—1557
- ▶ Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa Founded—1772
- ▶ First Book of Poetry Published by an African American—1773
Feature poems by African Americans—have students read excerpts on the P.A. system and credit the poet. Have students research Paul Dunbar, the first African American poet to gain national recognition. He had his first collection of poems published in 1892. Why was it over 100 years after the first publication before an African American poet found recognition? Grades 5-9.
- ▶ Birthday of Lydia Sigourney—1791-1865
- ▶ Aaron Burr Found Not Guilty of Treason—1807
- ▶ Birthday of Engelbert Humperdinck—1854-1921
- ▶ Birthday of Andrew Freedman—1866-1915
- ▶ Birthday of Gentleman Jim Corbett—1866-1933
- ▶ Birthday of Johnny Mack Brown—1904-1974
- ▶ Alberta and Saskatchewan Became Provinces of Canada—1905
- ▶ Birthday of Walter Philip Reuther—1907-1970
- ▶ Death of Martha, the Last Passenger Pigeon—1914
- ▶ Child Labor Act—1916

- ▶ Kanto, Japan, Earthquake—1923
- ▶ Birthday of Rocky Marciano—1923-1969
- ▶ First Dirigible Circumnavigated Globe—1929
- ▶ Birthday of Conway Twitty—1933-1993
- ▶ Birthday of Ann W. Richards—1933-2006
- ▶ Birthday of Seiji Ozawa—1935-
- ▶ World War II Began When Germany Invaded Poland—1939
- ▶ Germany and Soviet Union Agreed to Partition Poland—1939
- ▶ Commercial Television Authorized—1940
- ▶ Dugald Train Wreck—1947
- ▶ U. S. Airmail Service Began—1948
- ▶ Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Established—1965
- ▶ Korean Flight 007 Disaster—1983
- ▶ Wreckage of *Titanic* Located—1985
- ▶ Everett Won 100th Match—1989
- ▶ Airbag Legislation Passed—1989

2 Wednesday

- ▶ Bison-Ten-Yell Day
- ▶ Battle of Marathon Anniversary—490 B. C.
- ▶ Mark Antony Defeated by Octavian—31 B. C.
- ▶ Great Fire of London Began—1666
- ▶ Calendar Adjustment Day—1752
- ▶ Birthday of James Forten—1766-1842
- ▶ U. S. Treasury Department Established—1789
- ▶ Birthday of Lucretia Peabody Hale—1820-1900
- ▶ Birthday of Queen Liliuokalani—1838-1917
- ▶ Birthday of Albert Spalding—1850-1915
- ▶ Sherman Entered Atlanta—1864
- ▶ Birthday of Adolph Rupp—1901-1977
- ▶ Birthday of Eldon LeRoy Auker—1910-2006
- ▶ Birthday of Romare Bearden—1912-1988
- ▶ Birthday of Lily Edelman—1915-
- ▶ Birthday of Marge Champion—1923-
- ▶ Birthday of Alan K. Simpson—1931-
- ▶ Birthday of Marv Throneberry—1933-1994
- ▶ Birthday of Peter Ueberroth—1937-
- ▶ Birthday of John Thompson—1941-
- ▶ Vietnam: Independence Day—1945
- ▶ Japan Surrendered on V-J Day—1945
- ▶ Birthday of Barry Gibb—1946-
- ▶ Birthday of Christa McAuliffe—1948-1986
- ▶ Birthday of Jim DeMint—1951
- ▶ Iranian Earthquake—1962
- ▶ Integration Blocked at Tuskegee High School—1963

3 Thursday

- ▶ Birthday of Nicolo Amati—1596-1684
- ▶ San Marino Founded—1740
- ▶ Treaty of Paris Signed Ending American Revolution—1783
- ▶ Birthday of Prudence Crandall—1803-1890
- ▶ *New York Sun Penny Press* Launched—1833
- ▶ Frederick Douglass Escaped to Freedom—1838
- ▶ Birthday of Louis H. Sullivan—1856-1924
- ▶ Birthday of Edward Albert Filene—1860-1937
- ▶ Birthday of Ed Konetchy—1885-1947
- ▶ Birthday of Alain L. Locke—1886-1954
- ▶ First Professional Football Game—1895
- ▶ Birthday of Sir Frank Burnet—1899-1985
- ▶ Birthday of Mort Walker—1923-
- ▶ Britain Declared War on Germany (World War II)—1939
- ▶ Italy Surrendered in World War II—1943
- ▶ Qatar: Independence Day—1971
- ▶ Birthday of Renaldo Lavalle Wynn—1974-
- ▶ Thigpen Set Major League Record for Most Saves—1990

