



HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

from City of Ann Arbor Police Services

**TRICK-OR-TREATING MAY TAKE PLACE
IN CITY OF ANN ARBOR NEIGHBORHOODS
ON FRIDAY, OCT. 31, 2008, BETWEEN 5 AND 8 P.M.**

Halloween is the children's night for tricks and treats ... ghosts and goblins ... haunts and horrors. Unfortunately, some of the horrors are all too real. Every year, on Halloween, many children suffer from auto accidents, fire injuries, falls, cuts, bruises or poisoned treats. Be aware and be informed so your children can have a safe, enjoyable Halloween. Supervise your children's evening, and stay in neighborhoods that are well-lit and familiar. Here are more precautions to help keep your Halloween happy.

RISKY ROADWAYS

- Children become careless from excitement and may run into the road.
- Dusk is the time of poorest visibility for drivers. Try to Trick or Treat while it is still daylight.
- Choose a costume that is easy to walk in, easy to see out of and can be seen by car drivers.
- If the Trick or Treating lasts into the night, wear a light colored costume.
- Use reflective tape on the costume for additional visibility.

DANGEROUS DRESS

- Loose costumes, oversized bags or unsafe shoes can cause falls or accidents.
- Masks reduce vision.
- Sharp or pointed toy weapons are unsafe.
- If wearing a mask, choose one that is cool, comfortable and easy to see out of. Take off the mask before crossing the street. Better yet, wear make-up instead of a mask.

FRIGHTFUL FLAMES

- Billowing costumes are dangerous around an open flame.
- Flowing false-hair wigs are unsafe around candles.
- Wigs and costumes should be of non-flammable materials.
- Use a flashlight. It makes children more visible and lights their way.

TREACHEROUS TREATS

- It's sad, but true, that some people wish to cause harm. Treats must be checked for potential poisoning or unsafe objects.
- Unpackaged items such as popcorn or small candies should be DISCARDED.
- Candy with loose or torn wrappings should be DISCARDED.
- If you should discover anything wrong with the "TREATS" brought home, report it to law enforcement so that other parents may be warned and the people responsible caught. In Ann Arbor, call police services at 734.994.2911.



Police Services
Non Emergencies: 734.994.2911
Emergencies: 9-1-1

HAVE A SAFE HALLOWEEN

Fall events in the Ann Arbor Parks!

Trick or Treating may take place in City of Ann Arbor neighborhoods on Friday, October 31, 2008, between 5 and 8 p.m.

Ann Arbor Senior Center, www.a2gov.org/senior

1320 Baldwin Avenue, 734.769.5911

Pam Simmons, Facility Supervisor, psimmons@a2gov.org

Center hours: Monday- Friday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Halloween Party

Oct. 31. Fee: \$5.

Veterans Memorial Park Sports Complex, www.a2gov.org/veterans

2150 Jackson Road, 734.761.7240

Dennis Simon, Facility Supervisor; dsimon@a2gov.org

Jason Nealis, Facility Supervisor; jnealis@a2gov.org; 734.994.2785

Halloween Skate

Oct. 25, 1 to 2:30 p.m. General admission. Skate to the spooky sounds of Halloween. Best costume prizes awarded. Fun for all ages.

Ann Arbor Canoe Liveries, www.a2gov.org/canoe

Argo 1055 Longshore Drive, 734.668.7411

Cheryl Saam, Facility Supervisor, csaam@a2gov.org; 734.994.2778

Trick or Treat Down the River

Sunday, Oct. 26. Begin your trip from the Argo Canoe Livery anytime between 12 and 4 p.m. Fee: \$22/boat, no pre-registration required.

Experience the Huron River in all its fall beauty while also enjoying trick-or-treating by canoe or kayak. All ages welcome to canoe or kayak from Argo down to Gallup Canoe Livery, stopping along the way to collect candy and drink swamp muck given out by costumed characters.

Leslie Science & Nature Center, www.lesliesnc.org

1831 Traver Road, 734.997.1553

Kirsten Levinsohn, Director; info@lesliesnc.org

Animal Haunts: Creatures of the Night

Oct. 25, 6-9 p.m. Fee: \$8 per person, \$30 per family. All ages are invited. An adult is required. Thank you. Celebrate Halloween at LSNC's non-scary Animal Haunts featuring our favorite Creatures of the Night. Out on the trail we will visit costumed characters that will entertain and educate us with skits and songs. Join us for games, hay jumping, face painting, and guided hikes (40 min.) that leave from the campfire every few minutes



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