

AAPI HERITAGE MONTH 20

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What is AAPI Heritage Month?

AAPI (Asian-American and Pacific Islander) Heritage Month is a celebration of Asians and Pacific Islanders. AAPI encompasses all of the Asian continent and the islands of Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia. "Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week" was observed nationally from May 4-11, 1979. In 1990, Congress expanded the observation to a month.









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1506



Christopher Columbus, an Italian explorer, dies in poverty in Valladolid, Spain. He was the first European to explore the Americas since the Vikings.













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1861



This state votes to secede from the Union and join the Confederate States of America.



Q: What state?









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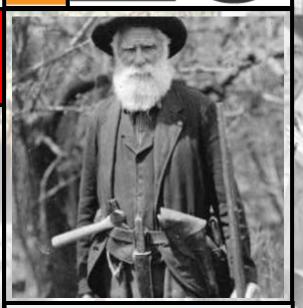


1862



President Lincoln signs the Homestead Act, which opens government-owned land to small family farmers. The act gave 160 acres to each family for 5 years.













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1873



San Francisco businessmen Levi Strauss and Jacob Davis are given patents to create these kinds of pants reinforced with copper rivets.

Q: What kind of pants?











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SPEED LIMIT



1882



Jacob German, operator of a taxicab, receives the first ever speeding ticket for driving at this "reckless" speed.

Q: What "reckless" speed?







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1908



Actor Jimmy Stewart, known for his drawl, is born in Indiana, Pennsylvania. He starred in Mr. Smith Goes to Washington and It's a Wonderful Life.

Q: Every time a bell rings, what happens?











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1946



Cherilyn Sarkisian is born in El Centro, California. She dropped out of school to become an actress. She later married (and divorced) "Sonny" Bono.













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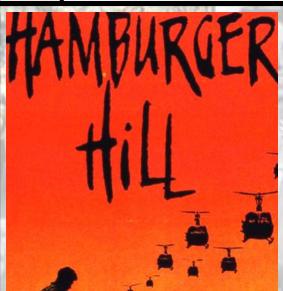


1969



After 10 days, Hill 937 in South Vietnam is captured by the U.S. It was dubbed "Hamburger Hill" because the carnage reminded U.S. soldiers of a meat grinder.

Q: Name another famous U.S. hill battle.











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1980



In a referendum, the Frenchspeaking province of Québec votes to remain part of Canada. Québec tried to secede again in 1995. That effort also failed.

Q: Why did they want to secede from Canada?











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1996



The U.S. Supreme Court rules in Romer v. Evans that an amendment to Colorado's Constitution keeping "gays" from being protected is illegal.

Q: What Amendment did the Supreme Court cite?









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Today is...



National Be A Millionaire Day

Just in case you needed an extra reason to celebrate!





















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Birthdays



Is it your birthday?

If so, see Dr. Hartnell for your official Birthday Pencil!

Happy Birthday to you!

