

### Bulletin Board of the Month

Feature AASL's designated spokesperson, author Laurie Halse Anderson, on a bulletin board for School Library Media Month. Use this quote from her: "School libraries are the foundation of our culture, not luxuries." Gather and use quotes from teachers and students about how the school library is important to their learning and teaching. Post pictures of students and teachers with their quotes. Add the quotes to the school library Web site. Prof.



- ▶ **Flower of the Month: Daisy or Sweet Pea**
- ▶ **Birthstone of the Month: Diamond**
- ▶ **Alcohol Awareness Month**  
National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc.; <http://www.ncadd.org>
- ▶ **Cancer Control Month**  
American Cancer Society; <http://www.cancer.org>
- ▶ **Celebrate Diversity Month**  
<http://www.celebratediversitymonth.org>
- ▶ **Child Abuse Prevention Month**  
The National Exchange Club; Foundation for the Prevention of Child Abuse; <http://www.preventchildabuse.com>
- ▶ **Financial Literacy Month**  
Check out the BizKid\$ promotion (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UHKlzHnsYdo>) and other episodes at [bizkids.com](http://bizkids.com). Grades 9-12.
- ▶ **Jazz Appreciation Month**

- <http://www.smithsonianjazz.org>  
Work with the music teacher to capitalize on helping students investigate jazz as history and music. Check out the pathfinder created by Melinda Kehe where many good resources and links listed (<http://search.creativecommons.org/?q=smithsonian+jazz&sourceid=Mozilla-search>). Also make use of the many resources available through the Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of American History ([http://www.smithsonian-jazz.org/class/jc\\_start.asp](http://www.smithsonian-jazz.org/class/jc_start.asp)). Grades 7-9.
- ▶ **National Child Abuse Prevention Month**  
<http://www.preventchildabuse.org>
  - ▶ **National Poetry Month**  
Academy of American Poets; <http://www.poets.org>  
Celebrate this month with the many poetry selections available through the school library. Plan to add the book, *Poetry Speaks*:

*Who I Am* (Jabberwocky, 2010) to your collection so students can hear poets read their own works via a CD provided with the book. Grades 9-12. (See also Young People's Poetry Week, April 11-17.)

- ▶ **National Sexual Assault Awareness Month**  
Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network; <http://www.rainn.org>
- ▶ **National Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs) Education and Awareness Month**  
Pharmacists Planning Service; <http://www.ppsinc.org>
- ▶ **National Youth Sports Safety Month**  
National Youth Sports Safety Foundation; <http://www.nyssf.org>
- ▶ **Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month**  
ASPCA; <http://www.aspc.org>
- ▶ **School Library Media Month**  
American Association of School Librarians; <http://www.ala.org/aasl>  
Make sure your stakeholders agree that the school library is not a luxury! Focus on the educational role of school libraries. Set a goal to gather proof of student learning and how the school library is an integral part of fulfilling the school improvement and academic goals of the district. Have students provide feedback about how the school library program contributes to their learning. Have teachers share how they use the school library and work with you. Establish ongoing communication with administrators and others related to student learning. Make sure you have a well constructed, image enhancing, forward thinking, Web presence for all to see. Have this information ready to share with stakeholders and share it on an ongoing basis. Prof.
- ▶ **World Habitat Awareness Month**  
PALS Foundation; <http://www.PALS.R8.org>

## APRIL 1-3

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

### 1 Thursday

- ▶ **April Fool's Day**
- ▶ **Bulgaria: St. Lazarus' Day**
- ▶ **Lupus Alert Day**  
<http://www.lupus.org>
- ▶ **Birthday of William Harvey—1578-1657**
- ▶ **First Bridge (Neponset River) Built in U.S.—1634**
- ▶ **First Meeting of U. S. House of Representatives in New York—1789**
- ▶ **Birthday of Otto Von Bismarck—1815-1898**
- ▶ **First Paid Fire Department, Cincinnati—1853**
- ▶ **Battle of Five Forks Ended—1865**
- ▶ **Birthday of Sergei Rachmaninoff—1873-**