4 Friday

- ▶ Harvest Moon
- ▶ Newspaper Carrier Day
Have students research the history of the newspaper carrier in the United States. How has the job changed over time? Will there be newspaper carriers in the future? Grades 4-9.
- ▶ Curacao: Animals' Day
- ▶ Taiwan: Cheng Cheng Kung Birth
- ▶ Romulus Augustulus Deposed (Roman Empire Ended)—476
- ▶ Henry Hudson Discovered Manhattan—1609
- ▶ Birthday of Francois Rene de Chateaubriand—1768-1848
- ▶ Los Angeles Founded—1781
- ▶ Birthday of Marcus Whitman—1802-1847
- ▶ Birthday of Sarah Childress Polk—1803-1891
- ▶ Birthday of Anton Bruckner—1824-1896
- ▶ Birthday of Daniel Burnham—1846-1912
- ▶ Birthday of Lewis Howard Latimer—1848-1928
- ▶ Birthday of Louis H. Sullivan—1856-1924
- ▶ Pearl Street Electric Power Plant (New York) Began Operation—1882
- ▶ First Self-Service Restaurant Opened—1885
- ▶ First Roll-Film Camera Patented by George Eastman—1888
- ▶ Birthday of Alexander Liberman—1912-1999
- ▶ Birthday of Paul Harvey—1918-2009
- ▶ Transcontinental Television Began—1951
- ▶ "Little Rock Nine" Incident Began—1957

September 2

Birthday of John Henry—1864-1873

Feature the legendary John Henry and have students discover all they can about this steel driving man. What is fact and what is fiction? Who was John Henry? How did the legend come to be? What does John Henry represent? What other legendary figures compare to John Henry? Grades 2-6.



7 Monday

- ▶ Labor Day
- ▶ Grandma Moses Day
- ▶ Birthday of Queen Elizabeth I of England—1533-1603
- ▶ Birthday of Stephen Hales—1677-1761
- ▶ Birthday of "Uncle Sam"—1813
- ▶ Birthday of Anna Mary Moses—1860-1961
- ▶ Birthday of J. P. Morgan—1867-1943
- ▶ Corbett-Sullivan Prize Fight—1892
- ▶ Birthday of Michael DeBakey—1908-2008
- ▶ Birthday of Elia Kazan—1909-2003
- ▶ "Neither Snow nor Rain Day"—1914
- ▶ Birthday of Buddy Holly—1936-1959
- ▶ London Blitz Began—1940
- ▶ National Football Hall of Fame Dedicated—1963
- ▶ Panama Canal Treaties Signed—1977
- ▶ Desmond Tutu Installed to Lead South African Anglican Church—1986
- ▶ Kimberly Bergalis Identified as AIDS Patient Infected by Dentist—1990
- ▶ Google Founded—1998

Have students research and share information about the many online tools provided by Google (Google, Google Earth, Google-docs, Google Forms, Google Spreadsheet, etc.). Create a showcase of how the tools can be used and have students provide demonstrations. Grades 6-12.

8 Tuesday

- ▶ United Nations International Literacy Day
<http://www.un.org>
 - ▶ Birthday of Richard the Lionhearted—1157-1199
 - ▶ Siege of Malta—1565
 - ▶ St. Augustine (Florida) Founded—1565
 - ▶ Birthday of Peter Stuyvesant—1610-1672
 - ▶ Birthday of Antonin Dvorak—1841-1904
 - ▶ Northern Pacific Railroad Completed—1883
 - ▶ Mission San Gabriel Founded—1771
 - ▶ First Reading of "Pledge of Allegiance"—1892
- Work with classroom teachers to have students research the background and creation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Arrange for students to perform a reader's theater of the Pledge of Allegiance including its history. Grades 4-8.
- ▶ Galveston Hurricane—1900
 - ▶ Birthday of Claude Pepper—1900-1989
 - ▶ First Miss America Pageant—1921
 - ▶ Birthday of Lyndon H. Larouche, Jr.—1922-
 - ▶ Birthday of Wendall Hampton Ford—1924-
 - ▶ Assassination of Huey P. Long—1935
 - ▶ Richard Nixon Received Full Pardon—1974
 - ▶ Charles Pinckney National Historic Site Established—1988

