

Leon County Sheriff's Office CRIME WATCH

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LCSO Legal Counsel Remembered

The Leon County Sheriff's Office said a sad farewell to Legal Counsel Major Alan Griner. Major Griner passed away at home with his family at his side, on Saturday, July 26, after a lengthy battle with cancer.

A long time resident of Tallahassee, he attended Leonard Wesson Elementary School, Tallahassee Christian School and graduated in 1974 from Rickards High School. While working full time, he completed his Associate of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice in 1979 at Tallahassee Community College, moving on to Florida State University to earn a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminology in 1984.

He later served his alma maters as an adjunct professor, teaching in FSU's School of Criminology and Criminal Justice from 1993-1997 and in TCC's Criminal Justice Program from 1998-2008. In 1987, Alan moved to Macon, Georgia, to attend Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law and was awarded a juris doctorate in 1990. Following high school graduation, Alan accepted employment at the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, setting in motion a career that spanned nearly 40 years.

In 1980, he became a deputy of the Leon County Sheriff's Office, serving as a SWAT team member and rising to the rank of sergeant. He was given the Law Enforcement Officer Distinguished Service Award by the Tallahassee Jaycees in 1982. In 1983, Sheriff Eddie Boone awarded him a Certifi-



cate of Commendation for Outstanding Service to the Community and he was named Tallahassee Law Enforcement Officer of the Year by the Tallahassee Optimist Club.

He was also listed in the 1983 register of Outstanding Young Men of America. The Committee of 99 recognized Alan as Outstanding Leon County Law Enforcement Officer in 1984. Returning to FDLE from 1985-1987 as a Special Agent, Alan worked in Protective Operations/Dignitary Protection where he was assigned to Governor and Mrs. Bob Graham, and was a member of the Counter Terrorism Squad.

After the 1987-1990 law school hiatus, Alan became an assistant state attorney for five years in Florida's 2nd Judicial Circuit, assigned variously to the offices in Leon, Franklin and Wakulla counties. Between 1995 and 1997, Alan was briefly employed by the Agency for Healthcare Administration and the Department of Revenue.

Following his heart, he rejoined LCSO in 1997 as General Counsel, and held the rank of major. One of the most rewarding aspects of his work was the additional responsibility of supervising the Sheriff's Office Mounted Posse, merging his love of law enforcement, community service and horses.

Major Griner is survived by a wife and two daughters.

source: <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/tallahassee/>

WANTED:

The Leon County Sheriff's Office needs your help in locating the following individuals, if you have information, please call 606-3300. You may remain anonymous. See page 12 for additional wanted felons.



Leonard J. Cull

Black Male DOB: 06/26/1976
H: 5'11" W: 310 lbs
Hair: Black Eyes: brown

Cruelty toward child aggravated abuse, Battery, Violation of Probation, Driving with Susp. License



Raymond Schott

White Male DOB: 07/13/1982
H: 5'10" W: 210lbs
Hair: Brown Eyes: Blues

Grand Theft Auto

WANTED as of 8/6/2014

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News From The Sheriff's Office

Tip-A-Cop at Longhorn Steakhouse!

Leon County Sheriff's Office hosted a Tip A Cop event benefitting Special Olympics at Longhorn Steakhouse, 2400 North Monroe Street, on Friday June 13, 2014. The servers assisted with the lunch and dinner services. During the event, \$3000 was raised through tips and the sale of Special Olympics t-shirts and baseball caps.

The Leon County Sheriff's Office has supported the Special Olympics and the athletes for more than a decade through events like the Law Enforcement Torch Run and Tip A Cop events. In recognition of the agencies committed to the athletes on



July 12, Special Olympics Leon County recognized the Leon County Sheriff's Office as an "Above and Beyond Community Partner".

A Hand Up For Local Homeless Veterans

The Leon County Sheriff's Office and the Florida Veterans Foundation joined together to provide homeless veterans a hand up by providing them with reliable transportation. A bicycle can be a life changing gift for a homeless veteran. Due to the expense of operating and maintaining a vehicle, many veterans go without the reliable transportation they need to get to medical appointments, employment opportunities and social services. The goal is to assist veterans in becoming more independent as they combat the cruelty of homelessness and the poverty of life after service.

