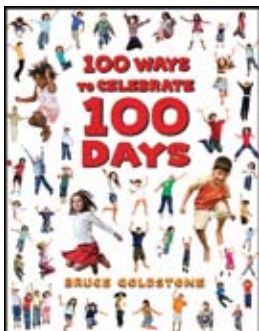


BULLETIN BOARD OF THE MONTH

Celebrate School Library Month in 100 ways. To get ideas, use the book *100 Ways to Celebrate 100 Days* by Bruce Goldstone (Henry Holt, 2010). Create a bulletin board featuring 100 ways to celebrate libraries (e.g., list 100 books, titles, resources, ebooks, and more). Get the entire school involved, having each class create something that illustrates 100 things. Display the finished products in the library. Then combine the individual class projects to help illustrate what 100, 200, 300, etc., things look like. Grades K-6.

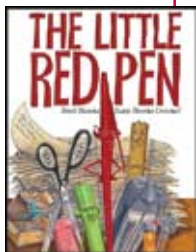


National Card and Letter Writing Month

Kick off a writing activity

by reading the book *The Little Red Pen* by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens

Crummel (Harcourt, 2011). It's a funny adventure story featuring all the various school supplies living in a teacher's desk. Grades K-3.



Celebrate Diversity Month

<http://www.celebratediversitymonth.org>

Introduce children to international diversity with the 1, 2, 3 Suddenly in series (Barron's) with books like *Mexico: The Protective Jaguar*, *Egypt: The Eye of Horus*, *China: The Sacred Flower*, or *Brazil: The Ribbons of Bonfim*. The books stage visits to various countries through magical journeys of a young boy named Martin. Through his travels, readers are introduced to history and traditions of each country. Grades 1-6.



► **April Flower: Daisy or Sweet Pea**

► **April Birthstone: Diamond**

► **Alcohol Awareness Month**

National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence; <http://www.ncadd.org>

► **Cancer Control Month**

American Cancer Society; <http://www.cancer.org>

► **Child Abuse Prevention Month**

The National Exchange Club Foundation; <http://www.preventchildabuse.com>

► **Defeat Diabetes Month**

Defeat Diabetes Foundation; <http://www.defeatdiabetes.org>

► **Jazz Appreciation Month**

<http://www.smithsonianjazz.org>

► **National African-American Women's Fitness Month**

<http://www.sheilamadison.com>

► **National Autism Awareness Month**

Autism Society; <http://www.autism-society.org>

► **National Child Abuse Prevention Month**

<http://www.preventchildabuse.org>

► **National Donate Life Month**

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; <http://www.organdonor.gov/materialsNtlevents.asp>

► **National Humor Month**

World Laughter Tour; <http://www.humormonth.com>

► **National Kite Month**

Kite Trade Association International; <http://www.nationalkitemonth.org>

► **National Occupational Therapy Month**

The American Occupational Therapy Association; <http://www.aota.org>

► **National Poetry Month**

Academy of American Poets; <http://www.poets.org>

► **National Sexual Assault Awareness Month**

National Sexual Violence Resource Center; <http://www.nsvrc.org/saam>

► **National STD Awareness Month**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; <http://www.cdc.gov/std/sam/default.htm>

► **National Youth Sports Safety Month**

National Youth Sports Safety Foundation; <http://www.nyssf.org>

► **Pet First Aid Awareness Month**

Pet Tech; <http://www.pettech.net>

► **Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month**

ASPCA; <http://www.aspc.org>

► **School Library Month**

AASL; <http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/aasl/aaslissues/slm/schoollibrary.cfm>

This year, the theme for School Library Month is "Create Your Own Story." Check out the link and find out how the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) will help school librarians tell their stories and advocate for the value school library programs. Also this year, AASL observes its 60th Anniversary. Read about the history of School Library Month and download SLM proclamation templates. Prof.

