

Dates to Remember During Black History Month

February '86

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1986 JANUARY 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	1986 MARCH 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	Black History Month					1 Black college students staged a sit-in at a segregated lunch counter in Greensboro, N.C. 1960 Langston Hughes born 1902-1967 Poet and Author
2	3 Gertrude McCullough wins Webster Gold Medal for Sculpture 1965 15th Amendment passed 1870 Black Suffrage	4 24th Amend abolished Poll Tax 1864	5	6 First organized emigration of U.S. Blacks back to Africa, from New York to Sierra Leone 1820 Peabody Fund established to promote Black education in the South 1867	7 President Truman appointed Irwin C. Molison a judge of the U.S. Customs Court 1945 Cuba Blew, James Pines, born in Baltimore 1883 Freedman's Aid Society, founded to promote education among Blacks	8	
9 Paul Lawrence Dunbar: 1st poet to use Black dialect in his verse, died 1872-1906 Leroy Satcher: Poet elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame 1971	10 Andrew Brimmer, the first Black person to serve on the Federal Reserve Board 1908 Lorraine Hansberry, world renowned soprano, born 1927	11 Clifford Alexander Jr., first Black Secretary of the Army, confirmed 1977	12 Ash Wednesday Lincoln's Birthday NAACP founded 1909 after riot in Springfield, Ill	13 First Black pro basketball team, "The Renaissance" org'd 1923	14 Frederick Douglass born 1817-1895 Abolitionist Morehouse College founded in Atlanta 1867 Valentine's Day	15	
16	17 Washington's Birthday (observed)	18	19 First Pan-African congress organized in Paris by W.E.B. DuBois 1919	20 The first Black Greek letter society, Alpha Phi Alpha, was organized in 1908	21 Malcolm X Assassinated 1965-1965	22 Washington's Birthday (traditional)	
23 W.E.B. DuBois born 1868-1963 Author and Historian	24 Bishop Daniel A. Payne born, reformer and founder of A.M.E. Church 1811	25 Hiram R. Revels 1st Black U.S. Senator took oath of office 1870	26	27 Marion Anderson, Singer, born in Philadelphia 1902 Charlotte Ray, 1st Black woman lawyer, graduated Harvard U 1872	28 Phillis Wheatley (died) 1753-1784 Poetess		



CHARLES DREW
1904-1950

Pioneer in Blood Plasma Research
Charles Drew, pioneer in blood preservation and founder of the blood bank, was chief surgeon and head of the staff at Freedmen's Hospital in Washington, D. C., at the time of his fatal automobile accident in 1950. A native of Washington, D. C., Drew had been a letter man in track, a Mossman trophy winner in general scholarship, and a Spingarn Medalist for his contributions to human welfare. Dr. Drew's entire life was spent in the pursuit of excellence whether it was on the track field, in the operating room, or in the research laboratory. He attended Amherst as an undergraduate, and McGill University in Canada, where he won first prize in physiological anatomy. He began his research into the properties of blood plasma at Columbia University. His discovery of ways and means of preserving blood plasma in blood banks for emergency needs saved the lives of thousands of injured servicemen during World War II. He organized a blood-collecting service for the British government, and directed the U. S. Red Cross blood bank overseas in 1942. He resigned when "segregated" blood was called for, and returned to Howard University and the Freedmen's Hospital. He also studied the problems of fluid balance in surgery and surgical shock.

Black History Quiz WHO AM I?

- In 1872, I was awarded the patent for the fire extinguisher.
- I was the first black to enter the New York State Bar in 1847.
- I was elected lieutenant governor of Louisiana in 1860.

- In 1877, I became the first black to graduate from West Point.
- I was awarded the Springarn Medal for my research of black history.
- I was the first female to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court in 1882.
- My play, "No Place to Be Somebody," won the Pulitzer Prize in 1970.
- In 1896, I founded the National Association of Colored Women.
- I was the first black to graduate from Harvard Dental School in 1967.

- In 1909, I founded the NAACP; Carter C. Woodson was the recipient of an award named in my honor.

Answers will be in next week's issue.

Answers to Last Week's "Who Am I?"

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| 1. Benjamin Banneker | 6. Elgin Baylor |
| 2. Blanche Kelso Bruce | 7. Gwendolyn Brooks |
| 3. Count Basie | 8. James Baldwin |
| 4. Anna Bontemps | 9. Mary McLeod Bethune |
| 5. Thomas Bradley | 10. Martin Luther King Jr. |

