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Why Do We Trick or Treat?

Every year on Halloween, kids, accompanied by their parents, turn out in droves to canvass the neighborhoods for goodies. It's the trick-or-treating tradition that no kid can do without! But where did this tradition come from?

Trick-or-Treat?

Europeans — most likely the Scottish and Irish — brought the traditions of “guising” (disguising) and souling to North America as early as the late 19th Century. By this time, All Souls’ Day had gone through a name change, becoming All-Hallows Eve, and finally, Halloween.

At first, the traditions of souling and guising in the United States were problematic. Youngsters used Halloween as an opportunity to prank people, and those pranks were often destructive, causing expensive property damage. It was right around the Great Depression that these activities became known as trick-or-treating. While Halloween was known as a time when pranksters were rampant, it was also as a time for kids to collect treats. Kids would ask, “trick-or-treat?” when they called on homes, giving homeowners a choice. Since no one wanted to be pranked, candy and other sweet treats

From that time onwards, trick-or-treating spread all over the United States. During World War II, trick-or-treating suffered a downturn due to sugar rationing — there just weren’t many treats to give out. But after the War, the tradition came roaring back, and now it’s impossible to imagine a Halloween without flocks of costumed kids going door-to-door looking for candy.

Some fun Trick-or-Treat facts:

The two most popular Halloween candies are the Snickers™ candy bar and Reese’s™ peanut butter cups.

90 million pounds of chocolate candy is sold during Halloween week. Approximately 35 million children in the U.S. go trick or treating every year. It is estimated that \$3 billion is spent on Halloween costumes annually in North America.



Recipe: Mummy Hot Dogs

Prep/Cook Time 5 mins Chill Time: 35 mins Total Time 35 mins

INGREDIENTS

1 (8-oz.) can Crescent dough
3 slices American cheese
12 hot dogs
2 tbsp. melted butter
Dijon mustard



INSTRUCTIONS

Preheat oven to 375° and line a large baking sheet with parchment paper. Separate crescent dough into 4 rectangles, pinching together seams as necessary. Cut each rectangle lengthwise into thin strips. Cut each slice of American cheese into 4 strips.

Place a hot dog on top of a piece of cheese, then wrap with crescent dough to look like bandages. (You'll need about 4 pieces of crescent dough per hot dog.) Repeat with remaining ingredients. Place on prepared baking sheet and brush with melted butter. Bake until crescent dough is golden and cooked through, 12 to 15 minutes. Using a toothpick, dot mustard onto each hot dog to create eyes.

Recipe: Brownie Bat Truffles

Prep Time 25 mins Total Time 3 hrs. 25 mins

INGREDIENTS

1 13"-x-9" pan fudgy brownies, baked and cooled
1/2 c. Chocolate frosting
7 Oreo cookies, halved and stuffing removed
11 oz. semisweet chocolate chips
2 c. Black sanding sugar
28 royal icing eyes or red M&Ms minis



DIRECTIONS

Line a baking sheet with parchment paper and set aside. In a large bowl, roughly crumble brownie by hand. Mix in chocolate frosting and gently knead mixture until evenly moistened. Using a cookie scoop, portion out 1 tablespoon brownie frosting mixture and roll into small balls. Insert two halved Oreo cookies on either side to create wings. Place brownie balls on the prepared baking sheet and freeze until firm, 2 hours. Remove balls from freezer and let come to room temperature, 15 minutes. Melt chocolate in a microwave-safe bowl in 5-second intervals. Dip bat brownie truffles in chocolate and dust with black sanding sugar. Decorate with royal icing eyes or M&Ms.

~Creative Corner~

Crafters! Creative Corner Is back! Please join us on Tuesday, October 12th from 5:00—7:00 pm. We will be making Pour Painting coasters using fall paint colors. Each participant will receive a set of 4 coasters. Cost is \$5.00 and we kindly request participants sign-up to ensure we have enough materials for everyone. Creative Corner is for adults only ages 18+. For more information or questions, please contact Sharon or Billie at 574-893-3200



~Kids/Juniors/Teens & Young Adults~

Preschool story hour: every Friday at 10:00 a.m. in our children's room. Children listen to stories and create a craft related to the theme chosen for that week.

Juniors:

Junior Book Club: Tuesday, October 12th and October 26th from 4:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Junior Craft Night: Thursday, October 7th from 4:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. Kids will make DIY Halloween Boo Friends. All supplies needed are provided at no cost.

Teens & Young Adults:

Teen Craft Night: Thursday, October 14th from 4:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m. Teens will be making DIY Halloween Boo Friends. All supplies needed are provided at no cost.

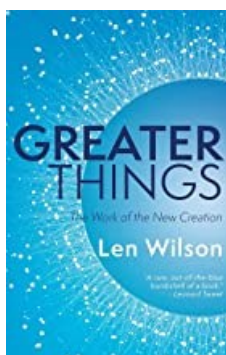
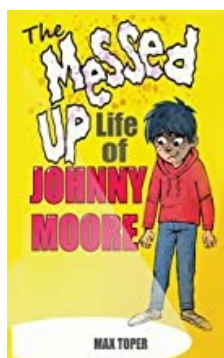
Teen Book Club: Tuesday, October 5th and October 19th from 4:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m.



