



In this image, taken by the Chandra X-ray Observatory and combined with a Hubble visible light image, an expanding shell of debris called SNR 0519-69.0 is left behind after a massive star exploded in the Large Magellanic Cloud, a satellite galaxy to the Milky Way.

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Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

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Thursday

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Saturday

**National Humor Month.** Check out our short book, "The First Annual Planet Awards!" Planets can be pretty funny when they compete!  
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**National Read a Road Map Day.** How do homing pigeons find their way home? Do they read a map?  
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**Jupiter** will be closest to Earth. It's a great day to play JunoQuest, a game about the giant planet.  
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**April Fool's Day.** At least teach your nose not to be fooled!  
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 FIRST QUARTER

**National Find a Rainbow Day.** Go to the "Cosmic Colors" viewer and see the universe in far more colors than in a rainbow!  
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 FULL MOON

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**Leonardo da Vinci** was born this day in 1452. Ever wonder how most inventors do their work?  
[/classroom-activities/#history](#)

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Easter Sunday

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 LAST QUARTER

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**Earth Day.** Make a stained glass Earth and see our planet in a whole new light!  
[/stained-glass-earth](#)

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 NEW MOON

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**Tell a Story Day.** Read a couple of the storybooks on Space Place, then make up your own story about space!  
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