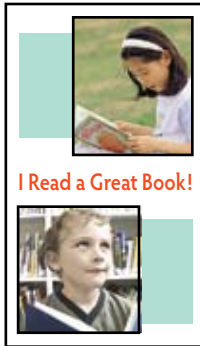


OCTOBER 2011

BULLETIN BOARD OF THE MONTH

Feature students in a bulletin board with the theme "I Read a Great Book!" Take pictures of students holding their favorite, recently read books and have them fill out a short summary graphic to be posted with their picture. Create a list of the books online and as a print bookmark for students to access. Grades K-12.



► **Moon Phases**

- ☾ First Quarter – October 3
- Full Moon – October 11
- ☾ Last Quarter – October 19
- New Moon – October 26

► **Flower of the Month: Calendula or Cosmos**

► **Birthstone of the Month: Opal or Tourmaline**

► **Adopt-A-Shelter-Dog Month**

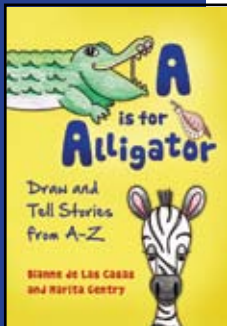
<http://www.aspc.org>

Read books about pets, such as *Prudence Wants a Pet* by Cathleen Daly (Roaring Brook Press, 2011). Grades 1-3.

National Animal Safety and Protection Month

<http://www.PALS.R8.org>

Use the book *A Is for Alligator*, by Dianne de Las Casas and Marita Gentry, to introduce students to the concept



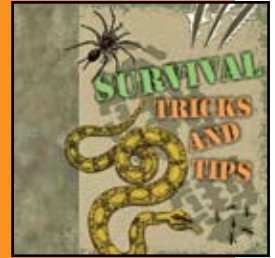
of drawing a story. Then have them work in cooperative groups and come up with stories about animal safety. It will require them to do background research to incorporate accurate information into their stories and will push them to higher level thinking in order to create a story that is appropriate. Grades 3-6.

- **Celebrating the Bilingual Child Month**
<http://www.languagelizard.com>
- **Celiac Disease Awareness Month**
<http://www.csaceliacs.org>
- **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**
<http://www.ncadv.org>
- **Dyslexia Awareness Month**
<http://int.ask.com/web?q=dyslexia&siteid=10001179&qsrc=999&l=dis>
- **Eat Better, Eat Together Month**
<http://www.nutrition.wsu.edu/ebet>
- **Emotional Wellness Month**
<http://www.wordsofwellness.com>
- **Global Diversity Awareness Month**
<http://www.answers.com/topic/global-diversity-awareness-month>
- **Halloween Safety Month**
American Academy of Pediatrics: <http://www.aap.org/advocacy/releases/octhalloween.htm>
CDC: Halloween Health and Safety Tips: <http://www.cdc.gov/family/halloween/>
Halloween Safety Guide: http://www.halloween-safety.com/halloween_safety_kids.html
- **Health Literacy Month**
<http://www.healthliteracymonth.org>
- **National Book Month**
<http://www.nationalbook.org>
Check out the list of teen reads (*Dark Life*, *Matched*, *Ship Breaker*, *Heist Society*) at: <http://bit.ly/mOoLDA>. All are available in E-format. Use this as a discussion starter and survey students to see what they read over the summer: Did anyone read these titles? Is E-format of interest or a priority? Grades 6-12.
- **National Breast Cancer Awareness Month**
<http://www.nbcam.org>
- **National Crime Prevention Month**
<http://www.ncpc.org>
- **National Cyber Security Awareness Month**
<http://www.staysafeonline.org>
Check out the resources available at the link for K-12 Educators: <http://www.staysafeonline.org/in-the-classroom/lessons-and-teaching-materials>
- **National Dental Hygiene Month**

National Go on a Field Trip Month

<http://www.fieldtripfactory.com>

Have students, as a class, prepare to learn on their field trips by creat-



ing a guide to take along and use to lead them through the experience, collect materials, and take notes. Use the book *Survival Tricks and Tips* (Bar-ni's, 2010) as an example of what they might do for their guide. Upon return, students can work in small groups to complete the guide and share what they learned. Grades 3-7.

