



The Grove at SummerBrooke

Fall Newsletter

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Fall Festival

Saturday, November 3rd

11:30 am until 1:30 pm

Grove Entryway

Inflatable Bouncer and Balloon Artist for the kids' enjoyment!

Please bring a dessert to share.



Check out the New Bike Rack at the entrance...



Kids can safely secure

their bike while at school.



COVENANT REMINDERS

- Pick up after your pet when they **defecate**. This has become a real problem at the front entrance and the Applewood Way Circle.
- Garage doors are required to be kept **closed** except for exiting and entering. This also reduces the risk of theft.
- Be mindful of your neighbors and keep outdoor **pets quiet**.
- Remove garbage cans/recycle bins from the street after pick up and place out of sight. **Trash and Recycling Receptacles must be kept out of sight.**
- Routinely cut your grass and weed your flower beds, a little bit of work can make the whole neighborhood look good.

Holiday Decorating



Sunday, December 2nd

11:00 am

At the Entrance Sign



Happy Halloween!



Check out these Cool Pumpkin Carving Websites

www.ehow.com/how_3983_carve-pumpkin.html

www.pumpkin carving 101.com

www.nationalgeographic.com/ngkids/trythis/pumpkins.html

Make a Hairy Scary Spider

(<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/ngkids/trythis/spider.html>)

To Make One Hairy Spider You Will Need:

- two black pipe cleaners, 12 inches (30 centimeters) long
- two plastic doll eyes
- black pom-pom
- household glue



Here's how:

1. CUT EACH PIPE CLEANER in half.
2. PUT ALL FOUR PIECES side by side and twist them together at the middle.
3. HOLD THEM at the twist with one hand while your gently bend the pipe cleaners into eight legs.
4. GLUE THE POM-POM to the twist at the center of the legs.
5. GLUE THE TWO EYES to the pom-pom.

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Red Cross Halloween Safety Tips for Kids and Adults

(<http://www.redcross.org/services/hss/tips/october/octtips.html>)

With witches, goblins, and super-heroes descending on neighborhoods across America, the American Red Cross offers parents some safety tips to help prepare their children for a safe and enjoyable trick-or-treat holiday. Halloween should be filled with surprise and enjoyment, and following some common sense practices can keep events safer and more fun.

- Look both ways before crossing the street to check for cars, trucks, and low-flying brooms.
- Cross the street only at corners.
- Don't hide or cross the street between parked cars.
- Wear light-colored or reflective-type clothing so you are more visible. (And remember to put reflective tape on bikes, skateboards, and brooms, too!)
- Plan your route and share it with your family. If possible, have an adult go with you.
- Carry a flashlight to light your way.
- Keep away from open fires and candles. (Costumes can be extremely flammable.)
- Visit homes that have the porch light on.
- Accept your treats at the door and never go into a stranger's house.
- Use face paint rather than masks or things that will cover your eyes.
- Be cautious of animals and strangers.
- Have a grown-up inspect your treats before eating. And don't eat candy if the package is already opened. Small, hard pieces of candy are a choking hazard for young children.



Halloween Pet Safety Tips (<http://www.h4ha.org/pet-safety/halloween-pet-safety-tips-2.html>)

Halloween may be fun for children but it can be a traumatic and even dangerous time for your pet. Here are a few common sense tips to protect your pet on Halloween:

- Keep your pet away from the front door. Keeping your pet in a separate room during the trick-or-treating hours is best. At an open door, dogs in particular, may feel the need to "protect their home and humans" and may bite your bizarre-looking visitors. Your pet may also become frightened and dart out through the open door.
- Don't leave your pet out in the yard (front or back yard) on Halloween. There are plenty of stories of vicious pranksters who have teased, injured, stolen, even killed pets on this night.
- Trick-or-treat candies are not for pets. **Chocolate is poisonous** to many animals, and tin foil and cellophane candy wrappers can be hazardous if swallowed.
- Be careful of pets around candles and lit pumpkins. These may be easily knocked over and cause a fire. Curious kittens especially run the risk of getting badly burned.
- Don't dress your pet in a costume unless you know he loves it. This may put added stress on the animal. If you do dress up your dog, make sure the costume isn't constricting, annoying or unsafe. Be careful not to obstruct his vision, even the gentlest dog can get snappy when he can't see what's going on around him.



Remember that your pets are depending on you to keep them safe from the more dangerous goblins and ghouls that this holiday brings out.



Make Ghastly Ghosts

(<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/ngkids/trythis/smallghosts.html>)



Follow these instructions to create your own miniature ghosts. Then hang them all over your house.

You will need:

- small round or oval balloons
- white wrapping tissue (20 inches [51 centimeters] on a side or larger)
- rubber bands
- string
- black felt-tip marker

Here's how:

1. **BLOW UP SEVERAL BALLOONS** and knot them at the neck. (You may want to ask an adult to help.)
2. **PLACE EACH BALLOON** in the center of a sheet of tissue paper. Gather the paper around the balloon and secure it with a rubber band.
3. **DRAW A SCARY FACE** on each ghost.
4. **HANG EACH GHOST** up by tying a string to the rubber band.

**The Grove at SummerBrooke Residents
2007 Phone Directory**

A new and updated community phone directory is currently in production. Please return the completed form below to the Association office by **November 15, 2007**. Please note that this information is only intended for use within The Grove community. If you do not wish to be included in the phone directory please indicate below.

NAME: _____

First Name (Include Spouse)

Last Name

ADDRESS: _____

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Home

e-mail address

PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE ME IN THE DIRECTORY: _____



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