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FOSTER GRANDPARENTS OF THE

WYOMING ROCKIES

SENIOR CORPS IS NOW AMERICORPS SENIORS!

This doesn't change much for us, other than we will be getting new t-shirts in the next year or so as the new branding is rolled out, but we wanted to share what the new logos looks like!

But don't worry! We are not changing our Foster

Grandparents of the Wyoming Rockies logo!

Senior Corps is now AmeriCorps Seniors





AmeriCorps Seniors

GRANDMA JEAN HAS RETIRED!

Grandma Jean Smith has been a Foster Grandparent for the past 6 years. She started her service at the Absaroka Head Start program in Sheridan County, and always speaks highly of her time there.





In 2017 she began her service at Meadowlark Elementary School and enjoyed serving there until this past year. Grandma Jean has always been very proud of her work and her school. We will miss her friendly face at our monthly meetings, but send her best wishes for her retirement from Foster Grandparents.

BIRTHDAYS

Diane Logan October 8

UPCOMING TRAININGS

Sheridan and
Laramie:
All in person
trainings are
cancelled until
further notice

TIME SHEETS DUE

October: 9.30.20 or by noon on 10.2.20

November: 11.30.20 or by noon on 12.2.20



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please remember to keep us abreast of any COVID-related incidents at your school or site. If *anyone* in your school or site, not just your classroom, tests positive for COVID-19, please call us as soon as you can thank you!

 According to the Wyoming Tribune Eagle as well as many other news sources, Wyoming is seeing a record rise in cases. Please stay safe, and remember to wash your hands, wear a mask or face shield, and practice social distancing!
- The Laramie office is closed to general public, volunteers, national service members and all non-essential staff. We do get phone messages directly to our email and usually we can call back within the day, so please leave us a voicemail!









FUN AND SCARY HALLOWEEN FACTS TO TRICK (OR TREAT) YOUR FRIENDS

from Goodhousekeeping.com

The holiday goes back more than 2,000 years.

Halloween all started as a pre-Christian Celtic festival called Samhain (which means "summer's end") held around the first of November. It celebrated the final day of the harvest and the crossing of spirits over into the other world. People in Ireland, the United Kingdom, and Northern France would ward off ghosts by lighting sacrificial bonfires, and, you guessed it, wearing costumes, according to History.com.

Trick-or-treating has existed since medieval times.

Back then, it was known as "guising" in Scotland and Ireland. Young people dressed up in costumes and asked for food or money in exchange for songs, poems, or other "tricks." Today, the tradition has morphed into children to getting dressed up and asking for candy.

This year will be the first Halloween in 19 years to have a full moon. Full moons on Halloween are pretty rare. The last time there was a full moon on October 31, it was 2001 — and before that it was 1955. The next one won't occur until 2039. In fact, the 21st century will only see six full moons on October 31: 2001, 2020, 2039, 2058, 2077 and 2096.

Candy corn was originally called "chicken feed."

The Goelitz Confectionery Company sold boxes with a rooster on the front in order to appeal to America's agricultural roots, according to National Geographic. The sugary recipe has gone largely unchanged since the 1880s.