



NOTABLE MINORITIES WHO CHANGED HISTORY

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Featuring
Anna Hoffman

"If civilization is to survive, we must cultivate the science of human relationships - the ability of all peoples, of all kinds, to live together, in the same world at peace."

- A Franklin D. Roosevelt Quote

Thought for Today

If we are to achieve a richer culture, rich in contrasting values, we must recognize the whole gamut of human potentialities, and so weave a less arbitrary social fabric, one in which each diverse human gift will find a fitting place.

- Margaret Mead

January Dates to Remember:

- 1 - New Year's Day
- 1 - Emancipation Day
- 1 - Feast of St. Basil
- 1 - Japanese New Year
- 5 - Guru Gobind Singh's Birthday
- 6 - Epiphany (Christian)
- 6 - Three King's Day (Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic)
- 7 - The Nativity of Jesus Christ
- 13 - Lohri (Buddhist, Hindu, Sikh)
- 15 - Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday
- 15 - World Religion Day (Baha'i)
- 20 - Eid-ai-Adha (Islamic, Muslim)
- 26 - India Republic Day
- 29 - Ashura (Islamic, Muslim)
- 29 - Tet Nguyen Dan (Vietnam)
- 31 - Al Hijra - Muslim New Year

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Anna M. Rosenberg Hoffman (1902 - 1983) Public Official and Business Leader

Anna M. Rosenberg Hoffman was born in Budapest, Hungary on June 19, 1902. She and her parents were Jewish immigrants who settled in the Bronx, New York. In 1919, she married Julius Rosenberg. Anna became involved in politics in the early 20's. When Franklin D. Roosevelt was elected Governor of New York, he called on her for advice on labor matters.

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In the early 30's, she served the government primarily in labor and human relations. In 1937, she was named chairwoman of the New York State Constitutional Committee, and in 1938 President Roosevelt appointed her to a committee that studied relations in Great Britain and Sweden. She served on several boards and committees during WWII. Anna was the director of the Office of Defense, and she was also the regional director of Health and Welfare Services. Mrs. Hoffman was the secretary for President Roosevelt's Combined War Labor Board.

In July 1944, President Roosevelt sent Anna to the European Theater of Operations as his personal observer. She did the same for President Truman the following summer. She was awarded the Medal of Freedom in 1945, and she was the first woman recipient of the Medal for Merit in 1947. In 1950, Anna was appointed to Assistant Secretary of Defense, a position which she held until 1953. In the Korean War, Anna was appointed to a 12-person committee to advise Air Secretary W. Stuart Symington on mobilization policy. In 1962, she divorced Rosenberg and married Paul G. Hoffman, the first administrator of the Marshall Plan and a top United Nations official. President Johnson appointed her to serve on the Commission on Income Maintenance. This commission reviewed all the welfare and income support programs. Anna died on May 9, 1983.

(Sources: www.wikipedia.com & www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org)

Did You Know? The Academic Mapping Coach of Access and Diversity, Yolanda Ogilvie will be at the Lewisburg Campus on Thursday, January 31, 2008 from 9am - 2pm in room 124. Walk-ins are welcome or to make an appointment call Mrs. Ogilvie at 931-540-2854. If you are not achieving your full potential as a student, having difficulty with motivation, or taking initiatives, please consider scheduling a session on January 31st with the Academic Mapping Coach. By scheduling a session with the Academic Mapping Coach, a student will receive individual attention and personalized plans, a combination that leads to remarkable results.

Recipe: Lady Bird Johnson's Lace Cookies Recipe

- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 cup coconut
- 1/4 cup corn syrup
- 1/4 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
- 1/4 cup margarine
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions:

Mix flour with coconut. Combine syrup, sugar and margarine in saucepan. Cook over medium heat until well blended. Remove from heat and stir in vanilla extract. Blend in flour mixture. Drop by teaspoonful 3 to 4 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 325 degrees F for 8 to 10 minutes.