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- ▶ **Birthday of Lon Chaney—1883-1930**
- ▶ **Birthday of Jagjivan Ram—1908-1986**
- ▶ **Birthday of Toshiro Mifune—1920-1997**
- ▶ **Battle of Okinawa Began—1945**
- ▶ **Hitler Moved Headquarters to Bunker—1945**
- ▶ **Cigarette Advertising Banned—1970**
- ▶ **Iran: Islamic Republic Day—1979**

### 2 Friday

- ▶ **International Children's Book Day**
- ▶ **Birthday of Charlemagne—742-814**
- ▶ **Ponce de Leon Landed in Florida—1513 (Pascua Florida Day)**
- ▶ **Birthday of Giacomo Girolamo Casanova—1725-1798**

- ▶ **U. S. Mint Established—1792**
- ▶ **Birthday of Frederic Auguste Bertholdi—1834-1904**
- ▶ **Richmond Bread Riot—1863**
- ▶ **Birthday of Walter Chrysler—1875-1940**
- ▶ **First Easter Egg Roll on White House Lawn—1877**
- ▶ **Birthday of Baron Von Richthofen (The Red Baron)—1892-1918**
- ▶ **First Moving Picture Theatre—1902**
- ▶ **Birthday of Margaret Scherf—1908-1979**
- ▶ **Birthday of Sir Alec Guinness—1914-2000**
- ▶ **Woodrow Wilson Asked Congress to Declare War on Germany—1917**
- ▶ **Birthday of Charles White—1918-1979**
- ▶ **Bangladesh Tornadoes—1972**
- ▶ **Argentina Seized Falkland Islands—1982**

# APRIL 4-10

- ▶Easter Sunday (April 4)
- ▶Orthodox Easter Sunday (April 4)
- ▶National Blue Ribbon Week (April 4-10)  
<http://www.preventchildabuse.com>  
Distribute information to families and teachers in an effort to raise awareness for child abuse prevention. Older students could take on this topic for a project where they could contribute to the community awareness. Prof., Grades 9-12.
- ▶Egg Salad Week (April 4-10)  
American Egg Board; <http://www.aeb.org>  
Check out the resources for science and nutrition in the educators section of this Web site (<http://www.aeb.org/educators.html>). There is also the curriculum guide for grades 4-6, "The Incredible Journey from Hen to Home." Grades K-12.
- ▶Explore Your Career Options Week (April 5-10)
- ▶National Public Health Week (April 4-10)  
<http://www.apha.org>
- ▶National Week of Oceans (April 4-10)
- ▶Holy Week (April 5-11)
- ▶National Networking Week (April 5-11)

## 5 Monday

- ▶Easter Monday
- ▶Switzerland: Egg Races
- ▶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 Tallaferro Washington—1856-1915
- ▶Birthday of Washington Atlee Burpee—1858-1915

- ▶Interstate Commerce Act—1887
- ▶Birthday of Bette Davis—1908-1989
- ▶Gold Recalled by President Roosevelt—1933
- ▶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
- ▶La Belle Bombing—1986
- ▶Married...with Children Premiered on Television—1987
- ▶The Tracey Ullman Show Premiered on Television—1987

## 6 Tuesday

- ▶Passover—Final Day (March 30-April 6)
- ▶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—1896
- ▶North Pole Discovered—1909
- ▶U.S. Entered WWI—1917
- ▶Birthday of Gerry Mulligan—1927-1996
- ▶Gandhi Made Salt—1930
- ▶Scottsboro Trial—1931
- ▶Tefflon Invented—1938
- ▶First Tony Awards—1947

## 7 Wednesday

- ▶Paraprofessional Appreciation Day
- ▶World Health Day  
<http://www.un.org/depts/dhl/health/index.html>
- ▶Rwanda: Genocide Remembrance Day
- ▶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

