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OCTOBER GIVEAWAY

This month ExpertCare will draw 2 employees at random who will each receive a \$50 gift card to Meijer!



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We will announce the winners in the November newsletter.





Ashley Charlton Barbara Grayeagle





HAVE YOU HEARD OF



Smart911 is a free, secure service in Michigan that allows you to create a Safety Profile with details about your household, medical conditions, and more to be automatically provided to 911 dispatchers and first responders during an emergency. You can sign up online at Smart911.com or through the Smart911 mobile app to provide crucial information, such as the number of people in your home, physical descriptions/photos, allergies, special needs of members living in the home, photos of missing persons, or details about property layouts, helping responders deliver faster and more effective assistance. When emergencies occur, it can be critical to deliver important information to responders.







COUNTY FISCAL YEAR END IS 9/30/2025

ExpertCare must receive all unpaid visits with dates worked through 9/30/2025 by Monday, October 6, 2025 at 8AM.

If we do not receive your completed visits by this time, it cannot be processed as we have very tight deadlines due to county year end.

WE MUST RECEIVE ALL VISITS BY MONDAY 10/6/25

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

Recipient Rights Corner



ExpertCare would like to first thank you for providing the highest quality care to your Recipient. ExpertCare wants to ensure the safety of our Recipients and continue to give you the tools to provide safe, quality care and wellbeing. Below are incidents that resulted in Recipient Rights violations. Please review the following Rights reminders to prevent further violations.

Recently, an incident was reported to ExpertCare and the Office of Recipient Rights involving a Caregiver bringing along their child and dog while providing CLS services to a Recipient.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind all Caregivers that family, visitors, friends and pets are not allowed to go to work with you. Even if the Recipient/family says it's okay; it is not permitted. While providing services, all Recipients shall receive services suited to his/her condition. During this time, the Recipient must be working towards goals in the plan of service. Caregivers must engage and be present with the Recipient to keep them focused on their goals in the IPOS. CLS services are to maintain and support the Recipient's individual achievement, which cannot be accomplished when the Caregiver is not actively engaged with the Recipient, working on the goals in the IPOS.

Maintaining the safety and well-being of those we serve is our highest priority. Thank you for your continued commitment to compassionate, ethical, and professional care.

When providing care to a Recipient there are many rules that need to be followed and at times these can be difficult to remember. If you have questions or concerns about your case or do not fully understand the IPOS, please call ExpertCare. We are here to help you better understand the Recipient's Rights before it becomes a violation. We appreciate your attention to this matter. If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact ExpertCare at (248) 643-8900.

BOOK SALE INFORMATION

Clinton-Macomb Public Library

If you are searching for used books, CD's, DVD's, audio books, and puzzles to purchase, visit the on-going sale in the store on the first floor of the Main Library and the used book shelves at the branches. These sales are available to the public year-round during normal library hours. See the Friends Used Book Sales tab for details.

The Friends will host a pre-holiday quality book sale Oct. 2-4, 2025 at the Main Library. The items offered for sale will be of higher value and price than in our "Ongoing Book Sale" (where most items continue to be priced daily at one dollar or less). Current Friends of the Library members receive a 20% discount on Sat., Oct. 4. Stop by the Main Library:

- Thurs., Oct. 2, 9:30 a.m. 8 p.m.
- Fri., Oct. 3, 9:30 a.m. 5 p.m.
- Sat., Oct. 4, 9:30 a.m. 5 p.m.

CRAFT, CREATE & CONSUME

Join us for Craft, Create & Consume, a make-and-take porch pot class for an enjoyable night out, solo or with friends, from 6-8 p.m. Nov. 20 and Dec. 4 at the Oakland County Farmers Market. Fun activities and light refreshments are also included. Registration begins Oct. 20.

Cost is \$30/person and includes pot, greenery, decorative additions and light refreshments. This program is for adults only. Call 248-858-0916, view the Craft, Create & Consume flyer or email events@oakgov.com for more information.

HHA eXchange



Have questions regarding the HHA app? Each month Expert-Care will be holding open HHA training sessions. If you need any help navigating the app or have questions, please attend one of the sessions listed below.

- Thursday, October 2nd at 12pm
- Wednesday, October 8th at 2pm
- Tuesday, October 21st at 10am

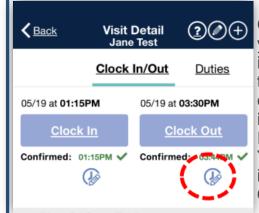
Please call our office to get scheduled for a refresher course.

If you are unable to attend any of the sessions listed, call the office and we will answer your questions or work to schedule a different time.

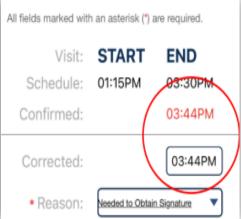
Keep an eye out for the training sessions for November in the November newsletter!

HHA Tip of the Month

For this month's HHA Tip of the Month we wanted to go over the process on how to add a signature to your visit if you didn't obtain one on the day of your shift!



Once you have selected your shift under the Visits tab, you will notice that there is an icon of a clock with a pencil on it under both your Clock In and Clock Out time. You must select this icon below the Clock Out time.



Once the Time Correction form appears and you fill out the boxes, you will need to make sure that the time you enter in the box matches the time in red above it, including AM and PM. This is because you're not changing your clock out time and only adding a signature to your visit.

In the drop-down menu you will select **Needed to Obtain Signature**. When you click the **Next** button at the bottom of your screen, the signature page will pop up for you to get that from the guardian. Make sure to click **save** and you will get a notification saying it was added successfully. You will also notice that the color changes from green to gold letting you know it is pending in the Payroll Team's inbox.

As a reminder, your Recruiter has given you the name of the guardian/guardian's that are approved to sign on your timesheet. Please make sure that when you get the signature, it is a **full signature**. A full signature means first and last name that are clearly visible on the visit.

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions regarding your HHA Timesheet!







YOU'RE INVITED TO THE ANNUAL CARHARTT VS RED WING ALUMNI HOCKEY GAME!

Tickets are FREE for individuals with disabilities and caregivers or family members who accompany them!

To reserve your FREE tickets, you must RSVP to Shari Crocker (scrocker@eastersealsmorc.org or 1.800.999.5655). When you RSVP, please let us know how many will attend, your name, and return number. We will call you back to confirm. You will receive your tickets at the VIP entrance on game day.

General Admission tickets are \$10 each and will be available ONLY on game day at the arena.







All proceeds from the evening will help provide life-changing services to individuals with disabilities at:



MONDAY, OCTOBER 13 | 7:00 PM PUCK DROP DEARBORN ICE
SKATING CENTER: 14900 FORD ROAD, DEARBORN, 48126
RSVP TO: SHARI CROCKER AT SCROCKER@EASTERSEALSMORC.ORG OR 1.800.999.5655



Employee Milestone Anniversaries

We would like to recognize and congratulate the employees below for reaching a milestone anniversary in September.



<u>20 Years</u> Ruth Stimage



<u>5 Years</u> Jacalyn Wilder Bonnie Smith Nafisa Raima Larcenia Cohen-Ellis Judith Glantz-Walker

Thank you for demonstrating a continued commitment to

ExpertCare and the clients we service. You make a difference!



HALLOWEEN SAFETY



Everyone loves a good scare on Halloween, but not when it comes to the safety of those little trick-ortreaters. Fortunately, there are lots of easy things parents and kids can do to stay safe on the spookiest of holidays.

Top Tips for Halloween Safety

- 1. Carry glow sticks or flashlights, use reflective tape or stickers on costumes and bags, and wear light colors to help kids see and be seen by drivers.
- 2. Join kids under age 12 for trick-or-treating.
- 3. Slow down and be alert! Kids are excited on Halloween and may dart into the street. Turn on headlights early in the day to spot kids from further away.
- 4. Remind kids to cross the street at corners or crosswalks.
- 5. When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls. Choose face paint over masks when possible. Masks can limit children's vision.

Please see <u>Halloween safety Safe Kids Worldwide</u> for additional information.