Sheriff Larry Campbell said, "The members of the Leon County Sheriff's Office proudly support the brave men and women of our armed forces and we thank our veterans for their great service." At 10:00am on Thursday July 24, 2014, the Leon County Sheriff's Office donated 24 bicycles to representatives from the Florida Veterans Foundation. The donated bicycles will be evaluated by The Bicycle House to ensure they are mechanically sound and operationally functional and any deficiencies will be corrected prior to a bicycle being provided to a homeless veteran.



Glover Receives 50 Reasons Award

Deputy Jason Glover was recognized for the LCSO 50 Reasons Award. This award is given out to deputies with LCSO that have made 50 or more DUI arrest in one year. Deputy Glover made 75 DUI arrest in 2013. Glover was also recognized by the local MADD organization in June for his efforts with DUI enforcement.

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Correctional Officers Appreciation Luncheon



Things were cookin' over at the Jail on Friday, May 9th. As part of Correctional Officer Appreciation Week, the Jail hosted a cook-out with all the fixins'. Major Brent Coughlin and Lt. Tyler Bush, among others were heatin' things up with their grilling skills. Everyone enjoyed great food and fellowship at the cook-out. Thank you to all the Correctional Officers and support personnel for all that you do!



Latchkey Kid Safety: Home Alone Child ... Safety Proof Your Kids

Latchkey kids are home alone, taking care of themselves for some part of the day. They're usually children of working parents who cannot afford childcare, or where childcare programs are not available. If you're parenting a latchkey kid, you need to teach him or her self-care skills, set rules and limits and talk about basic safety information. If you must leave your

kids home alone, set and discuss routines they must follow (house chores, homework, pets, visiting friends or having friends over, answering the door, etc). The National Crime Prevention Council suggests all parents teach their children to:

- Memorize their name and address, including city and state
- Memorize their phone numbers (home and/or cell), including area code

- Use both push-button and rotary dial phones to make local, long distance, 411 and 911 calls or to reach the operator
- Check in with you or a neighbor immediately after arriving home
- Never go into the home if a door is ajar or a window

is broken

- Operate doors and window locks safely
 - Answer the doorbell and phone safely
 - Never go into anyone else's home without your permission
 - Avoid walking or playing alone
 - Understand that a stranger is someone neither you nor they know well
 - Run to the nearest public place, neighbor or safe house if they feel they're being followed, either on foot or by a car
 - Tell you if anyone asks them to keep a secret, offers them gifts or money or asks to take their picture
 - Always tell you if something happened when they were away from you that made them feel uncomfortable in any way -
- See more at: <http://www.parenting.org>



THELMA THWARTUM — By Alex



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Taking The Bully By The Horns

by: Kathy Noll, M.Ed.

Did you know that 6.5 million boys and 3.5 million girls are involved in fights every year on school grounds in America? Plus, 4.5 million students are threatened with bodily harm each year with almost 2 million students being robbed. Bullying has become a very serious "Hot" topic today. It's been in the news and the theme of several talk shows in the past year. The problem has been around for as long as people have been around, but it's only been recently that we've become aware enough to do something about it.

Mental and physical signs for parents to look for to find out if their child is being bullied include: Cuts, bruises, torn clothing, headaches and/or stomach pains before it's time to go to school, or a reluctance to go to school, poor appetites, poor grades, decline/withdrawal from usual activities, anxiety, not many friends, always loses money, depression, fear, anger and relates better to adults and teachers than children. It also helps to understand the different types of abuse the bully can inflict. This can vary from physical (juvenile violence) to verbal and

include mental control tactics. (Crushing your self-esteem).

The bully's pattern of physical abuse might include: pushing, tripping, slapping, hitting, wrestling, choking, kicking, biting, stealing and breaking things. (80% of the time bullying becomes physical). The bully's pattern of verbal abuse might include: twisting your words around, judging you unfairly, missing the point, passing blame, bossing, making you self-conscious, embarrassing you, making you cry, confusing you and making you feel small so he/she can feel big. Children between the ages of 5-11 begin using verbal abuse, and are capable of some physical abuse such as fist fighting, kicking and choking. However, once a child reaches the age of 12, psychological changes take place and the bullying becomes more violent. This might include the use of weapons and sexual abuse. Murder between children was up 35% in 1997. Today's 3, 4, and 5 year-olds could grow up to be a generation of serial killers. Some signs to watch for in younger children include setting fires and torturing animals.