## 8 Thursday

- ▶National D.A.R.E Day

- ▶Birthday of Gautama Buddha—563 B.C.-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 Elizabeth Bloomer Warren Ford—1918-
- ▶Birthday of Carmen McRae—1920-1994
- ▶Birthday of Kofi Annan—1938-
- ▶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

## 9 Friday

- ▶National Former Prisoner of War Recognition Day
- ▶Philippines: Araw Ng Kagitingan
- ▶Tunisia: Martyrs' Day
- ▶LaSalle Reached Mississippi—1682
- ▶Jenkins' Ear Day—1731
- ▶Birthday of Eadweard Muybridge—1830-1904
- ▶First Public Tax-Supported Library (New Hampshire)—1833
- ▶Lee Surrendered to Grant at Appomattox Ending Civil War—1865
- ▶Birthday of Charles Proteus Steinmetz—1865-1923
- ▶Civil Rights Bill Passed—1866
- ▶Jumbo the Elephant Arrived in the U.S.—1882
- ▶Birthday of Frank King—1883-1969
- ▶Birthday of Paul Robeson—1898-1976
- ▶Birthday of J. William Fulbright—1905-1995
- ▶Birthday of J. Presper Eckert, Jr.—1919-1995
- ▶Marian Anderson Performed Easter Concert—1939
- ▶Fall of Bataan in Philippines—1942
- ▶CORE Sent to South to Test Interstate Bus Travel—1947
- ▶Texas Panhandle Tornado—1947
- ▶Winston Churchill Named Honorary U. S. Citizen—1963
- ▶Soyuz 35 Launched—1980
- ▶General Noriega Convicted of Drug Trafficking—1992
- ▶Iraq National Day: Anniversary of Saddam Hussein's Fall from Power—2003

## April 5

### White House Easter Egg Roll

Combine social studies and science and have students investigate the nutritional value of eggs, the life cycle of a chicken, and information about the art of egg decoration (Easter eggs, Faberge, or folk art). For background information, start with *Wikipedia* ([http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Egg\\_decorating](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Egg_decorating) or [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Egg\\_%28food%29](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Egg_%28food%29)). Grades 2-6.



# APRIL 11-17

- ▶National Personal Training Week (April 11-17)
- ▶Pan American Week (April 11-17)
- ▶Week of the Young Child (April 11-17)  
<http://www.naeyc.org>
- ▶Young People's Poetry Week (April 11-17)  
<http://www.poets.org/viewmedia.php/prmMID/5625>  
Work with classroom teachers to integrate poetry writing and reading into units of study during this week. For younger readers, read the story in verse, *Jacob O'Reilly Wants a Pet* (Barrons, 2009) and have students write their own poem about a pet. Grades K-6.

## April 11-17

### National Library Week

<http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/hqops/pio/natlibraryweek/nlw.cfm>  
ALA's Honorary Chair of National Library Week is author Neil Gaiman and the theme is "Communities thrive @ your library." Look for ways to raise awareness about school libraries and the services during this week. Check out promotional tools available on the Web site link. Prof.

## 12 Monday

- ▶Great Britain Adopted Union Jack Flag—1606
- ▶Birthday of Lyman Hall—1724-1790
- ▶Halifax, NC, Independence Day—1776
- ▶Birthday of Henry Clay—1777-1852
- ▶Free African Society Founded—1787
- ▶Birthday of John Shaw Billings—1838-1913
- ▶First Truancy Law Enacted—1853
- ▶Confederate Forces Fired on Ft. Sumter—1861
- ▶Ft. Pillow Massacre—1864
- ▶First Baseball Catcher's Mask Used—1877
- ▶Birthday of Tiny Tim—1922-1996
- ▶Birthday of Ann Miller—1923-
- ▶Anniversary of the Big Wind—1934
- ▶Your Hit Parade Premiered on Radio—1935
- ▶Birthday of Herbie Hancock—1940-
- ▶Salk Vaccine Announced—1955
- ▶Yuri Gagarin First Man in Space on Vostok 1—1961
- ▶Columbia STS-1 Launched—1981
- ▶Discovery STS-51-D Launched—1985
- ▶21 Jump Street Premiered on Television—1987

