



## Town of Winthrop

17 Highland Avenue  
Winthrop, Maine 04364  
[www.winthropmaine.org](http://www.winthropmaine.org)  
207-377-7200

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:** October 16, 2020

**Contacts:** Sarah Fuller, Chair, Winthrop Town Council, 207.446.6462; [sarah@fullerink.com](mailto:sarah@fullerink.com); Jeffrey Kobrock, Town Manager; 207.377.7200 ext 423; [manager@winthropmaine.org](mailto:manager@winthropmaine.org)

### Trunk or Treat Drive-Boo! and Halloween Events for Winthrop

**WINTHROP, Maine** – Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the town is **discouraging the traditional practice of door-to-door trick-or-treating** and instead invites families to participate in the Trunk or Treat Halloween Drive-Boo!, pick up a Happy Halloween Activity Kit from the Bailey Public Library, or enjoy Halloween fun within your “safe groups.”

The Trunk-or-Treat Drive-Boo! will take place on Halloween, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 4:30-7:30 pm at the Winthrop Grade School parking lot. The Drive-Boo! is a collaborative effort with Winthrop Fire, Police, EMS, Plays Outside/YMCA as well as Winthrop Area Rotary, the Winthrop Lions, Winthrop Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce, Maine State Police, Maine Forest Service, St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Friends of the Cobossee Watershed and other local organizations and businesses. Starting on Highland Avenue at the Winthrop Grade School, cars will travel slowly through the lots behind the school, past the football field and down through Town Hall Lane, stopping at booths to collect treats – and maybe some tricks – from participating organizations. Pedestrians are discouraged from traveling this route due to safety concerns. **Masks are required from everyone participating** as cars travel through the route collecting treats. Costumes are most welcome!

The Bailey Library is offering families a Happy Halloween Activity Kit that contains a scavenger hunt, Halloween-themed crafts, and treats! There will also be an invite included to the Library's virtual costume party hosted on Halloween day with Youth Services Librarian Stacy Tomassone. Contact the [Bailey Library \(207-377-8673\)](http://Bailey%20Library%20207-377-8673) today to request yours!

“We recognize that Halloween is usually the only day where we look forward to donning masks, and this year is very different,” noted Sarah Fuller, chair of the Winthrop Town Council. “We’re happy so many groups are

partnering with us to provide safer, family-friendly activities this Halloween and bring some alternative forms of trick-or-treating to life."

**For additional Winthrop notices:**

As a reminder: people can sign-up to receive updates on the new town [website](#) under the section marked "Winthrop Alerts." This new email notification system will provide updates as they are available, as well as on the Town's Facebook page and those of the emergency departments (EMS/Ambulance, Police, Fire).

Questions for municipal-related activities should be directed to Town Manager Jeffrey Kobrock, 207.377.7200 ext 423.

###