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## February Quote

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If January is the month of change, February is the month of lasting change. January is for dreamers... February is for doers.

MARC PARENT

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# Important Dates

02/02 - GroundHogs Day

02/08 - Early Release Day - at 12:45pm

02/09 - SS BOE - Elementary Building, Interlaken, Auditorium @ 7:00PM

02/14 - Valentines Day

02/15 - Faculty Meeting

02/21 - Presidents Day

02/21 - 02/25 - No School - Winter Break \*See article on page

02/23 - SS BOE Meeting - Middle High School, Ovid Flex Lab @ 7:00 PM

03/04 - End of Five Weeks

03/09 - SS BOE - Elementary Building, Interlaken, Library @ 7:00 PM

03/11 - Five Week Reports Mailed Out

03/14 - Varsity/JV Spring Sports Begin

# The History of Valentine's Day

Valentine's day occurs on February 14th and spans across almost all of the world. Typically gifts are exchanged between friends, significant others, or crushes. These gifts are, but are not limited to, stuffed animals, chocolates, flowers, expensive perfumes or colognes, and other little trinkets like jewelry. This is all in the name of St. Valentine of course, but holidays like this have been around for hundreds if not thousands of years, even the Romans were doing this. Such as Lupercalia, Rome's holiday that welcomes spring.



# Groundhog Day

**PUNXSUTAWNEY PHIL ON 2/2/22  
SEES HIS SHADOW**



**PREDICTS NINE MORE DAYS OF  
PALINDROMES**

**Only in America...**



**do we accept weather predictions from  
a rodent but deny climate change  
evidence from scientists.**

# Black History Month

There are many stories about how we got this phrase. But there was only one Elijah McCoy

Kat Eschner      May 2, 2017



**Elijah McCoy** was the *real McCoy*. The inventor held 57 United States patents, mostly related to the railway. His inventions, which were not headline-making outside the field of steam engines, were so associated with quality and good function that people began using “the real McCoy” to refer to quality products.

<https://www.history.com/news/8-black-inventors-african-american>

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Philanthropist and entrepreneur Madam C.J. Walker (real name Sarah Breedlove), born to formerly enslaved sharecroppers, was orphaned at just seven years old. After later suffering hair loss from a scalp condition, Walker invented an innovative line of African American hair care products in 1905 that led to her distinction as one of America's first self-made millionaires. Her highly successful cosmetics company is still in business today.



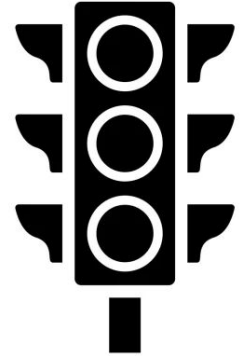


# Black History Month

## The **Three-Light Traffic** Signal, Invented by **Garrett Morgan** in 1923

With only an elementary school education, Black inventor (and son of an enslaved parent), **Garrett Morgan** came up with several significant inventions, including an improved sewing machine and the gas mask. However, one of Morgan's most influential inventions was the improved traffic light. Morgan's was one of the first three-light systems that were invented in the 1920s, resulting in widespread adoption of the traffic lights we take for granted today.

<https://www.history.com/news/8-black-inventors-african-american>



# Presidents' Day? Presidents Week? February Break? Winter Break?

**George Washington's birthday, February 22** started being observed as a holiday in the U.S. in 1865. By 1890

**Abraham Lincoln's Birthday, February 12** was recognized as a holiday in 10 states, including New York. Both of these days were celebrated in NYS public schools as days off until 1971. These two holidays were combined into one day, popularly known as **Presidents' Day** after it was moved as part of **1971's Uniform Monday Holiday Act**, an attempt to create more three-day weekends for the nation's workers. Eventually, some school districts started having an entire week off called **Presidents' Week** to honor all U.S. presidents. This has been referred to as **February Break**, currently we call it **Winter Break**. If you wonder when Winter Break will be, it is usually during the week when **George Washington's birthday** occurs, **February 22**.



# The History of the Super Bowl

The first Super Bowl was held on January 15, 1967. Arising out of a merger of the National Football League (NFL) and the American Football League (AFL), it was originally called the "AFL-NFL World Championship Game." It was hosted in Los Angeles, California, at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum.

This year marks Super Bowl LVI (56)

<https://www.britannica.com> > sports > Super-Bowl



## History of the Super Bowl

	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976
Winner											
Loser											
	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987
Winner											
Loser											
	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
Winner											
Loser											
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Winner											
Loser											
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Winner											
Loser											

Total Wins



# February Sports Schedule

Instead of posting all the dates and changes here is a direct link to the South Seneca Sports page.

