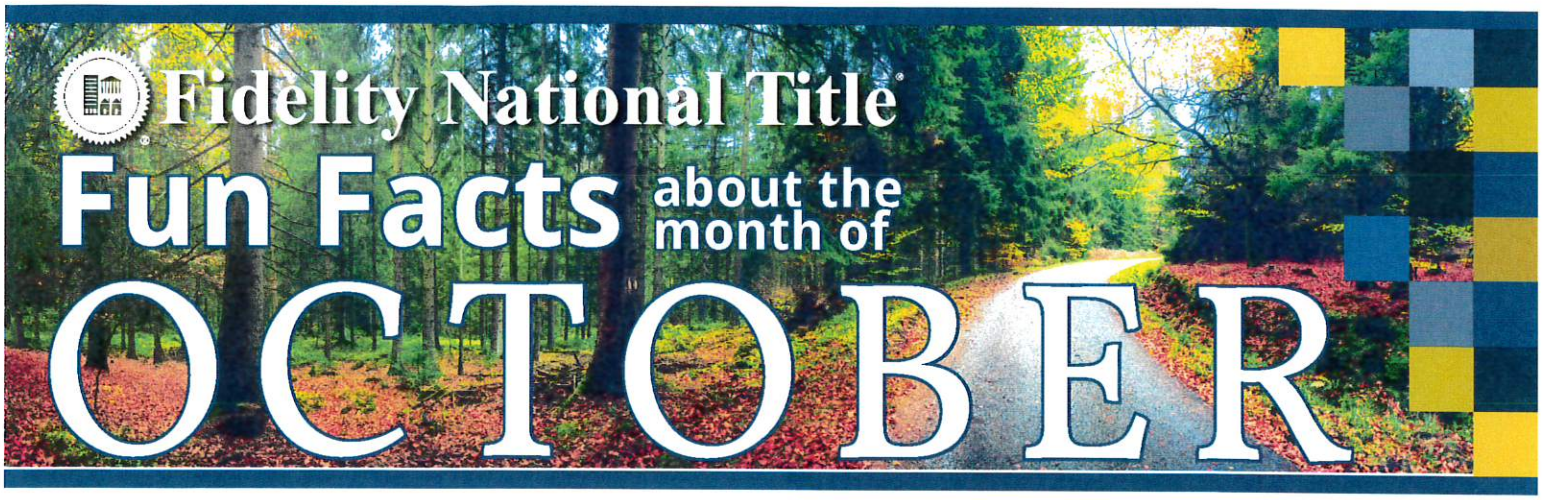

THE OCTOBER BIRTH MONTH:

- Birthstones are opal and pink tourmaline
- Flower is the calendula
- Zodiac signs are Libra and Scorpio

IMPORTANT DATES IN OCTOBER 2019:

- Monday, October 7th is Child Health Day
- October 8th-9th is Yom Kippur
- Monday, October 14th is Indigenous Peoples' Day
- Wednesday, October 16th is Boss's Day
- Thursday, October 31st is Halloween

WAYS TO HONOR IN OCTOBER:

- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- Lupus Awareness Month
- Adopt a Shelter Dog Month

WEEKLY CELEBRATIONS IN OCTOBER:

- Week 1: Get Organized Week
- Week 1: Customer Service Week
- Week 2: Fire Prevention Week & Pet Peeve Week
- Week 3: Pastoral Care Week
- Oct 14 - 20: Earth Sciences Week

THE MONTH OF OCTOBER...IN HISTORY:

- October 1, 1908: The Model T, designed for the masses and conceived by Henry Ford, went on sale for the first time.
- October 1, 1979: The Panama Canal Zone was formally handed over to Panama after 70 years of American control.
- October 3, 1932: Iraq gained independence from Britain and joined the League of Nations.
- October 3, 1990: East and West Germany were reunited as the "Federal Republic of Germany" after 45 years of Cold War division.

SOURCES: timeanddate.com | ducksters.com | historyplace.com

What's in Season?

October Vegetables: Chard, cauliflower, white cabbage, Savoy cabbage, chicory, onion, beet tops, bean, mushroom, endive, lettuce, potato, pea, leek, radicchio, horseradish, turnip, radish, rocket, celery, celeriac, spinach, Jerusalem artichokes, pumpkin.

October Fruits: Persimmon, chestnut, apple, pomegranate, fig, plum, grape, prickly pear, pineapple, winter cherry, banana, carob, sorb, arbutus.

Seasonal Fish: Mullet, sea bream, sardine.

- October 8, 1871: The Great Fire of Chicago started which was responsible for the death of more than 300 people and leaving 90,000 homeless.
- October 11, 1939 - Albert Einstein suggested the U.S. develop its own bomb in response to speculation that Nazi Germany could use his theories for their own development. This resulted in the top secret "Manhattan Project."
- October 13, 1990: Greenwich was established as the universal time from which the standard times throughout the world are calculated.
- October 19, 1987: Wall Street stocks plunged a record 508 points (22%) for the largest one-day drop in stock market history known as "Black Monday".
- October 31, 1864: Nevada became the 36th state of the United States.

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