

2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JAN

Month long celebrations: Book Blitz, Braille Literacy, Brain Teaser, Creativity, Clean up your computer, Hobby, Mentoring, Poetry in America Awareness, Skating, Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention, Soup, Oatmeal

- 1/1 New Year's Day
- 1/2 National Science Fiction Day
- 1/3 J.R.R. Tolkien Birthday
- 1/4 Trivia Day
- 1/5 National Bird Day
- 1/7 Zora Neale Hurston Birthday
- 1/8 Stephen Hawking Birthday
- 1/9 Law Enforcement Appreciation Day
- 1/14 Dress up your pet day
- 1/15 national Hat Day
- 1/18 National Thesaurus Day
- 1/19 National Popcorn day
- 1/19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 1/19 Civil Rights Day
- 1/21 Squirrel Appreciation Day
- 1/23 National Pie Day
- 1/24 Belly Laugh Day
- 1/24 National Compliment Day
- 1/27 International Holocaust Remembrance Day
- 1/28 National Lego Day
- 1/29 National Puzzle Day
- 1/29 Curmudgeons Day
- 1/31 National Seed Swap Day

FEB

Month long celebrations: Library Lover's, American Heart, Black History, Canned Food, Mend a Broken Heart, Plant Seeds of Greatness, Spay/Neuter Awareness, Spunky Old BROADS

- 2/1 National Freedom Day
- 2/2 Groundhog Day
- 2/3 US Feed the Birds Day
- 2/4 National Girls and Women in Sports Day
- 2/6 National Wear Red Day
- 2/7 Take your Child to the library day
- 2/8 National Boy Scout Day
- 2/8 National kite flying day
- 2/8 Super Bowl Sporting Event
- 2/9 National Pizza Day
- 2/11 Thomas Edison's Birthday
- 2/11 International Day of Women & Girls in Science
- 2/12 Lincoln's Birthday

2/14 Valentine's Day
 2/14 International Book Giving Day
 2/16 Presidents' Day
 2/17 Random Acts of Kindness Day
 2/17 Mardi Gras
 2/20 National Love Your Pet Day
 2/26 Digital Learning day

MAR

Month long celebrations: Music in our Schools, Credit Education, Ideas, Crafts, Peanut, Paws-to-Read, Kidney, Nutrition, Play-the-Recorder, Red Cross, Sing with Your Child, Women's History, Home Schooling Awareness, Youth art

3/1 Zero Discrimination Day
 Mar 1-7 Return the Borrowed Book Week, Teen Tech Week
 3/2 Read Across America Day
 3/2 Dr. Seuss Day
 3/4 National Grammar Day
 3/6 National Day of Unplugging
 3/6 Employee Appreciation Day
 3/6 World Day of Prayer
 3/14 Genealogy Day
 3/8 Start of Daylight Savings Time
 3/9 Barbie's Birthday
 3/12 National Girl Scout Day
 3/14 Pi day
 3/16 Freedom of Information Day
 3/17 St. Patrick's Day
 3/19 Let's Laugh Day
 3/19 International Read to Me Day
 3/20 Spring equinox
 3/20 Won't you be my neighbor day (Mr. Rogers)
 3/21 World Puppetry Day
 3/21 World Poetry Day
 3/22 World Water Day
 3/26 Live Long & Prosper Day (Leonard Nimoy's BD)
 3/30 Doctor's Day
 3/31 National Crayon Day

APR

Month long celebrations: School Library, National Poetry. Alcohol Awareness, Black Women's History, Child Abuse Prevention, Humor, Jazz Appreciation, Pecan, Pet First Aid Awareness, Prevention of Animal Cruelty, Youth Sports Safety, Straw Hat

4/1 Library Snapshot day
 4/1 April Fool's Day
 4/2 Internnational Children's Picture Book Day
 Apr 2-8 Passover
 4/3 Good Friday
 Apr 4-11 National Robotics Week
 4/5 Easter Sunday

4/6	Plan Your Epitaph Day
4/7	World Health Day
4/11	National Pet Day
4/12	Drop Everything and Read Day (D.E.A.R)
4/13	Thomas Jefferson's Birthday
4/13	National Scrabble Day
4/15	Tax Day
4/15	World Art Day
4/15	National Bookmobile Day
4/16	National Librarian Day
4/17	National Haiku Poetry Day
4/17	Arbor Day
April 19-25	National Library Week
4/21	National Library Workers' Day
Apr 19-25	National Volunteer week
4/22	Earth Day
4/22	Administrative Professionals' day
4/23	World Book day
4/23	Take our Daughters and Sons to Work Day
4/28	National Superhero Day
4/28	National Great Poetry Reading Day

MAY	Month long celebrations: Get Caught Reading, Mystery, Spiritual Literacy, BBQ, Bike, Foster Care, Gardening for Wildlife, Gifts from the Garden, Hamburger, Meditation, Mental Health, Military Appreciation, Older Americans, Physical Fitness & Sports, Salad, Victorious Woman, Young Achievers/Leaders of Tomorrow
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5/1	Law Day
5/1	May Day
5/1	Mother Goose Day
5/2	International Harry Potter Day
5/2	Kentucky Derby
5/3	National Paranormal Day
5/4	Star Wars Day (May the 4th be with you)
5/5	Cinco de Mayo
5/6	National Nurses Day
5/6	National Teachers' Day
5/7	National Day of Prayer
5/8	Military Spouse Appreciation Day
5/10	Mother's Day
5/12	Limerick Day (Edward Lear, the Limerick)
5/15	Peace Officers Memorial Day
5/16	Armed Forces Day
5/21	World Day for Cultural Diversity
5/22	National Maritime Day
5/24	National Scavenger Hunt Day
5/25	National Wine Day
5/25	National Missing Children's Day

