May is National Hamburger Month
Asian/Pacific/American Heritage Month - Celebration of Asian and Pacific Islanders in the U.S.
Mental Health Awareness Month

May Holiday
Memorial Day Last Monday in May (Decoration Day – prior to 1971 it was celebrated on May 30)

Events in May
Kentucky Derby 1st Saturday in May
Mother's Day 2nd Sunday in May
World Fair Trade Day 2nd Saturday in May
Bike-to-Work Week 3rd Week in May
Indianapolis 500 Sunday before Memorial Day

May 01 May Day
May 03 National Day of Prayer & World Press Freedom Day
May 05 Cinco de Mayo
May 06 National Nurse’s Day
May 07 Childhood Depression Awareness Day
May 08 Teacher’s Day & World Red Cross Day
May 10 National Receptionist Day
May 12 International Nurses’ Day
May 15 International Day of Families
May 16 Wear Purple for Peace Day
May 17 Ascension Day
May 18 International Museum Day
May 19 Bike-to-Work Day
May 19 Armed Forces Day
May 20 Flower Day
May 21 National Waiter/Waitress Day
May 22 National Maritime Day
May 23 Shavuot & World Turtle Day
May 24 Escargot Day
May 25 National Missing Children’s Day
May 27 Pentecost Day

Symbols
May Birthstone is the Emerald
May Flower is the Lily of the Valley and Hawthorn
May Bird is the Nightingale

Dates to Remember
May 01, 1886 Strike for the 8-hour day involves 340,000 workers. After Chicago police attack marchers three days later, this is commemorated as the first International Workers’ Day

May 01, 1830 Mother Jones’ birthday

May 01, 1942 President Franklin Roosevelt seizes struck mines.

May 02, 1968 Dodge Revolutionary Union Movement (DRUM), an organization of African American auto workers, stages wildcat strike against speedup and racism.

May 04, 1970 Ohio National Guard kills four students and wounds thirteen at anti-war protest at Kent State University.

May 07, 1882 U.S. Congress passes the Chinese Exclusion Act requiring IDs and barring citizenship for Chinese immigrants.
May 07, 1868  Students and workers rebel in Paris, France over over-crowded schools, low wages, and other grievances.

May 08, 1945  End of WWII in Germany

May 17, 1954  U.S. Supreme Court outlaws segregation in public schools.

May 20, 1920  Socialist Party nominates Eugene Debs for U.S. President. He is the first to mount a campaign from jail. He runs on the slogan, “From the Prison to the White House”.

May 24, 1921  Trial of anarchist labor organizers Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti begins.

May 29, 1968  Poor People’s Campaign begins in Washington, DC.