Have students find information about Pinck-

September 9

Esther Cleveland First President's Child Born in White House—1893

Children of the White House are a fascinating topic. Have students discover information about the First Children and learn about their lives as they grew up and left the presidential home. Create a class book that profiles these young Americans. What was it like living in the White House? What did they do in life? How did the connection to the White House influence their life? For ideas, see "Nudging toward Inquiry," pages 17-19. Grades 2-8.



ney and how he came to be one of the signers of the United States Constitution. What other contributions did he make? Grades 5-8.

9 Wednesday

- ▶ Bonza Bottler Day
 - ▶ Persia Defeated Athens (Marathon)—490 B. C.
 - ▶ Death of William the Conqueror—1087
 - ▶ Birthday of Cardinal Richelieu—1585-1642
 - ▶ Birthday of Luigi Galvani—1737-1798
 - ▶ Name "United States of America" Adopted—1776
- The name for the country was finalized on November 15, 1776. How was the name determined? Who had input? What was the origin for the name "America"? What happened on July 4, 1776? Have students answer these questions and more to determine the origins of the name of our country. Grades 5-9.
- ▶ California Admitted to Union—1850
 - ▶ Birthday of Colonel Harland David Sanders—1890-1980
 - ▶ Boston Police Strike—1919
 - ▶ Birthday of Jane Greer—1924-2001
 - ▶ Battle of Salerno—1943
 - ▶ Luxembourg Liberated by the Allies—1944
 - ▶ Elvis Appeared on *Ed Sullivan Show*—1956
 - ▶ U. S. Civil Rights Act—1957
 - ▶ San Juan Island National Historic Park Established—1966
 - ▶ Prisoners Seized Attica Prison—1971
 - ▶ Death of Mao Tse-Tung—1976
 - ▶ USS Arizona Memorial Established—1980

10 Thursday

- ▶ Belize: St. George's Caye Day
- ▶ John Smith Elected President of Jamestown—1608
- ▶ Birthday of Thomas Sydenham—1624-1689
- ▶ Birthday of Carter Braxton—1736-1797
- ▶ Birthday of Mungo Park—1771-1806
- ▶ Battle of Lake Erie—1813
- ▶ Birthday of Isaac Kauffman Funk—1839-1912
- ▶ Birthday of John R. Lynch—1847-1939
- ▶ Birthday of Franz Werfel—1890-1945
- ▶ Birthday of Elsa Schiaparelli—1890-1973
- ▶ Birthday of Arthur Compton—1892-1962

- ▶ First U. S. Coast-to-Coast Paved Road—1913
- ▶ Sewing Machine Invented by Elias Howe—1846
- ▶ Hot Dog Invented—1900
- ▶ New York Welcomed John J. Pershing Home—1919
- ▶ Birthday of Charles Kuralt—1934-1997
- ▶ Birthday of Stephen Jay Gould—1941-2002
- ▶ Mildred Gillars, "Axis Sally," Indicted for Treason—1948
- ▶ Black Students Entered Public Schools in Birmingham, Tuskegee, and Mobile—1963
- ▶ Last Person to Be Guillotined in France—1977
- ▶ Pope John Paul II Arrived in Miami—1987

11 Friday

- ▶ Libraries Remember September 11
<http://www.bensenville.lib.us>
- ▶ Battle of Brandywine—1777
- ▶ Annapolis Convention—1786
- ▶ U. S. War Department Established—1789
- ▶ Alexander Hamilton First Secretary of Treasury—1789
- ▶ American Fleet Victorious in Battle of Lake Champlain—1814
- ▶ President Tyler's Cabinet Resigned—1841
- ▶ Jenny Lind's First American Performance—1850
- ▶ Birthday of Sir James Jeans—1877-1946
- ▶ Birthday of David Herbert Lawrence—1885-1930
- ▶ Birthday of Ferdinand Edralin Marcos—1917-1989
- ▶ First Televised Play—1928
- ▶ Boulder (Hoover) Dam Dedicated—1936
- ▶ Roosevelt and Churchill Met in Quebec—1944
- ▶ Pakistan: Founder's Death—1948
- ▶ Food Stamps Authorized—1959
- ▶ First Giant Panda Born in Captivity in China—1963
- ▶ Fire Islands National Seashore Established—1964
- ▶ Overthrow of Salvador Allende—1973
- ▶ Mars Global Surveyor Put into Orbit—1997
- ▶ Patriot's Day—2001
- ▶ Attack on the World Trade Center—2001

