

Treats, costumes and ghosts, oh my

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Whether it's frightful fun, tasty treats or just hanging out with friends — as Halloween approaches there are a variety of things to do in the area.

With Halloween falling on Sunday, people have an opportunity to take in lots of events and activities throughout the weekend. From businesses and churches to bars and municipalities, numerous groups are ready to celebrate with much more than candy.

Here's a sampling of some of the Halloween happenings (entry to activities are free, unless otherwise noted):

HERMISTON

Treats on Main and Beyond

- Friday, Oct. 29, 3-5 p.m. and 4-6 p.m.
- Downtown, Festival Street and the Hermiston Community Center

After a drive-thru version in 2020 because of COVID-19 regulations, the popular event returns this year. Little ghosts, goblins and superheroes are invited to don their costumes for safe trick-or-treating 3-5 p.m. in downtown Hermiston. Participating businesses will have signs in their windows inviting kids to come inside for a treat.

After collecting a cache of candy, head to the Hermiston Community Center, 415 S. Highway 395, 4-6 p.m. for carnival games, a haunted house, glow maze, prizes and much more.

Volunteer opportunities are plentiful to help with the event. Businesses, clubs, groups and indi-

viduals are encouraged to contact Hermiston Parks & Recreation at 541-667-5018 or parksandrec@hermiston.or.us.

Teen Halloween Party

- Friday, 2:30 p.m.
- Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave.

Youths in sixth through 12th grade are invited to party with their peers. The event includes snacks, games and costume competitions.

For more information, call 541-567-2882.

Fall Fest

- Sunday, 3-5 p.m.
- Hermiston Church of the Nazarene, 1520 W. Orchard Ave.

The family-friendly event features trunk-or-treating (including non-candy alternatives), hay rides and glow-in-the-dark carnival games. Volunteers are welcome.

For more information, call 541-567-3677, visit www.hermnaz.church or search Facebook.

'Hocus Pocus' Movie Night

- Friday, 6 p.m.
- Hermiston Athletic Club, 80903 N. Highway 395

The Halloween-themed fantasy/comedy flick "Hocus Pocus" is presented by Walt Disney Pictures and is rated PG. It's about a curious youngster who moves to Salem, Massachusetts, where he struggles to fit in before awakening a trio of diabolical witches that were executed in the 17th century.

Entry is \$5 per person, which includes water, popcorn, cotton candy and goodie bags for the kids with coloring books and treats. Bring the whole family and a blanket or chair.

To reserve a spot or for more information, call 541-256-2995.

Halloween Party

- Saturday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Next Chapter Bookstore, 1000 S. Highway 395, Suite C

The event starts with a Halloween storytime, followed by book-themed crafts, spooky cookies from the Sugar Shack and the chance for kids to show off their Halloween costumes.

For more information, call 541-667-7080 or search Facebook.

Adult Halloween Party

- Saturday, 5 p.m.
- Cozy Corner Tavern, 198 E. Main St.

The event features live music, a costume contest and prize money. (541-567-9229).

Adult Halloween Party

- Saturday, 9 p.m.
- Midway Bar & Grill, 1750 N. First St.

A spooky good time awaits people with a costume contest, a trivia contest, food and drink specials and music with MC Sandi. (541-567-5180).

UMATILLA

Trick or Treat on Sixth Street

- Friday, 4-7 p.m.
- Sixth Street and Victory Square Park

The city of Umatilla and the Umatilla Chamber of Commerce are shaking off the cobwebs and bringing back their premiere Halloween event. The activities will begin a bit low-key — sans the flashing lights and loud sounds — for those with sensory concerns. At 4:30 p.m., the sound will crescendo.



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Madison Finch (Moaning Myrtle) places the sorting hat on a trick-or-treater during the 2019 Trick-or-Treat on Sixth Street at Umatilla City Hall, which was decorated as Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. The popular Halloween event returns Friday, Oct. 29, 2021, in downtown Umatilla.

A trunk-or-treat at Victory Square Park will include a booth by the Umatilla Museum and Historical Society, who are hosting a pet costume contest — open to all critters, from dogs to llamas. Prizes will be awarded to the top dogs (or other animals).

After the trick-or-treating winds down, STATIK will perform 7:30-10 p.m. for a special Music in the Park.