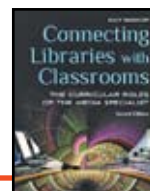
<http://www.adha.org>

- **National Domestic Violence Awareness Month**
<http://dvam.vavnet.org>
- **National Stamp Collecting Month**
<http://www.usps.com>: For Collecting
- **Raptor Month**
<http://www.raptormonth.org>
- **Vegetarian Month**
<http://www.salagram.net/veg19.html>

NATIONAL READING GROUP MONTH

<http://www.wnba-books.org>

Create a reading group with fellow school librarians and investigate new professional books along with articles from *SLM*. Take a look at these books: *Essential Documents for School Libraries 2nd Ed.* (Linworth, 2010); *Connecting Libraries with Classrooms 2nd Ed.* (Libraries Unlimited, 2011); *School Library Spaces* (2011); and *Information Literacy and Information Skills Instruction* (Libraries Unlimited, 2011). Prof.



OCTOBER 2-8

- ▶ **Mental Illness Awareness Week (October 2-8)**
<http://www.psych.org>
- ▶ **Mystery Series Week (October 2-8)**
- ▶ **National Carry a Tune Week (October 2-8)**
- ▶ **National Newspaper Week (October 2-8)**
http://www.crayola.com/calendar/detail.cfm?event_id=192&year=2006
http://www.pa-newspaper.org/web/2006/08/national_newspaper_week.aspx
- ▶ **No Salt Week (October 3-8)**
- ▶ **Spinning and Weaving Week (October 3-9)**
<http://weavespindye.org/pages/?p=sww.html&loc=1-50-00>
Put a new spin to this event by helping students spin some stories of their own. Three books are available from Libraries Unlimited that can provide guidance: *Multi-Grade Reader's Theatre* offers links to well-known historical figures as well as classic stories and authors; *Books that Teach Kids to Write* offers connections to books from all genres; and *Wings and Tales* makes connections to folklore, facts and activities. Grades K-12.
- ▶ **United Nations: World Space Week (October 4-10)**
<http://www.worldspaceweek.org>

3 MONDAY

- ▶ **Child Health Day**
<http://mchb.hrsa.gov/>
- ▶ **United Nations World Habitat Day**
- ▶ **Supreme Court Term for 2010-11 Begins**
- ▶ **Korea: Tangun Day—2333 B.C. (Foundation Day)**
- ▶ **Honduras: Francisco Morazon Day—1799**
- ▶ **Netherlands: Relief of Leiden Day**
- ▶ **Birthday of George Bancroft—1800-1891**
- ▶ **Birthday of William Crawford Gorgas—1854-1920**
- ▶ **First Female U.S. Senator—1922 (A two-day appointment)**
- ▶ **Frank Robinson Becomes First Black Major League Manager—1974**
- ▶ **German Reunification—1990**

4 TUESDAY

- ▶ **Ten Four Day**

OCTOBER 2-8 Great Books Week

<http://www.greatbooksweek.com>

Have students share the books they consider great or booktalk books of your choice

One new title to promote is *Wonderstruck* by Brian Selznick (Scholastic, 2011). It is rich with illustrations that guide the reader between the story of Ben and Rose. Grades 4-12.



OCTOBER 7 World Smile Day

<http://www.worldsmileday.com>

Choose some stories that will be sure to bring smiles to students' faces and entice them to read the stories on their own. Begin with *Oh, Harry!* (Roaring Book Press, 2011) and follow up with a safety discussion. Or, try *The Day Dirk Yeller Came to Town* (Farrar Straus Giroux, 2011). Both books lend themselves to discussions about bullies. Grades K-4.