► **World Habitat Awareness Month**

PALS Foundation; <http://www.pals.r8.org>

APRIL 1-2

► **Medication Safety Week (April 1-7)**

Women's Heart Foundation; <http://www.womensheart.org>

1 / Friday

► **April Fools' Day**

► **Reading Is Funny Day**; <http://www.ala.org>

► **Birthday of William Harvey—1578-1657**

► **First Meeting of U.S. House of Representatives in New York—1789**

► **Birthday of Otto Von Bismarck—1815-1898**

► **Battle of Five Forks Ended—1865**

► **Birthday of Sergei Rachmaninoff—1873-1943**

► **Birthday of Lon Chaney—1883-1930**

► **Birthday of Jagjivan Ram—1908-1986**

► **Birthday of Toshiro Mifune—1920-1997**

► **Battle of Okinawa Began—1945**

► **Cigarette Advertising Banned—1970**

APRIL 3-9

- ▶ Explore Your Career Options Week (April 3-9)
- ▶ National Blue Ribbon Week (April 3-9)
National Exchange Club Foundation; <http://www.preventchildabuse.com>
- ▶ National Networking Week (April 4-10)
- ▶ National Public Health Week (April 4-10)
<http://www.nphw.org/nphw11/first1.htm>
- ▶ National Week of the Ocean (April 3-9)
<http://www.national-week-of-the-ocean.org>



4 / Monday

- ▶ Bonza Bottler Day
- ▶ Taiwan: Children's Day
- ▶ United Nations: International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action
<http://www.un.org>
- ▶ Victims of Violence Holy Day
- ▶ Birthday of Dorothea Dix—1802-1887
- ▶ U.S. Adopted Flag with 13 Stripes—1818
- ▶ Birthday of Linus Yale—1821-1868
- ▶ Birthday of Isoroku Yamamoto—1884-1942
- ▶ First Woman Elected Mayor (Susanna Salter)—1887
- ▶ Birthday of Muddy Waters—1915-1983
- ▶ Birthday of Elmer Bernstein—1922-2004
- ▶ Birthday of Gil Hodges—1924-1972
- ▶ Birthday of Elizabeth Wilson—1925-
- ▶ Vitamin C Isolated—1932
- ▶ Birthday of Anthony Perkins—1932-1992
- ▶ Birthday of Angelo Bartlett Giamatti—1938-1989
- ▶ *Lady Be Good* Lost—1943
- ▶ North Atlantic Treaty Signed—1949
- ▶ Senegal: Independence Day—1960
- ▶ The Beatles Began to Dominate Music

- Charts—1964
- ▶ Birthday of Robert Downey, Jr.—1965-
- ▶ Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.—1968
- ▶ *Smothers Brothers* Cancelled—1969
- ▶ *ST5-6* Launched—1983

5 / Tuesday

- ▶ China and Taiwan: Tomb Sweeping Day
- ▶ John Rolfe Married Pocahontas—1614
- ▶ First U.S. Chamber of Commerce Founded—1768
- ▶ Birthday of Jules Dupre—1811-1889
- ▶ Birthday of Joseph Lister—1827-1912
- ▶ Birthday of Booker T. Washington—1856-1915
- ▶ Birthday of Washington Atlee Burpee—1858-1915
- ▶ Birthday of Spencer Tracy—1900-1967
- ▶ Birthday of Bette Davis—1908-1989
- ▶ Birthday of Gregory Peck—1916-2003
- ▶ Birthday of Colin Luther Powell—1937-
- ▶ Birthday of Judith Resnik—1949-1986
- ▶ Julius and Ethel Rosenberg Sentenced to Death for Spying—1951
- ▶ Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Became Highest Scorer in NBA—1984
- ▶ Helen Keller's Miracle—1887
- ▶ Interstate Commerce Act—1887
- ▶ Gold Recalled by President Roosevelt—1933
- ▶ La Belle Bombing—1986

6 / Wednesday

- ▶ National Day of Hope
<http://www.childhelp.com>
- ▶ Paraprofessional Appreciation Day
- ▶ Tartan Day
<http://www.tartanday.org>
- ▶ Birthday of Raphael—1483-1520
- ▶ U.S. Senate Formally Organized—1789
- ▶ Founding of Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints—1830
- ▶ Battle of Shiloh—1862
- ▶ Birthday of Rose Schneiderman—1882-1972
- ▶ Birthday of Thomas Lowell—1892-1981
- ▶ First Modern Olympics Held in Athens—1896
- ▶ North Pole Discovered—1909
- ▶ Birthday of Gerry Mulligan—1927-1996



