UPCOMING EVENTS:

**OCTOBER 7, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM DIXE STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS:**
Dixie State University will host the Tween Author Boot Camp to provide children the opportunity to develop their writing skills and learn how to become a published author. The boot camp will take place on October 7th from 10 am - 2 pm on the DSU campus. Participants will receive a free notebook, backpack, and lunch during the event. Visit here for more info and to register for the event.

**OCTOBER 16, 12:00- 1:30 PM North Plaza Lobby:**
Students, Faculty and all interested in this cultural event will participate at the “IV Día de la Hispanidad” (Hispanic Heritage Day) in a cook off dishes around the various countries of Latin American and Spain.

**OCTOBER 20, 3:00-5:00 PM, MCDONALD BUILDING:**
CHASS will hold a rededication ceremony for the newly-renovated McDonald Building, home to the Social and Behavioral Sciences and History and Political Science Departments.

**OCTOBER 25, MCDONALD BUILDING (TIME AND ROOM TBA):**
The History and Political Science Department will hold its History Night event for interested students.

**OCTOBER 27-28: SPANISH SECTION (DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES):**
will host a new UFLA workshop entitled “Implementing Proficiency in the Language Classroom” presented by Dr. Chantal P. Thompson.

**OCTOBER 31, 12:00 PM, DUNFORD AUDITORIUM:**
Craig Harline, professor of history at Brigham Young University, will deliver a Dixie Forum lecture on the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther’s Ninety-Five Theses.
DEPARTMENTAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

**LUCIA TAYLOR (SPANISH)** video presented at the European Conference on Education, in Brighton, UK on June 30 to July 1. Her virtual presentation was titled "Writing Learning Outcomes for Courses/Programs and Beyond".

**DIXIE STATE UNIVERSITY HAS BECOME THE THIRD UNIVERSITY IN UTAH** to offer a 3000 level course to high school students through the Bridge Project, a statewide initiative to build the existent gap in the Dual Language Immersion program when kids reach 9th grade and finish the tradition 50/50 setting. Students at Snow Canyon High School who passed the AP with at least a 3, are taking Span 3117 (“Breaking down walls, building up identities”). This course will be offered in a 3-year rotation through a co-teaching model. Currently, the course is taught by Ms. Diana Callahan from Snow Canyon High School and Dr. Lucia Taylor from DSU. Dr. Taylor is already working with the other Bridge Project representatives on developing a new course, Span 3118, which will be taught the next academic year.

**VISITING MEIJO UNIVERSITY STUDENTS** attending DSU ESL classes volunteered on DSU’s Day of Service to “Pay It Forward” by reading with Sandstone Elementary School students on 9/11/17.

**CINDY KING (ENGLISH)** was awarded the Judson Jerome Scholarship to attend the Antioch Writers’ Workshop.

**SHADMAN BASHIR (HISTORY)** delivered a lecture, “Identity, Strategy, and the Continuing War in Afghanistan,” at Brigham Young University’s David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies.

**CINDY KING (ENGLISH)** received a fellowship from The Furious Flower Poetry Center at James Madison University.

**LUIS ARÉVALO (SPANISH)** co-authored and presented the research paper: “Enhancing the use of the Spanish language in a S-L environment” at the 7th International Symposium on Service Learning at the National University of Ireland (NUI) in Galway in June, 2017. Dr. Arévalo also directed the workshop session with Dr. Allen Marangoni, presenting the results of joint research in Chimbote, Peru.

**CHRISTINE CHEW (PSYCHOLOGY)** is hosting a second season of “Chew on This”, a radio
program that explores all things psychology.
For the Fall 2017 term, Chew on This will be at 3pm weekly on Tuesday afternoons at 100.3 KDXI.

**SOPHIE GEORGE (PSYCHOLOGY)** was named DSU’s Teacher of the Year, Rising Star for the 2016-2017 school year. The award recognizes a full time faculty member who has been employed at DSU for three years or less, but who has had a tremendous impact on academic excellence at Dixie State in a very short amount of time.