Usually bullies come from middle-income families that do not monitor their activities. The parents of bullies are either extremely tolerant and permissive and allow them to get away with everything, or physically aggressive and abusive. Bullies like to be in control of situations, and enjoy inflicting injury on others. They have less commitment to school and teachers. Usually taller and stronger than other children their own age, bullies see the world with a paranoid's eye. They see threats where none exist and believe that their anger and aggressiveness is justified. The bully might lash out at people because he's angry about something. Maybe someone in their life is bullying them. They could be hurting from abuse they received in the past or maybe they grew up observing those around them using violence as a means of settling differences. Sometimes jealousy is the culprit. He/ she needs to feel better about himself in order to change, and to stop bullying. Or, in a worse case scenario, he/she might actually be a sociopath, in which case he/she

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School Bus Safety

School buses are the safest way to get to school and are nearly eight times safer than passenger vehicles. But children must take care when boarding or leaving the bus. While an average of 7 school-age passengers are killed in school bus crashes each year, 19 are killed getting on and off the bus. Most of those killed are children from five to seven years old. They are hit in the danger zone around the bus (A), either by a passing vehicle or by the school bus itself. It is illegal for a vehicle to pass a bus with its red light flashing.

YOUNG CHILDREN ARE MOST LIKELY TO BE HIT BECAUSE THEY:

- hurry to get on or off the bus,
- act before they think and have little experience with traffic,
- assume motorists will see them and will wait for them to cross,
- don't always stay within the bus driver's sight, or
- drop something as they get off the bus and run into the path of the bus to pick it up.

TEACH YOUR CHILD TO GET ON AND OFF THE BUS SAFELY:

- When getting on the bus, stay away from the danger zone and wait for the driver's signal. Board the bus one at a time.
- When getting off the bus, look before stepping off the bus to be sure no cars are passing on the shoulder (side of the road). Move away from the bus.
- Before crossing the street, take five "giant steps" out from the front of the bus, or until the driver's face can be seen (A). Wait for the driver to signal that it's safe to cross.
- Look left-right-left when coming to the edge of the bus to make

sure traffic is stopped. Keep watching traffic when crossing.

SAFETY STEPS YOU CAN TAKE:

- Supervise children to make sure they get to the stop on time, wait far away from the road, and avoid rough play.
- Teach your child to ask the driver for help if he/she drops something near the bus. If a child bends down to pick up something, the driver cannot see him/her and the child may be hit by the bus. Have your child use a backpack or book bag to keep loose items together.
- Make sure clothing and backpacks have no loose drawstrings or long straps, to get caught in the handrail or bus door.
- Encourage safe school bus loading and unloading.
- If you think a bus stop is in a dangerous place, talk with your school office or transportation director about changing the location.

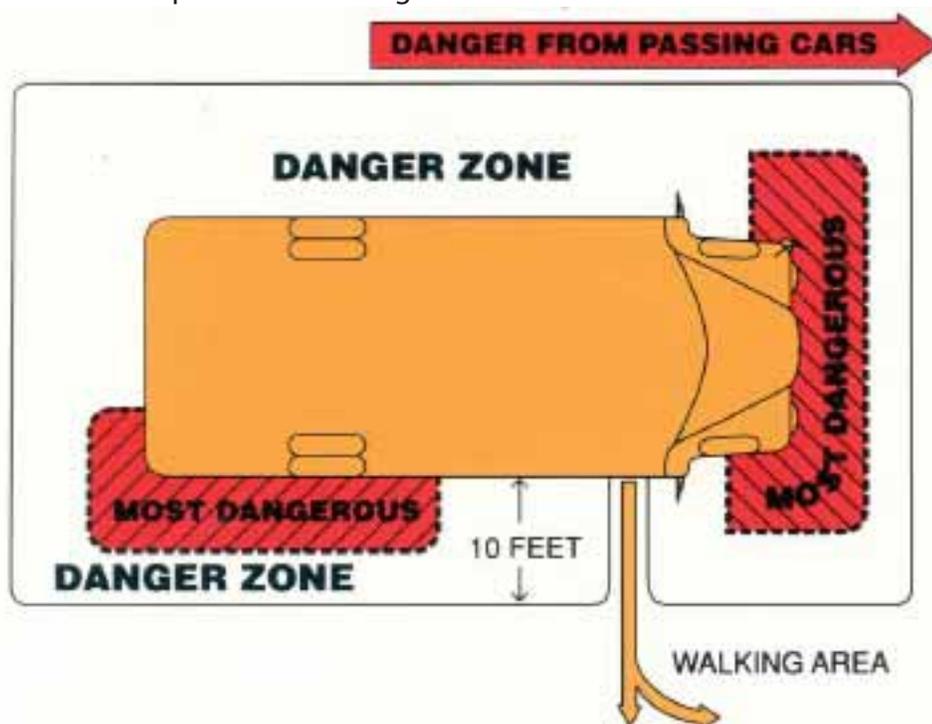
LEARN AND FOLLOW SCHOOL BUS STOP LAWS:

