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THIS DAY IN HISTORY

1008

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

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What is Hispanic Heritage Month?

Unlike Black History Month and Women's History Month that cover entire months, Hispanic Heritage Month begins and ends in two different months, running from **September 15th – October 15th**. It started as a week long celebration in Los Angeles in **1968** and expanded in **1988**. (**Sept. 15th** commemorated the **1821** independence of 5 Lat. Amer. countries.)



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1871



A fire starts in Catherine O'Leary's barn. The blaze kills 250, burns 1/3 of Chicago, leaves 90,000 homeless; causes \$200M (\$4.9B today) in damage.

Q: According to legend, what started the fire?



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1890



Eddie Rickenbacker is born in Columbus, OH. Nicknamed the “Ace of Aces”, he was the best U.S. combat pilot during WWI (shot down 26 enemy planes).



Q: What did Ohio name after Eddie?



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1918



During WWI, U.S. Corporal Alvin York kills 25 Germans and captures 132 in the Argonne Forest in France. He is given the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Q: How do you get a Purple Heart?



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1919



Sixty-three planes leave San Francisco and NY in the first transcontinental air race. The winning plane won in 24 hours, 59 minutes, and 49 seconds.

Q: Why are air races illegal today?



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1928



During one of the biggest raids of Prohibition, police bust into 20 speakeasies in NYC in an effort to crack down on illegal liquor sales.



Q: What was a speakeasy?



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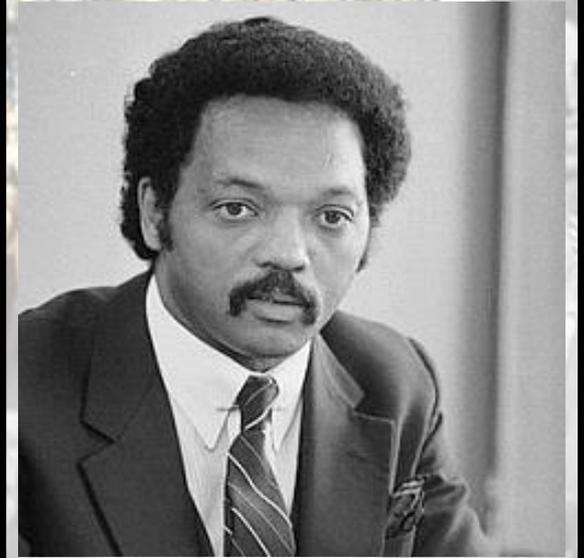
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1941



This famous civil rights activist and political leader is born in Greenville, South Carolina. He ran for President in 1984.



Q: *What activist?*



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1943



Cornelius Crane Chase is born in NYC. He was on *Saturday Night Live* and later starred in such movies as *Caddyshack*, *Vacation*, and *Fletch*.

Q: *By what name do we know him better?*



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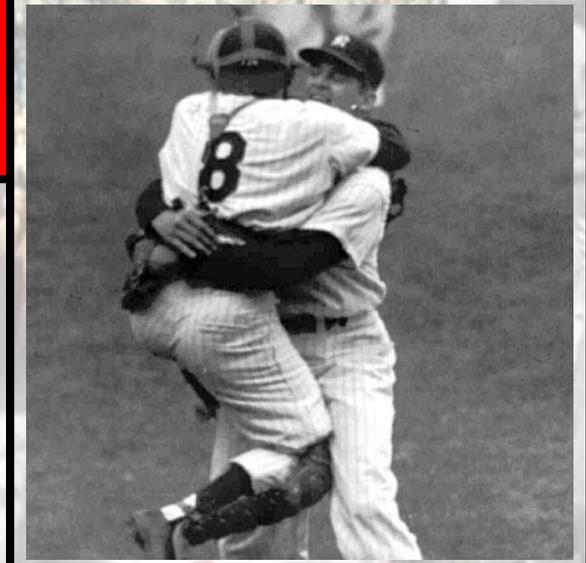


1956



Yankees' pitcher Donald Larson pitches the first "perfect game" in Game 5 of the World Series against the Brooklyn Dodgers. The Yankees won the Series 4-3.

Q: *In baseball, what is a "perfect game"?*



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1970



This actor is born in Cambridge, MA. He won the Academy Award for Best Actor in *Good Will Hunting*. (He's best known as the assassin Jason Bourne.)



Q: *What American actor?*



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1988



Pink Floyd's album *Dark Side of the Moon* drops out of the *Billboard* Hot 100 after a record-setting 741 weeks. (It debuted at #95 on March 17, 1973.)



Q: *How many years is 741 weeks?*



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Today is...



National Octopus 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
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Happy Birthday to you!