- ▶ **Birthday of Confucius (China)—551-479 B.C.**
- ▶ **Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi—1181-1226**
- ▶ **Birthday of Eliza McCordle Johnson—1810-1876**
- ▶ **Birthday of Jean Millet—1814-1875**
- ▶ **Birthday of Rutherford Birchard Hayes—1822-1893**
- ▶ **Birthday of Frederick Remington—1861-1909**
Have students explore the world of the West through Remington's artwork. See the Frederic Remington Art Museum (<http://www.fredericremington.org/>); PBS American Masters (<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/americansmasters/episodes/fredericremington/about-frederic-remington/688/>); and Frederic Remington: Complete Works (<http://www.frederic-remington.org/>). Grades 5-9.
- ▶ **Birthday of Damon Runyan—1884-1946**
- ▶ **Birthday of Buster Keaton—1895-1966**
- ▶ **Dick Tracy Debuted—1943**
- ▶ **Sputnik Launched—1957**
- ▶ **Luna 3 Launched—1959**

5 WEDNESDAY

- ▶ **Balloons Around the World**
<http://www.balloonsaroundtheworld.com>
- ▶ **Portugal's Republic Day**
- ▶ **Supreme Court 2009-2010 Term Begins**
- ▶ **United Nations World Teacher's Day**
<http://www.un.org>
- ▶ **Birthday of Jonathan Edwards—1703-1758**
- ▶ **Death of Thomas Stone—1787**
- ▶ **Death of Tecumseh—1813**
- ▶ **Birthday of Chester Alan Arthur—1829-1886**
- ▶ **Confederate Civil War Submarine Attack—1863**
- ▶ **Chief Joseph Surrendered—1878**
- ▶ **Birthday of Robert Hutchings Goddard—1882-1945**
- ▶ **Birthday of Larry Fine—1902-1975**
- ▶ **Birthday of Maya Lin—1959-**
- ▶ **Enrico Fermi Atomic Power Plant Accident—1966**
- ▶ **Challenger Launched 6th Mission—1984**
- ▶ **Eugene Hasenfus Captured—1986**
- ▶ **Bonds Broke Home Run Record—2001**

6 THURSDAY

- ▶ **National German-American Day**
- ▶ **Egypt: Armed Forces Day**
- ▶ **Ireland: Ivy Day**
- ▶ **Death of William Tyndale—1536**
- ▶ **Birthday of Jenny Lind—1820-1887**
- ▶ **Birthday of George Westinghouse—1846-1914**

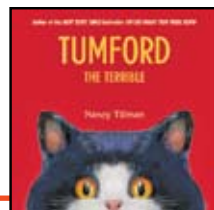
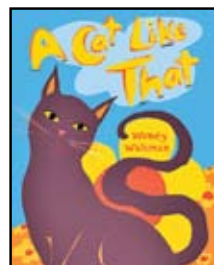
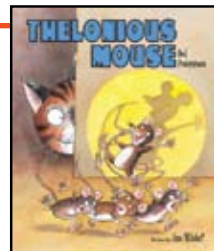
- ▶ **Birthday of Karol Szymanowski—1882-1937**
- ▶ **American Library Association Founded—1876**
- ▶ **Birthday of Le Corbusier—1887-1965**
- ▶ **Birthday of Florence Seibert—1897-1991**
- ▶ **Birthday of Helen Wills Moody—1905-1998**
- ▶ **Birthday of Thor Heyerdahl—1914-2002**
- ▶ **Yom Kippur War Began—1973**
- ▶ **Assassination of Anwar El-Sadat—1981**

7 FRIDAY

- ▶ **Lee National Denim Day**
- ▶ **National Diversity Day**
<http://www.nationaldiversityday.com>
- ▶ **Yom Kippur Begins at Sundown**
- ▶ **Birthday of Caesar Rodney—1728-1784**
- ▶ **Stamp-Act Congress Convened—1765**
- ▶ **Paper Folding Machine Patented—1856**
- ▶ **Birthday of Henry Agard Wallace—1888-1927**
- ▶ **First Infrared Photograph—1931**
- ▶ **Birthday of Desmond Tutu—1931-**
- ▶ **Birthday of Oliver Laurence North—1943-**
- ▶ **Birthday of Yo-Yo Ma—1955-**
- ▶ **Birthday of Vladimir Putin—1952-**

OCTOBER 7

**Cats
Premiered—1982**
Share the T.S. Eliot poem and then have students create character sketches of the cats in selected books. Here are a few new titles to read: *Thelionious Mouse* (Farrar Straus Giroux, 2011), a new twist to the cat and mouse tale with a jazz flavor; *A Cat Like That* (Henry Holt, 2011); and *Tumford the Terrible* (Feiwel and Friends, 2011). Grades 2-5.



