



PRESS RELEASE

**Halloween Trick-or-Treat Hours**

**September 24, 2013**

By special resolution, the Villa Park President and Board of Trustees have adopted Thursday, October 31, 2013 between 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. as the official hours for Halloween Trick-or-Treating. All local schools have been notified of this resolution and will be encouraging their students to comply with the Trick-or-Treat hours. In addition, Chief of Police Robert Pavelchik would like to encourage parents to make sure that their children Trick-or-Treat only during those hours.

Chief Pavelchik also recommends that parents take a few simple, but important, steps to help ensure their children's safety during Halloween.

1. Young children should be accompanied by a responsible adult while Trick-or-Treating.
2. Make sure that any masks that are worn do not block the vision of your children. They should be able to see well both in front and to each side.
3. If you are Trick-or-Treating after dark, please use reflective tape on costumes and carry a flashlight.
4. For parents of older children, you should know the routes they are planning to take and set a time for them to be home. It is strongly recommended that children go out in groups rather than by themselves.
5. Review the contents of all treats collected by your children before allowing it to be eaten. Remove any suspicious treats. If any treats show signs of possible tampering, please call the police department.

For the safety of your children and the rest of the community, we strongly encourage all parents to support the resolution and, also, report any suspicious activities that may occur. Additional police personnel will be on hand to assist our residents.

Have a happy and safe Halloween.

Robert Pavelchik  
Chief of Police

See additional safety tips [here](#).

See Halloween Trick-or-Treat Resolution #13-49 [here](#).