- ▶ Gandhi Makes Salt—1930
- ▶ Scottsboro Trial—1931
- ▶ First Tony Awards—1947
- ▶ Plane Shot Down in Rwanda, Causing Ethnic War—1994

7 / Thursday

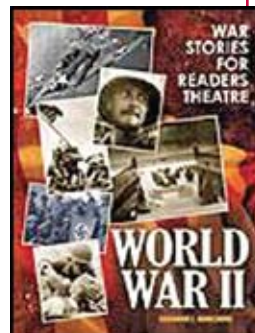
- ▶ National D.A.R.E. Day
<http://www.dare.com/home/tertiary/default1b34.asp>
- ▶ United Nations: World Health Day
<http://www.un.org>
- ▶ Birthday of El Greco—1541-1614
- ▶ New York Slave Revolt—1712
- ▶ Birthday of William Ellery Channing—1780-1842
- ▶ Birthday of William Rufus DeVane King—1786-1853
- ▶ Metric System Adopted in France—1795
- ▶ Birthday of Bronislaw Malinowski—1884-1942
- ▶ Birthday of Will Kellogg—1860-1951
- ▶ Birthday of David Grandison Fairchild—1869-1954
- ▶ Birthday of Walter Winchell—1879-1972
- ▶ Birthday of Billie Holiday—1915-1959
- ▶ Battle of Lys River—1918
- ▶ World Health Organization Founded—1948
- ▶ First Radar Signal Bounced Off the Sun—1959
- ▶ Rwanda: Genocide Remembrance Day—1994

8 / Friday

- ▶ Japan: Flower Festival
- ▶ Birthday of Gautama Buddha—563-483 B.C.
- ▶ Birthday of Lewis Morris—1726-1798
- ▶ Birthday of William Williams—1731-1811
- ▶ Birthday of O. Raymond Knight—1872-1947
- ▶ Birthday of Sonja Henie—1912-1969
- ▶ Birthday of Carmen McRae—1920-1994
- ▶ Last Session of the League of Nations—1946
- ▶ Death of Kathy Fiscus—1949
- ▶ Steel Mills Seized by U.S. Government—1952
- ▶ First African American Page in Senate Appointed—1965
- ▶ Poll Tax Outlawed—1966
- ▶ Hank Aaron Hit 715th Home Run Breaking Babe Ruth's Record—1974
- ▶ Voyageurs National Park Established—1975
- ▶ Death of Ryan White—1990

April 6 U.S. Entered WWI—1917

Check out and share the resource *War Stories for Readers Theatre: World War II* by Suzanne I. Barchers (Libraries Unlimited, 2010) as a way to engage students in stories of WW II and provide active participation in learning. Grades 6-12.



APRIL 10-16

►National Crime Victims' Rights Week (April 17-23)

Office of Justice Programs; <http://ovc.ncjrs.gov/ncvrv/>

►National Volunteer Week (Apr 10-16)

Hands On Network; <http://www.handsonnetwork.org/nationalprograms/signatureevents/nvw>

►Pan American Week (April 10-16)

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/presidential-proclamation-pan-american-day-and-pan-american-week>

►Week of the Young Child (April 10-16)

The National Association for the Education of Young Children; <http://www.naeyc.org/woyc>

►Young People's Poetry Week (April 10-16)

<http://www.poets.org/viewmedia.php/prmMID/5625>

11 / Monday

►Birthday of Gertrudis Bocanegra—1765-1817

►Birthday of Edward Everett—1794-1865

►Napoleon Bonaparte Abdicated—1814

►Costa Rica: National Holiday—1856

►Fort Pulaski Surrendered—1862

►Birthday of Charles Evans Hughes—1862-1948

►Birthday of Lizzie Bliss—1864-1931

►Spelman College Established—1881

►Spanish-American War Ended—1899

►Birthday of Percy Julian—1899-1975

►Birthday of Jane Bolin—1908-2007

►Birthday of Stella Walsh—1911-1980

►Birthday of Oleg Cassini—1913-2006

►Birthday of Ethel Kennedy—1928-

April 10-16 National Library Week

American Library Association; <http://www.ala.org/nlw/>
Looking for ways to transform your library in a way that centers on student learning? Take a look

at the book *The Learning Commons: Seven Simple Steps to Transform Your Library* by Pamela Colburn Harland (Libraries Unlimited, 2011). Also, check out the

articles in this issue of *SLM* by Tom Corbett (pages 5-7) and Michael Hough (pages 8-11). Both address the future look of school libraries. Prof.