TR Buddy Theater Camp

Wednesdays through October 8, 2025 from 5:30p-6:30p (each Wed) Lakeview Room 6970 Andersonville Road, Clarkston, MI 48346



Staff will work directly with participants to plan, write, and produce their own show. Live performance on the last day of camps. \$40 resident. \$50 non-resident. For ages 7-14. To register, visit itpr.org. Hosted by Independence Twp Parks & Recreation.

TR Pizza and Movie Night

Friday, October 3, 2025 at 6p (Also November 7 & December 5) Clintonwood Park 6000 Clarkston Road, Clarkson, MI 48348

Enjoy and evening with your friends for a favorite movie and some delicious pizza. This program is for persons, ages 14+, with cognitive disabilities, with or without physical impairments. Call 248-625-8223 to register. \$10. Hosted by Independence Twp Parks & Recreation.

RARA Diner's Club

Monday, October 6, 2025 from 5:15p-6:30p (Also November 3 & December 1)

Select Rochester/Rochester Hills Area Restaurants
This opportunity is designed to support persons with special needs. Participants pay for their own meal, beverage, and tip. PRE-REGISTER EARLY as spots are very limited and so we have enough assistance and space reserved in the restaurants. Exact restaurant choices will be announced at a later date. 14+ Years. \$6-\$8 per participant. To register, visit www.rararecreation.org.

AMC Sensory Friendly Films

Wednesday, October 8, 2025 at 10 am
Wednesday, October 22, 2025 at 10 am
AMC Forum 30 – 44681 Mound Road, Sterling Heights
AMC Livonia 20 – 19500 Haggerty Rd, Livonia
AMC Star Gratiot – 35705 South Gratiot Ave, Clinton Twp

Sensory film showings feature lowered sound and dim lighting. Patrons can bring their own gluten-free or casein-free snacks and the kids can "dance, walk, shout or sing" or move about the aisles. No previews or advertisements will be shown before the movies. The movies are geared toward children ages 5 & up. Dates and films are subject to change.

RARA Social Nights

Saturday, October 11, 2025 from 6 pm - 8 pm RARA Recreation 500 E Second Street, Rochester

Hosted by RARA Recreation. Social Nights are seasonal events designed for persons ages 14+ who have special needs. Refreshments will be served. Cost is \$20 for residents & \$24 non-residents. Register via RARARecreation.org. October Theme – Halloween Game Night.

Halloween Happiness

Wed., October 22, 2025 from 6 pm - 8 pm Southfield Civic Center 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield

Social dances and events with a seasonal theme hosted by Oakland County Parks and Recreation. \$10 per person / \$5 per caregiver. Registration opens six weeks prior to each event date. Pre-registration required. Call 248-221-8040 or 248-858-0916 for questions and to register.

Halloween Party

Monday, October 27, 2025 from 5 pm – 7 pm Troy Community Center 3179 Livernois Rd, Troy, MI 48083

A social dance event with music, games, and a pizza dinner for ages 14+ with disabilities. Come in costume! No refunds. \$15 Resident / \$20 Non-Resident. Online registration. Hosted by Troy Recreation.

Hayrides Around Town



Milford Hayrides – Kensington Weekend Hayrides

<u>Kensington Metropark</u> – (4570 Huron River Parkway, Milford, MI 48380, 810-227-8910, metroparks.com)

Saturdays and Sundays from noon-4p from October 4 through October 26

Enjoy a horse-drawn or tractor-drawn hayride (depending on the weather) through the wooded trails around the Farm Center. 20-minute hayrides. Sleigh rides are available in December if there is sufficient snow. All ages. \$3 child / \$5 adult. Pre-registration is not required. Tickets for weekend hayrides are sold at the Farm Center Office.

Northville Hayrides – Barn Yard Play Land / Hayrides at Three Cedars Farm



<u>Three Cedars Farm and Cider Mill</u> (7897 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48167, 248-437-8200)

Daily August 30 through the Fall \$5 per person / \$10 per family Hayrides take you around the property back to Corn maze and the U-Pick pumpkin patch. You can also reserve evening hayrides to a bonfire. Don't forget there is also Fall fun for the younger ones. Barn Yard Play Land had modern playground equipment in a fun kids barn, a John Deere trike track, Peter Rabbit bunny village, lots of farm animals, and educational tutorials. Hosted by www.threecedarsfarm.org.

Oxford Hayrides – Harvest Moon Hayrides at Upland Hills Farm

October Saturdays from 7 pm – 10 pm / Harvest Festival Weekends are Saturdays & Sundays from 10 am – 5 pm

Upland Hills Farm (481 Lake George Road, Oxford, Michigan 48370, 248-628-1611 www.uplandhillsfarm.com)

Enjoy visiting the animals, magic show, farm demos, hayrides through the woods, storybook trail, pumpkin picking, pony rides, and cider & donuts during Harvest Festival weekends. Harvest Festival Weekends include hayrides. Evening hayrides every Saturday evening in October from 7p-10p. NOTE – these evening hayrides family-friendly and are not haunted attractions. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Northville Hayrides – Maybury Farm Corn Maze & Hayrides

Weekends September 26 – November 2

Maybury Farm (50165 Eight Mile, Northville, MI 48167, 248-374-0200)
Hayride & 1 acre corn maze scavenger hunt. Cider, donuts, and snacks available after. Hours – Friday – 5p-8p, Saturday – 10a-8p, and Sunday – 10a-7p. These are rain or shine events. Children 2 and under are FREE. Cost is \$14 at the gate or \$12 online in advance. For more information, call 248-374-0200.

Farmington Hills Hayrides – Hayride Central Farmington Hills

Fridays from September 26 through October 31 from 5:30p-7:30p (Last ride departs at 7p)

Heritage Park (24725 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan)
Hayrides cost is \$5 / FREE for ages 2 & under. Call 248-473-1800 for more info or call 248-477-1135 to book a private hayride. Pre registration is strongly encouraged. Register for these hayrides online at fhgov.com. Call 248-473-1800 for more info or call 248-477-1135 to book a private hayride.

West Bloomfield Hayrides – WB Parks Group Hayrides

October 10, October 16, & October 17 from 5p-8p (30-minute times slots available)

Marshbank Park (2805 Hiller Road, West Bloomfield, MI 48324, 248-451-

1900, wbparks.org)

Private 20-minute hayride for groups of up to 30 people. Includes cider, donuts & 4 roll up picnic blankets. Residents \$135 / Non Residents \$150. To register, call 248-451-1900 or visit wbparks.org.





Rochester Hills Hayrides - Hoot N' Howl Hayride

Friday, October 17 and Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 7:30p-9p

<u>Bloomer Park</u> (375 John R Road, Rochester Hills, Michigan 48309)

Join park staff at Bloomer Park for a hayride to search for nocturnal animal activity. Enjoy a campfire, cider and donuts following the hayride. \$8 per person.

Waterford Hayrides - Hess Hathaway Park Hayrides

September 6, 13, 20, 27, October 11, 18, 25, November 1, 8 from 3p-4p

Hess Hathaway Park (825 S Williams Lake Rd, Waterford, MI 48327, 248-674-5441, www.waterfordmi.gov) \$5 per person. Cash only. No reservations required. Meet by the campfire pit by Pavilion 1. Weather permitting. For hayride rental info, call 248-674-5441. Hosted by Waterford Parks & Recreation.

Armada Hayrides - Blake's Cider Mill Funland

Daily September & October from 11a-5p Blake's Cider Mill (17985 Armada Center Road, Armada, MI 48005, 586-784-5343)

Kids can enjoy hayrides, trike track, straw mountain, corn mazes, Bunnyville farm, a petting farm, and many Halloween attractions every day in September and October. Must purchase a day pass to the event to receive the hayrides, they don't sell hayride pass tickets ala carte. Blake's books private hayride and private bonfire events for groups on weekends late September thru late October. You can even add meals to the packages!

Macomb County Hayrides - Evening Wagon Tour & Campfire Stories

Friday, October 3, 2025 & Friday, October 24, 2025 at 7p Stony Creek Metropark – (4300 Main Park Rd, Shelby Twp, MI 48316, 586-781-4242, metroparks.com)
Tractor-drawn wagon ride along the nature trails with staff sharing stories about Stony Creek's history and features. After, enjoy a campfire and interpreter-led stories. Weather Dependent. Ages 8+. \$5 per person. Preregistration is required online or by calling 586-781-9113. A Metroparks vehicle pass is required to enter any Metropark.

