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## **BLOCK WATCH NEWSLETTER** **OCTOBER 2016**

Here are some suggestions to have a safer Halloween:

### **Costumes**

- Keep them simple. Long and fancy ones could cause children to trip.
- They should be light in color. Reflecting tape can be added for nighttime.
- Regular street shoes should be worn, not fancy and bulky ones.
- Guns and swords should be made from Styrofoam or cardboard.
- At least one person in the group should carry a flashlight.

### **Masks**

- Paint faces or use makeup instead of using masks

### **Treats**

- NEVER eat anything until after you are home, and treats have been examined.
- CUT and WASH fruit before eating.
- Check wrappers of treats for tampering.
- Notify police if any harmful items are found.

### **Parties**

- Parties are suggested instead of allowing children to go trick or treating. Get some friends together and have a safer place for your children to have fun.

### **Trick or Treating**

- A responsible adult or teen should accompany each group. Limit the group size to four or five. Trick or Treating should be for small children only. If a child is too old to be accompanied, he/she is too old to go trick or treating.
- WALK! Do not run.
- Stay in your own neighborhood, and only go to houses with porch lights on and to neighbors you know will not harm you.
- Never enter a stranger's house even if invited.
- Carry trick or treat bags that have handles to keep your arms free.

### **Parents**

- To avoid encouraging your children to enter a stranger's home, never invite trick or treaters into your home.
- Give wrapped homemade treats to children you know, and wrapped commercial treats to others.
- Know which friends your children will be with.
- Do not leave your home unattended on Halloween night.
- Leave your porch lights on, so children will know it is okay to visit your home.
- Keep your pets inside (house or garage) on Halloween night.

Areas of Concern

Truman Way	Theft of outdoor property
Grand Avenue	Criminal mischief to vehicle
Biggin Hill Lane	Thefts from vehicles
Ledbury Way	Traffic issues
Gateway Drive	Criminal Mischief to unlocked vehicles
Stara Way	Theft of mail matter
Forrestwood Drive	Theft of daily newspaper
Chambers Way	Theft of daily newspaper
Antone Parkway	Criminal mischief to unlocked vehicles
Walnutwood Way	Attempted break in to residence
Loch Lea Lane	Criminal mischief

Please remember to keep your homes, sheds, garages  
and vehicles locked at all times!

CALL THE POLICE 267-0503

GET INVOLVED by watching your neighbor's house.  
BE GOOD EYES for the police department.

Tom Dillard

Crime Prevention / Chaplain / Community Liaison

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**Jeffersontown Pumpkinfest**  
**Saturday, October 29, 4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.**

**Be sure to pick up a Happy Halloween reflective bag for  
trick or treating at the annual Pumpkinfest on  
Gaslight Square, downtown Jefftersontown.**

**The Family movie nights series continues following  
Pumpkinfest with Hotel Transylvania!**