SEPTEMBER 13-19

- ▶Line Dance Week (September 14-19)
- ▶Substitute Teacher Appreciation Week (September 14-19)

14 Monday

- ▶Death of Dante Alighieri—1321
- ▶Great Britain Adopted Gregorian Calendar—1752
- ▶Birthday of Alexander Humboldt—1769-1859
- ▶Birthday of James Wilson—1742-1798
- ▶Russians Burned Moscow—1812
- ▶Francis Scott Key Wrote National Anthem—1814
Have students research information about the writing of the National Anthem and related historical events. Have them read the anthem in reader's theatre style, adding facts and information to the presentation. Grades 3-6.
- ▶Birthday of Ivan Pavlov—1849-1936
- ▶Birthday of Charles Dana Gibson—1867-1944
- ▶Birthday of Margaret Sanger—1879-1966
- ▶Death of William McKinley—1901
- ▶Birthday of Clayton Moore—1914-1999
- ▶Birthday of Constance Baker Motley—1921-2005
- ▶Birthday of Allan Bloom—1930-1992
- ▶Elizabeth Ann Seton Canonized—1975
- ▶Gemayel Bashir Assassinated—1982
- ▶First Solo Transatlantic Balloon Flight—1984

15 Tuesday

- ▶National No Bully Week (September 15-21)
<http://www.youbigbully.com>
The theme for 2009 is "Stand Up" (to bullying). Get ideas for helping students address the issue at *Read Write Think* (http://www.readwritethink.org/calendar/calendar_day.asp?id=709). Also visit the site *Pacer Center's Kids Against Bullying* (<http://www.pacerkidsagainstbullying.org/>). Grades K-9.
- ▶First National Convention for African Americans—1830
- ▶Birthday of Porfirio Diaz—1830-1915
- ▶Birthday of Jan E. Matzeliger—1852-1889
- ▶Birthday of William Howard Taft—1857-1930
- ▶Birthday of Mabel Bragg—1870-1945
- ▶Birthday of Bruno Walter—1876-1962
- ▶First Baseball Double Play—1902
- ▶Birthday of Roy Acuff—1903-1992
- ▶Tumaccacori National Historical Park Established—1908
- ▶British First Used Tanks—1916
- ▶Birthday of Margaret Lockwood—1916-1990
- ▶Birthday of Bobby Short—1926-2005
- ▶Battle of Britain—1940
- ▶U. S. Troops Entered Germany—1944

- ▶Bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama—1963
- ▶Greenpeace Founded—1971
- ▶Soyuz 22 Launched—1976
- ▶USA Today First Published—1982
- ▶World's Largest Weathervane—1984
- ▶Ariane-3 Launched—1987
- ▶Discovery Launched Satellite—1991

16 Wednesday

- ▶Anna Bradstreet Day (America's first poet)
- ▶U.N. General Assembly: Opening Day
- ▶United Nations International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer
- ▶Death of Tomas de Torquemada—1498
- ▶Birthday of Tintoretto—1518-1594
- ▶Mayflower Sailed from Plymouth, England—1620
- ▶Shawmut, Massachusetts, Became Boston—1630
- ▶U. S. Great Seal First Used—1782
- ▶Birthday of Anthony Panizzi—1797-1879
- ▶Mexicans Began Revolt against Spanish Rule—1810
- ▶Birthday of Frances Parkman—1823-1893
- ▶Old Ironsides Saved—1830
- ▶Birthday of James J. Hill—1838-1893
- ▶Cherokee Strip Opened—1893
- ▶General Motors Founded—1908
- ▶American Legion Incorporated—1919
- ▶Birthday of Marvin Middlemark—1919-1989
- ▶Birthday of Charlie Byrd—1925-1999
- ▶Fort Laramie National Historic Site Established—1938
- ▶Selective Service Act Passed—1940
- ▶Metropolitan Opera Opened New Opera House—1966
- ▶Vietnam Deserters/Draft-Evaders Conditional Amnesty Announced—1974
- ▶Papua New Guinea: Independence Day—1975
- ▶Palestinian Refugee Massacre—1982