Macomb County Hayrides - Ray Hayrides - Pumpkin Patch Wagon Rides & Corn Maze

All October Saturdays and Sundays through October 19 from 11a-3p

Wolcott Mill Metropark – (65775 Wolcott Rd, Ray, MI 48096, 586-752-5932, metroparks.com) Climb aboard a tractor drawn wagon ride out to the pumpkin patch and corn maze. Our five -acre field has hundreds of pumpkins, perfect for fall decorating or carving. Last wagon to the pumpkin patch leaves at 2:30 p.m. Pumpkins are additional price based on size and range from \$2 – \$10. All ages. \$3 per child / \$5 per adult. No pre-registration required. A Metroparks vehicle pass is required to enter any Metropark.

Wayne County Hayrides - Belleville Hayrides - DeBuck's Pumpkin Patch Hayrides

Daily September 13 through October
DeBuck's Corn Maze & Sunflower Farm (50240
Martz Rd, Belleville, MI
48111, www.debucksfamilyfarm.com)
Take a hayride through the 20-acre pumpkin patch to pick out your future Jack-O'Lantern.



AWARENESS DAYS FOR OCTOBER

October 1st – International Coffee Day

October 3rd – World Smile day

October 6th – World Cerebral Palsy Day

October 10th – World Mental Health Day

October 31st – Halloween

HALLOWEEN EVENTS

SEA LIFE Tricks & Treats

September 25 – October 31 from 10a-6p Daily <u>Sea Life Michigan</u> (4316 Baldwin Rd, Auburn Hills, MI 48326, 248-409-6009)

Wear your costume and snap some selfies with creepy creatures. Enjoy BOO-tiful decor throughout the aquarium. Learn about spooky creatures like batfish, wolf eels, moon jellies and more. Find out if you're brave enough to touch sticky sea anemones and slimy sea stars in the Interactive Touchpool. Purchase tickets here. and then search for Tricks & Treats under the What's Inside Tab.

LEGOLAND Brick or Treat Monster Party

September 25 – October 31, 2025 from 10a-6p Daily <u>LEGOLAND Discovery Center Michigan</u> (Great Lakes Crossing Outlets, 4000 Baldwin Rd, Auburn Hills, MI 48326, 248-409-6009, <u>legolanddiscoverycenter.com/michigan</u>) "Brew up fun at the Potion Kitchen, a place to create potions of all sorts by combining your building creativity. Plus, enjoy monster-ific activities and an exclusive 4D Halloween movie, The Great Monster Chase, during the family Halloween event." Purchase Brick or Treat tickets <u>at this link</u> and then scroll to events.

Fall Festival in the Woods

Saturday, October 4, 2025 from 11a-2p Hawk Woods Nature Center (3799 Bald Mountain Rd, Auburn Hills, MI)

Enjoy hands-on nature activities for kids, take a hayride, enjoy bounce houses, make crafts, and enjoy live music, free cider and more. \$5 Admission at the event. Preregistration required via eventbrite.com. Call 248-370-9353. Hosted by www.auburnhills.org.

Auburn Hills Reels by the Riverside FREE movie – HAL-LOWEEN MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, October 11, 2025 at Dusk <u>Riverside Park</u> (3311 Squirrel Court, Auburn Hills, MI 48326) Hosted by the <u>City of Auburn Hills</u>. Enjoy a family friendly movie on select evenings in Downtown Auburn Hills. Don't forget your blankets, snacks, and lawn chairs! Movies start at dusk.





Great Lakes Crossing Malloween

Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 11a-3p

Great Lakes Crossing Outlets (4000 Baldwin Rd, Auburn Hills, MI 48326) Children in costume (12 years old and under) receive a goody bag to use for trick-or-treating throughout the mall (while supplies last). Trick-or-treating is at participating stores marked with a balloon. Trick-or-treating starts at 11a and runs through 1p, Family Fun entertainment from 1p-3p. While supplies last. The fun starts at District 6. (Near AMC Theatres). For more info, vis-

it greatlakescrossingoutlets.com.

Downtown Spooktacular

Sat., October 25, 2025 from noon-2p Downtown Auburn Hills

Trick or treating in downtown Auburn Hills for costumed kids. This is a FREE event. For more info, call 248-370-9353. Ages 12 & Under. Preregistration is required. Hosted by <u>Auburn Hills Recreation</u>.



BEVERLY HILLS HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Halloween Hoot

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 6p-8p

<u>Beverly Park</u> (18801 Beverly Rd, Beverly Hills, MI 48025)

Wear costumes and bring a flashlight for trick-or-treating around the friendly Halloween Hoot Trail. Admission is FREE. This event is for children of Beverly Hills and their families. For more info, visit villagebeverlyhills.com

BIRMINGHAM HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Birmingham Pumpkin Patch

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 10a-2p Shain Park (270 W Merrill St, Birmingham, MI 48009) Enjoy a costume parade, pumpkin decorating, stories, live music, and Halloween family fun. This is a FREE event. Hosted by the <u>City of Birmingham</u>.

Birmingham Farmers Market End of Season Celebration

Sunday, October 26, 2025 from 9a-2p

<u>Birmingham Farmers Market Lot #6</u> (666 North Old Woodward Avenue, Birmingham, Michigan 48009)

Everyone is invited to join in as Birmingham Farmers Market wraps up the season. Enjoy Trick-Or-Treating (wear your costumes), climbing on straw bales, treats from local vendors, and more.

BLOOMFIELD HILLS HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Bowers School Farm Fall Festival Weekends

Fridays & Saturdays in October FRI – 5p-10p & SAT 10a-4p Bowers School Farm (1219 E Square Lake Rd, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304, 248-341-6475, schoolfarm.org) \$17. Includes corn maze, wagon ride, bounce pad, hay mound, farm animals, live music on Fridays, and more. Hosted by Bowers School Farm.

Cranbrook Institute of Science Halloween Science

Saturday October 25, 2025 (from 10a-1p & 2:30p-5:30p) Cranbrook Institute of Science (9221 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48303-0801, 1-877-462-7262, science.cranbrook.edu)

Enjoy Halloween-themed hands-on activities, stage shows, pumpkin launching, and more. Don't forget your costumes. Activities are FREE with the purchase of general museum admission. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Walk-ins are welcome, but due to limited capacity entrance is not guaranteed. \$27 pre-registered. \$32 at the door. Pre-register HERE. Hosted by science.cranbrook.edu

BROWNSTOWN HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Pumpkin Palooza

Sunday, October 19, 2025 from 2p-4p
Lake Erie Metropark (32481 W Jefferson, Brownstown,
MI 48173, 734-379-5020, metroparks.com)
Learn all about the (gooey) ins and outs of pumpkins
before carving (or painting) them for Halloween. One
pumpkin per person. All ages event. \$3 per child / \$5
per adult / Children under 2 FREE. Pre-registration is required online or by calling 734-379-5020. A Metroparks
daily or annual vehicle pass is required to enter any
Metropark.

Eeeeeerie Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 26, 2025 from 1p-4p
Lake Erie Metropark (32481 W Jefferson, Brownstown,
MI 48173, 734-379-5020, metroparks.com)
An afternoon of fall fun, complete with trunk-ortreating, costume contest for different youth-age
groups, hayrides, crafts and games. Take a break from
all the fun with a donut and cup of cider too. All ages.
Trick or Treaters 16 & under. FREE event. Pre-registration
is required online or by calling 734-379-5020. A Metroparks daily or annual vehicle pass is required to enter
any Metropark.

CLARKSTON HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Friendly Forest

Saturday, October 11, 2025 between noon-3p (reserve your time slot)

<u>Clintonwood Park</u> (6000 Clarkston Road, Clarkston) Presented by Independence Twp Parks Recreation & Seniors. Walk a friendly decorated trail to collect goodies from all of your favorite characters. For ages 2-9. You MUST pre-register for this event / tickets will NOT be sold on-site. \$10 resident / \$12 non-resident. Contact 248-625-8223 for ticket info or visit <u>Independence Twp</u> Parks Rec & Seniors.

