

# If we could end hatred.

Imagine what  
more we could do



## Multi-Cultural, National, and Religious Observances in the Summer

### Full Month LGBT PRIDE MONTH

Commemorates the anniversary of the June 28, 1969 Stonewall riot in New York City, the incident that initiated the modern gay rights movement in the United States. LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender) Pride Day is the last Sunday in June.

### Monday, June 24

#### NISF SHABAAN \* Islamic

"Night of Repentance" in preparation for the fast of Ramadan. Fixed as the 15th day or middle (nisf) of the eighth month of Shabaan in the Islamic calendar.

### Thursday, July 4

#### INDEPENDENCE DAY

Anniversary of the United States Declaration of Independence in 1776.

### Tuesday, July 9

#### MARTYRDOM OF THE BÁB \* Bahá'í

Observance of the anniversary of the execution by a firing squad in Tabriz, Persia, of the 30-year-old Siyyid 'Alí-Muhammad, the BáB, the

## No Place for Hate Walks the WALK: Schools Attend ADL's 3rd Annual WALK Against Hate

Hate does not let up when it rains, so neither do we! On a cold, wet Sunday afternoon, over 1,200 people came together to celebrate diversity at ADL's WALK Against Hate. Among the throng of community members and ADL supporters, 13 No Place for Hate schools braved the weather to show their support for equality, respect and inclusiveness in the Greater Philadelphia area.



*At the Diversity Expo, Associate Regional Director Josh Cohen Staffs the ADL Booth.*

Before the 5K got started, WALKers had the opportunity to explore the Diversity Expo, where over 20 community organizations set up booths to educate WALKers about the diverse services offered to the community. WALKers could take a

prophet-herald of the Bahá'í Faith.

**Wednesday-Thursday,  
July 10 - August 8  
RAMADAN \* Islamic**

A month of strict fasting from dawn until dusk in honor of the first revelations of the Qur'an to the Prophet Muhammad.

**Tuesday, July 16  
TISHA B'AV \* Jewish**

Mourning of the destruction of the First and Second Temples in Jerusalem in 586 BCE and 70 CE.

**Monday, July 22**

**DHARMA DAY \* Buddhist**

Also known as Asala Puja, it commemorates the historical Buddha's first discourse following his spiritual awakening.

**Friday, July 26**

**ADA (AMERICANS WITH  
DISABILITIES ACT) DAY**

Commemorates the 1990 signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which guarantees equal opportunity for people with disabilities.

**Saturday, August 3**

**LAILA AL-QADR \* Islamic**

"The Night of Power" marks the night in which God first revealed the Qur'an to the Prophet Muhammad. Often fixed as the 27th day of the Islamic month of Ramadan, Sunnis may also observe it on the 21st, 23rd, 25th or 29th. Shi'ites observe it on the 19th, 21st or 23rd of Ramadan.

**Thursday, August 8**

**EID AL-FITR \* Islamic**

The "Feast of the Breaking of the Fast" marks the end of Ramadan, the holy month of fasting from dawn until dusk.

**Friday, August 9**

**INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE  
WORLD'S INDIGENOUS  
PEOPLES**

Celebrates the richness of indigenous cultures and recognizes the challenges indigenous peoples face today, ranging from poverty and disease to dispossession, discrimination and denial of basic human rights.

**Monday, August 12**

**INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY**

citizenship test to learn about the process of immigrating to the United States, sign a petition for gay rights, and chat with people from different racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, religious, ability, sexuality and gender expression communities. At the No Place for Hate booth, children of all ages wrote and illustrated multicolored footprints to show the steps they could take to make their world No Place for Hate. The Diversity Expo set a tone of respect, positivity and open-mindedness to get the WALK Against Hate off on the right foot!



*Aztec Dancers showcase their vibrant heritage on stage.*

WALKers were also treated to the vibrant sights and sounds of multicultural entertainment on the main stage. They enjoyed Japanese drumming, traditional Aztec costume and dance, Scottish bagpipers, and student song and poetry. The entertainment helped make the WALK an exciting and multisensory celebration of difference.



