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## *October at NDU*

- October 10: Columbus Day (Federal Holiday)
- October 12: International Hall of Fame Induction and Fall Welcome Reception (Sponsors/Fellows)
- October 28: Halloween Party for Spouses (SpICE)
- October 31: Halloween

## Halloween

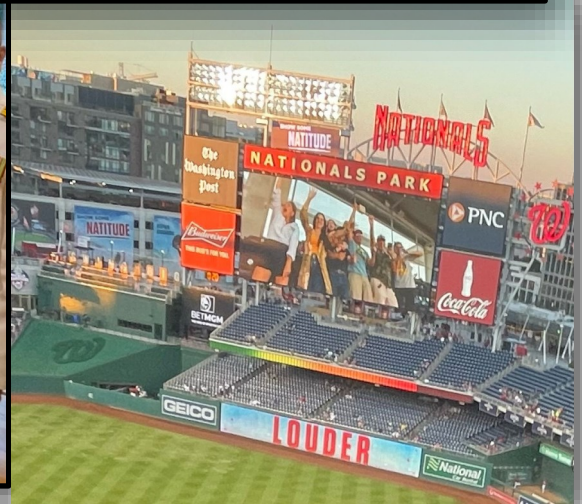


Halloween is celebrated each year on October 31. The tradition originated with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain, when people would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off ghosts. Over time, Halloween evolved into a day of activities like trick-or-treating, carving jack-o-lanterns, festive gatherings, donning costumes and eating treats.

*If you have any suggestions or recommendations for next month's newsletter,  
email us at [ISMO@ndu.edu](mailto:ISMO@ndu.edu)!*

# Sponsor Program

Our Sponsor Program is going strong! We look forward to having the sponsors and fellows mingle at the Fall Welcome Reception on October 12th, at 4:00 PM EST. If you have not received an invitation, please reach out to us: [ismosponsor@ndu.edu](mailto:ismosponsor@ndu.edu). We're always on the lookout for new sponsors, so if you have any friends or colleagues who might be interested, have them email us. Take photos and share them!



*Please share any photos of you and your fellows/ sponsors from the month of October that you would like featured in the next monthly newsletter! Email any questions or photos to [ismosponsor@ndu.edu](mailto:ismosponsor@ndu.edu)*

# SpICE Program

The Spouses Intercultural Exchange Program has also gotten off to a wonderful start this month, with a welcome brunch at Crystal Plaza Apartments and a Metro Orientation for spouses. Stay tuned for more opportunities for IF spouses— including a trip to a pumpkin patch! Reach out if your spouse would like to be involved. Children always welcome!



*Yes, Franny is in the picture but is not anyone's spouse*

Oct 7: Library of Congress Tour

Oct 14: The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and Caisson Barn Tour at Fort Myers

Oct 21: Cox Farms Tour

# Activities for October

## OktoberFest Weekend on the Wharf

Hit the Waterfront at Oktoberfest Weekend at the Wharf. Listen to live music, eat authentic German cuisine, and, of course, drink lots of beer. Don't forget to enter the stein-hoisting competition.



### Marine Corps Marathon

Arlington/Fredericksburg, VA

Oct 30th

The annual Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) is one of the biggest in the world. The MCM is a full weekend of events, including a health and fitness expo, a Historic Half in Fredericksburg, Virginia, and the Marathon Finish Festival. Runners of all experience levels, from all 50 states and more than 60 countries participate in the race. Aside from the 50km run there is also a 10km option in Arlington.



## Fall Festival - Montgomery Village MD

Oct 8th

Attendees of this year's Fall Festival can enjoy live music, food and drinks, and lots of family activities. The Festival is best known for its Pumpkin Race, face off or watch as decorated pumpkins on wheels go head to head. Awards for best decoration and most innovative design, best themed pumpkin racer and driver duo, and other fun categories will be presented.



### Harbor Halloween

National Harbor, MD

Oct 30th

Enjoy an afternoon of spooktacular fun for the whole family, including trick-or-treating at select stores and restaurants, kids' activities, a Halloween movie, a pet pawrade, and a pumpkin-carving contest. Admittance to the event is free.