CLAWSON HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Clawson Fall Festival / Claws N' Paws Festival

Saturday, September 27, 2025 from 3p-7p Clawson City Park

Celebrate the beginning of fall with an afternoon of fun. The day includes free hayrides, farm animals, inflatables, baked goods 4 sale, games and more. The day ends with a bonfire conducted by the Clawson Fire Department. Pets welcome. Costume contests for humans and pets. Contact Clawson Parks and Rec for more info at 248-589-0344. Hosted by the City of Clawson.

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CLAWSON HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Trick or Treat Trail

Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 6p-7:30p Clawson City Park

Bring a flashlight and a bag for all the candy you'll collect from local businesses and organizations along the trail. Stay and enjoy cider and donuts courtesy of the Parks and Recreation Department. Contact Clawson Parks and Rec for more info at 248-589-0344 or 248-259-6208. Hosted by the <u>City of Clawson</u>.

Trick or Treasure Downtown Clawson Trick or Treating

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from noon-2p Downtown Clawson becomes a safe zone for all the kids. Kids in costume will travel through the downtown businesses collecting treasures and allergy-free treats...and maybe getting a few tricks along the way. Contact 248-435-5922 for more info. Hosted by the Downtown Clawson DDA.

COMMERCE TWP HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Glenlore Trails Witching Hour

Thursdays through Sundays from September 25 through November 2 from 7p-11p (September dates begin at 8p)

Multi Lakes Conservation Association (3860 Newton Road, Commerce Charter Township, MI 48382, glenloretrails.com)

Come explore new sections of trail and scenic elements found within this seasonal variation of Glenlore Trails. The Witching Hour Haunted Forest is appropriate for all ages but the crowds tend to be more easy-going on the Thursday & Sunday earlier times. The entire event takes around 1 hr, depending on your speed of walking. Tickets are \$25 for ages 13+, \$15 for ages 4-12, FREE for kids under 3. All tickets purchased online only require a processing fee. Tickets are sold in 1/2 hour increments beginning at 7:30p with the last group time offered to purchase at 10p.

Huron Valley Middle Recreation Trick or Trucks

Thursday, October 23, 2025 from 4:30p-7p Oak Valley Middle School (4200 White Oak Trail, Commerce Township, MI 48382)

Not only will kids get the experience of trick or treating, but they will also get to see the area's biggest trucks. Possible trucks will include a dump truck, fire engine, bulldozer, and more. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Ages 2-13. \$5 pre-

registration or \$8 at the gate. Preregistration at <u>www.hvs.org</u>. NEW Location for 2025 – Oak Valley Middle School. Event hosted by <u>Huron</u> <u>Valley Schools</u>.

DAVISBURG HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Tricks! Treats! Trail!

Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 1p-4p
Shiawassee Basin Preserve (12000 Davisburg Rd, Davisburg, MI)
Participants will "trick or treat" thru the happily haunted Shiawassee
Basin Preserve Ballfield trail. Enjoy Kid's Activities, Family Fun Games,
Hayrides and more. Pre-registration required in advance online. Hosted
by Springfield Twp Parks & Rec.

DEARBORN HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Halloween in Greenfield Village

October 2-5, 9-12, 16-19, 23-26, 2025 from 6p-10p Greenfield Village (20900 Oakwood Blvd, Dearborn, MI 48124) Greenfield Village Halloween fun! From harvest markets and fall themes to costumed storybook characters and ghostly performances, the 40-plus-year Hallowe'en tradition is one of a kind, showcased within the bewitching setting of Greenfield Village after hours. For more info or to buy tickets, visit www.thehenryford.org.

DETROIT HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Campus Kids Days Lil' Boo Bash

Sunday, October 5, 2025, from 1p-5p

<u>Campus Martius Park</u> (800 Woodward Ave, Detroit, MI 48226)

Frightfully fun activity stirs together chemistry, creativity, and a cool science experiment. This is a FREE event hosted by <u>The Downtown Detroit</u> Partnership. Email info@downtowndetroit.org for more info.

Grand Circus Dog Park Halloween

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 2p-4p
Grand Circus Park (101-157 Witherell St, Detroit, MI 48226)
Owners are encouraged to dress their pets to impress for a chance to win a prize in one of these categories: Best Costume, Scariest Costume, Most Creative Costume, and the Best Pet & Parent combination. The annual event will also feature Halloween Themed games and gifts for dogs as well as treats for their parents and DJ spinning tracks. This is a FREE event. Hosted by the <u>Downtown Detroit Partnership</u>.

DEXTER HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Pumpkin Carving Party

Sunday, October 20, 2025 at 2p

Hudson Mills Metropark – (8801 N Territorial Rd, Dexter, MI 48130, 734-426-8211, metroparks.com)

Choose a pumpkin and a design and have fun carving it at the park. Then enjoy a cup of cider and a donut. Registration fee covers one pumpkin and refreshments. All ages. \$6 per person. Pre-registration is required online or by calling 734-426-8211. A Metroparks daily or annual vehicle pass is required to enter any Metropark.

Thrills at the Mills

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 4p-6p

Hudson Mills Metropark – (8801 N Territorial Rd, Dexter, MI 48130, 734-426-8211, metroparks.com)

Annual Trunk-or-Treat. Vehicles used in the park, like a dump truck, police car, and tractor will also be onsite, decorated, and ready to hand out candy. The Metroparks Outreach van will be there too with activities for the kids. Pre-registration is required for trunks and treaters. Pre-registration is required online or by calling 734-426-8211.

FARMINGTON HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Downtown Farmington Grand Raven Festival

Daily October 2 through October 31
Throughout Downtown Farmington
Hosted by the Downtown Farmington DDA. Enjoy the Raven by
Edgar Allan Poe theme throughout Farmington and partake in
the food, fun, and activities. Enjoy the Grand Raven Book Walk,
pumpkin carving contest, Cocktail Crawl, and more.

Downtown Farmington Trick or Treating

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from Noon-2p Downtown Trick or Treating at participating Downtown Farmington stores. Hosted by the Downtown Farmington DDA.

FARMINGTON HILLS HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Farmington Hills Hay Day and Marshmallow Fly & Fry

Tuesday, October 7, 2025 from 5p-8p <u>Heritage Park</u> (24725 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan)

The Annual Farmington Hills Hay Day will happen on October 3 at Heritage Park from 5p – 8p. Hot Dogs, hay rides, pumpkin painting and more. This is a FREE event. Hayrides and pumpkin decorating require a separate fee. Hayrides can be booked via pre-registration. Hosted by the <u>City of Farmington Hills Special Services Department</u>.

Halloween Zombie Shoot – Surviving a Zombie Apocalypse

Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 6p-8p Riley Archery Range (24915 Farmington Rd, Farmington Hills, 48336)

Create your own zombie, then head to the range to shoot monster targets and your zombie. Ages 10+. A Kids Shoot for kids 8+ is available from 4p-5p. Pre-registration is required. <u>To register</u>. Hosted by <u>Farmington Hills Special Services Department</u>.

Boo Bash

Sunday, October 26, 2025 from noon-4p (half hour sessions) <u>Heritage Park</u> (24725 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan)

Boo Bash features hayrides, s'mores, candy-free trick or treat stations. For ages pre-school through 3rd grade. Hosted by the <u>Farmington Hills Special Services Department</u>. \$15 Resident / \$20 Non-Resident. Pre-registration required.



FERNDALE HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Ferndale Fall Festival

Saturday, October 4, 2025 from 11a-3p

Martin Rd Park (1615 E Lewiston, MI 48200)

Come celebrate the season as the Detroit Curling
Club and Martin Road Park is transformed into a

Fall-themed wonderland of games, activities, music, and treats. Attendees will receive a wristband that grants them access to a wide range of activities that include hay rides, pony rides, carnival games, prizes, crafts, face painting, pumpkin painting (while supplies last), trick-or-treat trail, and more. All attendees, including parents and guardians, must purchase a wristband in order to participate in any of the listed activities. Children 1 and under are free. Hosted by Ferndale Recreation.