OCTOBER 9-15

- ▶ **Emergency Nurses Week (October 9-15)**
<http://www.ena.org>
- ▶ **Kids' Goal Setting Week (October 10-14)**
- ▶ **National Chestnut Week (October 9-15)**
<http://www.wcga.net>
- ▶ **National Metric Week (October 9-15)**
<http://www.metric.org>
- ▶ **National School Lunch Week (October 9-15)**
<http://www.schoolnutrition.org>
- ▶ **World Rain Forest Week (October 10-16)**
Work with teachers and have students come up with ten ways to save the rainforests of the world. Visit the Rainforest Action Network for helpful information (<http://ran.org/>). Grades K-6.

OCTOBER 9-15 Fire Prevention Week

<http://www.firepreventionweek.org>

Have students research fire safety and then create their own Family Fire Safety Checklist. Have them compare their lists to the one offered on the National Fire Protection Association website (<http://tinyurl.com/3wdxfa8>).

Share the results with families.
Grades 1-6.

10 MONDAY

- ▶ Bonza Bottler Day
- ▶ Canada Thanksgiving
- ▶ China and Taiwan: Double Tenth Day
- ▶ Discoverer's Day in Hawaii
- ▶ United Nations World Mental Health Day
<http://www.un.org>
- ▶ Birthday of Giuseppe Verdi—1813-1901
- ▶ First Cross-Country Mail Delivery—1858
- ▶ Cuba Began Struggle for Independence—1868
- ▶ Tuxedo Created—1886
- ▶ Pledge of Allegiance Written—1892
- ▶ Birthday of Helen Hayes—1900-1993
- ▶ Revolt against Manchu Dynasty Began—1911
- ▶ Birthday of David Lee Roth—1955-
- ▶ Birthday of Daniel Pearl—1963-2002
- ▶ Birthday of Brett Favre—1969-
- ▶ Fiji Gains Independence from Britain—1970
- ▶ Spiro Agnew Resigned—1973
- ▶ Birthday of Dale Earnhardt, Jr.—1974-

11 TUESDAY

- ▶ Hunter's Moon
- ▶ National Coming Out Day
<http://www.hrc.org>

OCTOBER 10

U.S. Naval Academy Founded—1845

The perfect book to read for this day would be *Jonathan and the Big Blue Boat* (Roaring Brook Press, 2011) by Philip C. Stead, also the author of Caldecott Medal Winner *A Sick Day for Amos McGee*, illustrated by Erin E. Stead. Grades K-3.



▶ National Face Your Fears Day

These are challenging times for school libraries so it is a good time to take on vision building and preparation for whatever may come your way. A book that can help in the effort is *Developing a Vision: Strategic Planning for the School Librarian in the 21st Century, 2nd Ed.* (Libraries Unlimited 2011). Prof.



- ▶ **General Pulaski Memorial Day**
- ▶ **Virgin Islands—Puerto Rico Friendship Day**
- ▶ **Birthday of Harland Fiske Stone—1872-1946**
- ▶ **Birthday of Anna Eleanor Roosevelt—1884-1962**
- ▶ **Adding Machine Patented—1887**
- ▶ **Birthday of Charles Revson—1906-1975**
- ▶ **Birthday of Jerome Robbins—1918-1998**
- ▶ **Birthday of Art Blakey—1919-1990**
- ▶ **Birthday of William Perry—1927-**
- ▶ **Birthday of Roscoe Robinson, Jr.—1928-1993**
- ▶ **Birthday of Robert Gale—1945-**
- ▶ **Vatican Council II Met—1962**
- ▶ **Discovery STS-92 Launched—2000**