17 Thursday

- ▶Citizenship Day/Constitution Day
- ▶Constitution Day Pledge Across America
- ▶Constitution Week (September 17-23)
National Constitution Center; <http://www.constitutioncenter.org>
- ▶Birthday of Frederick Von Steuben—1730-1794
- ▶U. S. Signed Treaty with Delaware Indians—1778
- ▶U. S. Constitution Signed—1787
- ▶Birthday of Thomas Andrews Hendricks—1819-1885
- ▶Battle of Antietam (Largest Number of U. S. Casualties in One Day)—1862
- ▶Birthday of Andrew Foster—1879-1930
- ▶Birthday of Warren E. Burger—1907-1995
- ▶Death of Thomas Selfridge—1908



September 17

Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site Established—1916

If students could create a quilt for Lincoln, what would they include? Have students brainstorm questions and then research the 16th President. Help them create a classroom quilt that tells his story. Grades 2-6.

- ▶Women's VFW Organized—1914
- ▶National Football League Formed—1920
- ▶First U. S. Secretary of Defense—1947
- ▶Birthday of Jeff MacNelly—1947-2000
- ▶Pegasus 1 Launched—1978
- ▶Begin and Sadat Signed Framework for Peace Treaty—1978
- ▶Nicaraguan Anastasio Somoza Assassinated in Paraguay—1980

18 Friday

- ▶Columbus's Last Voyage to the New World—1506
- ▶Birthday of Samuel Johnson—1709-1784
- ▶Birthday of George Read—1733-1798
- ▶French Surrendered Quebec to British—1759
- ▶Birthday of Joseph Story—1779-1845
- ▶Alexander Hamilton Gets First U. S. Loan to Pay Salaries—1789
- ▶Cornerstone of U. S. Capitol Laid—1793
- ▶Chile: Independence Day—1818
- ▶Birthday of Jean Foucault—1819-1868
- ▶Fugitive Slave Act Passed—1850

How did this Act come about? How was it related to adding California to the Union as a free state? Why was this compromise put into place? What impact did it have? Grades 8-12.

- ▶New York Times First Published—1851
- ▶Hull House Opened—1889
- ▶Harriet Maxwell Converse Made Chief of Six Nations Tribe—1891
- ▶Birthday of John George Diefenbaker—1895-1979
- ▶Birthday of Ray Geiger—1910-1994
- ▶Birthday of Rossano Brazzi—1916-1994
- ▶Birthday of Jack Warden—1920-2006
- ▶CBS: First Radio Broadcast—1927
- ▶U. S. Air Force Established—1947
- ▶Soyuz 38 Launched—1980

SEPTEMBER 20-26

- ▶United Nations International Day of Peace
<http://www.un.org>
- ▶Deaf Awareness Week (September 20-26)
National Association of the Deaf; <http://www.nad.org>
- ▶National Clean Hands Week (September 20-26)
- ▶National Keep Kids Creative Week (September 20-26)

21 Monday

- ▶Birthday of Louis Joliet—1645-1700
- ▶Delaware Organized as State—1776
- ▶Birthday of Margaret Smith Taylor—1788-1852
- ▶Birthday of Gustav Holst—1874-1934
- ▶Death of Chief Joseph—1904
- ▶Birthday of Kwame Nkrumah—1909-1972
- ▶Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Established—1998

22 Tuesday

- ▶Fall Equinox
- ▶Autumn (September 22-December 21)
- ▶First All-Woman Jury—1656
- ▶Death of Nathan Hale—1776
- ▶Tacy Richardson's Ride—1777
- ▶Office of U. S. Postmaster General Established—1789
- ▶Birthday of Michael Faraday—1791-1867
- ▶Emancipation Proclamation by

Lincoln—1862

Have students perform a reader's theatre presentation of the Emancipation Proclamation and include historical facts within the performance. They could also provide visual interpretations of each section read and an interpretation of the historical significance. Grades 4-9.