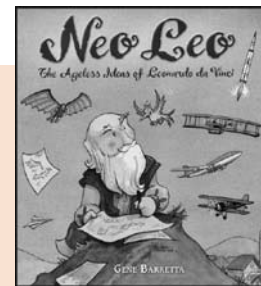
## 13 Tuesday

- ▶National Library Workers Day  
<http://www.ala-apa.org/about/nlwd.htm>
- ▶South Africa: Family Day

## April 15

### Birthday of Leonardo da Vinci—1452-1519

Help students learn more about this artist/inventor/scientist and his many ideas. Introduce him through the new picture book, *Neo Leo: The Ageless Ideas of Leonardo da Vinci* (Henry Holt, 2009). The book provides dates for when a feat was accomplished or an invention completed and relates each back to da Vinci's ideas. Grades K-5.



- ▶Sri Lanka: Sinhala and Tamil New Year
- ▶Thailand Songkran Festival
- ▶India: Vaisakhi
- ▶Thomas Jefferson Day  
Have students think about the words and accomplishments of Jefferson. What role would he play in government today? What would he say about health care? Have students take a Jefferson quote from *Brainy Quote* ([http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/t/thomas\\_jefferson.html](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/t/thomas_jefferson.html)) and relate it to today's politics. Have them create a political cartoon to support their point. Grades 7-12.
- ▶Premier of Handel's *Messiah*—1742
- ▶Birthday of Thomas Jefferson—1743-1826
- ▶First Elephant Brought to U.S.—1796
- ▶Birthday of Butch Cassidy—1866-1909
- ▶Birthday of Alfred Butts—1899-1993
- ▶Birthday of Samuel Beckett—1906-1989
- ▶*Silent Spring* Published—1962
- ▶First Baseball Strike Ended—1972
- ▶Great Chicago Flood—1992

## 14 Wednesday

- ▶Pan American Day
- ▶Honduras: Dia Las Americas
- ▶Birthday of Christiaan Huygens—1629-1695
- ▶First Abolition Society Formed—1775
- ▶Pan American Union Formed—1889
- ▶Assassination of Abraham Lincoln—1865  
Bring the time of the Civil War to life through the story of a young drummer boy, Johnny Clem. The historically based picture book, *Vol. 1, Johnny Clem* is part of the series Danny Drumm's Heroes (Barbed Wire Press, 2006). Have readers discover the drummer boy's connection to Abraham Lincoln. Grades 2-5.
- ▶Webster's First Dictionary Published—1828
- ▶Birthday of Anne Sullivan—1866-1936
- ▶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 Thursday

- ▶Income Tax Pay Day

- ▶Rubber Eraser Day
- ▶Patriot's Day in Massachusetts and Maine
- ▶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 Harold Washington—1922-1987
- ▶Birthday of Sir George Cadbury—1929-
- ▶Belsen Concentration Camp Liberated—1945
- ▶Debut of Jackie Robinson with Brooklyn Dodgers—1947
- ▶Buck Rogers Premiered on Television—1950
- ▶Birthday of Heloise Cruse Evans—1951-
- ▶First Franchised McDonalds Opened—1955
- ▶Liberace Museum Founded—1979
- ▶New Multi-planet Solar System Located—1999

## 16 Friday

- ▶National Stress Awareness Day  
<http://www.stresscure.com>
- ▶Denmark: Queen Margaret's Birthday
- ▶Birthday of Hans Sloane—1660-1753
- ▶Birthday of Albert Blake Dick—1856-1934
- ▶Slavery Abolished in District of Columbia—1862
- ▶Birthday of Wilbur Wright—1867-1912
- ▶Birthday of Jose de Diego—1867-1918
- ▶Birthday of Charlie Chaplin—1889-1977
- ▶Natural Bridge Monument Established—1908
- ▶Birthday of Merce Cunningham—1919-2009
- ▶Birthday of Pope Benedict XVI—1927-
- ▶Worst Industrial Disaster (Texas City Explosion)—1947
- ▶Birthday of Selena—1971-1995
- ▶Apollo 16 Launched—1972
- ▶Death of Iqbal Masih—1995
- ▶Virginia Tech Shootings—2007