**CINDY KING (ENGLISH)** gave a presentation on editing and publishing literary magazines to students and faculty at Hurricane Middle School.

**NEXT SPRING, MICHELLE HULSE AND MICHAEL SANDERS** will be the first graduates of the Applied Sociology bachelor’s program.

**DEANNE MARTIN** was hired as a part time Administrative Assistant to Hope Mullins in the Social and Behavior Science and History and Political Science Departments. She graduated from DSU in May 2017 with a Bachelor of Science in English with an emphasis in Professional and Technical Writing.

**FANHAO NIE (SOCIOLOGY)** joined the Applied Sociology program in August of this year. He will teach courses on “Statistics” and “Survey and Data Analysis,” anchoring the quantitative side of the program. He also co-authored an article, “Ambient Air Pollution and Support for Tobacco Control among Medical Professionals: A Nationwide Study on Chinese Medical Students,” published in Tobacco Control.

**CINDY KING (ENGLISH)** has had poems accepted for publication in The Cincinnati Review, The Linnet’s Wings, and Nasty Women Poets: An Unapologetic Anthology of Subversive Verse.

to edit an oral history of Roger Corman’s independent film company New World Pictures.

**BRONSON BEATTY (ENGLISH)** just signed a short story publication contract. The short story is titled “To Build a Son” and will be published in the professionally-paying venue Alliterate Magazine. It will be published sometime in spring of 2018; a concrete date has not been set yet.

**KRISTINE OLSON (PSYCHOLOGY)** co-authored two articles: “Insecurity in the Ivory Tower: Direct and Indirect Effects of Budget Cuts, Pay Stagnation, and Job Insecurity on Faculty Performance,” published in Economic and Industrial Democracy; and “This is our house! Why are I-Os losing at the gender disparity game?” published in Industrial and Organizational Psychology: Perspectives on Science and Practice.

**THE PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT HOSTED** a Psych Night for interested students on September 13.

**2017 HISTORY GRADUATE JASON RHODES** was the first person in southern Utah to be accepted into the JET program offered by Japan Ministry of Education. He and his wife, Emily Rhodes, will be in Japan for the next few years and are currently applying for history graduate programs in Japan for the next school year.

**CHANDLER WHITLOCK** was hired as the Humanities Advisor. He graduated from Utah State University in May 2017 with a degree in Psychology and Health Promotion.

**JEREMY C. YOUNG (HISTORY)** published an op-ed based on his research, “President Trump’s Rallies Are About Boosting His Ego, Not His Agenda,” in the Washington Post. Another of his historically-themed op-eds, “A Utah Tale of Two Monuments,” was published in the Salt Lake Tribune.

**OLGA PILKINGTON (ENGLISH), AMANDA SCOTT, AURORA GALEANA, JENNIFER GIBB, AND TERRI CRAIG** all appointed to one-year full-time teaching positions.
TWO MINUTES WITH FEATHERSTONE

Remember how in the comic strip Peanuts, Lucy van Pelt would set up her advice stand, and in exchange for anything from a nickel to a quarter she would dish out her words of wisdom? Her advice was always funny, and sometimes surprisingly poignant. Well, with Lucy as my role model I offer the following four pieces of advice.

1. Recognize that transforming an institution from a four-year college to a legitimate university is exhausting.

2. Accept that you need to make time for self-care.

3. Join with others around you to support and encourage each other.

4. Follow a time-tested recipe for dealing with stress and anxiety—seek comfort and solace from the arts and humanities.

On this last point, let me offer three specific examples. Whenever King Saul of Israel was filled with depression and fear, David would play the harp to comfort him (1 Samuel 16).

When King Xerxes I of the Persian Empire had trouble sleeping, he liked to have a history book read to him (Esther 6). And even the sage, though anxiety ridden, philosopher Charlie Brown took time out sometimes to listen to Schroeder play the piano. In a phrase, refresh yourself with the delights offered by literature, poetry, and the visual and performing arts.

In conclusion, I invite you to enjoy this collection of comics presenting Lucy’s more famous words of advice here. I’m curious to learn which are your favorites.

- Dr. Richard Featherstone, Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.