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SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

November is **National Homeless Youth Awareness Month**, it's a good time to review with staff how your library programs and resources support these vulnerable patrons.

National Adoption Month is a great opportunity to spotlight related **nonfiction and novels**.

NOVEMBER

Teen Activity Calendar

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Don't forget to check the clocks today. Daylight saving time ended overnight, and many clocks don't reset themselves.

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"Remember, remember the Fifth of November ..."
—*V for Vendetta* by Alan Moore

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Adolphe Sax was born on this day in 1814, and it's the perfect time to spotlight books and music that feature his most famous invention, the saxophone.

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Leonardo DiCaprio was born on this day in 1974. Celebrate with a showing of his 1996 film ***Romeo + Juliet***.

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Use your social media to reinforce the library's school partnerships during **American Education Week**.

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Book release: *How She Died, How I Lived* by Mary Crockett

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Celebrate Mickey Mouse's debut in the film ***Steamboat Willie*** on this day in 1928. Provide supplies and tips for **creating your own** animated heroes with an animation program.

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Legendary soccer star Pelé scored his 1,000th goal on this day in 1969. Create a bookmark of **fiction and nonfiction titles** featuring fútbol.

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An 80-ton whale attacked the whaling ship the Essex on this day in 1820. This was part of the inspiration for Herman Melville's story *Moby-Dick*. Build a display of whale stories, ***Moby-Dick* adaptations**, and sea adventure stories.

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Set up a craft station for holiday-card making to get a jump on custom gift tags.

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Since everybody's talking about **hottest toy trends** this year, host a retro-fun program to reminisce about the "it" toys from years gone by.

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Giving Tuesday: Challenge teen volunteers to a special aid marathon. Stockpile tasks they can do (make a list all month) and encourage drop-in participation all day.

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The Mackinac Bridge linking Michigan's upper and lower peninsulas opened to traffic on this day in 1957. Host a **bridge-building competition** in honor of this engineering feat.

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It's Movember—put on a fun **mustache-themed craft program** to get everyone involved!

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Pick a day in the coming week to celebrate **International Games Week** by hosting a program: hook up a console, deal out some cards, or learn a game from elsewhere in the world.

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Invite a local author to speak during **National Novel Writing Month** and inspire others to give it a try.

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The US Higher Education Act was signed into law on this day in 1965 to provide student financial assistance. Create a bookmark to feature your library's 378 section and online resources.

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Rolling Stone magazine was first published on this day in 1967, making this a great chance to spotlight your magazine collection.

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Author **Neil Gaiman** was born on this day in 1960. Announce a Sandman fan club meetup and see who shows up!

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Host a "smart snacking" program for **World Diabetes Day** and invite a health professional to discuss awareness and prevention.

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National Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day: Give the custodian a break and tackle the staff fridge today. Out with the old!

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The ***Sound of Music*** debuted on Broadway on this day in 1959. Host a sing-a-long movie screening with snacks of tea and bread with jam.

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National Take a Hike Day: Coordinate a short group hike, whether it's around the block or on a **national trail**.

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In 1676, astronomer Ole Rømer presented the first quantitative measurements of the speed of light. Host a **STEM program** to measure it—with chocolate!

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There are a lot of **movies set around Thanksgiving**. Make them easy to binge with a grab-and-go display featuring fall favorites.

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Use the alternate trend of **Buy Nothing Day** to flood social media with reminders on the free resources of the library!

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Celebrate Your Unique Talent Day: Coordinate a **"people tricks"** program where everybody shows off their special skills.

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The tragic Cocoanut Grove nightclub fire happened on this date in 1942, but the positive after-effect was improved fire regulations in the US. Check the building's emergency systems, and consider a practice fire drill.

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Legendary sci-fi author **Madeleine L'Engle** was born on this day in 1918. Feature a display of her books and other works inspired by her stories.

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National Meth Awareness Day: Create a display of drug addiction and recovery resources, including a handout with hotline numbers and local resources.