

Kim's March Newsletter

Luck o' the Irish to Ya!

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HISTORY IS FUN!



Did you know???

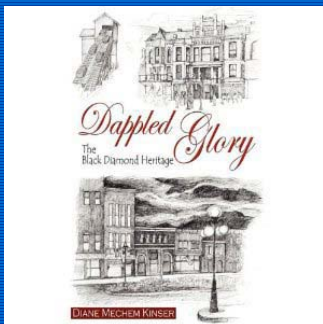
Ohio became the 17th State on March 1, 1803



Don't Forget March 13th

Move your clock ahead one hour

Book Review



March is Woman's History Month. I stumbled across a startling article regarding how woman years ago were treated. Many of these women could have been your grandmother, great grandmother or great-great grandmother. Think about how you would have acted had you been treated this way.

In the early nineteenth century, women were considered second-class citizens whose existence was limited to the interior life of the home and care of the children.

Women were considered sub-sets of their husbands, and after marriage they did not have the right to own property, maintain their wages, sign a contract or much less vote. It was expected that women be obedient wives and never to hold a thought or opinion independent of their husbands. It was considered improper for women to travel alone or to speak in public. Women were considered merely objects of beauty, and were looked upon as intellectually and physically inferior to men.

The Women's suffrage movement was formally set into motion in 1848 with the first Women's Rights Convention. This convention was held to discuss the social, civil and religious rights of women. It took nearly 30 years for the Woman's Suffrage amendment to be introduced to U.S. Congress. Then many more years of petitioning, picketing and protest parades by women which finally led to the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment. This amendment states: The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

For more information on this topic, read many interesting articles, see pictures or watch videos, go to www.history.com and search for woman's history.

Dappled Glory: The Black Diamond Heritage With Guest Author, Diane Mechem Kinser March 24th 6:30 p.m. Athens Library

Diane Mechem Kinser, a native of our own Athens County, is writing compelling, well-researched novels about what it was like to live in this region a century ago. In addition to a book autograph session toward the end of her program, Diane will talk about the history behind her series of historical novels, and give readings from her latest work, **Dappled Glory**. Here is the official synopsis of her new book in the series: *Life in the coal mines of Ohio and Pennsylvania was fraught with tragedy, illness and death in the early 20th Century. Irish immigrant Jamie Burns fights anti-Irish sentiment and danger, both in the mines and out. In Southeastern Ohio, the Markhams continue to build their merchandising empire, with builder Fred Hunt providing both inspiration for the Markhams and a distraction for several women whose paths cross his. Fictitious characters interact with real historical figures in this look at the early days of the United Mine Workers of America in the Appalachian Valley coal region*

Did anyone happen to see Secret Millionaire show on ABC Sunday night? It really inspired me (and my children) to want to help out people and our community. But where do you start? Why not volunteer? Volunteering is great. You have fun, learn something about yourself, explore career possibilities and learn some new skills. Plus you have something to put on your resume. Athens is full of volunteer opportunities.

FOOD BANK



"The biggest mistake people make in life is not trying to make a living at doing what they most enjoy."

Malcolm Forbes

"March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb." This means that the first day of march is often stormy, and the last day is mild and warm.

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Here are a couple different websites I found for volunteering.

www.yellowpages.com/athens-oh/volunteer-workers and

www.americantowns.com/oh/athens-volunteer-organizations

		1 Ohio became a State 1803	2 Dr. Seuss' Birthday. "Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened."	3 Did you know The WorkStation can do your resume for free?	4 Happy B-Day Tiffany W.	5 Organize your closet
6 Get ready for OGT tests starting this week!	7 It's Monday ☹️	8 MAC tournaments begin 7:00 OU Convo	9 Ohio in the Civil War discussion 7:00 p.m. Athens Co. Library.	10 Carrie Underwood Birthday (27)	11 OU Baseball /Marshall 4:00 PM at Bob Wren Stadium	12. Friends the library book sale at Athens library. Most books only \$.30
13 Call your grand-parent(s)	14 Pi (not Pie) Day. Can you figure out why?	15 Make Dinner and sit at table as a family to eat!	16 Freedom of Information Day. Open and free access to government information	17 St. Patrick's Day... We are Green	18 Check with your guidance counselor about completing a FAFSA form for college!	19 Write a letter to someone you appreciate
20 Spring Begins	21 Spring Break Alexander Athens Nelsonville Tri County	22 2 nd day of Spring Break....(yep, getting desperate)	23 Give a hug to someone... just because...	24 March Madness Starts!!!!	25 Visit Nelsonville for Final Fridays on the Square	26 Shop in your pajamas. Dresden Ohio. Discounts for persons in PJ's. www.Ohiotraveler.com
27 Birthdays: Fergie (35) Mariah Carey(40)	28 Did you receive your incentive check for _____?	29 The last US combat soldiers leave Vietnam	30 Let Kim know of any April events that can be put in newsletter	31 Plan a family day trip to Hocking Hills for this weekend		

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