

### **August Awareness and Observance Themes**

- Admit You're Happy
- American Adventures
- Artist Appreciation
- Back To School
- Black Business Month
- Cactus
- Children's Eye Health and Safety
- Family Fun
- Get Ready for Kindergarten
- Golf
- Happiness Happens
- Hug
- Immunization Awareness
- Inventors
- Minority Donor Awareness
- Motorsports
- National Parks
- Psoriasis Awareness
- Science, Medicine, and Technology
- Spinal Muscular Atrophy Awareness
- Truancy Prevention
- Water Quality
- What Will Be Your Legacy
- Win with Civility

### **August Food Themes**

- Catfish
- Celery
- Coffee
- Family Meals
- Fennel
- Kiwifruit
- Orange
- Panini
- Papaya
- Peach
- Picnic
- Sandwich

### **Special Days with Varying Dates**

- Family Day (1st Sun.)
- Forgiveness Day (1st Sun.)
- Friendship Day (1st Sun.)
- International Assistance Dog Week (1st Sun.)
- Kids Day (1st Sun.)
- Sisters' Day (1st Sun.)
- Farmers' Market Week (1st full week)
- Fraud Awareness Week (1st full week)
- Psychic Week (1st full week)
- Bargain Hunting Week begins \* (1st Mon.)
- Night Out (1st Tues.)
- Braham Pie Day (1st Fri.)
- Mustard Day (1st Sat.)
- Feeding Pets of the Homeless Week (2nd week)
- Smile Week (2nd week)
- Resurrect Romance Week (2nd full week)
- Umpire Appreciation Day (2nd Sun.)
- Weird Contest Week begins (2nd Mon.)
- Garage Sale Day (2nd Sat.)
- Kool-Aid Days (2nd weekend)
- Elvis Week (week with the 16th)
- Aviation Week (week with the 19th)
- Chef's Appreciation Week (3rd week)
- Cupcake Day (3rd Mon.)
- Hug Your Boss Day (3rd Fri.)
- Men's Grooming Day (3rd Fri.)
- Geocaching Day (3rd Sat.)
- Homeless Animals Day (3rd Sat.)
- World Honey Bee Day (3rd Sat.)
- Daffodil Day (4th Fri.)
- Bat Weekend begins (last full weekend)
- Neighborhood Day (last Sat.)

**Aug. 1**

- Armed Forces Day
- Clown Week begins
- Colorado Statehood 1876
- Dahomey Independence Day 1960
- GI Joe action figure introduced 1964
- Girlfriend's Day
- Francis Scott Key born 1779
- Anne Frank made her last diary entry 1944
- Lammas Day
- Lughnasa
- Author Herman Melville born 1819
- Oxygen Discovered
- Raspberry Cream Pie Day
- Respect For Parents Day
- Rounds Resounding Day
- Scrabble Week begins
- Simplify Your Life Week begins
- Spiderman Day
- Switzerland Independence Day 1291
- US Air Force Day
- Yorkshire Day

**Aug. 2**

- Escalator Patented 1892
- Author Holling C. Holling born 1900
- Ice Cream Sandwich Day
- Engineer Pierre Charles L'Enfant born 1754

**Aug. 3**

- Columbus Set Sail 1492
- Panama Canal opened 1914
- Watermelon Day

**Aug. 4**

- Musician Louis Armstrong born 1901
- Gallop International Tribal Indian Powwow
- Mathematician Sir William Rowan Hamilton born 1805
- President Barack Obama born 1961
- Rock for Life Week begins
- US Coast Guard Day
- US Dept. of Energy created 1977
- World War 1 began 1918

**Aug. 5**

- Astronaut Neil Armstrong born 1930
- Little Orphan Annie comic strip first appeared 1924
- Upper Volta Independence Day 1960
- Work Like A Dog Day

**Aug. 6**

- Actress/Comedian Lucille Ball born 1911
- Bolivia Independence Day 1825
- Scientist Alexander Fleming born 1881
- Fresh Breath Day
- Hiroshima Day
- Jamaica Independence Day 1962
- Root Beer Float Day
- Sandwich invented 1762
- Poet Alfred Lord Tennyson born 1808
- Wiggle Your Toes Day

**Aug. 7**

- Ivory Coast Independence Day 1960
- Spy Marta Hari born 1876
- Lighthouse Day
- Particularly Preposterous Packaging Day
- Professional Speakers Day
- Purple Heart Day
- Sea Serpent Day

**Aug. 8**

- Ornithologist Florence Merriam Bailey born 1863
- The Date to Create
- Frozen Custard Day
- Great Train Robbery 1963
- Happiness Happens Day
- Mimeograph Machine patented 1876
- Odie Day (Garfield's dog)
- Smokey the Bear Ad Campaign begins 1944
- Sneak Some Zucchini Onto Your Neighbor's Porch Night

**Aug. 9**

- Book Lover's Day
- Chinese Valentine's Day / Daughter's Festival
- Electric Washing Machine patented 1910
- Indigenous People Day
- International Art Appreciation Day
- Scientist/Inventor Marvin Minsky born 1927
- Singapore Independence Day 1965
- Veep Day