FENTON HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Howling Haunted Trail & Halloween Party

October 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, & 25 from 7p-11p Adopt-A-Pet Fenton (13575 N Fenton, Fenton, MI 48430)

Gather your friends and walk the haunted trail. IF you get out, come to the food tent for nourishment or the beer tent for adult beverages. This event is not for young kids or those who scare easily. All proceeds benefit Adopt-A-Pet of Fenton. Cost is \$25 Fridays / \$30 Saturdays. For more info, email linfo@AdoptAPetFenton.com or visit www.thehowlinghauntedtrail.com.

Camp Copneconic Halloween Camp

Friday, October 17 – Sunday, October 19, 2025 (overnight camping experience) YMCA Camp Copneconic (10407 N Fenton Road,

Fenton, MI 48430, 810-629-

9622, <u>campcopneconic.org</u>)

Halloween at Camp Copneconic brings autumn activities such as scarecrow building, pumpkin carving, and many more traditional camp activities. Halloween at Camp Copneconic includes a spooky campfire with ghostly tales and a Trick-Or-Treat trek through the haunted forest. \$210. Must pre-register. Call 810-629-9622.



FLINT HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Ooky Spooky Light Show at Longway Planetarium

October 2 – November 2, 2025 (4p TH / FRI / SAT at 7p & SAT / SUN at 2p)

Longway Planetarium (1310 E Kearsley St, Flint, Michigan 48503, 810-237-3400, sloanlongway.org)
Favorite Halloween songs like "The Monster Mash,"
"Ghostbusters," and "Thriller" come to life with amazing graphics and lights. Great for family audiences, this show was created here in Flint by a talented team of artists and programmers. Great for adults and kids ages 6+. Tickets: \$8 adults, \$6 seniors 60+, and \$6 youth ages 2-11.

Laser Halloween at the Longway Planetarium

September 30 – November 2 – Tuesdays through Sundays at 4p / Thursdays through Saturdays at 8p Longway Planetarium (1310 E Kearsley St, Flint, Michigan 48503, 810-237-3400, sloanlongway.org) Laser Halloween is a mesmerizing laser light show that will cast a spell on you this Halloween season. Immerse yourself in a kaleidoscope of eerie colors and patterns as our state-of-the-art lasers dance across the darkness. Sessions are 45-minutes. Tickets: \$10 adults, \$8 seniors 60+, and \$8 youth ages 2-11.

Flint Haunted History

Thursday, October 16, 2025 from 5:30p-7p Longway Planetarium (1310 E Kearsley St, Flint, Michigan 48503, 810-237-3400, sloanlongway.org) Discover the Haunted History associated with Flint's murals. Ages 12+. Pre-registration required.

Eerie Experiments

October 17, 2025 and October 24 from 5:30p-8p (2 sessions to choose from)

Longway Planetarium (1310 E Kearsley St, Flint, Michigan 48503, 810-237-3400, sloanlongway.org) Enjoy a slice of pizza before heading to the Planetarium Dome for a showing of the Ooky Spooky Light Show. Afterward, enjoy Halloween-themed activities & experiments. \$12 per person.

Spooky Science

October 18, 2025 and October 25, 2025 from 10:30anoon (2 sessions to choose from) Longway Planetarium (1310 E Kearsley St, Flint, Michigan 48503, 810-237-3400, sloanlongway.org) Explore the spooky side of science in a family-friendly way. Interactive read-aloud, ghoul goo mixing, and build and eat a spooky scenery. Choose a mini pumpkin to keep. \$8 per person.

Spooky Light Show. Tickets are limited so reserve yours today. All ages. \$8 adults / \$6 ages 2-11.



Halloween Hootenany at Longway Planetarium

Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 5p-8p Longway Planetarium (1310 E Kearsley St, Flint, Michigan 48503, 810-237-3400, sloanlongway.org) Show off your best monster mash. Costumes are welcome but not required. Includes a special 6p showing of the Ooky Spooky Light Show. Tickets are limited so reserve yours today. All ages. \$8 adults / \$6 ages 2-11.

Sloan Museum Vault of Villains

Saturdays October 4, 11, & 18 at 10a, 11:30a, 1p, & 2:30p Sundays October 5, 12, 19 at noon, 1:30p, & 3p Sloan Museum of Discovery (1221 E Kearsley St, Flint, Michigan 48503, 810-237-3450, sloanlongway.org)

Step into the shadows of history's most notorious villains in this thrilling escape room set inside a secret government warehouse. Your mission: recover a powerful containment key before the vault's cursed relics awaken and their owners return. Work as a team to decode riddles, disarm traps, and outwit the legacy of evil in a race against time. Adults \$15, Children 2-11 \$10.

HARRISON TWP HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Treats at the Beach

Lake St Clair Metropark – (31300 Metro Parkway, Harrison Twp, MI 48045, 586-463-4581, metroparks.com)

Sunday, October 19, 2025 from 2p-5p
Treats at the Beach is a fun spin on trunk or treating where kids of all ages can bring their treat bags to get filled with candy at different festive Halloween displays along the beach plaza and activity center. Enjoy inflatables, hayrides, face painting and more. This is a FREE event. A Metroparks daily or annual vehicle pass is required to enter any Metropark.

HAZEL PARK HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Haunted Hazel Park Halloween Art Fair

Saturday, October 11, 2025 from 10a-6p Greens Park (620 W Woodward Heights Blvd, Hazel Park) Every artist will be selling something Halloween, Fall, or Horror related. Watch the park transform into a Halloween wonderland with art and crafts for the kids. This is a FREE event. For more info, il hauntedhazelpark@gmail.com.



HUNTINGTON WOODS HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

The Boo Bash

Friday, October 24, 2025 from 7p-8:15p
Families gather your goblins, ghouls, and jack-o-lanterns
— it's time for a Halloween costume party. Costume
contest and snacks available. Adult supervision required. Pre-registration required. Hosted by <u>Huntington</u>
Woods Parks & Recreation.

LAKE ORION HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Here Lies Lake Orion Cemetery Tour

Saturday, October 4 & Sunday, October 5, 2025 at 4p, 5p, & 6p (3 Time Slots Available)

Evergreen Cemetery (M-24 & W Church Street, Lake Orion, MI 48362)

Explore the stories of 4 notable families buried in Evergreen, their histories, and learn about their contributions to the Lake Orion community. \$12. To purchase tickets, visit, <u>orionistoricalsociety.com</u>.

Lake Orion Halloween Extravaganza / Lake Orion Downtown Trick or Treating

Wednesday, October 15, 2025 from 5p-8p Children's Park (55 Elizabeth Street, Lake Orion, Michigan 48362)

Downtown Trick or Treating at local businesses. Enjoy cider & donuts in children's park. The parade starts at 6p. For more information, please contact 248-693-9742 or visit www.downtownlakeorion.org.

Boo Bash on The Trails

Friday, October 17, 2025 at 5p

Great Lakes Athletic Club (3800 S Baldwin Road, Lake Orion, Michigan 48359)

Halloween fun including cider and donuts, hay wagon rides, trick-or-treat street, crafts, carnival games and much more. Pre-registration is required, spaces are limited. Don't forget your camera, costume, flashlight and a trick-or-treat bag. Call 248-391-0304 ext 305 for cost info and to register. Hosted by Orion Twp Parks & Recreation.

MARYSVILLE HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

St Clair County HarvestFest

Saturday, October 4, 2025 and Sunday, October 5, 2025 from noon-5p each day

Marysville City Park (801 E Huron Blvd, Marysville, MI 48040, www.harvestfestevents.com)

Enjoy Halloween and Fall fun at the annual Harvest Fest. Pumpkin carving demoes, trick or treating, live entertainment, food trucks and more. For more info, visit www.harvestfestevents.com.

MILFORD HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Kensington Fall Festival

Saturday, October 11, 2025 and Sunday, October 12, 2025 from noon-4p (each day)

Kensington Metropark – (4570 Huron River Parkway, Milford, MI 48380, 810-227-8910, metroparks.com)
Enjoy a fun-filled weekend of harvest-themed activities for the whole family. Tour the farm, view traditional demonstrations, and be entertained by Rosco the Clown. The Kensington Living History Village will be open, showcasing early American skills. Make sure to take a horse-drawn hayride to and from the pumpkin patch to pick out the perfect pumpkins for you and your family. (Pumpkins and gourds are priced according to size. Standard public hayride rates apply). FREE Events. All ages. No preregistration is required. A Metroparks daily or annual vehicle pass is required to enter any Metropark.

