

GARDEN CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Neighborhood Watch Newsletter

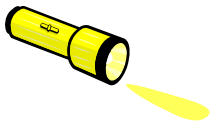
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HALLOWEEN TRICK-OR-TREAT SAFETY

A message for you and your child to help them stay safe during Halloween season-

TRICK-OR-TREATERS:



Carry a flashlight

Walk, don't run

Stay on Sidewalks
Obey traffic signals

Stay in familiar neighborhoods

Don't cut across yards

Wear a watch you can read in the dark

Make sure costumes don't drag on the ground.



Shoes should fit (even if they don't go with your costume)

Avoid wearing masks while walking from house to house.

Stay away from and don't pet animals you don't know.

Carry only flexible knives, swords or other props.

(If no sidewalk) walk on the left side of the road facing traffic

Wear clothing with reflective markings or tape

Approach only houses that are lit.



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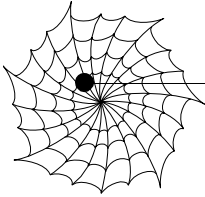
ADDITIONAL TIPS FOR PARENTS...

If your children go on their own, be sure they wear a watch they can read in the dark and set a curfew time.

Young children should be accompanied by an adult.

Instruct children NOT to eat any candy before it's inspected.

Look for flame-retardant costumes and add reflective material on them if needed.



TIPS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Make sure your yard is clear of such things as ladders, hoses, dog leashes and flower pots that can trip the young ones.



Pets get frightened on Halloween. Put them up to protect them from cars or inadvertently biting a trick-or-treater.

Battery powered jack o'lantern candles are preferable to a real flame.

If you do use candles, place the pumpkin well away from where trick-or-treaters will be walking or standing.

Make sure paper or cloth yard decorations won't be blown into a flaming candle.



Consider giving non-food treats: plastic rings, pencils, stickers, erasers, coins.

Consider healthy food alternatives for trick-or-treaters such as:



Low-fat crackers with cheese or peanut butter filling, single-serve boxes of cereal, packaged fruit rolls, mini boxes of raisins and single-serve packets of low-fat popcorn that can be micro-waved later.

WATCH BLOCK NEWS

As a reminder, our meetings are meetings will still be held at the Maplewood Center on FOLLOWING MONTHS :

- October
- December-Christmas Party
- March
- May-Crime Prevention Month

Newsletters will continue to be made available every month to be picked up in the lobby. If there are no Newsletters for that month available, please contact Nancy Miner or I.

Remember, any topics you would like discussed, please let me know so I can schedule

your topic for one of our meetings. Thank you again for your support.

Have a happy and safe Halloween.

Detective Sergeant Brian Aure'

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCK / CITY CRIME STATS

September crime stats

Robbery 0
 Public Peace 4
 Fraud 15
 Drugs 14
 Property Damage 16
 Sexual Assault 1

Arson 0
 Breaking & Entering 15
 Larceny 51
 Stolen Vehicles 8
 Assaults 35
 Murder 0

The numbers listed represent statistics for the entire city during the month listed