For more information, search Facebook or call the city at 541-922-3226 or the chamber at 541-922-4825.

STANFIELD

Stanfield Fall Festival

- Saturday, 5-8 p.m.
- Bard Park

Family fun includes game booths, hay rides, a hay maze, a hot dog dinner, trunk-or-treating, a raffle ticket and a pass for the Haunted Library. A fundraiser for Stanfield Parks & Recreation, the cost is \$20 (pre-pay \$15 by Oct. 29 at the library, 180 W. Coe Ave., 541-449-1254).

Haunted Library

- Friday and Saturday, 6-9 p.m.
- Stanfield Public Library, 180 W. Coe Ave.

The cost is \$5 per person (or free with festival wristband)

Trunk or Treat

- Sunday, 6-8 p.m.
- Crossroads Community Church, 350 N. Sherman Ave.

Includes candy, hot cocoa and a prayer tent (541-449-3434).

BRIEFS

Local region is now on the mural map

Umatilla County is on the map as part of the Oregon Mural Trail.

A Travel Oregon tourism campaign featuring whimsical and enchanting scenes highlights the wonders and landmarks of towns across the state. Pendleton will unveil its mural project — a scene depicting George Fletcher during the historic saddle bronc finals held at the 1911 Pendleton Round-Up — during a Nov. 3 celebration.

The public is invited to the ribbon-cutting event, which runs from 4-7 p.m. — starting in the parking lot behind Old West Federal Credit Union, 300 block of Southwest First Street. The festivities continue with a reception, including refreshments and light appetizers, at the Pendleton Underground Shamrock Saloon.

For questions, contact Kristen Dollarhide, Travel Pendleton director, at 541-276-7411 or kristen@travelpendleton.com. For more about the Oregon Mural Trail, search www.trav-eloregon.com.

American Legion Post honors Stanfield police

The American Legion Post No. 37 Honor Guard held an outdoor ceremony Monday, Oct. 18, to express gratitude to the Stanfield Police Department. Led by Chief Bryon Zumwalt, the department also provides

police services to the town of Echo.

Post Commander Aaron Wetterling presented each of the department's officers with a certificate of appreciation along with a small monetary gift to be shared with their families. Following the presentation, the officers were asked to huddle up while members of the American Legion Honor Guard gathered around.

Post Chaplain Karl Niemeyer read from Hebrews 11 in the Bible. He then offered a prayer of protection and for the health and safety of the department.

Chartered by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization, the American Legion focuses on providing service to veterans, military personnel and local communities. It advocates for social change, secures benefits for veterans and develops and supports programs for children and youths. The American Legion also has auxiliary units — which includes close relatives of veterans — who are dedicated to serving veterans, military personnel and their families.

The local post and auxiliary unit meets the first Monday of each month, 7 p.m. at Agape House, 500 W. Harper Road, Hermiston. For questions about the post, call Wetterling at 541-720-1815 and for the auxiliary unit, call Cathy Stolz at 541-571-5816. For more information about the non-



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Chaplain Karl Niemeyer, far left, and Commander Aaron Wetterling, far right, both of American Legion Post No. 37, participate in an honor guard ceremony Oct. 18, 2021, recognizing the service of the Stanfield Police Department.

profit organization, visit www.legion.org.

Out of the Darkness hosts virtual fundraiser

This year's Out of the Darkness awareness event and fundraiser for suicide prevention will be held virtually.

People are encouraged to register online for the Out of the Darkness Eastern Oregon Walk. Money raised helps support efforts of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

According to organizers, the global pandemic has impacted the emotional and economic well-being of

many individuals and families — leaving many feeling alone while trying to manage a variety of emotions, including feelings of uncertainty. And sometimes with that uncertainty, thoughts of suicide surface. The mission of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention is to invest in life-saving

research, education, advocacy and support for those impacted by suicide.

For more information, to register for a virtual walk or to raise money, visit www.afsp.org/Pendleton. Donations will be accepted through Dec. 31. For questions, contact Morgan Linder at 541-278-5432

or morgan.linder@umatilla-county.net.

In addition, people are encouraged to post their Out of the Darkness awareness efforts on social media and use the hashtags #OutOftheDarkness and #TogetherToFightSuicide. For more resources, visit www.afsp.org/resources.

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