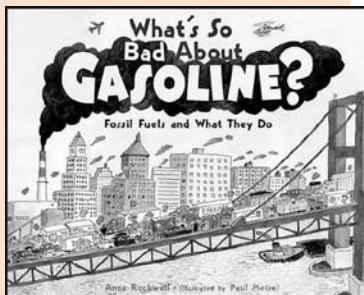
# APRIL 18-24

- ▶Administrative Professionals Week (April 18-24)
- ▶Astronomy Week (April 19-25)
- ▶Consumer Awareness Week (April 19-24)
- ▶National Coin Week (April 18-24)

## April 22 Earth Day—40th Anniversary

There are many ways to celebrate Earth Day, but check out these two books and the resources available to help make the link through literature.

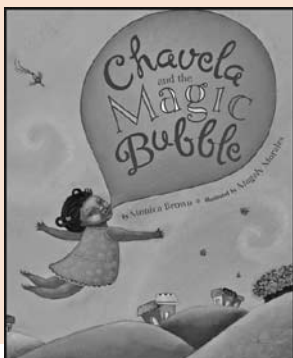
Anne Rockwell's latest book, *What's So Bad about Gasoline?* Fossil



*Fuels and What They Do* (HarperCollins, 2009), introduces young readers to fossil fuels and invites students to seek alternative energy sources to save our planet. Download a free curriculum guide for the book, appropriate for grades 2-4 (<http://www.annerockwell.com/teachers>), which includes lesson plans and a science experiment demonstrating the "greenhouse effect." Work with the science teachers to capitalize on this resource.

Also, incorporate Monica Brown's *Chevela and the Magic Bubble* (Houghton Mifflin, 2010), a delightful story about a young girl who learns how chicle is harvested from the sapodilla. A rainforest fact sheet and quiz, "How Earth-Friendly Is Your Lunch?" worksheet, and more are included in

a free discussion guide for the book, appropriate for grades 1-4 (<http://www.MonicaBrown.net/teachers>). Grades 1-4.



- ▶National Park Week (April 17-23)  
<http://www.nps.gov/npweek/>
- ▶National Volunteer Week (April 18-24)
- ▶National Window Safety Week (April 19-25)  
<http://www.nsc.org>
- ▶National Inspirational News Week (April 19-25)
- ▶Sky Awareness Week (April 18-24)  
<http://www.weather.works.com>
- ▶TV Turnoff Week (April 19-25)  
TV-Free America; <http://www.tvturnoff.org>  
Work with the parent group to promote turning off the TV for a week. Provide alternative ideas and activities and plenty of reading lists for the occasion. Have students help come up with ways to spend the week without turning on the television set. Post ideas on the school library Web site. Grades K-9.

## 19 Monday

- ▶114th Boston Marathon
- ▶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
- ▶Birthday of Lillian Gould—1920-
- ▶Birthday of Don Adams—1927-
- ▶Birthday of Hugh O'Brian—1930-
- ▶U. S. Off Gold Standard—1933
- ▶Birthday of Dudley Moore—1935-
- ▶Birthday of Wilfried Martens—1936-
- ▶Birthday of Elinor Donahue—1937-
- ▶Birthday of Alan Price—1942-
- ▶Revolt in Warsaw Ghetto—1943
- ▶Birthday of Tim Curry—1946-
- ▶Birthday of Frank John Viola, Jr.—1960-
- ▶Birthday of Al Unser, Jr.—1962-
- ▶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 Federal Building Bombing—1995