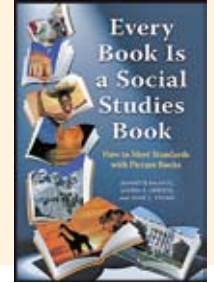


April 12

National Library Workers Day

<http://ala-apa.org/nlwd/>

Celebrate the day by sharing tall tales and exciting stories with students. Start off with *The Adventures of Granny Clearwater & Little Critter* by Kimberly Willis Holt (Henry Holt, 2010). It is a fun way to introduce students to concepts like the Wild West, the Pony Express, panning for gold and more. For more ideas for social studies literature links, see the book *Every Book Is a Social Studies Book: How to Meet Standards with Picture Books, K-6* (Libraries Unlimited, 2011). Grades K-6.



►Truman Relieved MacArthur of Command—1951

►Civil Rights Act of 1968 Signed—1968

►Apollo 13 Launched—1970

►Uganda: Liberation Day—1979

►EEO Commission Prohibited Sexual Harassment by Supervisors—1980

►Harold Washington Elected First African American Mayor of Chicago—1983

12 / Tuesday

►National Teach Children to Save Day

<http://www.aba.com/abaef>

►Great Britain Adopted Union Jack Flag—1606

►Birthday of Lyman Hall—1724-1790

►Halifax, N.C., Independence Day—1776

►Birthday of Henry Clay—1777-1852

►Free African Society Founded—1787

►Birthday of John Shaw Billings—1838-1913

►Confederate Forces Fired on Ft. Sumter—1861

►Ft. Pillow Massacre—1864

►First Baseball Catcher's Mask Used—1877

►Birthday of Ann Miller—1923-2004

►Birthday of Tiny Tim—1932-1996

►Big Wind—1934

►Death of Franklin Delano Roosevelt—1945

►Polio Vaccine Announced—1955

►Yuri Gagarin First Man in Space on Vostok 1—1961

►Columbia STS-1 Launched—1981

►Discovery STS-51-L Launched—1985

13 / Wednesday

►Sri Lanka: Sinhala and Tamil New Year (April 13-14)

►Thomas Jefferson Day

►Premier of Handel's *Messiah*—1742

►Birthday of Thomas Jefferson—1743-1826

►First Elephant Brought to the U.S.—1796

►Birthday of Butch Cassidy—1866-1909

►Birthday of Alfred Butts—1899-1993

►*Silent Spring* Published—1962

►First Baseball Strike Ended—1972

►Great Chicago Flood—1992

14 / Thursday

►National Collegiate Women's Gymnastics (April 14-16)

►Pan-American Day

►India: Vaisakhi

►Birthday of Christiaan Huygens—1629-1695

►First Abolition Society Formed—1775

►Webster's First Dictionary Published—1828

►Assassination of Abraham Lincoln—1865

►Birthday of Anne Sullivan—1866-1936

►Pan American Union Formed—1889

►Birthday of Sir John Gielgud—1904-2000

►Taft Opened Baseball Season—1910

►Campbell Became First American Air Ace—1918

►U.S. Bombed Libya—1986

15 / Friday

►Global Youth Service Day (April 15-17)

