

Library Bits

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- ❖ National Women's Hall of Fame
<http://www.greatwomen.org/home.php>
- ❖ Women's History Month from the Library of Congress
<http://womenshistorymonth.gov/>
- ❖ Women's History Month from Time for Kids
<http://www.timeforkids.com/TFK/whm>
- ❖ Facts about Women from the US Census Bureau
http://www.census.gov/PressRelease/www/releases/archives/facts_for_features_special_editions/003897.html
- ❖ Women who Changed History – Scholastic
<http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/women/>

**March
Website
Gallery**

**Women's
History
Month**

MARCH IS:

- * American Red Cross Month
- * Music in our Schools Month
- * National Nutrition Month
- * National Women's History Month
- * Youth Art Month



Important Dates and Author Birthdays:

Share a Smile Day	3/1
Dr. Seuss Day	3/2
Patricia MacLachlan	3/3
Alexander Graham Bell	3/3
National Anthem Day	3/3
Mem Fox	3/5
Iditarod begins	3/6
Jack Kent	3/10
Johnny Appleseed Day	3/11
Ezra Jack Keats	3/11
Jonathan London	3/11
Girl Scout Day	3/12
Daylight Savings Time Begins	3/14
π (Pi) Day	3/14
Absolutely Incredible Kid Day	3/15
Ides of March	3/15
St. Patrick's Day	3/17
First Day of Spring	3/20
Lois Lowry	3/20
Louis Sachar	3/20
Big Bird	3/20
Randolph Caldecott	3/22
Kate DiCamillo	3/25
Dick King-Smith	3/27
Doreen Cronin	3/28
Tater Day	3/31

“The man who does not read good books has no advantage over the man who **can't** read them.”
- **Mark Twain**

Just a reminder...

Natalie Kinsey-Warnock will be visiting St. Joe's on May 3rd or 4th. She will do three sessions, one per grade level. Order forms for books sales will go out in the next few weeks, and all forms will be due back at the beginning of April.

Website directory

Past topics

If you are interested in looking at any of the websites previously mentioned in the library newsletters, you can go to the Teacher Resources page on the library webpage. The topics listed there are:

Books
Constitution Day
Iditarod
Mathematics
Music in Our Schools Month
National Hispanic Heritage Month
National Poetry Month
Nutrition
Professional Materials
Social Studies
Weather

Did you know? **The Chicago River goes Green for St. Patrick's Day!**

Chicago is famous for a somewhat peculiar annual event: dyeing the Chicago River green. The tradition started in 1962, when city pollution-control workers used dyes to trace illegal sewage discharges and realized that the green dye might provide a unique way to celebrate the holiday. That year, they released 100 pounds of green vegetable dye into the river—enough to keep it green for a week!

Today, in order to minimize environmental damage, only 40 pounds of dye are used, making the river green for only several hours. Although Chicago historians claim their city's idea for a river of green was original, some Savannah natives believe the idea originated in their town. They point out that, in 1961, Savannah mayor Tom Woolley had plans for a green river. Due to rough waters on March 17, the experiment failed, and Savannah never attempted to dye its river again.

From: <http://www.history.com/topics/st-patricks-day>



Character Education book of the month: **Generosity**

The Giving Tree

By Shel Silverstein (E SIL)

A young boy grows to manhood and old age experiencing the love and generosity of a tree which gives to him without thought of return.

✓ it out @ your library!