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News and information from the President's Office
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From Your HR Department

Extended Sick and PTO Hours Banks Under Construction

Thank you for your patience as we continue to work on your extended sick and paid time off bank hours. We are working to resolve this issue.

NAD Presents: Is the COVID-19 Vaccine Trustworthy? A Biblical Conversation About Science

On May 15, the North American Division broadcasted a symposium on COVID-19 vaccines. Health care professionals, communication experts, and church theologians talked about the Bible and science to help make sure members were well informed when deciding whether to get the vaccine. Watch the broadcast here:
<https://www.facebook.com/NADAdventist/videos/268478271687052> For more information on the symposium and other resources, go to <http://news.uccsda.org/vaccine51121>.

PPPA Mask Policy Reminder

Please remember to wear a mask to help prevent the spread of COVID. Face coverings must be worn over your mouth and nose when away from your workstation or at your workstation if physical distancing is not possible. Face coverings also must be worn in all common areas of the building.

Memorial Day

by History.com Editors

Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Memorial Day 2021 will occur on Monday, May 31.

Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings and participating in parades. Unofficially, it marks the beginning of the summer season.

What's New

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Early Observances of Memorial Day

The Civil War, which ended in the spring of 1865, claimed more lives than any conflict in U.S. history and required the establishment of the country's first national cemeteries.

By the late 1860s, Americans in various towns and cities

had begun holding springtime tributes to these countless fallen soldiers, decorating their graves with flowers and reciting prayers.



It is unclear where exactly this tradition originated, nevertheless, in 1966 the federal government declared Waterloo, New York, the official birthplace of Memorial Day.

Waterloo—which first celebrated the day on May 5, 1866—was chosen because it hosted an annual, community-wide event, during which businesses closed and residents decorated the graves of soldiers with flowers and flags.

On May 5, 1868, General John A. Logan, leader of an organization for Northern Civil War veterans, called for a nationwide day of remembrance later that month. “The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land,” he proclaimed. The date of Decoration Day, as he called it, was chosen because it wasn’t the anniversary of any particular battle.

Memorial Day, as Decoration Day gradually came to be known, continued to be observed on May 30, the date Logan had selected for the first Decoration Day. But in 1968 Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act, which established Memorial Day as the last Monday in May in order to create a three-day weekend for federal employees; the change went into effect in 1971. The same law also declared Memorial Day a federal holiday.

Spring is in the Air

by Josie Duke

These are the little things that caught my eye during my daily walks this Spring:

Ducks and geese became parents, they are so different— geese mom & dad stay together, but mallards stay on their own with little ones.

Some people walk dogs and others walk alone. Some people fish and others sit on the bench and enjoy the view.

I finally got a picture of two turtles but I was not fast enough for the frog.

The blooms from the cotton trees fly all over and land on the lake, it almost looks like snow!

~ Spring is in the air: A lovely reminder of how beautiful change can truly be ~

Author Unknown

