

# Linwood Farms Connection



## Upcoming Events

**October:** Booing will start the beg. of the month.  
**Oct. 30:** Downtown Mooresville Trick-or-Treating, 3-5 PM  
**Oct 31:** Neighborhood Trick or Treating  
**Jan 2011:** E-newsletter begins. Must sign up on HOA website to receive it.



**Fun Fact:** In the United States, the first city-wide celebration of Halloween was held in Anoka, Minnesota in 1921.

# Booing Starts!



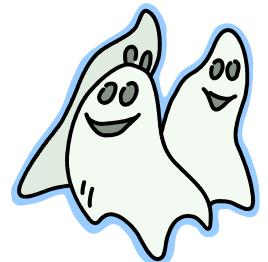
In October, the Linwood Farms Social Committee will kick-off the Halloween Season with our fun “booing” tradition.

**How to Boo:** We will leave a small gift bag, inspired by the holiday (under \$5), at several neighbor’s houses. Along with the gift, will be 2 sets of directions and 3 ghosts. Hang one of the ghosts in your window to show neighbors you have been “booed.”

Next, take the 2 sets of directions/ghosts and go “boo” another neighbor. It’s a great time to give that warm welcome to a new neighbor, an old friend or to someone you don’t know. Plus, it’s fun to sneak around and try not to be seen as you creep to the doorstep to drop off your goodies.

Ideas for booing gift bags can be: a candle, chocolates, stickers, \$5 gift card, fall-inspired blank cards, Halloween socks, etc. Check out the dollar aisle at your favorite craft store or market.

**Happy Booing!**



What do skeletons say before they eat?  
 Bone appétit!  
 What do witches put on their hair?  
 Scare spray!



## LF Goes to E-Newsletter

The Linwood Farms Board of Directors and Social Committee have collaborated to make some great changes to our website and newsletter. In order to become an Eco-Friendly neighborhood, we'll be changing our newsletter to an **online version ONLY** in the New Year.  
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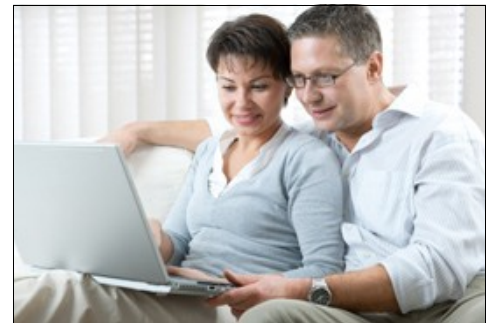
Starting January 2011, you will receive your newsletter via your **EMAIL BOX ONLY** (no more print version in your paper box). The newsletter will be sent out on the 10th of each month, and will be in an easy-to-read digital format. Story submissions and advertising to be included in the newsletter will be accepted up to the 5th of the month.

Newsletters will be archived online (as always) for you to read at your leisure, and each edition will include a link to "Print a Copy" from your own printer if you so desire. If you haven't signed up for the mailing list already, please do so here on our website (the sign up form is on the right side of the site, under the heading "Mailing List"). Important information from the Board or the HOA Management company will still go out via US Mail as before.

You'll also notice a new website design in December which will be much more streamlined and easier to use. We're working to be responsible, earth-friendly, and communicative at the same time.

In order to stay informed about what is going on in your neighborhood, please go to the LF Website:

[www.linwood-farms-hoa.org](http://www.linwood-farms-hoa.org) and sign up to receive the e-newsletter and other updates from our community. Sign-up is quick and we will send you no spam or solicitation. Sign-up box is on the right hand side of the Home Page.



## TRICK-OR-TREAT SAFETY TIPS

- Wear costumes that are reflective, bright, and flame retardant,
- Carry a flashlight or Glow Sticks
- Travel with a parent or a Small Group of Children (it is recommended only 12 and up go without adult supervision). Visit only neighborhoods you know.
- Never enter anyone's home when trick-or-treating
- Have parents inspect candy before eating
- Costume swords or knives should be flexible not rigid
- Be sure costumes are fitted-not dragging on ground

**Have a Safe and Happy Halloween!**



## Social Committee Update

*In the September newsletter, the Social Committee explained that many of its volunteers, who have been serving for several years, are now experiencing time constraints due to personal family situations.*

*We put out a request for new volunteers to join us to help strengthen our team to help us plan events for the upcoming year (this year we turned in our budget to help out with neighborhood expenses). Unfortunately, we did not get a good response, so the committee decided the following:*

*Due to the limited number of social committee member's availability and limited manpower:*

- We will plan only a few small events throughout the year (depending on our 2011 budget)
- We will keep the events simple and more low-key
- We are open to anyone who want to join us and bring new ideas to the table. You can join anytime!

*While we have enjoyed planning more elaborate events, we currently are not able to do so. We do look forward to any new members who would like to serve and bring a fresh perspective!*

**Thank you!**



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