*WALKers take a 5K stroll down MLK Drive to show their support for diversity.*

After the entertainment and Expo, more than a thousand people marched together down Martin Luther King Drive to show their commitment to ending hate. People with different backgrounds and beliefs walked and talked, united by their diversity. After five kilometers, people left ADL's WALK Against Hate with increased respect for difference and an even greater anticipation for next

Celebrates young people and the integral role they play in helping to create a world fit for children.

**Thursday, August 15**

**OBON \* Buddhist**

Also known as Bon, the Japanese Buddhist festival honors the spirits of past ancestors.

**Wednesday, August 21**

**RAKSHA BANDHAN \* Hindu**

Also called Rakhi, this festival celebrates the protective relationship between brothers and their sisters.

**Wednesday, August 21**

**ULAMBANA \* Buddhist**

Buddhist Ghost Festival. The unsettled spirits of dead ancestors are calmed with chanting and offerings to enable them to pass peacefully into the next world.

**Friday, August 23**

**INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE REMEMBRANCE OF THE SLAVE TRADE AND ITS ABOLITION**

Memorializes the tragedy of the transatlantic slave trade, coinciding with the anniversary of the uprising in Santo Domingo (today Haiti and the Dominican Republic) that initiated its abolition.

**Wednesday, August 28**

**KRISHNA JAYANTI \* Hindu**

Celebrates Krishna's birthday, Vishnu's eighth incarnation on earth.

For more information, visit ADL's [Calendar of Observances](#)

**Upcoming Resources and Events**

**Save the Date for ADL's Annual Youth Leadership Conference on October 29, 2013**

year's WALK!

Many thanks to the No Place for Hate schools and organizations that joined the WALK:

- Plymouth-Whitemarsh High School
- Radnor Middle School
- Bache-Martin Elementary School
- Charles Henry Elementary School
- Girard College
- St. Joseph's Preparatory School
- Gesu School
- Mercy Vocational High School
- Lenape Regional High School District
- Bok Technical High School
- Haverford High School
- Philadelphia Freedom Valley YMCAs
- Kennett Middle School

**Perfect Your Project**

**Kick It Into High Gear: Set the Tone with a No Place for Hate Kickoff Event**

As you wind down the 2012-2013 school year, it is never too early to start planning for next year! The summer is the perfect time for you and your committee to begin brainstorming project ideas or year-long themes for No Place for Hate. You can also use this time to discuss your No Place for Hate Kickoff event at the beginning of the new school year, to make sure that you get the program off and running on Day 1.



*Start the year with a No Place for Hate Kickoff Ceremony!*

While No Place for Hate Kickoff events do not count as one of your three projects, they are a vital part of the program. The Kickoff sets an important tone for your students, telling them early and excitedly that your school will work hard to challenge bullying and bias throughout the year. Schools that implement well-planned Kickoffs find that their students use the vocabulary and



Save the Date! ADL will hold its annual Youth Leadership Conference: Exploring Diversity, Challenging Hate on October 29, 2013 at the University of Pennsylvania. The conference is an unparalleled opportunity for students and teachers to learn about issues of diversity and discrimination. Students and staff use the resources they acquire at the conference to challenge bias and bullying in their schools.

This year's Youth Conference promises to be moving and inspirational. Our keynote speaker will be Abraham Foxman, the National Director of the Anti-Defamation League. Born in Poland in 1940, Mr. Foxman was saved from the Holocaust by his Polish Catholic nanny, who baptized and raised him as a Catholic during World War II. His parents survived the war, but 14 members of his family were lost. Mr. Foxman, who has worked for ADL since 1965, was named National Director in 1987. Each NPFH High School will be able to bring nine 10th and 11th grade students and two educators to the conference. Registration information will be sent out in the fall. For more information on Abraham Foxman's story, click [here](#).

**Educational Resources for ADL's Imagine a World**

internalize the messages of No Place for Hate more consistently than schools that do not hold Kickoffs.