<http://gysd.org> and <http://ysa.org>

►Income Tax Pay Day

►Birthday of Leonardo da Vinci—1452-1519

►Birthday of Charles Wilson Peale—1741-1827

►First School for the Deaf Founded—1817

►Birthday of John Munroe Longyear—1850-1922

►Zanzibar Hurricane—1872

►Birthday of Thomas Hart Benton—1889-1975

►Birthday of Bessie Smith—1894-1937

►Titanic Sank—1912

►Birthday of Hilda Simms—1920-1994

►Birthday of Harold Washington—1922-1987

►Bergen-Belsen Concentration Camp Liberated—1945

►Debut of Jackie Robinson with Brooklyn Dodgers—1947

►First Franchised McDonalds Opened—1955

►New Solar System Discovered—1999

APRIL 17-23

- ▶ **Passover (April 18-26)**
- ▶ **Consumer Awareness Week (April 18-23)**
- ▶ **Fibroid Awareness Week (April 18-22)**
- ▶ **Holy Week (April 17-24)**
- ▶ **National Coin Week (April 17-23)**
American Numismatic Association; <http://www.money.org/Content/NavigationMenu/NumismaticEvents/NationalCoinWeek/default.htm>
- ▶ **National Karaoke Week (April 17-23)**
- ▶ **National Park Week (April 16-24)**
National Park Service; <http://www.nps.gov/npweek/>
- ▶ **Police Officers Who Gave Their Lives in the Line of Duty Week (April 18-23)**
- ▶ **Turnoff Week (April 18-24)**
Center for Screen Time Awareness; <http://www.screentimeinstitute.org>
As the the Web site states, "Turning off the screen gives us time to think, read, create, and do the things we never have time for. This allows us to connect with our families and engage in our communities. We feel good about ourselves as we grow more physically and mentally active." Work with teachers to involve students and families in turning off the screen. Have students brainstorm alternative use of the time. Have plenty of reading lists on hand for the taking. Encourage students to also listen to sound books while walking for exercise. Grades K-12.

18 / Monday

- ▶ **Adult Autism Awareness Day**
<http://www.aheadd.org>
- ▶ **Boston Marathon**
<http://www.baa.org>
- ▶ **International Amateur Radio Day**
<http://www.arrl.org>
- ▶ **National Wear Your Pajamas to Work Day**
<http://www.pajamagram.com>



April 22

National Jelly Bean Day

<http://www.candyusa.org>

Have students cut out a colorful jelly bean shape from construction paper and then select a poem (from preselected poetry books) to write on the jelly bean. Have them practice reading the selected poem. Then, on Poem In Your Pocket Day, February 28th, they should read their poem to as many people as possible. Grades 2-5.

- ▶ **Birthday of Lucrezia Borgia—1480-1519**
- ▶ **Ride of Paul Revere—1775**
- ▶ **Battles of Lexington and Concord—1775**
- ▶ **Birthday of Clarence Seward Darrow—1857-1938**
- ▶ **Surrender at Durham Station—1865**
- ▶ **Birthday of Samuel Earl Crawford—1880-1968**
- ▶ **Earthquake Hit San Francisco—1906**
- ▶ **First Crossword Puzzle Book—1924**
- ▶ **Founding of Martha Graham Dance Company—1926**
- ▶ **Japan First Bombed by U.S.—1942**
- ▶ **Mickey Mantle Hit Longest Home Run—1953**
- ▶ **Term "Third World" First Used—1955**
- ▶ **Panama Canal Treaty—1978**
- ▶ **Zimbabwe: Independence Day—1980**
- ▶ **Canada: Constitution Act—1982**
- ▶ **Titan 34-D Explosion—1986**

19 / Tuesday

- ▶ **John Parker Day**
- ▶ **National Hanging Out Day**
<http://www.laundrylist.org>
- ▶ **Israel: Independence Day**
- ▶ **Birthday of Roger Sherman—1721-1793**
- ▶ **Birthday of David Ricardo—1772-1823**
- ▶ **John Parker Ordered Men to Stand Ground at Lexington—1775**
- ▶ **Netherlands-United States Diplomatic Anniversary—1782**
- ▶ **Revolutionary War Ended—1783**
- ▶ **Birthday of Lucretia Rudolph Garfield—1832-1918**
- ▶ **U.S. Off Gold Standard—1933**
- ▶ **Revolt in Warsaw Ghetto—1943**
- ▶ **Sierra Leone: National Holiday—1971**
- ▶ **Salyut 7 Launched—1982**
- ▶ **USS Iowa Exploded—1989**
- ▶ **Nicaragua Civil War Truce—1990**
- ▶ **Branch Dividian Fire at Waco—1993**
- ▶ **Oklahoma City Bombing—1995**

20 / Wednesday

- ▶ **Birthday of Daniel Chester French—1850-1931**
- ▶ **Birthday of Adolf Hitler—1889-1945**
- ▶ **Birthday of Holland Smith—1882-1967**
- ▶ **Birthday of Harold Lloyd—1893-1971**
- ▶ **Birthday of Lionel Hampton—1908-2002**