- ▶Birthday of John Houseman—1902-1988
- ▶Ice Cream Cone Patent Application—1903
- ▶Hawaii Volcanoes National Park Established—1961
- ▶Iran-Iraq War Began—1980

23 Wednesday

- ▶Birthday of Euripides—484-406 B. C.
- ▶Birthday of Augustus Caesar—63 B. C.-14 A. D.
- ▶Birthday of Ferdinand IV of Spain—1713-1759
- ▶Birthday of William McGuffey—1800-1873
- ▶Lewis and Clark Completed Expedition—1806
- ▶Santa Fe Trail Opened—1822
- ▶Birthday of Victoria Woodhull—1838-1927
- ▶Baseball Rules Code Adopted—1845
- ▶Birthday of Thomas Osborne—1859-1926
- ▶Birthday of Walter Lippmann—1889-1974
- ▶Birthday of Friedrich Paulus—1890-1957
- ▶Birthday of Walter Pigeon—1897-1984
- ▶Birthday of Louise Nevelson—1899-1988

- ▶Checkers Day: Nixon Delivered "Checkers" Speech—1952

24 Thursday

- ▶Birthday of Horace Walpole—1717-1797
- ▶Schwenkfelder Thanksgiving—1734
- ▶Faneuil Hall Opened—1742
- ▶Birthday of John Marshall—1755-1835
- ▶U. S. Supreme Court Founded—1789
- ▶U. S. Office of Attorney General Created—1789
- ▶Birthday of Severo Ochoa—1905-1993
- ▶Devil's Tower National Monument Established—1906
- ▶Birthday of Jim Henson—1936-1990
- ▶George Rogers Clark National Historic Park Established—1966

25 Friday

- ▶Columbus Began Second Voyage—1493
- ▶Pacific Ocean Discovered by Balboa—1513
- ▶Birthday of Mercy Otis Warren—1728-1814
- ▶First U. S. Congress Met—1789
- ▶First U. S. Constitutional Amendments Submitted to States—1789
- ▶Birthday of Alfred Vail—1807-1859
- ▶Yosemite National Park Established—1890
- ▶Sequoia National Park Established—1890
- ▶First Woman Supreme Court Justice Sworn In—1981

SEPTEMBER 27-30

- ▶Banned Books Week (September 26-October 3) <http://www.ala.org/bbooks>

28 Monday

- ▶Birthday of Confucius—551-479 B. C.
- ▶William the Conqueror Landed in England—1066
- ▶Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo Discovered California—1542
- ▶American Troops Began Siege of Yorktown Heights, VA—1781
- ▶Congress Sent State Legislatures Constitution for Approval—1787
- ▶Birthday of Frederick Engels—1820-1895
- ▶Birthday of Frances Elizabeth Caroline Willard—1839-1898
- ▶Birthday of Pietro Badoglio—1871-1956
- ▶Chicago White Sox Members Indicted for Throwing 1919 World Series—1920
- ▶Birthday of Marcello Mastroianni—1924-1996
- ▶Padre Island National Seashore Established—1962

29 Tuesday

- ▶Birthday of Robert Clive—1725-1774
- ▶Birthday of Horatio Nelson—1758-1805
- ▶U. S. Army Established—1789

- ▶Birthday of Henry Richardson—1838-1886
- ▶Birthday of Miguel de Unamuno—1864-1936
- ▶Veterans of Foreign Wars Established—1899
- ▶Birthday of Michelangelo Antonioni—1912-2007
- ▶Salut 6 Launched—1977
- ▶Discovery Launched—1988

30 Wednesday

- ▶Birthday of Pompey—106 B. C.-48 A. D.
- ▶First Section of Gutenberg Bible Printed—1452
- ▶First Public Execution in America—1630
- ▶Birthday of Jacques Necker—1732-1804
- ▶U. S. Congress Fled from British to York, PA—1777
- ▶Birthday of William Wrigley—1861-1932
- ▶Babe Ruth Set Home Run Record—1927

- ▶Last Game as a Yankee for Babe Ruth—1934

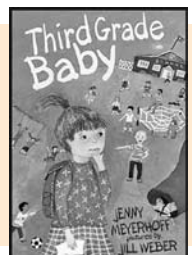
Use Babe Ruth as an example for biography research. Have students brainstorm questions about this sports icon and ways to portray his life beyond the typical facts. Students could create a collaborative representation of the man, his life, his contributions and the reasons he is remembered yet today. See "Nudging toward Inquiry," pages 17-19, for ideas. Grades 2-8.