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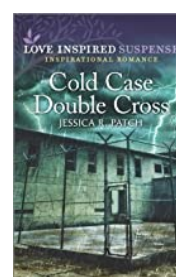
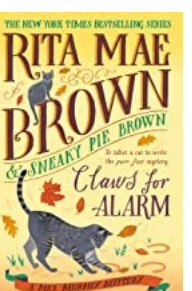
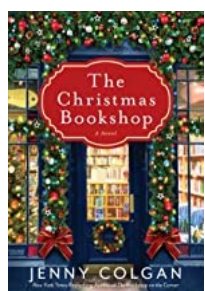
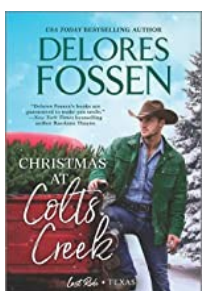
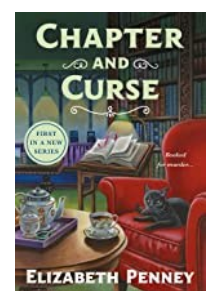
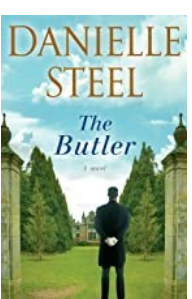
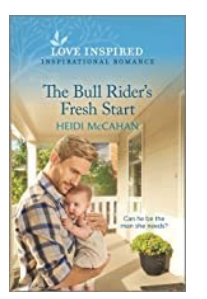
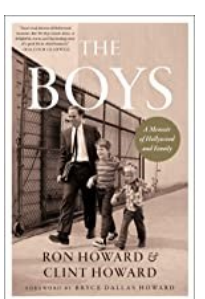
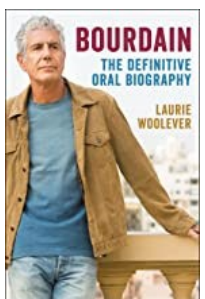
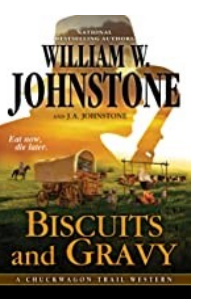
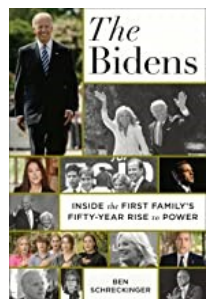
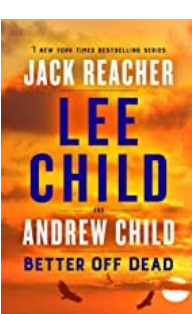
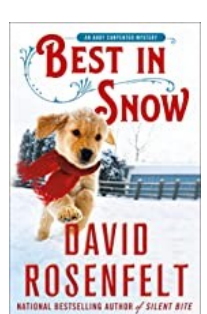
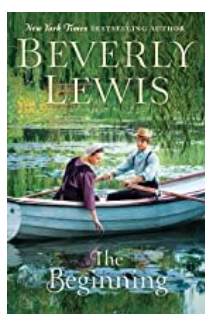
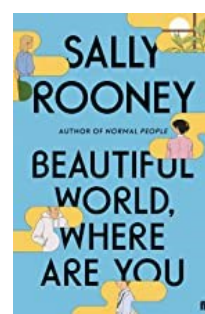
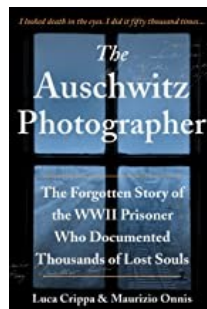
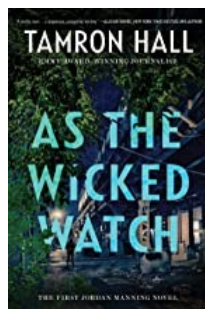
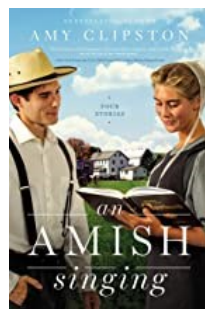
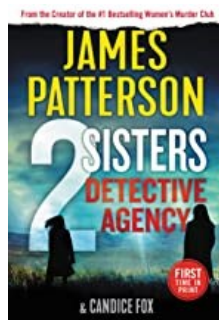


No Internet access at home? Let the Library help with that. Bell Memorial Library is circulating 4 Internet Hotspots.

These devices are about the size of a large cell phone and connect the user to the Internet via cell phone towers. The device will circulate for a week with a possibility of renewing for an additional week (as long as there are no prior holds, units can be reserved. For more information, contact Stephen Boggs at (574) 353-7234 or via e-mail at

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