Laws exist to protect children get-

ting on and off the bus AND protect you from a tragedy. The law requires that:

- Vehicles must stop before reaching a bus that has its flashing red warning lights and/or stop signal arm extended (B). Vehicles may not pass until the flashing red lights and signals are turned off.
- Vehicles traveling in the same and opposite direction as the bus on an undivided road are always required to stop.
- Vehicles traveling on a divided, or separated, highway do not have to stop when meeting or passing a bus on the other side of the road.
- Drivers never pass on the right side of the bus, where children enter or exit. This is illegal and can have tragic results.

Violation of these laws can result in a citation and fine. In many places, school bus drivers can report passing vehicles.



CAAAs Deputy Of The Year Nominations



The Leon County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) Citizen's Academy Alumni Association (CAAAs) has established an annual Leon County Deputy of the Year Award to be presented to an outstanding Deputy

in October 2014. In keeping with the mission of the Association to "promote and preserve a close relationship between the alumni, the community and the LCSO," the intent of the award is to provide a way for the CAAAs to recognize a Deputy that has been identified by a citizen for outstanding service to the community. Anyone can nominate a Deputy for outstanding service performed in Leon County during the designated time period of September 1, 2013 and September 1, 2014. While the event/service must take place in Leon County, the person making

the nomination does not have to be a resident of Leon County.

Deputies are serving the community in many types of situations each day. The categories of outstanding service to be recognized include; heroic life saving event, distinguished above & beyond service, community involvement, exemplary level of professionalism. Award nomination forms are available through the Leon County Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Unit. You may also visit the LCSO website at leoncountysos.com to obtain a nomination form. After the nomination deadline, the nominations will be reviewed by a panel consisting of the Sheriff, members of CAAAs and members of the community. The award will consist of a cash award and an engraved plaque. The award presentation will be made at the graduation banquet of the LCSO Citizen's Academy in October 2014.

For Additional Information, Contact: Lt. Nancy Burns, LCSO Crime Prevention Unit, 850- 606-3331 or email burnsn@leoncountyfl.gov. Please see further information on the nomination form in this issue on page 7.



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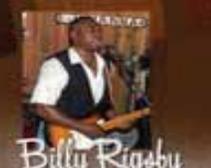
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LEON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
CITIZEN'S ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
2014 LEON COUNTY DEPUTY OF THE YEAR AWARD

NOMINATION FORM

Criteria for award:

*Distinguished event or service must have taken place in Leon County between the dates of September 1, 2013 and September 1, 2014.

*The Deputy being nominated must be a full time employee of the Leon County Sheriff's Office and have a minimum of two years of service in law enforcement.

Nominee's Name: _____

Please check the category under which this nomination is being made:

_____ Single Heroic Event

_____ Distinguished Service to Profession and Community

_____ Community Involvement Beyond Scope of Assigned Duties

Using second page of this form. Give the date, time, location and description of the event or service that you feel qualifies this Deputy for the 2014 Leon County Deputy of the Year Award. Any additional information that will assist the award evaluation team in determining the significance of the event/service and any additional letters or correspondence related to the event/ service may be submitted with this nomination form.

Nominated by: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone (include area code): _____

E-mail: _____

Signature

Date

Nominations must be postmarked no later than September 20, 2014. Submit completed form to:

LCSO Citizen's Academy Alumni Assoc.

