

CONSTITUTION LIVE

2023 YOUTH COUNCIL SPRING NEWSLETTER

INFLUENCERS OF 1787

Turn to page 3 to learn about the men who shaped our nation! Let us show you how to host a reading of the Constitution.

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UTAH STATE CONSTITUTION BEE

Are you as smart as our student competitors? Turn to page 2 to read about the students who put their knowledge of the Constitution to the test!

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PATRIOT'S DAY VS PATRIOT DAY

What's the difference? Learn the historical background between these two holidays on the next page. Hint: Consider the year 1775 verses the year 2001.

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WASHINGTON COUNTY, UNITED WE PLEDGE AND THE COLOR COUNTRY CHAPTER DAR PRESENT THE FIRST COUNTYWIDE LIVE STREAM READING OF THE CONSTITUTION ON SEPT 15TH! ALL SCHOOLS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE. MORE INFO TO COME



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INFLUENCERS OF 1787



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READ THE CONSTITUTION!

CONSTITUTION BEE

APRIL 2023

LIST THE 20 ENUMERATED POWERS OF CONGRESS!

In most situations, this prompt would inspire nothing but confusion and cacophony. However, this April, it inspired students gathered from all across Utah to slam a buzzer and employ their vast knowledge of the United States Constitution, our government's founding document.

The Constitution Bee, which is held for students in 4th -12th grade, is a unique trivia contest designed to encourage youth to learn more about the foundation of our government. Over 130 students participated across the elementary, junior high, and high school divisions. Despite the stress that built up prior to the occasion, participants' expectations of a serious competition were met with relief. Designed to be played more like a game with friends than an intense competition, students were able to laugh and talk with their competitors.

"Interacting and chatting with peers from different schools was an enlightening and fun experience," said senior Brandon Batjav.

Students were able to enjoy the unity they felt with people who had that same interest in helping build the future.

"I was surprised at how much fun it was and how many other kids my age were excited to learn about the Constitution," said 6th Grader Natalie Christenson.

The young leaders from rural, urban, and suburban Utah who competed in this tournament were brought together by the Constitution, just as our founding fathers were over 200 years ago.

THANK YOU TO DALANE ENGLAND AND THE FREEDOMS LIGHT FOUNDATION FOR SPONSORING THE UTAH CONSTITUTION BEES!



PATRIOT DAY VS PATRIOT'S DAY

What's the difference? Patriot Day began after the tragedies of 9/11 and remembers all those that died and the heroes that stepped forward when the United States was under attack. Patriot's Day is also a remembrance of those that died and the heroes that stepped forward to fight for our freedom at the opening battles of the Revolutionary War. Patriot's Day was established in Massachusetts in 1894. The famous Boston Marathon is held on April 19th, in commemoration of Patriot's Day.



QUIZ YOURSELF!

- Q1: How many words are in the Constitution?
 Q2: How old is the Constitution?
 Q3: Who was the first to sign the Constitution?

Answers A1: 4,543 words, including the 39 signatures.
 A2: 235 years old A3: George Washington



Left to right: John Jay, Benjamin Franklin, James Madison, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Alexander Hamilton, John Adams

2023 EVENTS

July 10 Bill of Rights,
Patriot Camp, Murray Park

Aug 12 Constitution Live
with BSA Council of the
West, Draper

Aug 31 Bill of Rights, UT
State Capitol Boardroom

Constitution Readings

Sept 9 Hunter Library, WVC

Sept 9 Pony Express
Chapter DAR, Alpine

Sept 14 Freedoms Light
Festival, Bountiful

Sept 15 Washington County

Sept 16 Pepperwood
Family Pavillion, Sandy

Sept 18 United Women's
Forum Lone Peak Park

Sept 19 2nd Annual
Reading, Bluffdale City Hall

Sept 19 5th Annual Reading
APA, Salem-Draper-WVC

Sept 22 Springville City

MORE TO COME

INFLUENCERS OF 1787

Influencers. We've all heard of them and seen them. They fill TikTok and Instagram, promoting fashion must-haves, foodie trends, and absolutely "necessary" beauty products. Influencers are just a modern day phenomenon... or are they?

During the beginning of our country, many men and women contributed to the success of our nation, from the thirty-nine signers of the Constitution to the fifty-two Constitutional Convention participants. Add in the 230,000 revolutionary war soldiers, as well as the women whom history has neglected, many contributed. Of these many important people, only seven of them are called "Framers." They were the influencers of 1787.

The words the Framers penned and the ideas they shared became the framework of the United States Constitution. These famous "Influencers of 1787" were Washington, Hamilton, Jefferson, Adams, Madison, Franklin and Jay.

Each of these men brought different strengths and talents to the discussions surrounding the beginning of our nation. All wanted a government that would be able to last and protect precious freedoms. As careful thinkers, scholars, and debaters, they combined wisdom from the ages with their own modern ideas. Some gave fiery speeches, while others contributed incredible writing. They had to compromise, and not one person got exactly what he wanted. Yet, together, they framed the democratic republic we enjoy today. The impact of these influencers has lasted over 230 years and continues to benefit millions of Americans.

The Framers' living document was made to be changed as needed with the times. They set up a way to do that, a process free from anarchy and dictatorship. As men of power, they sought to keep the people first and foremost, rather than any one person. This humility was revolutionary. They could indeed be considered the greatest of all time when it comes to the world of influencers.

**ISAIAH THOMAS'S FIVE FORGOTTEN VIRTUES:
DIVINE PROVIDENCE, WORK ETHIC, PRIVATE VIRTUE,
CIVIC EDUCATION AND PUBLIC VIRTUE.**

***More event details on constitutionweek.live website.**



CONSTITUTION ORGANIZATION

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- SECTION 9: POWERS FORBIDDEN TO CONGRESS
- SECTION 10: POWERS FORIDDEN TO THE STATES

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