- ▶Nazi Leaders Found Guilty of War Crimes—1946
- ▶Berlin Airlift Ended—1949
- ▶Haleakala National Park Established—1960
- ▶James Meredith Enrolled at the University of Mississippi—1962
- ▶Guadalupe Mountains National Park Established—1972

September 30

First Tooth Extracted with Anesthesia—1846

On a lighter note, check out the new chapter book *Third Grade Baby* by Jenny Meyerhoff (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2008) about a third grader yet to lose her baby teeth. A classroom kit for the book is available online (<http://www.JennyMeyerhoff.com/TG>). Grades 2-3.



SEPTEMBER 2009 Author and Illustrator Almanac



Liacouras Brandenberg (better known as Alik) was born on September 3rd. Start the year off with her book *Manners* (Greenwillow, 1990), along with other manner books like *Amanda Doering Tourville's Manners with a Library Book* and *Carrie Finn's books Manners in... School; ...Public; ...at the Table; ...on the Playground* (Picture Window Books). After determining the essence of good manners, have students create their own class manners book using Alik-style illustrations. Grades K-3.

<p>1</p> <p>Edgar Rice Burroughs—1875-1950 Edna Cameron—1905-1996 Witold Tadeusz J. Mairs—1908- Rosa Guy—1928- C. J. Cherry—1942- Jim Aronson—1946- Brenda Wilkinson—1946- Christopher Wormell—1955- Patricia McMahon—1959-1908-</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Eugene Field—1850-1895 Richard Floethe—1901-1988 Elizabeth De Trevino—1904-2001 Cleveland Amory—1917-1998 John Bierhorst—1936- Bernard Most—1937- Demi—1942- Ellen Stoll Walsh—1942- Penny Colman—1944- Lee Sullivan Hill—1958- Victoria Raymond—?</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Sarah Orne Jewett—1849-1909 Tolly Benson—1897-1972 Tom Glazer—1914-2003 Suzanne Hillon—1922- Alison Lurie—1926- Alik (Liacouras Brandenberg)—1929-1909</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Frances Clark Sayers—1897-1989 Iris Gilmore—1900-1982 Richard Wright—1908-1960 Mary Renault—1905-1983 Syd Hoff—1912-2004 Joan Aiken—1924-2004 Kate Waters—1951- Suzanne Freeman—?</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Glenn Blough—1907-1955 Edith McCall—1911- Loretta Krupinski—1940- Gloria Jean Pinkney—1941- Roxie Munro—1945- Paul Fleischman—1952-</p>
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Hotlinks to author and illustrator Web sites are available at: <http://www.schoollibrarymedia.com>

