

Missouri NEWSPAPERS in EDUCATION

2008-2009 Calendar

This calendar reflects the material Missouri Press will make available to our newspapers during the school year. Please visit www.mopress.com and watch *Missouri Press News* magazine for updates to this calendar. Features are available for download at www.mo-nie.com using assigned codes.

- AUGUST** **MAP Moments** – series of 33 small features available to publish each week providing elementary and secondary activities tied to state mandates and standardized tests.
- SEPTEMBER** **MPA Annual Convention** – Sept. 11-13
- Constitution Day** – Sept. 17
Schools are required by federal law to observe Constitution Day.
MPA has four features available: quarter-page, half-page, full-page and two full pages.
- Vote Missouri!** Features available highlighting elected offices on November ballot: Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Treasurer, Representative and the history of voting in Missouri. **New for 2008** – New feature on the Electoral College and current candidates on each feature.
- OCTOBER** **Missouri Student/Parent Mock Election** – Missouri is joining the nation-wide effort to get young people involved in the voting process. Encourage your schools to register, vote and be counted in our Mock Election on Oct. 30! A Missouri Mock Election Kit is available at www.mopress.com.
- National Newspaper Week** – Oct. 5-11
- NOVEMBER** **Family Literacy Day** – Nov. 1
- The Road to Higher Education** – four part series from Missouri higher education consortium on preparing for and financing a college education.

Geography Action Week

Oceans Challenge Live! November through February

Series of 15 quarter-page weekly features & teacher guide available, tied to Missouri's learning standards, that link students in your community to skipper Rich Wilson aboard Great American III in the Vendee Globe 2008, a solo, non-stop, round-the-world, international sailing race. Topics include science, geography, math, history, current events, international relations, oceans, climate change. Website connects students to Wilson, direct from the sea!

DECEMBER

Bill of Rights Day – Dec. 15

MPA has two features available: quarter page and half page.

JANUARY

Reading Across Missouri 2009 Project

Eight chapter Missouri historical fiction serialized story for young readers on the Steamboat Arabia.

FEBRUARY

What's Your Plan – Career Education series of 4 features

MARCH

National Newspaper In Education Week – March 1-7

Songbirds of Missouri – Series of 12 features and companion Teacher Activity Sheets highlighting birds in Missouri. Can be published in any combination or quantity.

APRIL

Earth Day – April 22

MAY

Teacher Appreciation Week

National Children's Book Week What's Your Plan – May 11-17

JULY

Living Textbook Seminar at University of Missouri – July 15-17