

## **FEBRUARY**

February is the **American Heart Month**

February is **Black History Month**

February is **Library Lovers Month**

The first week in February is **National School Counseling Week**

### **Dates to Remember**

February 2      Groundhog Day  
February 3      Patient Recognition Day  
February 8      Boy Scout Day  
February 14     St. Valentine's Day  
February 17     Random Acts of Kindness Day  
February 19     President's Day

### **February Events**

Grammys  
OSCARS  
Daytona 500  
Westminster Dog Show  
Super Bowl  
Mardi Gras  
Ash Wednesday

### **Symbols**

February's birthstone is the Amethyst  
February's birth flower is the Violet or Primrose

### **Dates to Remember**

February 01, 1902      Birthday of Langston Hughes

February 01, 1960      First lunch counter sit-in in Greensboro, NC

February 04, 1899      Philippine-American war starts. U.S. takes over from the collapsing Spanish forces killing at least 800,000 mostly civilians

February 05, 1917      Mexican Constitution Signed

February 05, 1830      The *NY Daily Sentinel* – the first daily labor newspaper in the U.S. - is launched

February 06, 1919      Strike by 32,000 Seattle shipyard workers leads to general strike

February 11, 1903      Japanese Mexican Labor Association is founded to organize agricultural workers

February 11, 1990      Nelson Mandela, South African anti-apartheid leader, is released from prison

February 12, 1809      President Abraham Lincoln's birthday

February 19, 1945      President Franklin D. Roosevelt orders Japanese American confined to concentration camps. White growers, who had pressed for the measure, imported Mexican laborers to replace Japanese field workers

February 21, 1965      El Haji Malik El Shabazz (Malcom X) is assassinated in New York City

February 22, 1860      Twenty-thousand boot and shoemakers strike in northeastern U.S. It is the first regional strike and the most extensive pre-Civil War strike

February 24, 1965      District 1199 (hospital workers) takes stand against the Viet Nam War

- February 25, 1851 Sojourner Truth addresses the first Black woman's Rights Convention in Akron, Ohio
- February 26, 1941 Victory in the Bethlehem Steel strike one of several victories achieved through an alliance of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee, the National Negro Congress, and the NAACP
- February 27, 1984 Dominican Republic won its Independence
- February 27, 1973 Seventy-one day occupation of Wounded Knee by American Indian Movement and Oglala traditionalists begins