*Have students sign and display the Resolution of Respect or No Place for Hate Promise.*

Because every school has different cultures and concerns, there are no requirements for the Kickoff event, nor is there a formula for success. However, the best events we have seen included many of the pieces below:

- (Re)introduce the program, to explain to new students and remind returning students about the goals of No Place for Hate. This part can be presented by an administrator, teacher, involved student, or other community member.
- Preview some of the projects that your students will complete this year, and, if applicable, review accomplishments from the previous year. This is frequently done as a multimedia presentation, such as a video or Powerpoint created and presented by staff and students.
- Consider combining your Kickoff event with a designation ceremony for your work during the previous school year. An ADL staff member can come out to give a brief designation speech and banner presentation to your school.
- Have every student sign the No Place for Hate Promise (elementary school) or Resolution of Respect (middle and high school). The Promise/Resolution can be explained as an official part of the code of conduct. It can be taught as a pledge that can be incorporated into daily announcements. It can be put to music or a rap beat as an energizer. The Promise/Resolution can be blown up and put on a large poster/banner/wall for all students to sign, and to which new students can add their names each year. The goal is to have all students pledge themselves to the values of NPFH by taking the Promise/Resolution to heart.
- Explain the bullying and discrimination policies at your school, and teach bullying terms to ensure that students know how to identify and report any bullying they witness. You can find these terms [here](#).
- Have a staff supervisor invite students to start or join a No Place for Hate club at your school, so the students can take greater ownership of the program. The staff member can also invite teachers, parents and community members to join the No Place for Hate committee.
- Display the diversity of your student body through an activity or presentation. One school had students on stage

### Without Hate™ Video



In honor of its Centennial Year in 2013, the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) launched the Imagine a World Without Hate™ video and action campaign, and we invite you and your classroom to participate. After 100 years of fighting bigotry and fostering respect, we are celebrating our successes, while at the same time recognizing that there is still much more work to be done. The theme for our Centennial is Imagine a World Without Hate™-a dream we hope to make a reality.

The Imagine a World Without Hate™ Video Educator's Guide was developed to facilitate middle and high school-aged youth in thinking about the impact of prejudice and hate. The activities outlined in this guide provide youth with the opportunity to learn more about the lives of people who were killed by hate violence and to use their stories as an opportunity to reflect on how fighting hate and bigotry can change lives and history. Find the guide in pdf format here or online [here](#). For additional resources, please visit ADL's Education [site](#).

**ADL's Making Diversity Count Offers Deep Discounts to NPFH Educators**

welcoming their schoolmates in over 20 different home languages. Other schools play walk-in music representing the different cultures in the school community. Do what you feel is an authentic and enlightening way to personalize the program in your school.



*No two Kickoffs are the same - use your imagination and resources to make a Kickoff that is right for your students!*

Use the resources at your disposal when planning the event. Huge auditorium? Make it an assembly. Great music program? Play songs about inclusiveness. TVs in every class? Broadcast it. None of these things? Have individual teachers do the Kickoff in their classrooms, or have No Place for Hate club/committee members go around to every classroom to introduce the program. Consider sending a letter home to parents to explain No Place for Hate and encourage them to support your efforts. There is no right way to do this, as long as every student knows what No Place for Hate is all about by the end of the Kickoff. And as always, give us a call if you want to run any ideas by us.

## School Showcase

### **Hatboro-Horsham High School Learns Through Lyrics**

In today's world, our greatest poets do not always write sonnets; they often write lyrics. Many students whose eyes glaze over while reading Shakespeare are deeply moved by the voices coming out of their headphones. At Hatboro-Horsham High School, students had the opportunity to share the words of modern-day Emily Dickenson and Langston Hugheses, to inspire their peers to respect individual and cultural diversity.



Making Diversity Count, ADL's award-winning online professional development tool for educators, is offering an amazing discount for teachers in No Place for Hate schools. Normally \$140, this special promotion will reduce the price to \$50 dollars for NPFH teachers and administrators. Take this interactive 9-module anti-bias course to learn strategies for addressing bullying, working in diverse classrooms, understanding the impact of identity on education, and much more. Making Diversity Count allows you to work at your own pace, interact with multimedia real-life classroom situations, hear the latest research from experts in the field, and develop an individualized action plan to bring anti-bias education into your classroom. Educators can earn Act 48 and other CEU credits for completing the course. Visit the [MDC website](#) or contact 215-568-2223 or [jbennett@adl.org](mailto:jbennett@adl.org) to learn more about this fantastic program.



