

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

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### What is Black History Month?

In February 1926, black historian Dr.
Carter G. Woodson organized the celebration of "Negro History Week" during the second week of February in honor of the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. The week-long celebration grew in popularity, and by the early 1970s, it expanded to include the entire month.









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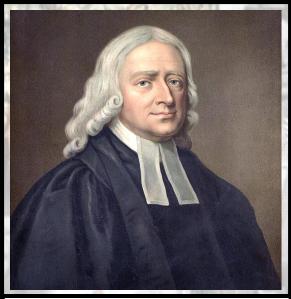
1784



John Wesley charters the first Church in the U.S.

He did so after the Anglican Church abandoned its American believers during the Revolution.

Q: What Church?











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1953



Cambridge scientists James
Watson and Frances Crick (who
stole the idea from Rosalind
Franklin) discover the doublehelix structure of this molecule.













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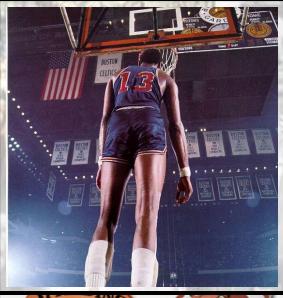


1967



Philadelphia 76ers center Wilt Chamberlain sinks an NBA-record 35<sup>th</sup> consecutive field goal... but misses his next shot. His streak spanned four games.

Q: How tall was Wilt?











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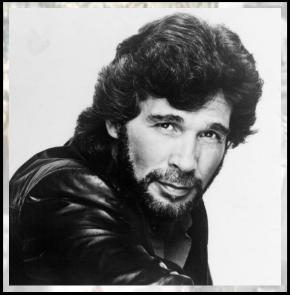


1981



This country music star crosses over to the pop charts to score a #1 hit when his song "I Love a Rainy Night" takes the top spot on the *Billboard* Hot 100.













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1983



After 11 seasons, *M\*A\*S\*H* airs its last episode; 105.9 million viewers (77% of the TV viewing audience) tune in, making it the most watched series finale.













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1984



During the 26<sup>th</sup> Grammy Awards, Michael Jackson wins a record 8 Grammys. His record is tied in 2000 when this Mexican-American guitarist also wins 8.

Q: What guitarist?











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1991



As U.S. troops move into Kuwait City during the Persian Gulf War, Iraq's Saddam Hussein orders his troops to ignite these during their retreat from Kuwait.













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1993



Federal agents raid the Branch Davidian cult's compound in Waco, Texas. A gun battle kills 4 agents and 6 cult members. A 2-month standoff results.













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1994



In the first military action in the 45-year history of NATO, U.S. fighter planes shoot down 4 Serbian warplanes that were violating Bosnia's "no-fly" zone.

Q: What does NATO stand for?











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2013



After serving 8 years, 85-yearold Pope Benedict XVI resigns. Citing age as his reason, he became the first Pope to relinquish power in 600 years.















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Today is...



**National Tooth Fairy 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!