## 20 Tuesday

- ▶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

## 21 Wednesday

- ▶Administrative Professionals Day
- ▶Kindergarten Day
- ▶South Africa: Family Day
- ▶Traditional Birthday of Rome—753 B.C.
- ▶Birthday of Friedrich Froebel—1782-1852
- ▶Birthday of John Muir—1838-1914
- ▶Birthday of Max Weber—1864-1920
- ▶Birthday of Anthony Quinn—1915-2001
- ▶Red Baron von Richtofen Killed—1918
- ▶Birthday of Queen Elizabeth II—1926-
- ▶Birthday of Silvana Mangano—1930-1989
- ▶Copernicus DAO 4 Launched—1972

## 22 Thursday

- ▶National Jelly Bean Day
- ▶Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day  
<http://www.DaughtersandSonstoWork.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
- ▶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
- ▶Birthday of Nikolai Lenin—1870-1924

## 23 Friday

- ▶St. George Feast Day
- ▶Turkey: National Sovereignty Day and Children's Day
- ▶United Nations: World Book and Copyright Day
- Death of Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra—1616
- ▶First Public School Opened in America—1635
- ▶Birthday of James Buchanan—1791-1868
- ▶Birthday of Stephen Douglass—1813-1861
- ▶Birthday of Granville T. Woods—1856-1910
- ▶Birthday of Max Planck—1858-1947
- ▶Birthday of Sergei Prokofiev—1891-1953
- ▶First Movie Theatre Opened—1896
- ▶Birthday of Lester B. Pearson—1897-1972
- ▶Birthday of Bernadette Devlin McAliskey—1947-
- ▶Soyuz 10 Launched—1971
- ▶Top Quark Discovered—1994

# APRIL 25-30

- ▶National Crime Victims' Rights Week (April 25-May 1)
- ▶National Playground Safety Week (April 25-30)  
National Program for Playground Safety;  
<http://www.uni.edu/playground>

## 26 Monday

- ▶Confederate Memorial Day in Florida and Georgia
- ▶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 Anita Loos—1893-1981
- ▶Birthday of Rudolf Hess—1894-1987
- ▶Birthday of Charles Richter—1900-1985
- ▶Birthday of Douglas Sirk—1900-1987
- ▶Birthday of I. M. Pei—1917-
- ▶Birthday of Bambi Linn—1926-
- ▶Birthday of Carol Burnett—1933-
- ▶Guernica Massacre—1937
- ▶Birthday of Duane Eddy—1938-
- ▶Birthday of Bobby Rydell—1942-
- ▶Birthday of Gary Wright—1943-
- ▶Montgomery Ward Seized—1946
- ▶Birthday of Boyd Matson—1947-
- ▶Tanzania Union Day—1964
- ▶Chernobyl Nuclear Reactor Explosion—1986
- ▶U. S. Holocaust Museum Opened—1993
- ▶South Africa Multiracial Elections—1994

## April 27 National Teach Children to Save Day

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

This is a "national campaign that raises awareness about the important role that banks and bankers play in helping young people develop lifelong savings habits." Work with math teachers to incorporate this theme into the math curriculum (<http://www.aba.com/ABAEF/tcts.htm>).  
Grades 3-4.



## 27 Tuesday

- ▶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
- ▶Birthday of Casey Kasem—1932-
- ▶Slovenia: Insurrection Day—1941
- ▶Babe Ruth Day—1947
- ▶Togo: Independence Day—1960
- ▶Sierra Leone: Independence Day—1961
- ▶South Africa: Freedom Day—1994

## 28 Wednesday

- ▶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
- ▶Birthday of James A. Baker, III—1930-
- ▶First Yellow Fever Vaccine—1932
- ▶Birthday of Saddam Hussein—1937-2006
- ▶Birthday of Madge Sinclair—1938-1995
- ▶Execution of Benito Mussolini—1945
- ▶Gene Governing Cicadian Rhythm Discovered in Mice—1994
- ▶First Tourist in Space—2001

