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Trick-or-treating set for Sunday before Halloween in Toms River

Due to the 78th annual Toms River Halloween Parade taking place on Monday, October 31, 2016, the traditional ‘trick or treating’ activities in town will be observed on Sunday, October 30th.

Mayor Thomas F. Kelaher said in order to avoid a conflict with the Halloween Parade, Toms River will observe Halloween on October 30th.

“This was a joint decision made by the Township, Toms River Fire Companies and the Toms River Police Department. We want children to be come to the parade with their families but still enjoy the time honored tradition of trick-or-treating.”

Police Chief Mitch Little says while Halloween is one of the most enjoyable times of the year for children, it also presents dangers if the proper precautions are not taken.

“On October 30th, motorists should be aware and drive with extra caution. We advise parents to accompany children or have kids trick-or-treat in groups, always carry a flashlight for safety, stay on sidewalks or as close to the curb as possible and only go to houses where the porch lights are on.”

While there is no official curfew in Toms River, Chief Little says that all trick-or-treaters will be asked to be off town streets by 9:00 p.m.

“As always please contact the Toms River Police Department if you see or hear any suspicious activity. Have a safe and Happy Halloween,” said Chief Little.

For parade information, visit <http://www.trfc1.org/halloween.html>.