For three days, song lyrics covered the halls and classrooms of Hatboro-Horsham High School, sparking important conversations about the messages in our music. Students from the Diversity Club thought about popular songs and lyrics that deliver positive and also hurtful messages and then created posters with the powerful stanzas about prejudice and difference, which they hung around the school for their peers to see. They used the morning announcements to invite students to consider the impact of music and language on creating an inclusive or exclusive environment. At an afterschool "talk-back" event, which was open to all students, they watched some meaningful videos and had a deep discussion about the impact of language in general, and the role music plays in framing our consciousness.



After three days of listening and learning, the students at Hatboro-Horsham High School have a greater consciousness of the power of music to influence the way we think and act. Now, these students can write their own lyrics about diversity and respect to become the Maya Angelous and Walt Whitmans of the next generation.

[Congratulations to all the schools](#)

and organizations that have earned  
their No Place for Hate designations  
for the 2013-2014 school year this  
spring!

Alexander Adaire Elementary School  
Amanda Stout Elementary School  
Asa Packer Elementary School  
Avona Elementary School  
Bache-Martin Elementary School  
Bala Cynwyd Middle School  
Belmont Hills Elementary School  
Benjamin Franklin Academics Plus School  
Bermudian Springs Elementary School  
Bermudian Springs Middle School  
Boyertown Area School District  
Boyertown Area Senior High School  
Boyertown Elementary School  
Boyertown Junior High School East  
Boyertown Junior High School West  
Broughal Middle School  
Charles Boehm Middle School  
Charles W. Henry Elementary School  
Cheltenham Elementary School  
Cherry Hill Alternative High School  
Colebrookdale Elementary School  
Colonial Middle School  
Conewago Elementary School  
Cozen PAL Center  
Cynwyd Elementary School  
Dallastown Area High School  
Dallastown Area Intermediate School  
Dallastown Area Middle School  
Dallastown Elementary School  
Danville Area High School  
Earl Elementary School  
East Hills Middle School  
Eisenhower Science and Technology Leadership Academy  
Elkins Park Middle School  
Emmaus High School  
Etta J. Wilson Elementary School  
Farmersville Elementary School  
Father Judge High School  
Fort Washington Elementary School  
Fountain Hill Elementary School  
Freedom High School  
Gilbert Spruance Elementary School  
Gilbertsville Elementary School  
Gladwyne Elementary School  
Glenside Elementary School  
Governor Wolf Elementary School  
Harriton High School  
Hatboro-Horsham High School  
James Buchanan Elementary School  
Jarretstown Elementary School  
Joyce Kilmer Elementary School  
Liberty High School  
Lower Merion High School  
Mahanoy Area Elementary School  
Mary F. Janvier Elementary School

Mercy Vocational High School  
Merion Elementary School  
Miller Heights Elementary School  
Montgomery Elementary School  
Mt. Wolf Elementary School  
Muhlenberg High School  
Myers Elementary School  
New Hanover Upper Frederick Elementary School  
Nitschmann Middle School  
Norristown Area High School  
Northeast Middle School  
Northeastern Middle School  
Northwestern Lehigh High School  
Oley Valley Elementary School  
Oley Valley Middle School  
Ore Valley Elementary School  
Orendorf Elementary School  
Oxford Valley Elementary School  
Penn Valley Elementary School  
Penn Wynne Elementary School  
Pennsbury High School  
Pine Forge Elementary School  
Plymouth Whitemarsh High School  
Pottsgrove Middle School  
Radnor Middle School  
Resurrection Regional Catholic School  
Rizzo PAL Center  
Robert Fulton Elementary School  
Salisbury High School  
Sandy Run Middle School  
Scranton Preparatory School  
Shallow Brook Intermediate School  
Solomon Charter School  
Spring Forge Intermediate School  
Spring Garden Elementary School  
Springfield Township High School  
Temple Emanuel Preschool and Religious School  
Thomas Fitzwater Elementary School  
Thomas Jefferson Elementary School  
Upper Merion Area High School  
Washington Elementary School  
William D. Kelley Elementary School  
William H. Loesche Elementary School  
William Penn Elementary School  
Williams Township Elementary School  
Willow Dale Elementary School  
Willow Lane Elementary School  
Wilson Area High School  
Wilson Area Intermediate School  
Wilson Borough Elementary School  
Wissinoming PAL Center  
Woodland Elementary School  
Woodland Middle School  
Wordsworth Academy  
York Township Elementary School

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