JUNE

June is National Safety Month
   National Rose Month
   National Dairy Month
   International People Skills Month

Symbols
Birth stone   Pearl, Alexandrite, Moonstone
Birth Flower  Rose or Honeysuckle

Events in June
Father's Day   3rd Sunday in June
June 05 World Environment Day
June 06 Child Health Day
June 08 Best Friend's Day
June 14 Flag Day
June 14 World Sea Turtle Day
June 17 World Day to Combat Desertification & Drought
June 19 Birthday of Garfield, a comic strip created by Jim Davis
June 20 World Refugee Day
June 21 Summer Solstice
June 26 International Day Against Drug Abuse & Trafficking

Dates to Remember
June 01, 1977 American Indian Movement activist Leonard Peltier sentenced to two life sentences for allegedly killing two FBI agents after a trial labeled illegitimate by Amnesty International

June 02, 1916 Miners organized by the Industrial Workers of the World on the Mesabi Iron Range in Minnesota go on strike

June 03, 1900 International Ladies Garment Workers Union (now part of the UNITE HERE) founded

June 16, 1976 Soweto student uprising against racist education in South Africa

June 16, 1987 Paper workers in Jay, Maine strike International Paper in a struggle that mobilizes nationwide solidarity

June 17, 1838 Cherokee trail of tears begins. U.S. forces civilian population to march 1,200 miles as part of ethnic cleansing policy

June 19, 1865 Union forces arrive in Texas with news of the legal end of slavery (which had been declared two years earlier). It becomes an annual celebration of emancipation

June 20, 1912 Nine-thousand fur workers strike in New York for the closed shop, 50-hour week, overtime, and other improvements. After 12-weeks they win most of their demands

June 22, 1982 Vincent Chin murdered in racist attack by workers who blame Asians for loss of auto jobs. His killers get probation and a fine

June 24, 1867 Five- to seven-thousand Chinese railroad workers strike for higher wages, shorter hours, and to deny overseers the right to whip and restrain workers to keep them from seeking other work

June 25, 1876 Sitting Bull leads native coalition to victory over invasion forces led by presidential hopeful George Custer

June 27, 1905 Industrial Workers of the World founded in Chicago