- ▶ **Ludlow Mine Incident—1914**
- ▶ **Birthday of Tito Puente—1923-2000**
- ▶ **Columbine High School Shootings—1999**
- ▶ **Deepwater Horizon Oil Rig Disaster—2010**

21 / Thursday

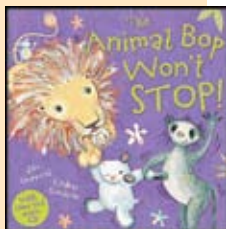
- ▶ **Maundy/Holy Thursday**
- ▶ **Traditional Birthday of Rome, Italy—753 B.C.**
- ▶ **Birthday of Friedrich Froebel—1782-1852**
- ▶ **Brazil: Tiradentes Day—1789**
- ▶ **Birthday of John Muir—1838-1914**
- ▶ **Birthday of Max Weber—1864-1920**
- ▶ **Birthday of Anthony Quinn—1915-2001**
- ▶ **Red Baron von Richthofen Killed—1918**
- ▶ **Birthday of Queen Elizabeth II—1926-**
- ▶ **Birthday of Silvana Mangano—1930-1989**
- ▶ **Copernicus, OAO 4 Launched—1972**

22 / Friday

- ▶ **Chemists Celebrate Earth Day**
<http://www.acs.org/earthday>
- ▶ **Earth Day—40th Anniversary**
<http://www.earthday.org>
- ▶ **Good Friday**
- ▶ **Oklahoma Day**
- ▶ **Stock Exchange Holiday**
- ▶ **United Nations: International Mother Earth Day**
<http://www.un.org>
- ▶ **Birthday of Isabella I of Spain—1451-1504**
- ▶ **Pedro Alvarez Cabral Discovered Brazil—1500**
- ▶ **Henry VIII Ascended the Throne of England—1509**
- ▶ **Birthday of Immanuel Kant—1724-1804**
- ▶ **"In God We Trust" Adopted by Mint—1864**
- ▶ **Birthday of Nikolai Lenin—1870-1924**
- ▶ **Oklahoma Land Rush Began—1889**
- ▶ **Theodore Roosevelt Began Recruiting Rough Riders—1898**
- ▶ **Birthday of Robert Oppenheimer—1904-1967**
- ▶ **Babe Ruth Made Pitching Debut—1914**
- ▶ **Birthday of Yehudi Menuhin—1916-1999**
- ▶ **Televised Army-McCarthy Hearings—1954**
- ▶ **Borge Ousland Traveled to North Pole Alone—1994**

April 21 Kindergarten Day

Celebrate Kindergarten Day by teaming up with the P.E. teacher and read the book *The Animal Bop Won't Stop* by Jan Ormeron and illustrated by Lindsey Gardiner (Barron's, 2011). It is a story that will get kindergartners moving while enjoying a rhythmic, rhyming story complete with music on the enclosed CD. Grade K.



APRIL 24-30

►Administrative Professionals Week (April 24-30)

International Association of Administrative Professionals; <http://www.iaap-hq.org>

►National Playground Safety Week (April 25-30)

National Program for Playground Safety; <http://www.playgroundsafety.org>

►Sky Awareness Week (April 24-30)

How the Weather Works; <http://www.weatherworks.com/events/skyawareness/main.html>

