# **Keep Children Safe** At Halloween

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New mothers (up to one year

■ Children (under six years of

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documents to Child's Path for

Or bring the following

1.) Proof of address (e.g. driver's

license, utility bill, checkbook,

nutrition food supplement pro-

gram for low-income:

after birth).

age).

Babies

certification:

Pregnant women.



hildren see Halloween as a time for fun and festivity, not as a risk to their health and safety. However, parents and communities must work together to make this holiday a safe and happy one, according to the nation's oldest and largest parent-teacher association, the National PTA.

Halloween will mark the kickoff of the National PTA's third annual Child Safety and Protection Month. Each November the 6.4 million-member association focuses its efforts on keeping children and youth safe from harm. A planning kit designed to involve the entire community is available from the National PTA for the 26,300 local PTAs and others interested in organizing year-round safety learning activities for children. The topics addressed are child care, toy safety, teen sexual abuse, pedestrian safety, gangs and rural safety.

In Addition to the safety topics covered in the kit, the National PTA offers the following suggestions for parents to help make trick-or-treating a safe and enjoyable experience.

### SAFETY ON THE STREET

· Have an adult accompany children on their treat-gathering route. Avoid unfamiliar neighborhoods or homes of strangers. Stop only at houses or apartments that are well lit.

· Tell children to accept only manufactured-wrapped treats and not to sample anything until they return home. Inspect their treats for possible tampering.

· Tell children to politely decline any invitations to enter a home or apartment. Similarly, don't encourage children you

don't know to enter your home. Instruct children to walk, not run, from house to house. They should walk on sidewalks, not in the streets, and cross at intersections or crosswalks. Teach them not to dart out between parked cars.

· Older kids without adult chaperones should always travel in groups, never alone. Have them plan a route to follow and designate a time they'll return home.

## COSTUMES

· Affix name, address and phone number to the inside of young children's costumes in case they get lost. Give children coins and instruct them to call if there is a problem.

 Natural masks of make-up are preferable to plastic or rubber ones that may restrict breathing or obstruct peripheral vision.

· Purchase only costumes, beards and wigs labeled "flame resistant."

· See that costumes are short enough so that youngsters don't trip. Bright colors and costumes with reflector tape are more visible. Have them wear safe and sturdy shoes.

 Swords, knives and similar costume accessories should be made of soft flexible material. Avoid toy weapons that could be mistaken for the real thing.

· Don't allow children to use

candles. Carry a flashlight instead. The National PTA suggests that a better alternative to children going door-to-door could include asking your local PTA to host an allschool Halloween party having children dress up. Award prizes for the best costumes. The school could show a "ghost" movie or have a parent or teacher read ghost stories. Parents might provide refreshments and individual bags of treats for each child to

take home. Another idea is for parents to host a house party for children and teens and their families. Everyone could dress up as their favorite characters and participate in a treasure hunt in and around the

house. Other alternatives to trick-ortreating include creating a haunted house for teens, staging a Halloween block party or having a hayride.

2.) Verification of present income (e.g. pay stubs, welfare check, etc.).

3.) Proof of age for children under six years of age (e.g. birth certificate, immunization records,

4.) Pregnancy verification from your medical provider (for pregnant women).

5.) Bring the infant or child to the initial screening.

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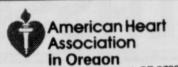
· An applicant must not be enrolled in WIC (Women-Infant-Children Food Supplemental Program).

· A child under six years old who is no longer eligible for WIC assistance may still be eligible for the programs.

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ly to the: **Director of Supplemental Foods Program** c/o Food and Nutrition Service 3101 Park Center Drive Alexanderia, Virginia 22301

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where turmoils cease. by Helen Steiner Rice

October 20, 1988, Portland Observer, Page 7 Three Generations Of ...

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