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National Inventor's Month: Share **resources for adult inventors**.
 National Poetry Month: Read **tips for bringing poetry into your library**.
 Stress Awareness Month: Check out a **free stress-relief e-book**.
 National Humor Month: **Laugh 30 ways for 30 days**.
 Lawn and Garden Month: **Celebrate the outdoors!**

1
April Fool's Day: Tickle those funny bones with a display of comedy movies, CDs and audiobooks, along with a **selection of sidesplitting** books from your humor section.

2
 Introduce your library's commitment to serving those with autism on World Autism Awareness Day. Customize resources from **Libraries and Autism** to fit your needs and style.

3
 Animal behaviorist, activist and writer **Jane Goodall** was born on this day in 1934. Exhibit the work of local wildlife and nature photographers. Ask an area advocate to speak on opening night about conservation programs and **things we all can do to help wildlife**.

4
"My encouragement to you is to go tomorrow to the library."
 Promote your library on social media by sharing inspirational quotes from poet, author and library advocate **Maya Angelou**, born Marguerite Anne Johnson in 1928.

5
 Get outside for **National Walking Day**. Organize 30-minute group walks throughout the day. But first, communicate the **health benefits of regular walking**, along with tips on walker safety, injury prevention, and proper footwear.

6
Caramel Popcorn Day: Demonstrate a **quick and easy way** to make this treat in the microwave. Attendees can munch away during a double feature of *Chariots of Fire* and *Cool Runnings*, a nod to the **Olympics**, first held on this day in 1896.

7
 Partner with a local mental health provider to educate patrons on the prevention and treatment of depression, the theme of this year's **World Health Day**. Posters and handouts are available from the World Health Organization.

8
 Run a contest for **Draw a Bird Day**. Provide paper and art supplies for all ages to draw a feathered friend (or two!). Showcase the entries alongside your favorite bird books and **the story behind this unofficial holiday**.

9
National Cherish an Antique Day: Establish a collectors' group where members can share their personal connection to a favorite antique. Guide the group to resources they can use to uncover more about the pieces and **determine estimated values**.

10
National Experience Week: Host a unique writer's workshop to answer the question, **"What's on your bucket list?"**
National Library Week (April 9–15).

11
 Explore the **evolution of music media**, from vinyl to re-streaming, with a fun display on **National Eight Track Tape Day**.
Apollo 13 was launched from Cape Kennedy on this day in 1970. Highlight your collection of **books on spaceflight and space history**.

12
 Celebrate the legacy of American adventure and espionage novelist **Tom Clancy**, born on this day in 1947. Screen *The Hunt for Red October* and **share facts about this best-selling author**, whose writing inspired five major motion pictures and more than 40 video games.

13
National Scrabble Day: Time for a tournament to crown your library's Scrabble champion! Wow gamers with **fun facts about this popular board game**. If you have a Scrabble dictionary, showcase it along with your reference collection.

14
 The **American Dictionary of the English Language**, the first dictionary of American-style English, was published by Noah Webster on this day in 1828. Build your patrons' vocabulary knowledge with a **weekly word challenge**.

15
 It's here—**National Tax Day!** Be a resource for those who may need to **file an extension**. Have trained volunteers available to answer questions and direct residents to available resources.

16
National Orchid Day: These beautiful flowers get a bad rap for being difficult to maintain. Hold an **orchid-care class** for beginning and aspiring growers.
Wear Your Pajamas to Work Day! 'Nuff said.

17
National Poem in Your Pocket Day: Start a street team to hand out poems in your community, like the **librarians from Charlottesville, Virginia**. Don't forget to include your favorite 5-7-5 verses because it's also **Haiku Poetry Day!**

18
 Create a display of **earthquake-related fiction and nonfiction reads** to commemorate the anniversary of the **Great San Francisco Earthquake**, the most famous quake in U.S. history (1906).

19
 Cook up a new class featuring a favorite fruit! Try **desserts, smoothies, breads and even salads** to celebrate **Banana Day**.

20
 This week is **National Pet ID Week** (April 16–22). Outfit your makerspace with supplies to **create personalized pet tags**.
 Thank your library volunteers with library-themed gifts on **Volunteer Recognition Day**.

21
Organize a tea tasting with a fun theme on **Tea Day**. (Think Mad Hatter, *Downton Abbey* . . .)
 English novelist and poet **Charlotte Brontë** was born on this day in 1816. Encourage readers to **discover or revisit the classics** like Brontë's *Jane Eyre*.

22
 Turn trash into treasure with a **craft project in honor of Earth Day**, founded by U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson in 1970. Consider an egg herb garden, garden hose wreath, or key windchime to welcome spring in DIY style.

23
 Celebrate the birthday of **William Shakespeare** by showing patrons how to **access his works free online**.

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"Every block of stone has a statue inside of it, and it is the task of the sculptor to discover it."
 – Michelangelo

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National DNA Day: Invite a speaker to educate families on the role genetics and genomics play in health and disease. Include information on testing and treatments for common genetic disorders. Visit **cdc.gov** for public health resources.

26
 Encourage patrons to take part in a 31-day challenge on **Get Organized Day**. Use social media to promote your collection of **organizing and decluttering books**, share success stories, and keep everyone motivated on the journey.

27
National Tell a Story Day: Celebrate the **art of oral storytelling** with an evening of sharing local history, legends, and lore.

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Arbor Day, established in 1872, brings so many programming possibilities! You can sponsor a poster contest, organize a tree identification hike, schedule a class on tree planting and pruning, and so much more!

29
 Give thanks to the zipper on **National Zipper Day** with a **creative make-and-take project**. Tell your makers about the interesting **history of the zipper**, which was first patented as an "automatic, continuous clothing closure" in 1851.

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National PrepareAthon Day: Offer an emergency preparedness event, with **FEMA** and the **Red Cross**.

Set up an exhibit, pop-up sculpture, scavenger hunt, or demonstration for **International Sculpture Day**. For inspiration, visit **sculpture.org**.

