

# SEPTEMBER 2023

## Monthly / Weeklong Events

- Hispanic Heritage Month
- National Guide Dog Month
- Suicide Prevention Month

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1 <i>\$5 Lunch 53 Commons</i>	2
3	4 <i>Labor Day</i>	5 <i>International Day of Charity</i>	6	7	8	9
10	11 <i>Community Cookout &amp; Fall Term Classes Begin &amp; Patriot Day</i>	12	13	14	15 <i>International Day of Democracy &amp; Rosh Hashanah begins</i>	16 <i>Mexican Independence Day</i>
17	18	19	20	21 <i>International Day of Peace &amp; World Gratitude Day</i>	22 <i>National Native American Day</i>	23 <i>Geisel Reunions</i>
24 <i>Yom Kippur</i>	25	26	27	28	29 <i>Sukkot</i>	30 <i>Family Weekend</i>

# OCTOBER 2023

## Monthly / Weeklong Events

- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- Bullying Prevention Month
- Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- LGBTQ History Month
- Family History Month

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2 <i>International Day of Nonviolence</i>	3	4	5	6 <i>\$5 Lunch 53 Commons</i>	7 <i>Football vs. Yale</i>
8	9 <i>Indigenous Peoples Day</i>	10 <i>World Mental Health Day</i>	11 <i>National Coming Out Day (LGBTQ+)</i>	12	13	14
15 <i>Tuck Reunion</i>	16 <i>Waste Reduction Week &amp; Bosses' Day</i>	17	18	19 <i>Spirit Day (LGBTQ+ anti-bullying)</i>	20 <i>Dartmouth night/Homecoming</i>	21 <i>Football vs. Columbia</i>
22 <i>International Stuttering Awareness Day</i>	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 <i>Halloween</i>				

# September is National Guide Dog Month



## History Of National Guide Dog Month

Dogs have been domesticated for around 150,000 years and have been coexisting with humans since back then. Ancient artifacts and scrolls show instances where dogs were guiding their human companions. The first attempt to train guide dogs was in Paris at the 'Les Quinze-Vingts' hospital for the blind.

After the First World War, when many soldiers came back blind, the use of guide dogs peaked. The demand for this service prompted the opening of the first school for guide dogs in Oldenburg, Germany. Dog trainer Dorothy Harrison Eustis is attributed with bringing the first guide dog to America, and Eustis later established the 'Seeing Eye School' in Morristown, New Jersey.

Dick Van Patten was the inspiration behind National Guide Dog Month. He admired the ability of these dogs to improve the standards of life for those living with blindness but he was also aware of the time, energy, and cost that went into training these dogs. He decided to take action and raise awareness and monetary support for guide dog schools. The first guide dog fundraiser was in Southern California with the support of the Petco Foundation. Thanks to Van Patten's effort, many guide dog organizations have now become beneficiaries of these month-long events.

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## Ways you can Participate

1. Watch Pick of the Litter on Netflix's of Disney+.
2. Sign up for Guide Dogs for the Blind (GDB) monthly newsletter, [Tales Unleashed](#).
3. Follow GDB on our social media channels.
4. Brush up on guide dog etiquette.
5. Learn more about raising a puppy for GDB.
6. Make a donation to GDB.
7. Tune into GDB's Podcast, [Central Bark](#).
8. Take a [virtual tour](#) of GDB campuses.
9. Take a [virtual tour](#) of the GDB Puppy Center (Curtness Overload!)
10. Volunteer

## NATIONAL GUIDE DOG MONTH TIMELINE