Trick or Treat Along the Trail

Saturday, October 18, 2025 from noon-3:45p Kensington Metropark – (4570 Huron River Parkway, Milford, MI 48380, 810-227-8910, metroparks.com)
Celebrate Halloween with fun, safe and non-scary trick-ortreating in the park for the whole family. Follow the path of pumpkins along the festive trail with costumed characters to find fall-themed photo opportunities. Dress in your costume and bring your candy bucket. All ages. \$5 per person. Advanced pre-registration required online or call 248-684-8632. A Metroparks daily or annual vehicle pass is required to enter any Metropark.

Downtown Milford Trick or Treating / Milford Boo Bash

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 5p-6p Participating Downtown Milford Businesses Trick or Treat on Main Street. Merchants close their doors at 5p as nearly 1000 children trick-or-treat along Main Street. Hosted by the <u>Milford Business Association</u>.

NEW HUDSON HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Evening Lantern Tours

October 22, 23, 24, 25 from 7:30p-9p (each night)
Oakwoods Metropark – (32911 Willow Rd, New Boston, MI)
Join lantern-bearing guides as they lead you through the dark, pumpkin-lit woods to encounter various characters and uncanny situations. This tour showcases Michigan's legends and local history. THIS IS NOT A HAUNTED ATTRACTION. Ages 8+. \$12 per person. re-register required online or by calling 734-782-2956.



NORTHVILLE HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Maybury Farm Great Fall Festival

Saturday, October 11 from 10a-5p Rain Date is Sunday, October 12

Maybury Farm (195 S Main St, Northville, MI 48167, 248-374-

0200, www.mayburyfarm.org)

Live music, food, pumpkin-themed games and activities for kids, corn husk doll making, and much more. Some activities require additional fee. Admission is \$12 online in advance, \$14 at the door, \$20 in advance if you want to include corn maze & wagon ride, or \$22 at the door if you want to include the corn maze + wagon ride option. Children under 2 are FREE. For more info, visit www.mayburyfarm.ora.

Halloween Spook-tacular

Wednesday, October 22, 2025 from 5p-7p Northville Community Center (303 W Main Street, Northville, 48167)

Spooky event for all ages – includes crafts, a spooky maze, dancing, cider & donuts, and more. \$14 Resident / \$17 Non-Resident. Hosted by www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

Streets of Treats Northville

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from Noon-3p Downtown Northville trick or treating event, games, and fun. For more information contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at 248-349-7640.

NOVI HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Tollgate Farm Pumpkinfest

Saturday, October 4 and Sunday, October 5, 2025 from 11a-5p MSU Tollagte Farm (28115 Meadowbrook Rd, Novi, MI) Take a wagon ride to the pumpkin patch to pick your perfect pumpkin. Many events FREE, some with small fees. Food, music, farm animals, educational exhibits, and children's activities all make for a fun fall outing for all ages. \$?? per person, 3 and under FREE. Fees apply for pumpkins, food, select children's activities, and parking. For more info, tollgate.msu.edu.

Jack O' Lantern Jubilee

Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 1p-3p Fuerst Park (45325 W 10 Mile Rd, Novi, MI 48375) Enjoy a trick-or-treat trail, games, character visits, and more. Ages 2-13. Hosted by Novi Parks & Rec. \$10 Resident / \$15 Non-Resident. For more info, and to register, visit cityofnovi.org.

OAKLAND TWP HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Down on the Farm

Saturday, October 4, 2025 from 11a-2p Cranberry Lake Farm (388 W Predmore Rd, Oakland Twp, MI) Live music, apple picking, yard games, corn shellers, tractors, cider, and more. This is a FREE event. Hosted by Oakland Township Recreation.

OAK PARK HALLOWEEN EVENTS

Oak Park Recreation Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 1p – 3p Water Tower Social District (14700 Kingston St, Oak Park, MI

This is a FREE event. Kids costume parade, Trunk or Treat. Enjoy games, crafts, and more. Hosted by Oak Park Parks and Rec.

ORTONVILLE HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Ortonville Witches Night Out

Downtown Ortonville Annual Ortonville Ladies Night featuring vendors, DJ, dancing, live entertainment, tarot card readers, food trucks, seasonal drinks, and more. Hosted by the Ortonville

Saturday, October 11, 2025 from 3p-9p

OXFORD HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Oxford Scarecrow Festival

Sunday, October 5, 2025 from 10a-4p Centennial Park (M-24 & E. Burdick St) Oxford Scarecrow Festival 2025 (scheduled) events and activities include – Kids' Zone, live entertainment, trick or treating, face painting, petting zoo, chili cookoff, farmers market, and more. Hosted by Oxford DDA.

Upland Hills Farm Harvest Festival Weekends

October Saturdays and Sundays from 10a-5p Upland Hills Farm (481 Lake George Road, Oxford, Michigan 48370, 248-628-

1611 www.uplandhillsfarm.com)

This festival has something for all ages. Enjoy visiting the animals, milk a cow, watch a farm demonstration, be amazed at the Magic Show, enjoy a hayride in the woods, walk the storybook trail, pick a pumpkin, take a pony ride and finish the day with a warm donut and a beverage. Visit www.uplandhillsfarm.com for more info. Fall Festival Weekends include hayrides. They even have evening hayrides from 7p-10p on Saturdays.

Jack-O-Lantern Jamboree

Wednesday, October 22, 2025 from 6p-7p Seymour Lake Park (2795 Seymour Lake Rd, Oxford, MI) Includes pumpkin patch visit, a pumpkin, cider & donuts, and Trick or Treat Street stroll. Don't forget your camera and dress for the weather. For kids gaes 12 and under. Tickets must be purchased in advance, preregistration is required. \$10 residents / \$12 non-residents. Call 248-628-1720 for questions, tickets, or to register. Open to residents & non-residents. Hosted by Oxford Twp P&R.



PLYMOUTH HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Serenity Oaks Fall Market & Halloween Event

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 11a-3p Serenity Oaks Equine Sanctuary (6279 N Territorial Rd, Plymouth, MI 48170)

Wear your costume, trick or treat, visit the farm animals, photo opps, snacks available for purchase. FREE admission. FREE parking. Hosted by <u>Serenity Oaks Equine Sanctuary</u>.

PONTIAC HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Pontiac Harvest Festival 2025

Saturday, October 4, 2025 from 1p-5p Pontiac City Hall (47450 Woodward Ave, Pontiac, MI 48342) The event features cider & donuts, rock climbing, bounce houses, live DJ, pumpkin bowling. and more. This is a FREE event. Food is available for purchase. Hosted by the <u>City of Pontiac</u>.

RAY HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Pumpkin Patch Wagon Rides & Corn Maze

All October Saturdays and Sundays through October 19 from 11a-3p

Wolcott Mill Metropark – (65775 Wolcott Rd, Ray, MI 48096, 586-752-5932, metroparks.com)

Climb aboard a tractor drawn wagon ride out to the pumpkin patch and corn maze. Our five-acre field has hundreds of pumpkins, perfect for fall decorating or carving. Last wagon to the pumpkin patch leaves at 2:30 p.m. Pumpkins are additional price based on size and range from \$2 – \$10. All ages. \$3 per child / \$5 per adult. No pre-registration required. A Metroparks vehicle pass is required to enter any Metropark. You can pick one up at metroparks.com OR visit your local Metropark today.

Family Trick-or-Treat at the Farm

Friday, October 24, Saturday, October 25, & Sunday, October 26 from 6p-8p each evening

Wolcott Mill Metropark – (65775 Wolcott Rd, Ray, MI 48096, 586-752-5932, metroparks.com)

Trick or treating fun. Visit each of the animal barns and show off your Halloween costumes. Trick-or-Treating isn't just for the kids; adults are encouraged to come in with costume too. The animals even join in on the fun with costumes of their own. All ages. \$5 per person / Under 2 FREE. Pre-registration is required online or by calling 586-752-5932. A Metroparks daily or annual vehicle pass is required to enter any Metropark.



ROCHESTER HILLS HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Stonewall Pumpkin Festival at Van Hoosen Farms

Saturday, October 11, 2025 from 10a-4p and then from 7p-9p.

