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Halloween Update

If you choose to participate in Halloween activities this year, the City of Oneonta asks that you follow the recommendations of the Center for Disease Control (CDC). As traditional trick or treating is considered a high risk activity in terms of possible COVID-19 spread, please consider one-way trick-or-treating where individually wrapped goodie bags are lined up for families to grab and go while continuing to social distance (such as at the end of a driveway or at the edge of a yard). If you choose to offer goodie bags to trick or treaters you should wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds before and after preparing them. Please leave your lights on so trick or treaters know they are welcome. For those choosing to trick or treat we advise that families keep a distance of at least 6 feet from other families and that everyone wear a mask when possible.

In addition, Main Street will be closed to traffic from 1pm - 3:30pm on Halloween to allow socially distanced Trick or Treating downtown. Many merchants and restaurants (with assistance of gloved and masked volunteers from the colleges) will be dispensing wrapped candy IN FRONT of their establishments. Look for signs in the windows of participating businesses.

Let's make this year's Halloween both fun and safe.