<https://www.sectionvny.org/public/genie/783/school/10/>



# Wrestling Update

On February 5, **16 teams** participated at the Class B3 championships in Lyndonville, South Senecas', **Caleb Sweet** (138), **Luke Dendis** (172), and **Dakota Stewart** (189) emerged from the mats with **Section V CHAMPIONSHIPS**. **Trent Stagg** (132) took second place.

In addition, **Caleb** earned the Sportsmanship Award for the event.

Also Placing : **Jack Snyder** 3rd (145), **Tyler Piccolo** 5th (145), **Sam Denmark** 5th (152), **Matt Elliott** 6th (160), **Jason Kaiser** 6th (215)

South Seneca was also awarded the **Team Sportsmanship Trophy** for Section V Class B3

Caleb was MOW  
at the W-FL  
League  
Tournament



Dakota,  
Caleb and  
Luke  
Sectional  
Champs



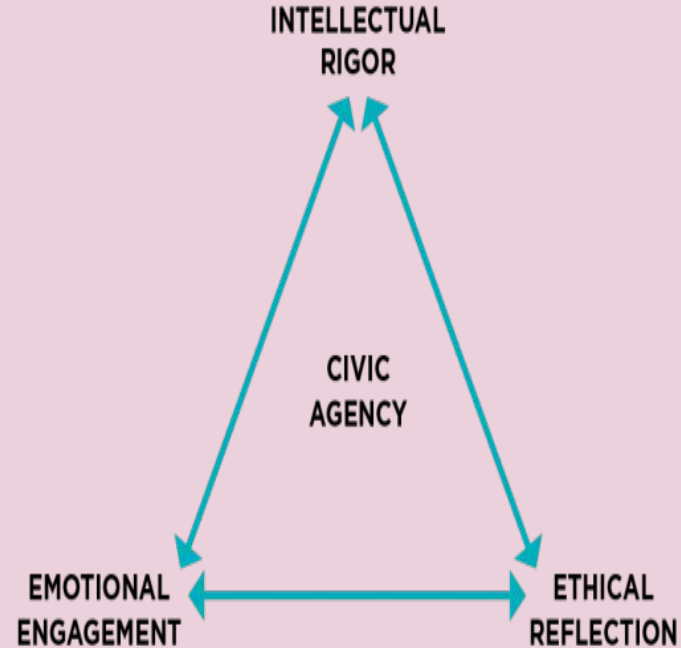
# New Learning Strategy being used in Global Humanism

<https://www.facinghistory.org/resource-library/teaching-strategies/head-heart-conscience>

## Head, Heart, Conscience

### Rationale

“The classroom is a place where students should learn with intellectual rigor, emotional engagement, and ethical reflection, and come to understand that their own views and choices matter. We represent these core educational values in **Facing History’s** pedagogical triangle, which reflects our synthesis of social-emotional learning and civic education with academic subjects.





*We are using this questioning strategy in our discussion about the Uyghurs in western China, where more than a million people are being forced to live in “reeducation” (concentration) camps.*

➡ This integration of head, heart, and ethics is always important to learning, and it is particularly crucial when students are considering contentious or emotional topics. This strategy can be particularly useful for an initial discussion of complex and emotional current events and to help students clarify their relationship to and their perspective on the event.”

# How to make a Shirley Temple drink at home

According to most recipes, it involves more than two ingredients, but I'll tell you how to make it the way my mom told me, and it tastes exactly the same.

Get a cup, fill it about halfway or more with Ginger Ale and then pour in as much cherry juice as you want, you don't have to mix it but you might want to. Then put some ice in there and you have a beautifully tasty drink. If you really want to go by some other recipe you can look it up, tastes the same regardless. If you want to make it look good you can put cherries on top, maybe put a little orange juice in to jazz it up.





# Chicken Wing dip for the Super Bowl

According to this recipe the prep time is about 10 minutes, the cooking time is 30 minutes, and depending on how much you made there's 16 servings.

You'll need 2 8 ounce packets of cream cheese,  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup of pepper sauce, (depends on how spicy you want it,) 1 cup of ranch style salad dressing, 2 cups of diced chicken, and 1 cup of shredded cheese.

