

Geography Awareness Week

November 13-17, 2005

Migration Monday

Quote: “There are no passengers on spaceship Earth. We are all crew.”

Marshall McLuhan

Activity: Survey the students birthplace and ask how the family settled in Florida. Discuss the push and pull factor in the final decision. Pinpoint their birthplace on a world map.

Word of the Day: push(push you out of a place ex. war, economics) factor
pull (attracts you to a place ex. jobs, agriculture) factor

Traveling Tuesday

Quote: Man is a complex creature. He makes the deserts bloom and lakes die.”

Gil Stern

Activity: Have students work with a partner and check labels on clothes and tennis shoes. Locate and mark countries on world map. Discuss how economics makes us a part of a global neighborhood.

Word of the Day: global neighborhood

GIS Wednesday

Quote: “Everyone is a geographer because geography is everywhere.”

Mary Lawson

Activity: (Advance Planning) Invite a community resource that uses GPS in their work ex. surveyors, city or county planners, etc. Check out www.gisday.com for activities and speakers.

Word of the Day: GIS (Geographic Information System) GPS(Global Positioning System)

Tasty Thursday

Quote: “We make the world we live in and shape our own environment”

Orson Swett Marden

Activity: Design a menu using family favorite foods. Discuss country of origin for the selections.

Word of the Day: culture (a way of life shared by a group. Learned behavior, passed on by each generation)

Community Friday

Quote: “Nature uses human imagination to lift her work of creation to even higher levels.” Luigi Pirandello

Activity: Begin an ongoing Community Collage. Have students bring in items (recipes, postcards, photos, music, etc.) that show the unique characteristics of their community. Include people, physical features, language, institutions of belief and technology.

Word of the Day: emigration (process of leaving a country) immigration (process of coming into a country) Human migration across international boundaries may be voluntary or involuntary.



Migration: The Human Journey