Van Hoosen Farms (1005 Van Hoosen Rd, Rochester Hills, MI 48306)

The Stone Wall Pumpkin Festival lighting will take place from 7p-9p, Festival activities will take place from 10a-4p. The event during the day is packed with activities for the kids, including pumpkin bowling and their own pumpkin that could be carved while at the festival or taken home. Admission is \$12 at the door (includes pumpkin). Hosted by the <u>City of Rochester Hills</u>.

Hoot N' Howl Hayride

Friday, October 17 and Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 7:30p-9p

Bloomer Park (375 John R Road, Rochester Hills, Michigan 48309)

Join park staff at Bloomer Park for a hayride to search for nocturnal animal activity. Enjoy a campfire, cider and donuts following the hayride. \$8 per person.

RARA Pumpkin Roll

Saturday, November 1, 2025 from 4p-6p <u>Bloomer Park</u> (Bloomer Park, 375 John R Road, Rochester Hills, Michigan 48309)

Roll your old pumpkins and jack-o-lanterns down the big sled hill. Bring a wagon to haul your pumpkins to the sled hill. Targets will be setup at the bottom of the hill. If your pumpkin gets in the target or closest to the target, you will win a prize. Enjoy a bonfire and cider & donuts after the event. This is a FREE event. No pre-registration required. Hosted by <u>RARA</u>.

ROMULUS HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Deranged Kids Trick or Treat Night

Wednesday, October 22, 2025 from 6:30p-8p Deranged Haunt (35560 Goddard Rd, Romulus, MI 734-890-2473, <u>derangedhauntedattraction.com</u>) One of the SCARIEST Halloween attractions in all of Michigan has a SCARE-FREE Trick or Treat night. It's a great way to introduce the young ones haunted fun that isn't scary.



ROYAL OAK HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Zoo Boo Detroit Zoo

October 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26 from 4p-9p (last time slot at 8p)

The Detroit Zoo (8450 W 10 Mile Rd, Royal Oak, MI 48067) Enjoy strolling entertainment, trick or treating stations, face painting, and animal FUN. New for 2024 – Extended hours to enjoy Zoo Boo at night PLUS the illuminated Jack O' Lantern Journey. Don't forget your costumes. Contact www.detroitzoo.ora for tickets.

English Gardens Family Fall Fest

Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 10a-3p Royal Oak English Gardens (4901 Coolidge Hwy, Royal Oak, MI 48073)

Soak in the autumn beauty as you celebrate the season with a full day of activities (and food truck eats) designed for families and kids of all ages. pumpkin decorating (one pie pumpkin included), yard games, face painting, family photo ops, a scavenger hunt, and delicious fall treats. It's the perfect way to make cozy, colorful memories together this season. Create unforgettable fall memories with your family. \$5 for kids / adults FREE. For more info, visit www.englishgardens.com.

Downtown Royal Oak Spooktacular

Sunday, October 19, 2025 from 1p-5p Downtown Royal Oak

Children, parents & caregivers are encouraged to wear costumes, bring your own trick or treat bags, and make sure to pick up a map of Trick-or-Treat Trail. Enjoy a magic show, live entertainment, face painting, and more. This is a FREE event. Hosted by the City of Royal Oak and the Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce.

SOUTHFIELD HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Southfield Boo Bash

Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 1p-4p Southfield Pavilion (26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield, MI 48076, 248-796-5000)

Ghoulish games, creepy crafts, trick or treating, entertainment and more! Event is for children ages 2-12. Everyone (children ages 2-12 and adults) must purchase a ticket to enter. Tickets are \$10 resident / \$15 non-resident. You can also register in person at the Southfield Parks and Rec building located at 26000 Evergreen Rd or call 248-796-4620 for more info. Hosted by Southfield Parks & Recreation.

Trunk or Treat at Highland Park Baptist Church of Southfield

Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 11a-1p Highland Park Baptist Church of (28600 Lahser Rd, Southfield, MI 48034)

Stroll from trunk to trunk and collect candy, enjoy complimentary cider and doughnuts. Rain or shine event. This is a FREE event. Please do not wear scary, violent, or inappropriate costumes. Hosted by Highland Park Baptist Church of Southfield.



SOUTH LYON HALLOWEEN EVENTS

Downtown South Lyon Trick or Treating

Thursday, October 30, 2025 from 6p-8p Downtown South Lyon Trick or treating for kids at Downtown South Lyon businesses. Presented by the <u>South Lyon DDA</u>. For more info, 248-437-1735

STERLING HEIGHTS HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

HarvestFest Macomb County

Saturday, October 18, 2025 and Sunday, October 19, 2025 from noon-5p each day

Freedom Hill (14900 Metro Pkwy, Sterling Heights, Michigan) Enjoy Halloween and Fall fun at the annual Harvest Fest. Pumpkin carving demos, trick or treating, live entertainment, food trucks and more. For more info, visit www.macombcountyharvestfest.com.

TROY HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Troy Family Fall Fest

Saturday, October 11, 2025 from 10a-1p

<u>Jeanne M Stine Community Park</u> (241 Town Center Dr, Troy)

Activities include – picking pumpkins (for purchase), face painting, hayrides, bouncehouses, cider & donuts (for purchase), plus more. This is a FREE event. No pre-registration is required. Hosted by <u>Troy Recreation</u>.

Troy Historic Village Trick or Treat

Friday, October 24 Times Vary & Saturday, October 25, 2024 Times vary Troy Historic Village (60 W Wattles Rd, Troy,)

Trick or treating fun. Enjoy themed decorations, games, crafts, and activities during this friendly-not-scary event. Hosted by Troy Historic Village. \$9 in advance / \$10 at the door. Hosted by TroyHistoricVillage.org.

Frightful 5k Race / Pumpkin 1k Race

Sunday, October 26, 2025 at 8:30a / Frightful Run begins at 8:30a / Pumpkin Race begins at 9:30a

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<u>Troy Community Center</u> (3179 Livernois, Troy, MI 48083, 248-524-3484)

Race route runs onto Big Beaver Rd & Civic Center Campus. Costumes encouraged. 1K Pumpkin Race for little ones after the 5K. Age appropriate results, t-shirts, and medals included. Open swim after the race for participants. \$45 for 5K / \$20 for the 1K. Early registration discounts available. Pre-registration required. Hosted by Troy Recreation.

Dress for weather. Fee is \$15. FREE for parents/guardians. Call 248-688-9703 to register or visit <u>troynaturesociety.org</u>.

Trick or Treat Among The Trees

Sunday, October 26, 2025 from 1:30p-4p (half-hour sessions at 1:30p, 2p, 2:30p, & 3p)

Stage Nature Center (6685 Coolidge Hwy, Troy, MI 48098) A fun and friendly outdoor celebration for kids ages 3-9. Costumed kids are welcome to hike the woodland pump-kin trail with a SNC guide. Children will learn the secrets of the forest and receive treats and meet costumed characters. Dress for weather. Fee is \$15. FREE for parents/guardians. Call 248-688-9703 to register or visit troynaturesociety.org.

WALLED LAKE HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Mayor Ackley's Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 26, 2026 from noon-2p Corner of E Walled Lake & Pontiac Trail Trick or Treat, petting zoo, and fun for the family hosted by the City of Walled Lake.

WATERFORD HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

Harvest Happening 2025

Sunday, October 5, 2025 from noon-5p / rain or shine event

Hess-Hathaway Park (825 S Williams Lake Road, Waterford, MI 48327, Inclement Weather Line 248-618-7671) Enjoy the pumpkin patch, hayrides, arts & crafts, live entertainment and more at Waterford's annual Fall Festival – Harvest Happening. Parking is \$5. Hayrides are FREE. Some other facets of this event may have a fee. For more info, visit www.twp.waterford.mi.us/parksandrec.

WEST BLOOMFIELD HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

TreeRunner West Bloomfield HallowGlow

Fridays, Saturdays, & Sundays October 10 through October 25 4p-10p FRI & SAT / 2p-8p SUN IrreRunner Adventure Park West Bloomfield (6600 West Maple Road, West Bloomfield Township, MI 48322, 248-419-1550, www.treerunnerwestbloomfield.com) Fun for ages 7+. Explore the illuminated treetop courses, enjoy family-friendly fun, and soak up the spooky atmosphere. Trick-or-treat candy will be provided throughout the experience. Take photos at themed exhibits and create a lasting memory. 2hr & 3hr sessions are available.