12 WEDNESDAY

- ▶ Belize: Columbus Day
- ▶ Mexico: Dia de la Raza
- ▶ National Bring Your Teddy Bear to Work Day
- ▶ Spain: National Holiday
- ▶ Sukkot Begins at Sundown
- ▶ Bahamas: Discovery Day—1492
- ▶ Christopher Columbus Arrived at San Salvador—1492
- ▶ Birthday of Jonathan Trumbull—1710-1785
- ▶ Birthday of Ralph Vaughan Williams—1872-1958
- ▶ Boer War Declared—1899-1902
- ▶ Birthday of Luciano Pavarotti—1935-2007
- ▶ Birthday of Ronald E. McNair—1950-1986
- ▶ Equatorial Guinea: Independence Day—1968
- ▶ Birthday of Marion Jones—1975-
- ▶ Death of Anne Thompson MacDonald—1993
- ▶ Day of the Six Billion—1999
- ▶ Terrorist Bombing in Bali—2002

13 THURSDAY

- ▶ Sukkot
- ▶ United Nations International Day for

Natural Disaster Reduction

<http://www.un.org>

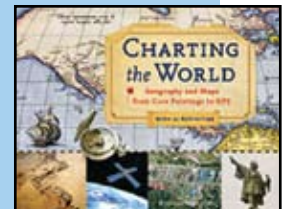
- ▶ **Birthday of Molly Pitcher—1754-1832**
- ▶ **U.S. Navy Founded—1775**
- ▶ **White House Cornerstone Laid—1792**
- ▶ **Birthday of Rudolf Virchow—1821-1902**
- ▶ **Birthday of Conrad Richter—1890-1968**
- ▶ **Boston Red Sox Won First World Series—1903**
- ▶ **Birthday of Margaret Thatcher—1925-**
- ▶ **Birthday of Jesse LeRoy Brown—1926-1950**
- ▶ **Birthday of Paul Simon—1941-**
- ▶ **Burundi's Prince Louis Rwagasore Assassinated—1961**
- ▶ **Birthday of Summer Sanders—1972-**
- ▶ **U.S. National Commission on Space Created—1984**

14 FRIDAY

- ▶ **Birthday of William Penn—1644-1718**
- ▶ **Birthday of Francis Lightfoot Lee—1734-1797**
- ▶ **Birthday of Eamon De Valera—1882-1975**
- ▶ **Birthday of Dwight D. Eisenhower—1890-1969**
- ▶ **Birthday of Lillian Gish—1893-1993**
- ▶ **Birthday of Eugene Fodor—1905-1991**
- ▶ **Sound Barrier Broken—1947**
- ▶ **Martin Luther King, Jr., Awarded Nobel Peace Prize—1964**

OCTOBER 10 Columbus Day Observed

Charting the World: Geography and Maps from Cave Paintings



to GPS (Chicago Review Press, 2011) is a book that has a place for attention on the day Columbus is recognized. Team up with social studies teachers to devise ways for students to become engaged with geography. The book offers extensive information and many ideas. Grades 5-9.

OCTOBER 16-22

- ▶ **Food and Drug Interaction and Awareness Week (October 17-24)**
<http://www.ppsinc.org>
- ▶ **Freedom from Bullies Week (October 16-22)**
- ▶ **Getting the World to Beat a Path to Your Door Week (October 16-22)**
- ▶ **Kids Care Week (October 16-22)**
Work with teachers to combine "Kids Care Week," "National Character Counts Week," and National Food Bank Week" to get kids involved in making their community a better place through a canned food drive. Integrate the use of technology (to promote their drive and keep track of donations) and make connections throughout the curriculum. Grades K-6.