**Aug. 10**

- Duran Duran Appreciation Day
- Ecuador Independence Day 1822
- President Herbert Hoover born 1874
- Lazy Day
- Missouri Statehood 1821
- Mount Rushmore Construction began 1927
- President Richard Nixon resigned 1974
- Smithsonian Day (Institution established 1846)
- S'mores Day
- Snoopy's Birthday
- World Lion Day

**Aug. 11**

- Daughters and Sons Day
- Play In The Sand Day
- Presidential Joke Day

**Aug. 12**

- Echo 1 launched 1960
- Glorious 12th/ Grouse Season begins
- Middle Child Day
- 1st PC introduced 1981
- Model T Ford went on sale 1908
- Phonograph invented 1877
- Vinyl Record Day
- World Elephant Day
- Youth Day

**Aug. 13**

- *Bambi* first premiered 1934
- Author/Film Director Alfred Hitchcock born 1899
- Lefthander's Day
- Annie Oakley born 1860

**Aug. 14**

- Creamsicle Day
- Navajo Code Talkers Day
- Pakistan Independence Day 1947
- V-J Day/World War 2 ends 1945
- Wiffle Ball invented 1953
- *Wizard of Oz* premiered 1939
- Woodstock Music Festival 1969
- World Lizard Day

**Aug. 15**

- Napoleon Bonaparte born 1769
- Chauvin Day
- Chef Julia Child born 1912
- Chocolate Chip Day
- India Independence Day 1947
- Panama Canal opened 1914
- Relaxation Day
- Republic of Congo Independence Day 1960
- South Korea Independence Day 1945

**Aug. 16**

- Airborne Day
- Cyprus Independence Day 1960
- Gold discovered in the Yukon 1896
- Roller Coaster Patented 1898
- Tell a Joke Day

**Aug. 17**

- Berlin Wall Construction begins 1961
- Black Cat Appreciation Day
- Missionary William Carey born 1761
- Davy Crockett born 1786
- Gabon Independence Day 1960
- Indonesia Independence Day 1945
- Meaning of "Is" Day
- Thrift Shop Day
- Wrench patented 1835

**Aug. 18**

- Afghanistan Independence Day 1919
- Bad Poetry Day
- Virginia Dare born 1587
- Explorer Meriwether Lewis born 1744
- Mail Order Catalog Day

**Aug. 19**

- Aviation Day
- "Black Cow" Root Beer Float Day
- President Bill Clinton born 1946
- Hot and Spicy Food Day
- Potato Day
- Root Beer Float Day
- Inventor Orville Wright Born 1867
- World Humanitarian Day
- World Orangutan Day

**Aug. 20**

- Civil War ends 1866 (US)
- President Benjamin Harrison born 1833
- Radio Day
- Viking 1 launched 1975
- Voyager 2 launched 1977
- World Mosquito Day

**Aug. 21**

- Gemini 5 launched 1965
- Hawaii Statehood 1959
- Mona Lisa Stolen 1911
- Poet's Day
- Senior Citizen's Day

**Aug. 22**

- Be an Angel Day
- Eat a Peach Day
- Hoodie Hoo Day (Southern Hemisphere)
- Tooth Fairy Day

**Aug. 23**

- Day For The Remembrance of The Slave Trade & Its Abolition
- Ride the Wind Day
- Valentino Day

**Aug. 24**

- St. Bartholomew's Day
- US Capitol Building and White House burned 1814
- Mt. Vesuvius Erupted 79 AD
- Pluto Demoted 2006
- Strange Music Day
- Waffle Iron Patented 1869 / Waffle Day

**Aug. 25**

- Banana Split Day
- Be Kind to Humankind Week begins
- Inventor Joshua Lionel Cowen born 1877
- Ivan the Terrible born 1530
- Kiss and Make Up Day
- Notting Hill Carnival
- Second-hand Wardrobe Day
- Uruguay Independence Day 1825

**Aug. 26**

- Inventor Lee DeForest born 1873
- Dog Day
- Chemist Antoine Lavoisier born 1743
- Mother Teresa born 1910
- Women's Equality Day

**Aug. 27**

- Julius Caesar lands in Britain 55 BC
- Chemist/Engineer Carl Bosch born 1909
- The Duchess Who Wasn't Day (Author Margaret Wolfe Hungerford)
- Global Forgiveness Day
- President Lyndon B. Johnson born 1908
- Just Because Day
- 1st *Tarzan* story published 1912

**Aug. 28**

- Bow Tie Day
- Cherry Turnover Day
- Crackers Over the Keyboard Day
- Dream Day (Martin Luther King Jr. "I Have a Dream" speech 1963)
- Race Your Mouse Around the Icons Day
- Radio Commercials Day
- Author Leo Tolstoy born 1828

**Aug. 29**

- According to Hoyle Day
- Day Against Nuclear Tests
- Engineer Charles Franklin Kettering born 1876
- More Herbs, Less Salt Day
- Sarcoidosis Awareness Day

**Aug. 30**

- Author/Illustrator Donald Crews born 1938
- Frankenstein Day (Author Mary Shelly born 1797)
- Holistic Pet Day
- Slinky Day
- Toasted Marshmallow Day
- Whale Shark Day

**Aug. 31**

- Kinetoscope patented 1887
- Love Lawyers Day
- Malaysia Independence Day 1957
- Pony Express Day
- Princess Diana killed 1997
- 1st Solar Power Car demonstrated 1955
- Trail Mix Day
- Trinidad and Tobago Independence Day 1962