<p>6</p> <p>Felix Salten—1869-1945 Howard Pease—1894-1974 Frank Modell—1917- Don Bolognese—1934- Susan Kuklin—1941- Philip Yates—1958- Renee Andriani-Williams—1963-</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Elmer Hader—1889-1973 Taylor Caldwell—1900-1985 C. B. Colby—1904-1977 Jacob Lawrence—1917-2000 Alexandra Day—1941-</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Byron Barton—1930- Jack Prelutsky—1940- Lady Borten—1942- Michael Hague—1948- Jan Romero Stevens—1953-2000 Jon Scieszka—1954- Kevin O'Malley—1961-</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Leo Tolstoy—1828-1910 Phyllis Whitney—1903-2008 Aileen Fisher—1906-2002 Mildred Pitts Walter—1922- Patricia Scarry—1924- Sonia Sanchez—1934- Ian Graham—1953-</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Robert McClung—1916- Ozzie Sweet—1918-1910 Anne Holm—1922-1998 Roy Doty—1922- Betty Levin—1927- Rachel S. Epstein—1941- E. Wendy Saul—1946- Rebecca C. Jones—1947- Babette Cole—1949- Scott Banfill—1956-</p>	<p>11</p> <p>O. Henry (William Sydney Porter)—1862-1910 Alfred Slose—1926- Lois Ruby—1942- Anthony Browne—1946-</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Harold Faber—1919- Milton Dank—1920- Kristin Hunter—1931- Kevin Major—1949- Valerie Tripp—1951-</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Roald Dahl—1916-1990 Carol Kendall—1917-1920- Else Holmelund Minarik—1920- Mildred D. Taylor—1943-</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Dante Alighieri—1265-1321 William H. Armstrong—1914-1999 Edith Thacher Hurd—1916-1997 Elizabeth Winthrop—1948- Diane Goode—1949- John Steptoe—1950-1989</p>	<p>15</p> <p>James Fenimore Cooper—1789-1851 Agatha Christie—1890-1976 Robert McCloskey—1914-2003 Tomie de Paola—1934- Tricia Springstubb—1950-</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Anne Bradstreet—1612-1672 Thomas Handforth—1897-1948 H. A. Rey—1898-1977 John Knowles—1926-2001 Joanne Ryder—1946- Anna Nilisen—1948- Brenda S. Copeland—1952-</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Anne Ophelia Dowden—1907-2007 Elizabeth Enright—1909-1968 Zena Sutherland—1915-2002 Mary Stewart—1916-1933- Paul Goble—1933- Ken Kesey—1935-2001 Gail Carson Levine—1947- Elaine Clayton—1961-</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Harold Courlander—1908-1996 Mary Childs Jane—1909-1991 Ellin Greene—1927- Susan Jeschke—1942- Twig C. George—1950-</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Arthur Rackham—1867-1939 Rachel Field—1894-1942 William Golding—1911-1993 Vicki Cobb—1938- James Haskins—1941-2005</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Miska Petersham—1888-1960 Virginia A. Tashjian—1921-2008 Donald Hall—1928- Arthur Geisert—1941- Sue Ellen Bridgers—1942- John Prater—1947-</p>	<p>21</p> <p>H. G. Wells—1866-1946 Alexander Key—1904-1979 Jun Atsushi Iwamatsu (Taro Yashima)—1908-1994 Patricia Windsor—1938- Anne E. Schraff—1939- Hans Wilhelm—1945-</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Esphyr Slobodkina—1908-2002 Charles Keeping—1924-1988 Ann Weik Giralconi—1929- Stephen King—1947-</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Sonia Epstein Gidal—1922- Jan Ormerod—1946- Bruce Brooks—1950- Stephen King—1947-</p>	<p>24</p> <p>F. Scott Fitzgerald—1896-1940 Harry Behn—1898-1973 Harold Coy—1902- Wilson Rawls—1913-1984 Jan Carew—1925- Jane Louise Curry—1932- Jane Cutler—1936-</p>	<p>25</p> <p>William Faulkner—1897-1962 John Ross—1921- Shel Silverstein—1932-1999 Jim Murphy—1947- Jane Smiley—1949- Andrea Davis Pinkney—1963- Ruth Ohi—1964-</p>	<p>26</p> <p>T. S. Eliot—1888-1965 Vivien Alcock—1924- Berthe Amoss—1925- Virginia Work—1946-</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Thomas Nast—1840-1902 Bernard Waber—1924- Anita MacRae Feagles—1927- Elizabeth Hall—1929- John Marsden—1950- Brian Burks—1955- Martin Handford—1956- G. Brian Karas—1957-</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Kate Douglas Wiggin—1856-1923 Carol Lynch Williams—1959-</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Stan Berenstain—1923-2005 Donald Hall—1928- Marissa Moss—1959- Matthew Gollub—?</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Edgar Parin d'Aulaire—1898-1986 Zoa Sherburne—1912-1995 Alvin Tresselt—1916- Carol Fenner—1929-2002 Elle Wiesel—1928- Sylvia McNicoll (Geena Dare)—1954- Janet S. Wong—1962-</p>
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Shel Silverstein was born on September 25th. See the column "Connect the Book" in this issue for curriculum connections through Silverstein's book *The Giving Tree*. Start with the idea that Brodie shares—read *The Giving Tree*, then give each student a paper apple. Have them write and draw pictures on the apple of gifts they have received that were special to them. Tape the apples on a big, empty tree on a bulletin board. Discuss why the presents were important to them. Other questions might be: Why is giving a present meaningful? When can you give a present? What does the present mean later? Grades K-3.