## 29 Thursday

- ▶Japan: Golden Week Holidays (April 29-May 5)
- ▶Japan: Showa Day
- ▶Poem In Your Pocket Day  
Focus on poetry books with kindergartners, then provide a short segment of a poem for each of them to take with them "in their pocket" to share with their family. Have them memorize and recite their poem.  
Grade K.
- ▶St. Catherine of Siena: Feast Day
- ▶Taiwan: Cheng Cheng Kung Landing 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 Liberated—1945
- ▶Peace Rose Introduced—1945
- ▶Birthday of Dale Earnhart—1952-2001
- ▶Challenger STS-51-B Launched—1985
- ▶Los Angeles Riots—1992

## April 30 International Save the Frogs Day

<http://www.savethefrogs.com/day/index.html>

To help students learn more about frogs, make use of the many frog-related resources on the Save the Frogs Day Web site and the books and other links listed in the "Connect the Book" column (pages 26-28). Start by referring to the Save the Frogs Web site (<http://www.savethefrogs.com/events/>).  
Grades K-4.



## 30 Friday

- ▶National Arbor Day Festival  
<http://www.nebraskacity.com>  
Visit the Arbor Day Web site (<http://www.arborday.org/arborday/>) to find out about the history of the day, and how to celebrate it and get involved in tree planting events.  
Grades K-12.
- ▶National Honesty Day
- ▶Sweden: Feast of Valborg
- ▶Walpurgis Night
- ▶First Theatre Performance in North America—1598
- ▶Birthday of William Lilly—1602-1681
- ▶Birthday of Karl Friedrich Gauss—1777-1855
- ▶Louisiana Purchase—1803
- ▶Louisiana Entered Union—1812
- ▶Washington Inaugurated as President—1789
- ▶Birthday of Mary Scott Lord Dimmick Harrison—1858-1948
- ▶Birthday of Ellis Wilson—1899-1977
- ▶Hamburgers Introduced at World's Fair—1904
- ▶Bugs Bunny Debuted—1938
- ▶First President Appeared on Television—1939
- ▶Birthday of Michael J. Smith—1945-1986
- ▶Organization of American States Founded—1948
- ▶Muhammad Ali Stripped of Title—1967
- ▶U. S. Invaded Cambodia—1970
- ▶Vietnam Liberation Day: End of Vietnam War—1975
- ▶Iranian Embassy Seized in London—1980

# APRIL 2010 Author and Illustrator Almanac



**It is National Poetry Month! Celebrate the birthdays of authors who write poetry and stories in verse, such as Maya Angelou (April 1st), Lee Bennett Hopkins (April 13th), or Ludwig Bemelmans (April 27th). There is something for every reader of every age. Grades K-12.**

