Happy October to all our Summer Citizens! We hope you are enjoying the fall season. As expected, our lovely summer weather is quickly leaving. The weather is chilly, but at least we haven’t seen any snow, yet. Meanwhile, the fall colors in Logan canyon are breathtaking!

Homework loads are getting heavier for the students, and the library is full of study groups until late every night.

Meanwhile, the Summer Citizens office is already preparing for 2019! We have reservations for our 2019 Arizona visit. This trip is one of the highlights of our winter and we always look forward to seeing our friends and making new ones in sunny Arizona. Class suggestions are coming in from our instructors, and we’re working on the 2019 program book. We can already tell Summer 2019 is going to be great!

Have a great month and make sure to avoid the spooks and goblins running around on October 31st!

“This is truly an experience we will hope to continue. The university, the town merchants, many talented artists, and the Logan locals make this a wonderful summer experience.”

~Linda Hunnius, North Chesterfield, VA

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- Did You Know?
USU will celebrate homecoming this month! With this important event coming up, we want to give you some insight into one of Utah State’s famous traditions: True Aggies.

Some of you may have noticed the Block A on campus in front of Old Main. On the night of a full moon, you can become a True Aggie by kissing someone at midnight who is already a True Aggie. Or if it’s Homecoming week, any two people can become True Aggies by kissing on the Block A.

The Block A was originally donated by the Beno club at Utah State in 1916. The Beno club was formed when the University president told several students “there would be no clubs”. Consequently, they named their club the “beno” club. The Beno club performed many acts of service around campus and in 1926, adopted the motto “service, sacrifice, and loyalty.” The club’s monument on campus is the giant Block A where today’s students can become True Aggies. The Block A has been moved to several locations around campus, but was placed on the quad permanently in 1967. True Aggie night is now run by the Student Association.

There is even an ice cream flavor named after this fun tradition! True Aggie Night ice cream is vanilla ice cream with raspberry swirls with raspberry-filled chocolate hearts and is one of the favorite flavors at the Aggie Creamery.

Whether or not you are a True Aggie, you can still cheer for the Aggies and enjoy the ice cream!

Click this link to watch a video of the welcome ceremony for the new freshman students:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bUEMrFZ9jXk
**THE HOWL — A USU TRADITION**

This month, tickets go on sale for the HOWL, the annual USU Halloween dance. The HOWL is famous throughout the state, and some attendees drive for two hours to come to the party! The participants are mostly USU students, but students come from other schools around Utah as well.

Each year, the HOWL has a Halloween-inspired theme and students often wear elaborate costumes and coordinate with friends to all match or fit a certain theme.

Last year, the attractions included a dance with live music from two bands, a body spray art booth, an oxygen bar, a photo booth, and plenty of socializing.

The HOWL is one of the biggest events all year and anticipation is building! Tickets are going quickly as students prepare for a huge Halloween celebration!

“Happiness can be found in even the darkest of times, if only one remembers to turn on the light.”
- J.K. Rowling

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**OCTOBER EVENTS**

Sep 16 - Dec 9 - The Art and Science of Arachnids exhibit - Swaner Eco Center 10 am - 4 pm

Oct 2 - Open Streets Festival 7:00 pm on Aggie Bullevard

Oct 5 - Oct 13 - Xanadu - play in the Morgan Theatre 7:30 or 2:00

Oct 9 - Autumn Voices - USU Chorale concert 7:30 pm Russell/Wanlass Performance Hall

Oct 13 - USU Football vs. UNLV **HOMECOMING GAME**

Oct 26 - Science Unwrapped: “Cosmologic” - 7:00 ESLC Auditorium

Oct 26 - USU Symphony Orchestra - 7:30 pm Russell/Wanlass Performance Hall

Oct 27 - USU Football vs New Mexico - 2:00 pm Maverik Stadium

October 31 - Halloween
You don’t have to be an avid football fan to appreciate the Aggie’s recent winning streak.

- We started out the season playing a difficult team, Michigan State, who are ranked number 11. We came close to winning, but we ended up losing the game 31-38.

- The next week, we rocked our game with the New Mexico State Aggies in our home stadium. We won this game 60-13. They beat us last year in the Home Loans Bowl, so we were especially proud of our team for winning this rematch.

- The next Thursday, we played Tennessee Tech and won 73-12 at our home stadium.

- The next Saturday, we beat Air Force 42-32 in a white-out game. This is the first time we’ve beat them in 4 years!

- There are 8 games left in our season, and our team is looking great so far! Let’s keep up our winning streak, Aggies!

- Click here for some more details on the Aggie’s football season.

Utah State, hey, Aggies all the way!

Go Aggies, Go Aggies, hey, hey, hey!
The most famous Peanuts line comes from the Halloween episode. The line is “I got a rock”, since Charlie Brown gets nothing but rocks when he goes trick or treating.

The largest pumpkin pie ever recorded was 20 feet in diameter and weighed 3,699 lbs!

Some cities have passed laws that make it illegal to trick-or-treat if you’re older than 12.

86% of Americans decorate their homes to celebrate Halloween.

Pumpkins are usually orange, but they can also be green, white, red, or gray.

Harry Houdini, one of the world’s most famous magicians, died on Halloween.

The first written mention of trick-or-treating is from a 1927 newspaper from Alberta, Canada.

The fear of Halloween is called Samhainophobia.

The superstition that black cats are unlucky came from the Pilgrims.

Ohio has the longest haunted house in the United States, measuring 3,564 feet long!

How many candy corns are in this newsletter? **Answer: 12**