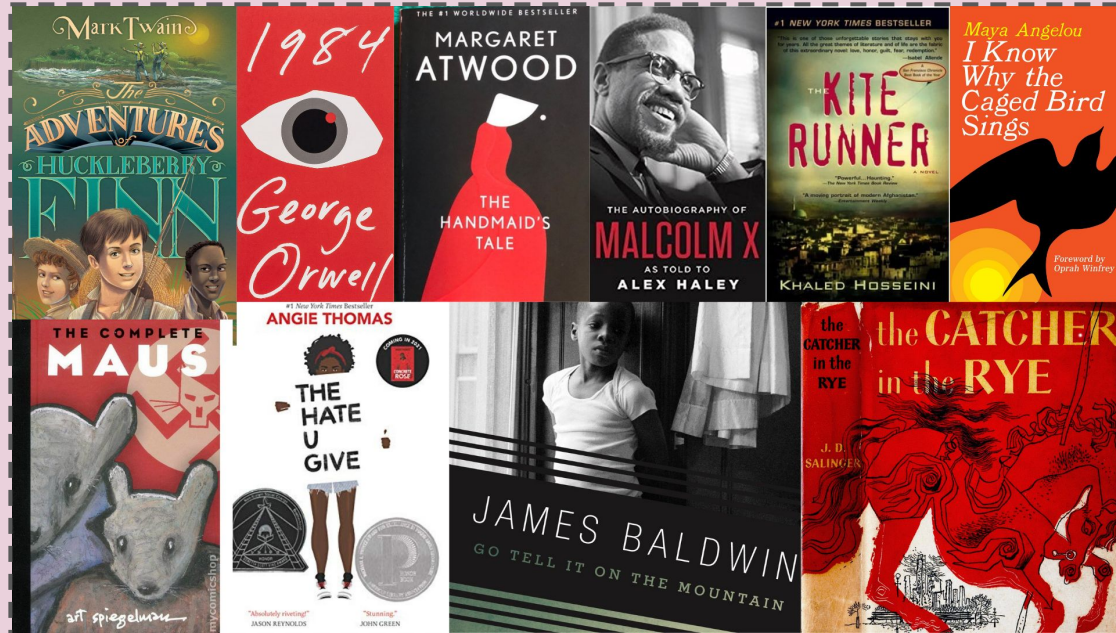
You'll need to stir the cream cheese and pepper sauce until its well mixed, then mix the ranch dressing in, and add the chicken with cheddar after. Put in the oven which should be preheated to 350 degrees, and bake for 30 minutes.



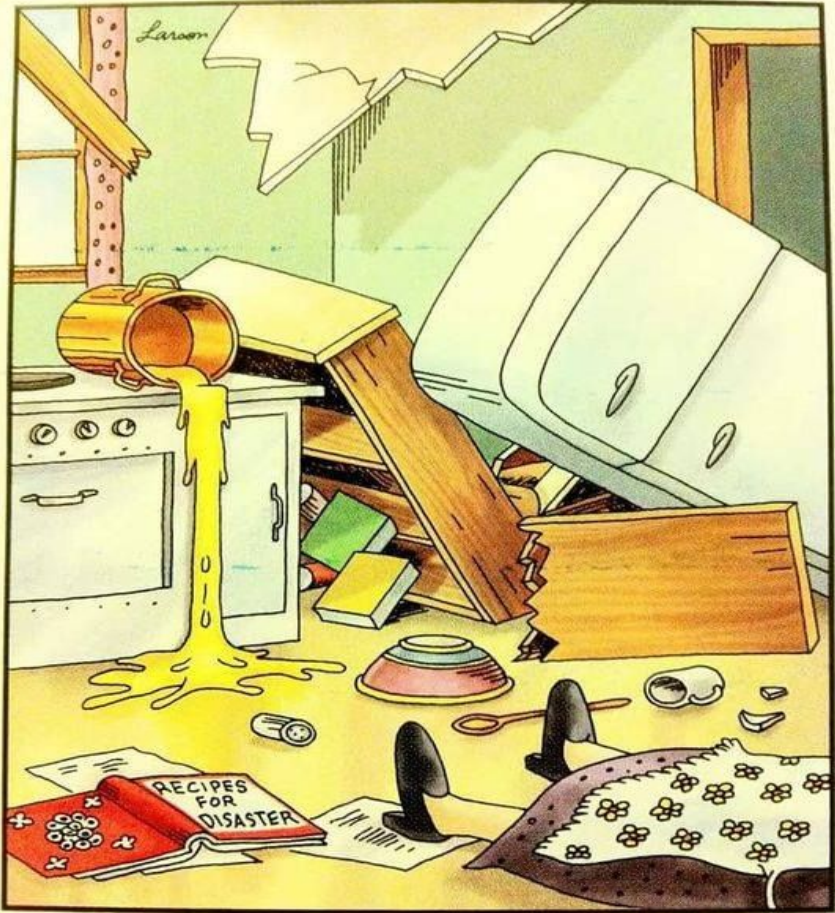
# Banned Books

Banned books week was launched in 1982 in response to a sudden surge in the number of challenges to books in schools, bookstores and libraries. Even though banned books week isn't until September it is important to note the sudden surge this upcoming year.

## Banned Books Poll



## Just For Laughs



**Foosball table - European football**