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"Nothing in life is to be feared. It is only to be understood."
– Marie Curie

Web Sites

ReadWriteThink: Paul Revere's Ride Classroom Activity

A lesson plan/activity which allows students to learn about primary source documents and family histories while researching the midnight ride of Paul Revere. Taken from the ReadWriteThink calendar on 4/18/07.

<http://www.readwritethink.org/classroom-resources/calendar-activities/paul-revere-began-famous-20214.html>

Pink Monkey: "Paul Revere's Ride" by William Wadsworth Longfellow [PDF]

This is the original, online PDF of the poem "Paul Revere's Ride" by William Wadsworth Longfellow, a poem depicting Paul Revere's ride to warn the colonists that British soldiers were coming.

http://pinkmonkey.com/dl/library1/paul_.pdf

Boston Tea Party Historical Society: Paul Revere

Learn basic facts of Paul Revere's role in the American Revolution including his famous horseback ride in 1775.

<http://www.boston-tea-party.org/participants/paul-revere.html>

Hardware/Software

Cross iOS-to-Mac (and Vice Versa) Clipboard

The new Mac-to-iOS and iOS-to-Mac clipboard is incredibly useful, it allows you to copy and paste between a Mac and an iPhone, or an iPhone and an iPad, and then back to a Mac, and any other combination you can imagine. The copying/pasting is done seamlessly through iCloud and works quite well, just copy on one location, paste in another, it just works.

In order to use the cross Mac-to-iOS clipboard, you'll need to be sure the devices you wish to use it with are using the same Apple ID with iCloud enabled, have Bluetooth enabled, have Handoff enabled, and they will need iOS 10 (or later) on the iPhone or iPad, and you'll need macOS 10.12 (or later). Meeting those basic requirements is essential to use the great clipboard feature.

Famous People from American History

Paul Revere

Revolutionary War Figure

Born: 15 December 1734

Died: 10 May 1818

Birthplace: Boston, Massachusetts

Best known as: The American colonist of midnight ride fame

A hero of the American Revolutionary War, Paul Revere is famous for his "midnight ride" of April 18th, 1775, when he sounded the alarm that British forces were moving against American colonists. His fame is due in part to the 1861 poem "Paul Revere's Ride" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, which begins: "Listen my children and you shall hear, of the midnight ride of Paul Revere." Paul Revere was an accomplished gold and silversmith, and as a Boston artisan he was smack in the middle of pre-revolutionary action. He served as a rider for the Committee of Correspondence, and between 1773 and 1775 Revere relayed messages about British troop movements from Boston to Philadelphia, New York and Hartford. When British general Thomas Gage was about to move against revolutionary-minded colonists in Massachusetts, Revere and William Dawes were given the task of alerting the colonist rebels. Revere's efforts that night, his services during the war for independence and his later success as a businessman in Boston and Canton, Massachusetts, made him a local hero. Longfellow's poem, published nationally and included in *Tales of a Wayside Inn* in 1863, made Revere a legendary figure -- although the facts needed to be corrected in later years. Paul Revere never actually said "the British are coming!" (he called them "regulars"), and he and Dawes (and a latecomer patriot, Dr. Samuel Prescott) were captured by the British and detained -- but Dawes and Prescott escaped and got the word out. Nonetheless, Paul Revere is remembered for his active role in events preceding the Revolutionary War, and for his metalworking talent and entrepreneurial savvy.

According to an advance plan, a two-lantern signal in Boston's Christ Church (known as the Old North Church) communicated that Gen. Gage's forces were advancing by water, not land. Thanks to Longfellow's poem, generations of American schoolchildren later learned the rebels' simple lantern code: "One if by land, and two if by sea"... It has long been suggested -- without concrete proof -- that an informer let the American patriots know of the British army's intentions, and that it may have been Margaret Kemble Gage, the British commander's American-born wife... Many sources give Revere's birthdate as 1

January 1735, but most historians these days agree he was probably born in late December of 1734, possibly on the 21st or 22nd.

Riddles You Can Tell in Class

What happened to the Pilgrim who was shot at by an Indian?

He had an arrow escape.

What happened when the turkey got into a fight?

He got the stuffing knocked out of him!

Why did the Pilgrims want to sail to America in the spring?

Because April showers bring MayFlowers.

This Day in History

Birthdates which occurred on November 28:

1628 John Bunyan England, cleric/author (Pilgrim's Progress)

1820 Friedrich Engels Germany, social philosopher; Marx's collaborator

1866 Henry Bacon architect (Lincoln Memorial)

1929 Berry Gordy Jr Detroit, record company owner (Motown)

1931 Hope Lange Redding Ridge CT, actress (Ghost & Mrs Muir)

1942 Paul Warfield NFL/WFL wide receiver (Cleveland, Miami, Memphis)

1943 Randy Newman singer (Short People, I Love LA, Raindrops)

1949 Alexander Godunov Russia, composer/dancer (Bolshoi) defected 1979

1949 Paul Shaffer Thunder Bay Ont, orchestra leader (SNL, David Letterman)

1950 Ed Harris Tenafly NJ, actor (Right Stuff, Swing Shift, Walker, Coma)

1959 Judd Nelson actor (Breakfast Club)

On This Day:

1520 Ferdinand Magellan begins crossing Pacific Ocean

1853 Olympia established as capital of Washington Territory

1861 Confederate congress officially admits Missouri to the CSA

1871 Ku Klux Klan trials began in Federal District Court in SC

1895 America's 1st auto race starts; 6 cars, 55 miles, winner averages 7 MPH

1908 154 men die in coal mine explosion at Marianna Pa

1919 US-born Lady Astor elected 1st female member of British Parliament

1929 Adm Richard E Byrd makes 1st South Pole flight

1948 "Hopalong Cassidy" premieres on TV

1960 Mauritania gains independence from France (National Day)

1963 1st million copy record prior to release "I Want to Hold Your Hand"

1972 Los Angeles Dodgers trade Frank Robinson to California Angels

1974 Bowie Kuhn suspends George Steinbrenner for 2 years

1989 Rickey Henderson signs record \$3,000,000 per year Oak A's contract

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