

# DEI Newsletter

Celebrating our community through news and events.

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## What We Remember

In August, we focused on:

- [Immunization Awareness](#)
- [Black Businesses](#)

In September, we focus on:

- [Hispanic Heritage](#)
- [Spinal Cord Injury Awareness](#)
- [Suicide Prevention](#)
- [Blood Cancer Awareness](#)
- [Sickle Cell Awareness](#)

## Days of Commemoration

- Nonprofit Day, [Aug. 17](#)
- Remember Slavery Day, [Aug. 23](#)
- Women's Equality Day, [Aug. 26](#)
- March on Washington Anniversary, [Aug. 28](#)
- Grief Awareness Day, [Aug. 30](#)
- International Literacy Day, [Sept. 8](#)
- 9/11 Anniversary, [Sept. 11](#)
- International Day of Peace, [Sept. 21](#)
- International Day of Sign Languages, [Sept. 23](#)



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### Call to Action

- To celebrate the International Day of Sign Languages, sign up for free ASL lessons with expert teacher [Igor Khmil!](#)
- Try the International Peace Day [Challenge](#), or take a free [peacebuilding course](#) from the comfort of your home.
- Explore the creative minds of [U.S. Latinx poets](#) as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage.
- Cultivate personal healing with the American Psychological Association's [grief resources](#).

### News Spotlight

- [Aug. 4](#): Harvard civil rights scholar Charles Ogletree dies

- [Aug. 16](#): Federal court upholds TX abortion pill ban
- [Aug. 24](#): Experts encourage diverse family books for kids
- [Sept. 8](#): Election jeopardizes Poland's democracy
- [Sept. 12](#): Child poverty rate more than doubles
- [Sept. 12](#): New Penn director to better LGBTQ+ health care
- [Sept. 15](#): Justice Jackson urges full black history education

### Around Town Inclusivity

- Visit wheelchair accessible [Susquehanna trails](#) for free, any time!
- Check out this free online spoken word poetry [open mic](#), Sept. 23, 1pm – 3 pm.
- [Do a 5k](#) for Sickle Cell Anemia Awareness, Sept. 23rd from 7am- 12pm at Fairmount Park, \$25 registration.
- Learn about [Victorian Age woman inventors](#) online, pay what you can, Sept. 29, 9 pm.