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# Trick or Treat!!

**Michigan City, IN** - Mayor Chuck Oberlie and Chief Ben Neitzel ask that each neighborhood work with the City for the safety of our children and hold Trick or Treating during these designated hours. Residents participating are asked to turn on their porch lights during this time. Extra police patrols will be utilized during this event throughout the City.

**Saturday, October 31, 2009  
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

### **Tips for a Safe Halloween:**

- Always go trick-or-treating with a group of friends, older brothers and sisters or your parents—never alone.
- If you trick-or-treat after dark, carry a flashlight so you and your friends can see where you're going and make sure people can see your costume by adding some bright, reflective colors or tape.
- Stay in neighborhoods you know and only trick-or-treat at houses that are well lit.
- Always walk on sidewalks and driveways, never in the street or through people's yards.
- Don't eat any of your treats until you and your parents check them over and throw away the treats that don't have wrappers. It is always a good idea to cut large treats and fruit into bite-size pieces. Also never pick up a treat off the ground, even if it is still in its wrapper.
- Never accept a ride from a stranger.

**Have A Safe & Scary  
Halloween!!**

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