

# Liberty Day

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May 4, 2010

Dear Utah Regional and Specialty Bar Association Presidents,

Liberty Day is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, nation wide effort, to educate Americans about the Declaration of Independence and the U. S. Constitution. Our goal is to ask attorneys, parents, organizations, and government officials to volunteer to teach the facts about our founding documents.

Our program puts the focus on September 17<sup>th</sup>, the congressionally mandated Constitution Day, and around May 1<sup>st</sup>, Law Day. We begin by sending a Constitution booklet for each student and a teacher's packet into each 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> grade class. We have students study these materials and then we like to follow up with attorneys, such as yourselves, going into the class to go over these materials, asking and answering questions. It is also great for the students to understand the role of attorneys and judges.

Each booklet has the low cost of \$1.00 plus shipping, and the teacher's packet is free. However, we are trying to recruit attorneys that would be willing to serve our schools and students by adopting and funding a class of students. We would ask you to let us know what school you would be willing to serve, and we would be sure the materials were in the class in time for the students to study before you enter the class.

You will find attached a letter of endorsement by the Utah Bar Association President Stephen Owens, U. S. Senator Robert Bennett, U.S. Senator Orrin Hatch, Education Director Christine Kearn, and Lions Council Chairman Richard Irish.

This is such a unique program and we would be honored to have you involved. We would ask that you recruit other bar associates to be of service, and please contact us by e-mail when you receive this to let us know if you are interested in being involved at [Andy@libertyday.org](mailto:Andy@libertyday.org), or call us at (303-333-3434) or (866-718-3434). Please let us know what means you will use to recruit. Also, visit us at [www.libertyday.org](http://www.libertyday.org)

Thank you for your service,



Katherine Ross

Administrative Assistant

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## What is Liberty Day?

Created in 1996, *Liberty Day* is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to educating young Americans about the contents of the U.S. Constitution. We are about working with educators and community organizations to ensure that every child in America knows and understands the basics of our founding documents.

## What do we do?

*Liberty Day* provides teachers with a **Complete Educational Resource** on the U.S. Constitution. This consists of a complete Teacher's Packet containing a full lesson plan and a multiple choice quiz alongside the *Liberty Day* booklet containing the Declaration of Independence, Constitution, and 24 Q&A flashcards on the contents of the Constitution. *Liberty Day* give teachers the tools they need to *effectively teach the document to their students*.

We work alongside members of the community at all levels—from parents and attorneys to elected officials and college students—to provide fifth and sixth graders with engaging and interactive lessons with outside presenters.

## How do we do it?

*Liberty Day* involves youth in several unique, interactive programs with a range of people.

- *Liberty Day's* standard program provides teachers, individuals, groups, and others with copies of the booklets and Q&A cards at the low cost of \$1 per set. These materials are often provided free of charge thanks to donations and grants from individuals, governments, and foundations.
- *Liberty Day* arranges visits for *Liberty Day Kids* to state capitols across the country, as well as the U.S. Capitol, to meet and quiz legislators and others on the contents of the Constitution.
- *Liberty Day's* volunteer programs recruit Bar Association attorneys, elected officials, college students, and others to visit local fifth grade classes to teach the kids about the Constitution, using the *Liberty Day* materials. Volunteers dedicate one or two hours in the classroom with the kids to effectively introduce them the basics of the Constitution in a fun and engaging way.

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*Lieutenant Governor*

June 23, 2008

Mr. Andy McKean  
President/CEO Liberty Day  
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Dear Mr. McKean,

I have been asked to respond on behalf of the Governor and thank you for your efforts to recognize Liberty Day.

Liberty Day is an excellent opportunity to teach our students and the public about the rights that have been bestowed upon them by the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights. We are fortunate to be the home of such an important mission.

We applaud you for your efforts in making education a top priority.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christine Kearn".

Christine Kearn  
Education Director

ROBERT F. BENNETT  
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Mr. Andy McKean  
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Dear Mr. McKean:

I appreciate your discussing with my State Director, Dixie Minson the program "Liberty Day Colorado". The information about your program was received in my Salt Lake City office. After reviewing the material, I want to commend you for your efforts to promote public awareness and appreciation for our country's most treasured documents, the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution.

I believe every schoolchild should be aware of how our country was formed, and of the documents that form the basis for the government of this great country.

I suggest you contact the Utah State Office of Education, 250 East 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111 and present your program to them. Perhaps they will be able to help you start "Liberty Day Utah".

I would also suggest that you contact the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge, in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. This organization may be interested in your cause.

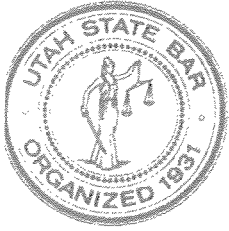
Again, thank you for informing me of this effort.

Sincerely,



ROBERT F. BENNETT  
United States Senator

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Mr. Andy McKean  
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April 29, 2010

Dear Mr. McKean:

I write this letter with great enthusiasm in support of the Liberty Day project. This program is designed to help our youth develop a better understanding and respect for our legal system and the administration of justice in America. By demonstrating to these 5<sup>th</sup> graders their rights and responsibilities, our youth will become more positive and productive citizens. We believe Liberty Day is an important resource that will greatly benefit students and assist our teachers in their important services.

We look forward to working with you and the Liberty Day project in the near future.

Sincerely,

Stephen W. Owens  
President

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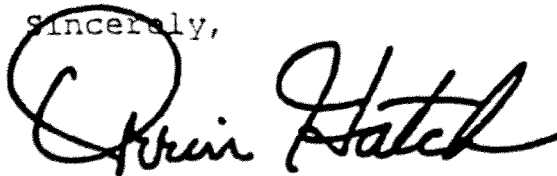
Dear Mr. McKean:

Thank you for your letter introducing me to "Liberty Day Colorado." I want to commend you and your volunteers for helping inspire public awareness and appreciation of our country's most treasured documents, the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.

The Utah State Superintendent of Schools is Dr. Scott W. Bean. He can be reached at the Utah State Office of Education, 250 East 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, 801-538-7500. If you are interested in starting a Liberty Day in Utah, Randy Taylor, or another Utah service club representative, should contact him directly.

Again, thank you for taking the time to apprise me of your effort in civic education.

Sincerely,



Orrin G. Hatch  
United States Senator

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January 12, 2009

Lion Andy McKean, President/ Founder  
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Dear Lion Andy:

The Lions Clubs of Utah realize the importance of educating our youth and their parents in the basics of our democracy by teaching the contents and meaning of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution.

One of the ways to achieve this goal is the celebration of Liberty Day on March 16, the birth of James Madison, the "Father of the U.S. Constitution," or Constitution Day on September 17 with the distribution and reviewing the contents of a Liberty Day booklet based on these two fundamental documents.

The Lions Clubs of Utah agree to help facilitate and coordinate this effort statewide aimed primarily at 5<sup>th</sup> grade students by working with local schools in helping them set-up and conduct a patriotic program.

Yours in Lionism,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard Irish". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Richard Irish  
MD 28 Council Chairman