

OCTOBER

Disability Employment Awareness Month

In 1945, in an effort to assist disabled veterans, Congress designated the first week of October as National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week. In the 1970's, a historic shift in disability public policy occurred. For the first time, the exclusion of people with disabilities was viewed as discrimination. The efforts of disability activists led to significant changes in laws, such as the passage of the American with Disabilities Act in 1990 and the designation of a full month to recognize the potential of American's million of working- age people with disabilities.

- 1 Independence Day NIGERIA
Mehregan IRAN
 - * National Day CHINA
 - * National Italian American Heritage Month begins U.S.
- 2 Gandhi Jayanti INDIA
Independence Day GUINEA
National Diversity Day U.S.
 - ✓ Sukkot (sundown) JEWISH
- 3 ✓ Ch'usok NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA
Chung Ch'lu CHINA
 - ✓ * Sukkot JEWISHTag der Deutschen Einheit GERMAN
Tangun Day SOUTH KOREA
- 4 Feast of St. Francis of Assisi CHRISTIAN
- 6 Armed Forces Day EGYPT
- 8 Karva Chauth HINDU
- 9 🍎 Hangul Day SOUTH KOREA
Independence Day UGANDA
Leif Eriksson Day U.S. (NORWEGIAN AMERICAN)
Shemini Atzeret (sundown) JEWISH
- 10 🍎 Beginning of Independence Wars Day
CUBA Double Tenth Day TAIWAN
Shemini Atzeret JEWISH
Simchat Torah (sundown) JEWISH
- 11 Casimier Pulaski Memorial Day U.S.
 - * Cirio de Nazare BRAZILNation Coming Out Day Gay, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL, & TRANSGENDER
- Simchat Torah JEWISH
- 12 ★ Columbus Day U.S.
 - * Nossa Senhora de Aparecida BRAZILThanksgiving Day CANADA
- 17 ✓ * Diwali HINDU
- 18 Independence Day AZERBAIJAN
- 19 Alaska Day U.S. (ALASKA)
 - ✓ Birth of the Bab (sundown) BAHAINational Heroes Day JAMAICA
- 20 ✓ Birth of the Bab BAHAI
- 22 Abu Simbel Festival EGYPT
- 23 Chulalongkorn Day THAILAND
- 24 United Nations Day U.N.
- 26 Chung Yeung CHINA
Labour Day NEW ZEALAND
National Day AUSTRIA
October Bank Holiday IRELAND, REPUBLIC OF
- 28 Ochi Day GREECE
- 29 Cumhuriyet Bayrami TURKEY
- 31 Halloween U.S.
Reformation Day CHRISTIAN (PROTESTANT)
Samhain CELTIC PAGAN

- ✓ Scheduled Consideration
- ★ U.S. Federal Holiday
- 🍎 Dietary Consideration
- * Multiple Days



In 1864, President Abraham Lincoln signed a charter creating Gallaudet University, the world's only college where all programs and services are designed for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. Today, with over 16,000 alumni worldwide, the college is thriving. Forty percent of the faculty is deaf or hard of hearing, and the school also embraces around 18% hearing students. Approximately 90% of its graduates get jobs in fields related to their majors.