5/25 Memorial Day
5/30 National Creativity Day
5/31 National Smile Day

JUN

Month long celebrations: GLBT Book, Audiobook Appreciation, Bathroom Reading, Adopt-a-Shelter Cat, African-American Music Appreciation, Candy, Gay & Lesbian Pride, Iced Tea, Dairy, Oceans, PTSD Awareness, Rivers, Soul Food, Surf Music, Zoo & Aquarium

6/1 Say Something Nice Day
6/3 World Bicycle Day
6/6 D-Day
6/6 National donut day
6/14 Army Birthday
6/14 Flag Day
6/15 Nature Photography Day
6/15 World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
6/19 Juneteenth
6/20 American Eagle Day
6/21 Summer Solstice
6/21 National Selfie Day
6/21 Father's Day
6/26 Forgiveness Day
6/27 National Bingo Day
6/29 National Camera Day

JUL

Month long celebrations: Bioterrorism/Disaster Education & Awareness, Cell Phone Courtesy, Grilling, Hot Dog, Ice Cream, Parks & Recreation, Watermelon

7/1 International Joke Day
7/2 World UFO Day
7/4 Independence Day--250th
7/17 World Emoji Day
7/19 National Ice Cream Day
7/26 Uncle and Aunt Day
7/26 Parents' Day

AUG

Month long celebrations: Read-a-Romance, American Adventures, Black Business, Boomers Making a Difference, Children's Eye Health and Learning, Immunization Awareness, International Pirate, What will be Your Legacy.

8/4 Coast Guard Birthday
8/4 National Night out
8/7 National Lighthouse Day
8/7 Purple Heart Day
8/9 National Book Lovers Day
8/13 National Left-Handers Day
8/16 Tell a Joke Day
8/19 World Photography Day
8/21 Senior Citizens Day
8/22 National Tooth Fairy Day

8/26 Women's Equality Day

SEP

Month long celebrations: National Library Card Sign-up, Be Kind to Editors and Writers, Fall Hat, Happy Cat, National Honey, Hunger Action, National Recovery, National Service Dog, Update Your Resume

9/6 Read A Book Day
9/7 Labor Day
9/8 International literacy day
9/9 International Sudoku Day
9/11 Libraries Remember Day, National Day of Service
9/11 Attack on America
9/13 Roald Dahl Day
9/13 National Grandparents Day
9/15 National online learning day
9/16 National Step Family Day
9/17 Constitution Day and Citizenship Day
9/18 Air Force Birthday
9/18 National Cheesburger Day
9/19 International Talk Like a Pirate Day
9/19 National Dance Day
9/21 World Gratitude Day
9/21 World Alzheimer's Day
9/22 Autumn equinox
9/29 National Coffee Day

OCT

Month long celebrations: TeenTober Adopt-a-Shelter Dog, American Cheese, National Breast Cancer Awareness, Bullying Prevention Awareness, National Crime Prevention, Cybersecurity Awareness, National Dental Hygiene, Domestic Violence Awareness, Go Hog Wild--- Eat Country Ham, Health Literacy—Organize Your Medical Information, National Popcorn Poppin', National Reading Group, Positive Attitude, National Roller Skating, National Seafood, Squirrel Awareness and Appreciation

Oct 4-10 Banned Books Week
10/5 Child Health Day
10/7 Random acts of poetry day
10/10 National Chess Day
10/11 National coming out day
10/12 Farmers Day
10/12 Columbus Day
10/12 Indigenous People's Day
10/13 Navy Birthday
10/16 Boss's Day
Oct 18-24 National Friends of the Library Week
10/24 National Make a Difference Day
10/31 National Magic Day
10/31 Halloween

NOV	Month long celebrations: Picture Book, Novel Writing, National Adoption, Alzheimer's Disease Awareness, Banana Pudding, Diabetes, Epilepsy Awareness, Family Caregivers, Long-term Care Awareness, National Memoir Writing, Peanut Butter Lovers, Vegan
11/1	National Authors Day
11/1	Daylight Saving Time ends
11/2	All Souls' Day
11/8	National STEAM/STEM Day
11/8-11/14	National StoryWalk Week
11/9	Carl Sagan Day
11/10	National Young readers' day
11/10	Marine Corps Birthday
11/11	Veterans Day
11/12	Chicken Soup for the Soul Day
11/15	National Drummer Day
11/19	National Smoke Out Day
11/18	National Princess Day
11/26	Thanksgiving Day
11/27	Day After Thanksgiving, Black Friday
11/30	Cyber Monday
DEC	Month long celebrations: Bingo's Birthday, Food Service Safety, Safe Toys & Gifts, Write a Business Plan
12/1	Giving Tuesday
12/5	International Volunteer Day
12/7	Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
12/7	National Letter Writing Day
12/9	Christmas Card Day
12/10	Dewey Decimal System Day
12/10	Human Rights Day
12/13	National Guard Birthday
12/15	National Cupcake day
12/17	Wright Brothers Day
12/18	National Ugly Sweater Day
12/20	Go Caroling Day
12/21	Winter Solstice
12/21	Crossword Puzzle Day
12/22	National Cookie Exchange Day
12/24	Christmas Eve
12/25	Christmas Day
12/26	Kwanzaa (until Jan 1)
12/28	National Card Playing Day
12/31	New Year's Eve

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