25 / Monday

►Australia, New Zealand, and Samoa: Anzac Day

►Easter Monday

►Martin Waldseemuller Remembrance Day

►White House Easter Egg Roll

►World Malaria Day

<http://www.worldmaliaday.org>

►Birthday of Oliver Cromwell—1599-1658

►Gadsden Purchase—1853

►Suez Canal Ground Breaking—1859

►New Orleans Captured by Union—1862

►Birthday of Guglielmo Marconi—1874-1937

►U.S. Declared War on Spain—1898

►New York First State to Require License Plates on Cars—1901

►Birthday of William J. Brennan, Jr.—1906-

►Birthday of Edward R. Murrow—1908-1965

►Birthday of Ella Fitzgerald—1918-1996

►Birthday of Robert Q. Lewis—1920-1991

►Birthday of "Meadowlark" Lemon—1932-

►Allied Armies Met—1945

►First Solar Battery Announced—1954

►St. Lawrence Seaway Opened—1959

►First Law Legalizing Abortion—1967

►Macau: Portuguese Revolution—1974

►Hubble Space Telescope Deployed—1990

26 / Tuesday

►Richter Scale Day

►First Permanent British Settlement in U.S.—1607

►Great Plague Began in London—1665

►Birthday of John James Audubon—1785-1851

►Birthday of Jim Beckwourth—1798-1867

►Birthday of Eugene Delacroix—1798-1863

►Birthday of Frederick Law Olmsted—1822-1903

►Birthday of Ma Rainey—1886-1939

►Birthday of Rudolf Hess—1894-1987

►Birthday of Charles Richter—1900-1985

►Birthday of Douglas Sirk—1900-1987

►Birthday of I. M. Pei—1917-

►Guernica Massacre—1937

►Montgomery Ward Seized—1946

►Tanzania: Union Day—1964

►Chernobyl Nuclear Reactor Explosion—1986

►U.S. Holocaust Museum Opened—1993

►South Africa Multiracial Elections—1994

27 / Wednesday

►Administrative Professionals Day

<http://www.iaap-hq.org/events/apw>

►Death of Ferdinand Magellan—1521

►Birthday of Edward Gibbon—1737-1794

►Birthday of Mary Wollstonecraft—1759-1797

►Birthday of Samuel Finley Breese Morse—1791-1872

►Birthday of Ulysses S. Grant—1822-1885

►Sultana Steamship Explosion—1865

►Matanzas Mule Day—1898

►Birthday of Walter Lantz—1900-1994

►Birthday of Coretta Scott King—1927-2006

►Slovenia: Insurrection Day—1941

►Babe Ruth Day—1947

►Togo: Independence Day—1960

►Sierra Leone: Independence Day—1961

►South Africa: Freedom Day—1994

28 / Thursday

►Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day

<http://www.DaughtersandSonstoWork.org>

►Workers Memorial Day

►Egypt—Sham El-Nessim

►Birthday of James Monroe—1758-1831

►Maryland Ratified Constitution—1788

►Mutiny on the Ship *Bounty*—1789

►Birthday of Louise Dilworth Homer—1871-1947

►Birthday of Lionel Barrymore—1878-1954

►First Yellow Fever Vaccine—1932

►Birthday of Saddam Hussein—1937-2006

►Birthday of Madge Sinclair—1938-1995

►Execution of Benito Mussolini—1945

►Gene Governing Circadian Rhythm Discovered in Mice—1994

►First Tourist in Space—2001

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►Taiwan: Cheng Cheng Kung Landing

April 28 Poem In Your Pocket Day

<http://www.poets.org>

For this day, use the Jelly Bean poems (see the idea starter for National Jelly Bean Day, Friday, April 22nd). When children read their poems, have those read to initialize the jelly bean. Students can then share in their classroom how many times they read their poem. Have students read their poems aloud to their classmates as well. In the end, students will practice printing, use reading skills, and enjoy and experience poetry. Grades 2-5.



Day—1661

►Birthday of Oliver Ellsworth—1745-1807

►Rubber Patented—1813

►Birthday of William Randolph Hearst—1863-1951

►Birthday of Duke Ellington—1899-1974

►Birthday of Hirohito—1901-1989

►Zipper Patented—1913

►Dachau Concentration Camp Liberated—1945

►Peace Rose Introduced—1945

►Birthday of Dale Earnhart—1952-2001

►Challenger STS-51-B Launched—1985

►Los Angeles Riots—1992

April 29 National Arbor Day

<http://www.arborday.org/index.cfm>

Founded by J. Sterling Morton in 1872, Arbor Day is a nationally celebrated observance that encourages tree planting and care. Many states observe Arbor Day on different dates according to their best tree-planting times. To find out dates for different locations, see the Arbor Day Web site (<http://www.arborday.org/arborday/arbordayDates.cfm>).

Peachtree Publishers is offering a free curriculum guide for Kathryn O. Galbraith's lovely picture book, *Arbor Day Square*. The guide contains information about the history of Arbor Day as well as fun activities across the curriculum. Download the free guide (<http://tiny.cc/jz3nn>). Grades 1-3.