OCTOBER 16-22

Teen Read Week

<http://www.ala.org/teenread>

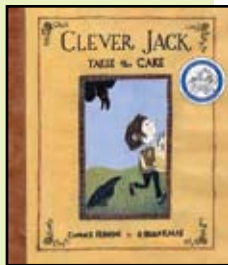
This year the theme is **Picture It @ your library**. To learn more, check out the extensive resources on the ALA website. Grades 7-12.

- ▶ **National Character Counts Week (October 16-22)**
<http://www.ppsinc.org> <http://charactercounts.org>
- ▶ **National Chemistry Week (October 16-22)**
<http://www.acs.org>
- ▶ **National Food Bank Week (October 16-22)**
<http://www.epromos.com/education/calendars/national-food-bank-week/>
- ▶ **National Forest Products Week (October 16-22)**
- ▶ **National School Bus Safety Week (October 16-22)**
<http://www.napt.org>
- ▶ **YWCA Week Without Violence (October 16-22)**

OCTOBER 17

National Cake Decorating Day

For the youngest students, read *Clever Jack Takes the Cake* (Schwartz & Wade, 2010) and give them time to enjoy other cake-related titles on their own. Then, have a cake-decorating event (paper or electronic versions only) and have the students create a story about the cake. Have students discuss what they liked about the stories and cakes created by their peers. Use this as an introduction or review of the concept of constructive feedback. Grades K-2.



OCTOBER 18

First Newspaper Comic Strip Printed—1896

Highlight and display graphic novels and books with cartoons and comic format, e.g., *Big Nate: In a Class by Himself* (HarperCollins, 2010); *Binky to the Rescue* (Kids Can, 2010); *Shake, Rattle and Turn that Noise Down!: How Elvis Changed Music, Me and Mom* (Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2010); and *Smile* (GRAPHIX, 2010). Grades K-8.



17 MONDAY

- ▶ **Black Poetry Day (October 17)**
<http://www.poemofquotes.com/articles/black-poetry-day.php>
- ▶ **Jamaica's National Heroes Day**
- ▶ **Mulligan Day**
- ▶ **National Boss Day**
- ▶ **National Mammography Day**
- ▶ **UN International Day for the Eradication of Poverty**
<http://www.un.org>
- ▶ **Birthdays of Richard Mentor Johnson—1780-1850**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Pope John Paul I—1912-1978**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Arthur Miller—1917-2005**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Robert Craig "Evel" Knievel—1938-2007**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Mae Jemison—1956-**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Richard Roeper—1959-**
- ▶ **San Francisco Earthquake—1989**
- ▶ **300 Millionth American Born—2006**

18 TUESDAY

- ▶ **Canada: Persons Day**
- ▶ **Jamaica: National Heroes Day**
- ▶ **St. Luke: Feast Day**
- ▶ **Virgin Islands: Hurricane Thanksgiving Day**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Jupiter Hammon—1711-1806(?)**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Giovanni Antonio Canaletto—1697-1768**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Salomon Auguste Andree—1854-1897**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Henri Bergson—1859-1941**
- ▶ **Alaska Day—1867**
- ▶ **Birthdays of James Truslow Adams—1878-1949**
- ▶ **Birthdays of A.J. Liebling—1904-1963**
- ▶ **Birthdays of James David Brooks—1906-1992**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Pierre Elliott Trudeau—1919-2000**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Chuck Berry—1926-**
- ▶ **Birthdays of George C. Scott—1927-1999**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Wynton Marsalis—1961-**
- ▶ **Water Pollution Control Act—1972**
- ▶ **Azerbaijan: Independence Day—1991**

19 WEDNESDAY

- ▶ **Evaluate Your Life Day**
<http://www.wellcat.com>
- ▶ **Birthdays of Thomas Browne—1605-1682**
- ▶ **Sandwich Invented—1744**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Martha Wayles Skelton Jefferson—1748-1782**

- ▶ **Siege of Yorktown—1781**
- ▶ **Napoleon Began Retreat from Moscow—1812**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Annie S. Peck—1850-1935**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Auguste Lumière—1862-1954**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Karl-Birger Blomdahl—1916-1968**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Peter Max—1937-**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Patricia Ireland—1945-**