WB Parks Trick or Treat Trail

Sunday, October 26, 2025 from 3p-5p (4 timeslots to choose from)

<u>Drake Sports Park</u> (6801 Drake Rd, West Bloomfield, MI 48322 <u>wbparks.org</u>)

Trick or Treat on a safe and friendly 1/2 mile paved trail. Collect goodies from costumed characters, local businesses and organizations. NEW Location for 2025. Preregister is encouraged. This event sells out. Event runs rain or shine. For ages 3-12. Residents \$9 / Non Residents \$11. To register, call 248-451-1900 or visit wbparks.org.

WHITE LAKE HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

The Great Skeleton Scavenger Hunt

October 11 – 31 from 9a-4:30p Daily Indian Springs Metropark – (5200 Indian Trail, White Lake, MI 48386, 248-625-6640, metroparks.com)

Grab your family, friends and your courage and come find these skeletons in The Great Skeleton Scavenger Hunt. Your first stop is the Environmental Discovery Center where you will pick up your skeleton scavenger hunt map and form. Then head out on the nature trails to spot as many skeletons as you can. Prizes available. All ages. FREE event. No pre-registration required. A Metroparks daily or annual vehicle pass is required to enter any Metropark.

WIXOM HALLOWEEN EVENTS 2025

City of Wixom Panther Hunt

Saturday, October 11, 2025 from 5p-8p (registration starts at 4:30p)

Gilbert Willis Park (Chickasaw St, Wixom, MI 48393) Hunt for the friendly Wixom Panther on the Trick or Treat Trail. Cost includes Halloween tote, trick or treat trail, pony rides, live entertainment, and a pumpkin for each child. Ages 2-10. On-site registration begins at 4:30p. \$15 per child. Limited to first 500 children. For more info, call 248-624-2850. Hosted by Wixom Parks & Rec.



Infant Massage Class

FREE Four Week Series via Zoom

Parents/caregivers and their babies will improve:

- Communication
- Relaxation
- Caregiver confidence

This class is best suited for babies at least 6 weeks old and up until they start crawling.

> Class size is limited. Registration required.

REGISTER HERE



guidance-center.org/massage

After registering you will receive a confirmation phone call.





Wednesdays via Zoom from 9:30-10:30am

WEEK 1 — October 8, 2025 Leg & Feet Massage

WEEK 2 — October 15, 2025 Abdomen & Chest Massage

WEEK 3 — October 22, 2025 Arm & Face Massage

WEEK 4 — October 29, 2025 Back & Full Body Massage

For questions or more information contact Jane Reitman at 734-785-7705 x7369 or jreitman@guidance-center.org.

SCREENAGERS FREE FILM SERIES

MJR Southgate, 15651 Trenton Rd, Southgate, MI 48195



Screenagers: Elementary School Age Edition helps parents and caregivers navigate the complexities of screen time in their children's lives. Families are encouraged to attend together. This film is most appropriate for ages 8+.

Film followed by Q&A with Dr. Jenny Radesky, Professor of Pediatrics, University of Michigan Medical School.



Screenagers Under the Influence aims to equip teenagers and their support networks with knowledge, tools, and a more realistic understanding of substance use in the digital age, fostering healthier choices and promoting well-being. Families are encouraged to attend together. This film is most appropriate for pre-teen/teenagers.

Film followed by Q&A and panel discussion.

Register online at www.guidance-center.org/films

Due to limited space, registration is strongly recommended.

Walk-ins welcome if space is available.









GETTING TO KNOW THE EXPERTCARE OFFICE STAFF

We thought it would be nice to introduce ourselves and tell you a little bit about each of our office staff. Each month we will feature a new interview with someone from our office.

MEET AUSTIN MUDD



Terror on Tilson Street

Come visit Tilson street in Romeo, Michigan! A week leading up to Halloween, Tilson street decorates their house as spooky as can be! Bring your families, pets, and friends to enjoy some Halloween spookiness!

Address: 127-117 Tillson St, Romeo, MI 48065



ECare: What is your job title and role at ExpertCare?

Austin: Senior Vice President of Operations at VersiCare Group, supporting integration and operational excellence with all brands and teams within VersiCare Group.

ECare: What's an accomplishment that you're most proud of?

Austin: Helping lead organizations through complex changes while keeping the focus on people first, seeing caregivers and individuals thrive because of those efforts is something I'm most proud of. Currently supporting teams by automating some of their manual processes to allow them to spend more time on higher value items for the individuals we serve.

ECare: What's the best concert you've been to?

Austin: My wife and I went to One Republic at the Fontanel, an outdoor, wooded concert venue, when we first moved to Nashville. Best concert because we thought we bought regular tickets yet ended up in the front pit area of standing room only standing feet from the stage. Before several songs, Ryan Tedder explained where the song and lyric ideas came from giving them so much deeper meaning.

ECare: What is the most exciting part of your job?

Austin: Seeing the direct impact our work has on caregivers and the people they serve. knowing that operational decisions can translate into better care and better lives is incredibly rewarding.

ECare: What's your most-used productivity hack?

Austin: Time blocking: protecting my calendar to focus on the most important work, while still leaving space for the unexpected. My second would be task lists. I create tasks lists the day before and rank by priority to ensure I get done what needs to the following day/week.

ECare: What's a skill you'd like to improve on?

Austin: Being more present in the moment, slowing down to listen fully before jumping into problem-solving.

ECare: What's the best advice you've ever received?

Austin: "Seek first to understand, then to be understood." It's a simple principle, but it changes how you lead and build relationships.

ECare: Have you ever met anyone famous?

Austin: Yes, I recently met Nate Bergatze, he was as genuine, funny, and approachable in person as he seems on TV.

LOOK WHO'S TALKING SEPTEMBER CAREGIVER OF THE MONTH CHRISTINE BRECKELS

ECare: What made you decide to become a Caregiver? Christine: I decided to be a Caregiver in hopes that I can be a small part in helping others however they need it.

ECare: What was your first paying job?

Christine: My first paying job was as Operations Support at

an ABA clinic.

ECare: What is the most exciting part of your job? Christine: Seeing the moments of growth in others, even smaller moments of progress.

ECare: What do you do for fun?

Christine: During any leisure time, I either have my nose buried in a book or am spending time with my sister.

ECare: Have you ever met anyone famous?

Christine: The most famous person I met was Preacher Lawson, who was a comedian on America's Got Talent when he visited Oakland University.

ECare: What is your best piece of advice for other Caregivers?

Christine: Probably the most important advice I could give would be to remain empathetic. Also, you need to be able to celebrate the little successes along the way.

ECare: Would you consider yourself an introvert or an ex-

trovert and why?

Christine: Definitely an introvert. I need some time to relax on my own once my social battery runs low.

ECare: What have you learned from your Caregiving experience that has helped you in other aspects of your life? Christine: Something that I have taken into my own life is the importance to remain flexible in situations that I may not have foreseen initially.





We are proud to recognize Christine **Breckels** as our Caregiver of the Month! Christine has been a valued member of the ExpertCare team since December, and in that time, she has made a tremendous impact on the families she supports.

Christine is incredibly reliable and consistently goes above and beyond in her work. The families she cares for had shared wonderful feedback about her compassion, dedication, and positive attitude. Her commitment to providing excellent care truly shines through in everything she does. Christine is known for her dependability and commitment. She shows up every day ready to give her very best, ensuring that families feel supported and cared for. Her consistency not only builds trust but also creates a sense of comfort and stability for those she serves. She approaches her work with patience and empathy, truly listening to and understanding the needs of each recipient. Her positive attitude brightens the days of those around her, and she has become a trusted and valued part of their support systems. Christine doesn't just meet expectations she exceeds them.

We are so grateful to have Christine as part of our ExpertCare family. Congratulations, Christine, and thank you for the amazing difference you make every day!

Thank you for demonstrating ExpertCare's core values of: **Helping People Succeed Passion for Success** Can Do Attitude