October 2023

DEI Newsletter

Celebrating our community through news and events. **By Domonique Howell**



What We Remember

In October we focus on:

- ADHD awareness
- Books!
- Breast cancer awareness
- Bullying prevention
- <u>Down Syndrome awareness</u>
- Dyslexia awareness
- <u>Little People awareness</u>
- Filipino American history
- LGBTQ+ history
- <u>Liver cancer awareness</u>
- Spina bifida awareness
- Substance abuse prevention

Days of Commemoration

 International Day of Older Persons, Oct. 1

- World Habitat Day, Oct. 2
- Malnutrition Awareness
 Week, Oct. <u>4-8</u>
- Cerebral Palsy Day, Oct. 6
- Curves Day, Oct. 11
- Coming Out Day, Oct. 11
- National Latinx AIDS Awareness Day, Oct. 15
- Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day, Oct. 15
- White Cane Awareness Day, Oct. 15
- Black Poetry Day, Oct. 17
- Mammography Day, Oct. 20
- Make a Difference, Oct. 27



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Courtesy of Paul Castle Studios Gay and legally blind children's author/illustrator, Paul Castle.

Call to Action

- Check out <u>banned books</u> from Philadelphia's Free Library to help fight censorship.
- Read and share this <u>brochure</u> by the Little People of America to spread awareness.
- <u>Subscribe</u> to the Philadelphia Coalition for Affordable Communities to hear about affordable, accessible housing news and advocacy events.

News Spotlight

Special Notice: Liberty Resources mourns those killed and injured

as a result of the current Israel/Hamas war, especially people with disabilities unable to flee the conflict. We recognize the grief felt by all involved, and we encourage staff needing help to take advantage of Liberty's Employee Assistance and Wellness Support at (800) 344-9752 or guidanceresources.com.

Oct. 7: Hamas bombs Israel, killing more than 1,400 and leaving many more injured

Oct. 13: Israel orders more than 1 million residents of the Gaza Strip to evacuate

Oct. 17: Bombing of Al-Ahli Al-Arabi hospital kills hundreds; Israel condemns attack and denies responsibility

Oct. 23: Hamas releases two senior hostages