20 THURSDAY

- ▶ **Get Smart About Credit Day**
<http://www.getsmartaboutcredit.com>
Work with classroom teachers to set up visits from local bankers to help students understand how to set up and maintain good credit and why it is important. Check out the website section "Teach Children to Save." Grades 9-12.
- ▶ **Guatemala: Revolution Day**
- ▶ **Kenya: Kenyatta Day**
- ▶ **Miss American Rose Day**
<http://www.americanrose.com>
- ▶ **Birthdays of Thomas Bartholin—1616-1680**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Christopher Wren—1632-1723**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Baha'i Prophet-Herald Siyyid Ali Muhammad—1819**
- ▶ **Birthdays of James Robert Mann—1856-1922**
- ▶ **Birthdays of John Dewey—1859-1952**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Bela Lugosi—1882-1956**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Mickey Mantle—1931-1995**
- ▶ **Invasion of the Philippines—1944**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Danny Boyle—1956-**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Hilda Solis—1957**
- ▶ **Saturday Night Massacre—1973**
- ▶ **Sydney Opera House Opens—1973**
- ▶ **Moscow Soccer Disaster—1982**

21 FRIDAY

- ▶ **Old Ironsides Launched—1797**
- ▶ **Battle of Trafalgar—1805**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Will Carleton—1845-1912**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Samuel Taylor Coleridge—1772-1834**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Caroline Carmichael McIntosh Fillmore—1813-1881**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Alfred Nobel—1833-1896**
- ▶ **Incandescent Lamp Demonstrated—1879**
- ▶ **Birthdays of Ted Shawn—1891-1972**
- ▶ **Birthdays of John "Dizzy" Gillespie—1917-1993**
- ▶ **Vietnam War Protestors Marched on the Pentagon—1967**

OCTOBER 25-31

International Magic Week

Have students focus on magic in nature (*Star of the Sea: A Day in the Life of a Starfish*, Henry Holt, 2011); magic in stories (*If You Love a Magical Tale—a retelling of The Wizard of Oz and Aladdin*—Barron's, 2010, using changing picture windows); or, magic through the lives of artists (*Fabulous! A Portrait of Andy Warhol*, Henry Holt, 2011). Grades K-9.



- ▶ Birthday of Anton Van Leeuwenhoek—1632-1723
- ▶ Switzerland: Independence Established—1648
- ▶ Spain Ceded Florida to U. S.—1820
- ▶ Birthday of Belva Lockwood—1830-1917
- ▶ Birthday of Vice President James Schoolcraft Sherman—1855-1912
- ▶ Birthday of Melvin Purvis—1903-1960
- ▶ Stock Market Black Thursday—1929
- ▶ Founding of the United Nations—1945
- ▶ Birthday of Kweisi Mfume—1948-
- ▶ *Chang'E-1* Launched—2007

25 TUESDAY

- ▶ Saint Crispin's Day
- ▶ Kazakhstan: Republic Day
- ▶ New Zealand: Labor Day
- ▶ Sourest Day
- ▶ Death of Geoffrey Chaucer—1400
- ▶ Birthday of Thomas Babington Macaulay—1800-1859
- ▶ Birthday of Johann Strauss—1825-1899
- ▶ Birthday of Georges Bizet—1838-1875
- ▶ Birthday of William Henry Moore—1848-1923
- ▶ Birthday of Pablo Ruiz Picasso—1881-1973
- ▶ Birthday of Richard E. Byrd—1888-1957
- ▶ Taiwan: Retrocession Day—1945
- ▶ China Admitted to the UN—1971
- ▶ Taiwan Expelled from the UN—1971
- ▶ Birthday of Midori—1971-
- ▶ First Women FBI Agents Completed Training—1972
- ▶ Invasion of Grenada—1983

