

City of Woodstock's KidsFest

Halloween Trail of Tricks & Treats!

Putting the fun back in Halloween!

In 2005, the downtown merchants in the City of Woodstock decided to host a trick or treating event in the City Park. Their goal was to provide a safe and secure Halloween alternative to door to door trick or treating. What started out as a quaint and casual evening has blossomed into one of the City's most favorite parties of the year. . . KidsFest! The COVID outbreak in 2020 transformed this event into the Halloween Trail of Tricks & Treats which allowed for social distancing at that time. Turns out, we liked it better on the Trail!



Halloween night now welcomes a few thousand of our younger *ghouls* and *goblins* out for an evening of fun, music, carnival games, bubble play, Gellyball & Archery tag shooting galleries, inflatables, costumes, crafts, and of course, candy! Adults now join the party dressing up as their favorite characters having as much fun as the kids! Momentum Church and Big Idea Entertainment are on hand to bring on the *spirit* of the event. DJ Ronnie spins the tunes of our favorite Halloween themed songs that will have you singing right along! All of the activities are FREE and appropriate for all ages!

A highlight of the evening is watching the parade of kids (and parents!) show off their costumes with the latest trends such as Harry Potter, Pokémon, WWE wrestlers, Frozen and, most certainly, traditional outfits like witches, vampires, princesses, and ghosts! Either as a participant or an observer, this is THE place to people watch and enjoy the start of the autumn season.

The Rubes Creek Trail is paved and lit up for your safety and enjoyment. Parking nearby is free and portable restrooms are on site. Did we mention the fun skeleton displays you will see along your walk? Keep a look out for dozens of silly skeleton scenes and Halloween themed blow-ups to keep the kiddos entertained!

Enjoy the trail and depart safely with lots of treats, trinkets, toys, and happy memories!



KidsFest and the Halloween Trail of Tricks & Treats is always on the day of Halloween, October 31st, unless it falls on a Sunday in which case, the event will be held on Saturday. **This year's event is on Thursday, October 31st** and runs from **4:00 pm – 8:00 pm** on the Rubes Creek Trail near downtown Woodstock at 232 Arnold Mill Rd. What a great way to meet your neighbors and join the tradition which is KidsFest! See you there for a *Howling Good Time!*