LCSO-CAAA Award

PO Box 727

Tallahassee, Fl. 32302

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would need to get professional help.

What can parents do to prevent their children from getting bullied? Tell your children to walk or play with friends, not alone and to avoid empty buildings and alleys. Make a list with the child as to where they are allowed to go, and places where they can get help.

Know your child's friends and make sure that other adults in his/her life understand your view of teasing and violence. Teach your child to be strong and kind! If your child is a victim, he needs to know that he's OK, and not the one with the problem. Have him tell his school guidance counselor the name of the bully who is victimizing him. Or you might try talking to the principal or his teachers directly. And if you know the parents of the bully, you might try confronting them as well. However, there's a good chance they'll either be in denial, or be as unconcerned as their child.

If physical abuse is the problem, and you're afraid of angering the bully, tell the teacher, or whomever, not to pass on your or your child's name while settling the situation. If verbal abuse is the problem, your child could try confronting the bully himself. Get him alone. Bullies like to show off by embarrassing you in front of a group of people. They might not be so tough without a crowd. Tell your child to be firm, stick up for himself and tell the bully, "I don't like what you're doing to me, and I want you to stop." If the child is old enough to reason, have him tell the bully how it feels to be bullied.

Don't stress what the bully did, or the accusations might make him defensive. Then he'd be less likely to listen. If he's willing to listen at all, he might be willing to change. However, if he's unwilling to listen and starts getting nasty, your child is better off staying away from him or ignoring him. But if his verbal abuse turns into threats, notify someone in authority.

Sometimes having his things stolen victimizes a child. Putting your child's name on everything is an important thing to do. This means each and every crayon! It also helps to not allow him/her to take things of any major importance or value to school. Again, if nothing else works, have the bully reported. For the past 10 years, child on child violence has been increasing in America. Physical abuse, sexual assault, sexual harassment and robbery have driven many victims to substance abuse or suicide.

www.viewzone.com/bully.html

HOW A BULLY BECOMES A BULLY:

* He is angry. Someone might have bullied him in the past.

* He has a low self-esteem. He thinks controlling you will help him feel better about himself.

* He might have been exposed to a lot of violence in the media. (TV, books...) A lot of movies make violence look cool. But if you look closer, the "good guy" is always cooler!

* His caretakers might have lacked in supervision. They might have been too busy to teach him how wrong it is to hurt others. Or maybe they spoiled him, making him think he can do anything he wants, including bullying!

WHAT TO DO ABOUT BULLIES:

* Inform your teachers & parents. If his bullying is physical or violent, tell them not to give your name. That could make the bully more angry and then he'll come after you harder.

* Travel to school or social events in groups. Don't walk alone. Avoid the bully at all costs.

* Ignore him. That will take away his power he "thinks" he has over you. He'll get bored and go look for someone else to pick on.

* Confront him with the problem. Do this only if the bullying is mental, not physical. Maybe you can explain how it makes you feel. If he doesn't care and continues to bully you, report him, and avoid him.

* Take a safety training workshop. This should only be used as a last resort (in self defense). Using this to show off for your friends or simply because someone made you angry, could lead to law suits and YOU becoming a bully!



source: www.ext.nodak.edu

Sexual Predator Notification

Chapter 943, Florida Statutes allows local law enforcement to release certain information concerning sexual offenders. The below information is being provided to inform the citizens of Leon County of those sexual offenders who live in the community. The information should not be used to harass the sexual offender, to vandalize their property, or to facilitate any other crime against them. For a complete listing and photograph of sexual offenders in Tallahassee and Leon County, you may contact the FDLE Hotline at 1-888-357-7332 or visit their webpage. Name and addresses verified as of: 07/21/2014