<p>Glen Rounds—1906-2002 Fred Brenner—1920- Maya Angelou—1928- Johanna Reiss—1932- Phoebie Gilman—1940- Elizabeth Levy—1942- Thomas Lickona—1943- Joan Leslie Woodruff—1953-</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>Frank Stockton—1834- 1902 Yasuo Segawa—1933- Richard Peck—1934- Helen Hoover—1935- Lurlene McDaniell—1944- Todd Strasser—1950-</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>Ida Chittum—1918- Douglas Hill—1935- Alice Bach—1942- Fulvio Testa—1947- Jerdine Nolan—1953- Graeme Base—1958-</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>Donald Carrick—1929- 1989 Alice Schertle—1941- Cheryl Willis Hudson—1948-</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>Margaret Scherf—1908- 1979 Anne McCaffrey—1926 Jan Wahl—1933- Edward Myers—1950- Karen Wallace—1951- Tad Hills—?</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>Washington Irving—1783- 1859 Hans Christian Andersen— 1805-1875 Emile Zola—1840-1902 Ruth Heller—1924-2004 Judith Presnall—1943- Dave Ross—1949- Amy Schwartz—1954-</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>Edward Everett Hale— 1822-1909 Larry Callen—1927- Virginia Silverstein—1937- Sandra Boynton—1953-</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>Felix Hoffman—1911- 1975 Jean-Claude Servan- Schreiber—1918-2006 Graham Salisbury—1944- April Pulley Sayre—1966-</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>C. W. Anderson— 1891-1971 Hardie Gramatky—1907-1979 Paul Showers—1910-1999 Barbara Corcoran—1911- 2003 Beverly Cleary—1916- Gary Soto—1952-</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>Genevieve Foster— 1892-1979 Marguerite Henry—1902- 1997 Eudora Welty—1909-2001 Erik Haugaard—1923- Lee Bennett Hopkins—1938- Rita Williams-Garcia—1957-</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>Robert Lopshire—1927- 1989 Susan Saunders—1945-</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>Christine Price—1928- Eleanor Schick—1942- Jacqueline Briggs Martin— 1945-</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>Gertrude Chandler Warner—1890-1979 Gunnel Beckman—1910- 2003 Garth Williams—1912-1996 John Christopher—1922- Kingsley Amis—1922-1995 Eva Moore—1942- Eleanora E. Tate—1948-</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>Teresa Needham— 1912-1992 Dora Jesse Saint—1913- Roy Gallant—1924- Cynthia Ozick—1928- Dayal Kaur Khalsa—1943- 1989 Martyn Godfrey—1947- Jane Kurtz—1952-</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>Evelyn Lampman— 1907-1980 Barbara Reid—1922- Mitchell Sharmat—1927- Barbara Reid—1957-</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>Richard Hughes— 1900-1978 Jean Lee Latham—1902-1995 Jon Agee—1960- Javaka Steptoe—1971-</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>Dinah Craik—1826- 1887 Mary Hoffman—1945-</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>Charlotte Bronte— 1816-1855 Jane Breskin Zalben—1950-</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>Henry Fielding— 1707-1754 Kurt Wiese—1887-1974 William Jay Smith—1918- Paula Fox—1923- Ron Koertge—1940- Eileen Christelow—1943- Kathy Stinson—1952-</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>William Shakespeare— 1564-1616 R. C. Stein—1937- Michael Moore—1954-</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>Robert Penn Warren— 1905-1989 Evaline Ness—1911-1986 Bert Kirchen—1940- Sue Grafton—1940-</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>Walter de la Mare— 1873-1956 Maud Hart Lovelace— 1892-1980 June Behrens—1925- Alvin Schwartz—1927- Larry Kettlekamp—1933- Stuart J. Murphy—1942- George Ella Lyon—1949- Melvin Burgess—1954- Marie G. Lee—1964-</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>Jessie Redmon Fauset— 1882-1961 Bernard Malamud—1914- 1986 Patricia Reilly Giff—1935- Marilyn Nelson—1946-</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>Ludwig Bemelmans— 1898-1962 Wende Devlin—1918-2002 Coretta Scott King—1927- 2006 Barbara Douglass—1930- John Burningham—1936- Judith Vigna—1936- Nancy Shaw—1946- Barbara Park—1947- Betty G. Bimey—1947- Jan Hudson—1954-1990</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>Palmer Cox—1840-1924 Antonio Frasconi—1919- 1996 Barbara Esbensen—1925- 1996 Harper Lee—1926- Lois Duncan—1934- Ben Shecter—1935- Brett Harvey—1936- Diane Hoh—1937- Marvin Terban—1940- Virginia Kroll—1948- Amy Hest—1950- Suzanne Williams—1953-</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>Robert Gottlieb—1931- Jill Paton Walsh—1937 Ron Roy—1940- Nichole Rubel—1953-</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>Maria Leach—1892- 1977 Ross E. Hutchins—1906-1983 Barbara Corrigan—1922- Harriet Sobol—1936- Kirkpatrick Hill—1938- Dorothy Hinshaw Patent— 1940- Joan Sandin—1942- Kit Pearson—1947- Janet Morgan Stoeke—1957-</p>	<p>30</p>	<p><b>Hotlinks to author and illustrator Web sites are available at: <a href="http://www.schoollibrarymonthly.com">http://www. schoollibrary monthly.com</a></b></p>	