26 WEDNESDAY

- ▶ Austria: National Day
- ▶ India: Diwali
- ▶ Mule Day
- ▶ Perigean Spring Tides
- ▶ Birthday of Domenico Scarlatti—1685-1757
- ▶ Birthday of Joseph Hansom—1803-1882
- ▶ Birthday of Abby Greene Aldrich Rockefeller—1874-1948
- ▶ Gun Fight at the OK Corral—1881
- ▶ Phillis Wheatley Wrote Song Praising Washington—1775
- ▶ Erie Canal Opened—1825

- ▶ International Red Cross Established—1863
- ▶ Birthday of Mahalia Jackson—1911-1972
- ▶ Birthday of Francois Mitterand—1916-1996
- ▶ Birthday of Pat Sajak—1946
- ▶ Birthday of Hillary Rodham Clinton—1947-
- ▶ Spacecraft *Soyuz 3* (USSR) Launched—1968

27 THURSDAY

- ▶ Cranky Coworkers Day
- ▶ Navy Day
- ▶ Saint Vincent and the Grenadines: Independence Day
- ▶ Turkmenistan: Independence Day
- ▶ Execution of Michael Servetus—1553
- ▶ Birthday of James Cook—1728-1779
- ▶ Birthday of Nicolo Paganini—1782-1840
- ▶ First Federalist Paper Published—1787
- ▶ Birthday of Theodore Roosevelt—1858-1919
- ▶ First U.S. Underground Rapid Transit, New York—1904
- ▶ Birthday of Oliver Reginald Tambo—1917-1993
- ▶ Birthday of Roy Lichtenstein—1923-1997
- ▶ Hurricane Mitch—1998

28 FRIDAY

- ▶ Czech Republic: Independence Day
- ▶ Frankenstein Friday
- ▶ Greece: "Ochi Day"
- ▶ Saint Jude's Day
- ▶ Birthday of Desiderius Erasmus—1467-1536
- ▶ Harvard University Founded—1636
- ▶ Donner Party Tragedy—1846
- ▶ Birthday of Georges Auguste Escoffier—1846-1935
- ▶ Statue of Liberty Dedication—1886
- ▶ Birthday of Howard Hanson—1896-1981
- ▶ Birthday of Frances Bacon—1909-1992
- ▶ Birthday of Jonas Salk—1914-1995
- ▶ German Revolution—1918
- ▶ First Female U.S. Ambassador Appointed—1949
- ▶ Birthday of Bill Gates—1955-
- ▶ International Space Rescue Agreement—1970

OCTOBER 23-29

- ▶ Pastoral Care Week (October 23-29)
- ▶ United Nations Disarmament Week (October 24-30)
<http://www.un.org>

24 MONDAY

- ▶ United Nations World Development Information Day
<http://www.un.org>
- ▶ United Nations Day
- ▶ Zambia's Independence Day

OCTOBER 30-NOVEMBER 5

- ▶ Give Wildlife a Break Week (October 31-November 6)
<http://www.hsus.org>

31 MONDAY

- ▶ Halloween
- ▶ Magic Day
- ▶ National Knock-Knock Day
- ▶ National UNICEF Day
- ▶ Wiccan Samhain ("Summer's End")
- ▶ Martin Luther Nailed 95 Theses to Wittenberg church (Reformation Day)—1517
- ▶ Birthday of William Paca—1740-1799
- ▶ Birthday of Juliette Gordon Low—1860-1927
- ▶ Nevada Became 36th State—1864

- ▶ Harry Houdini Died (Commemorated as National Magic Day)—1926
- ▶ Birthday of Dan Rather—1931-
- ▶ Mount Rushmore Completed—1941
- ▶ Earl Lloyd Became First Black NBA

- ▶ Player—1950
- ▶ Birthday of Jane Pauley—1950-
- ▶ Radio Premiere of *Car Talk*—1987
- ▶ National Park of American Samoa Authorized—1988

OCTOBER 31 Books for Treats Day

<http://www.BooksForTreats.org>

According to the website, "Books for Treats is a program that encourages you to give 'gently read' children's books at Halloween instead of candy." Get parents involved and have a day at school for a book give-away. Get students involved by sharing information about the book they received as a treat. Grades K-9.