BALDWIN	TRAVIS	2604 BRIGHTON RD	32301
BOUKNECHT	WILLIAM	2420 CASTLETOWER RD	32301
BRUNI	MARSHALL	1401 RAMBLE BRK APT A	32301
NEILSEN	GERALD	480 W TENNESSEE ST	32301
PUIATTI	VICTOR	480 W TENNESSEE ST	32301
ROBINSON	ADRIAN	1410 SHALLOW BRK APT D	32301
BRYANT	JAMES	2501 OLD BAINBRIDGE RD APT B	32303
CAESAR	ANTHONY	6285 BOMBADIL DR	32303
HINES	MICHAEL	1548 MERRY OAKS CT	32303
JONES	JAMES	2425 MCWEST ST	32303
LANGNEHS	DANIEL	6472 HOODED BAY CT	32303
MILLS	JOHN	2110 TAMERLANE DR	32303
NEALY	ANTHONY	1317 LOWELL ST	32303
RANKIN	JAMES	6980 RED GUM CT	32303
RIGGS	CHARLES	1305 PULLEN RD	32303
ROBINSON	DARIUS	2047 LONGVIEW DR	32303
SYMONETTE	KEVIN	3898 GAFFNEY LOOP	32303
ALEXANDER	DARREN	6517 ELLENMAN LN	32304
ARNOLD	KELLY	1224 EPPES DR APT 4	32304
BRANCH	TRAVIS	1605 ATKAMIRE DR	32304
BRANTLEY	RONALD	1224 EPPES DR APT 6	32304
BUTLER	LEO	306 WHITE DR APT D4	32304
COUSNARD	GEORGE	2990 BANTAM LN	32304
CROWLEY	WILLIAM	5738 PINE PARK CIR	32304
GATES	STEVEN	1224 EPPES DR	32304
HARVELL	BOBBY	5651 AENON CHURCH TRL LOT 9	32304
HUDSON	THEODORE	2416 JACKSON BLUFF RD APT 6A	32304
JONES	ROBERT	5207 ELLSWORTH TRCE LOT 14	32304
LEAHY	MATTHEW	5713 AENON CHURCH TRL	32304
MADISON	KENNETH	2969 CREEK INDIAN LN	32304
MATHIS	RONALD	1327 PEPPER DR APT 3	32304
NELSON	EARL	635 DUNN ST	32304
OSBORN	DALE	1224 EPPES DR	32304
SAFFORD	SHAWN	1224 EPPES DR APT 6	32304
THOMPSON	MICHAEL	1224 EPPES DR	32304
WILLIS	DANNY	319 HAYDEN RD APT 25	32304
BEEL	MICHAEL	6552 SPRINGHILL RD	32305
BRUCE	RICKY	1216 CARSON DR # A	32305
COLLINS	LEROY	3618 S LAKEWOOD DR	32305
FARLIN	MICHAEL	3406 MIZELL ST	32305
JONES	EXTERMEADE	3586 SUNDOWN RD	32305
KERCE	ROBERT	4017 WOOD DR	32305
MANN	DAMIEN	5319 ISABELLE DR APT A	32305
SCULLEY	STEPHEN	817 SHANNON ST	32305
WARD	GREGORY	2205 FRANKLIN OAKS LN	32305
WILLIAMS	HILTON	3927 CRAWFORDVILLE RD # B-53	32305
EVANS	DANIEL	3573 CHATELAINE DR	32308
YOUNG	KENNETH	2881 BALTIC AVE	32308
FOSTER	LARRY	4364 SAFARI RUN	32309
JONES	BRIAN	3141 LOOKOUT TRL	32309
BAXLEY	PAUL	2718 DEEP FOREST RD	32310
BELVIS	ANDREW	5566 SULLIVAN RD	32310
CAMERON	EDWARD	14984 GRASSHOPPER TRL	32310
CODY	JEFFERY	1840 BABY FARM CIR	32310
COE	ROBERT	1717 SUNBEAM LN	32310
HAVEARD	JOSHUA	1448 KATIE LOIS RD	32310
JENKINS	TIMOTHY	1632 HIGHLAND ST APT 9	32310
LYLES	BENJAMIN	1565 CALDWELL DR	32310
ODEL	HOWARD	303 BIG RICHARD RD	32310
ROGAN	LARRY	542 OSCEOLA ST APT 5	32310
SPILLERS	JUSTIN	19339 COTTON PATCH RD	32310
TROTMAN	JERRY	6700 OLD BARN RD	32310
WASHINGTON	WILLIAM	1521 LAKE AVE	32310
BURTON	JAMES	2643 CHANDALAR LN	32311
CHILDS	LEANDREW	9556 APALACHEE PKWY APT 15	32311
WINGER	RICHARD	4042 APALACHEE PKWY LOT 1	32311
WRIGHT	GEORGE	3713 ROCKBROOK DR APT G	32311
GANYARD	JAMES	8006 RED EAGLE DR	32312
GLOSCHE	ROY	8026 BLUE SMOKE DR	32312
SAMPSON	BARRON	14855 FAIRBANKS FERRY CT	32312
GILES	JAMES	1695 CANADIAN GEESE TRL	32317
GIVENS	LANCE	2458 JEFFERSON RD.	32317
POSEY	DANIEL	13580 CAPITOLA RD	32317
RICHARDS	FRANK	6350 57TH AVE N	33709

Pedestrian Safety

Supervise preschoolers at all times.

