February is a month for celebrating and for preparing for celebrations. February is designated African American History Month and I hope you have exciting plans for participating in this national event.

Gerald Holmes shares with us activities he has successfully used at the University of Cincinnati (page 93) and reminds us that African American History Month is an opportunity for libraries to help society as a whole recognize and celebrate the many contributions made by African Americans.

In honor of this celebration this month’s cover is an 1846 illustration by African American educator, antislavery activist, and artist Sarah Mapps Douglass, from the Library Company of Philadelphia’s Afro-Americana Collection.

While celebrating this event now, you should have plans under way for your library’s National Library Week (NLW) activities. Linda K. Wallace, PIO, shares with us the theme of this year’s event and suggests easy activities to include in your plans (page 78). ALA President Betty Turock urges our support of the advocacy campaign “Equity on the Information Superhighway,” and encourages us to participate in “Log on @ the Library Day” on Tuesday, April 16 (page 80).

Participating in African American History Month and NLW are great opportunities to increase your library’s visibility on campus. Please share with me photos and brief stories of your library’s celebrations that I can then share with readers of C&RL News.

In this issue our Internet series continues with two lists: 1) a look at resources on American history prepared by Stanley Nash, Miles Yoshimura, and William Vincenti (page 82); and 2) a list examining resources supporting the liberal viewpoint prepared by Rod and Roxann Bustos (page 86), to balance our earlier resource list on conservatives.

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