Preschoolers should NOT be allowed to cross the street alone. Teach them who can help them cross the street safely (generally adults or siblings over the age of 12). Always hold the hand of a preschooler when crossing the street. Avoid making your driveway a "playground." If you do allow children in this area, make sure that it's only when there are no vehicles present. To further protect children who may be outside playing, separate the driveway from the roadway with a physical barrier to prevent any cars from entering. Ensure your children are properly supervised at all times, especially wherever motor vehicles are present. Teach children not to play in, around, or under vehicles – ever.

Teach by explaining.

Explain to your child the safe way you cross a street. Say, "When I cross a street, I always stop at the curb. I look and listen for cars. I look left for any traffic coming, and then I look right for traffic coming that way. Then I look left again for any traffic coming. When it is clear, I cross the street, and keep looking left and right and listening for cars coming." You can also explain how you look and listen for vehicles where they may be backing up (out of a driveway, parking lot, etc). Say: "Sometimes I can hear trucks backing up because they make a loud beeping sound to warn me. I also can look for a car or truck moving backward, and I can look and see white lights in the back of the car that tell me the driver is getting ready or is going backwards." Use life as a teaching opportunity; quietly point out to your child when you notice others using safe pedestrian and unsafe pedestrian behavior. This reinforces your message and is also helpful for visual learners.

Teach by example – be a role model.

Your child watches and notices your actions as an adult. They think if you do the behavior it must be correct. Always do the right thing and show safe behavior.

When walking, always:

- Walk on the sidewalk, if one is available.
- Walk facing traffic if no sidewalk is available.

When crossing the street, always:

- Cross at a corner or crosswalk with the walk signal.
- Stop at the curb.
- Exaggerate looking LEFT-RIGHT-LEFT for traffic in all directions before and while crossing the street. Explain you are looking for either no traffic or that traffic has stopped for you to cross safely.
- Hold your child's hand when crossing the street.
- Cross when it is clear. • Keep looking for cars as you cross.

Encourage your child.

As you both safely cross the street together, praise the child for copying your safe actions or words. Practice what you teach at ALL times.

Halloween Doesn't Have To Be Scary

Everyone loves a good scare on Halloween, but not when it comes to child safety. There are several easy and effective behaviors that parents can share with kids to help reduce their risk of injury.

Hard Facts

On average, children are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car and killed on Halloween than on any other day of the year.

Top Tips

- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors. Since masks can sometimes obstruct a child's vision, try non-toxic face paint and makeup whenever possible.
- Have kids use glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision. If kids are mature enough to be out without supervision, remind them to stick to familiar areas that are well lit and trick-or-treat in groups.
- Popular trick-or-treating hours are 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. so be especially alert for kids during those hours.
- When selecting a costume make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.

Walk Safely

- Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.

- Put electronic devices down and keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street.

- Teach children to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.

- Always walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible. Children should walk on direct routes with the fewest street crossings.

- Watch for cars that are turning or backing up. Teach children to never dart out into the street or cross between parked cars.

Trick or Treat with an Adult

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Keep Costumes Both Creative & Safe

- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.

- Choose face paint and makeup whenever possible instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision.

- Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.

- When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.

Drive Extra Safe on Halloween

- Slow down and be especially alert

in residential neighborhoods. Children are excited on Halloween and may move in unpredictable ways.

- Take extra time to look for kids at intersections, on medians and on curbs.

- Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully.

- Eliminate any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings.

- Drive slowly, anticipate heavy pedestrian traffic and turn your headlights on earlier in the day to spot children from greater distances.

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- See more at: <http://www.safekids.org/halloween>



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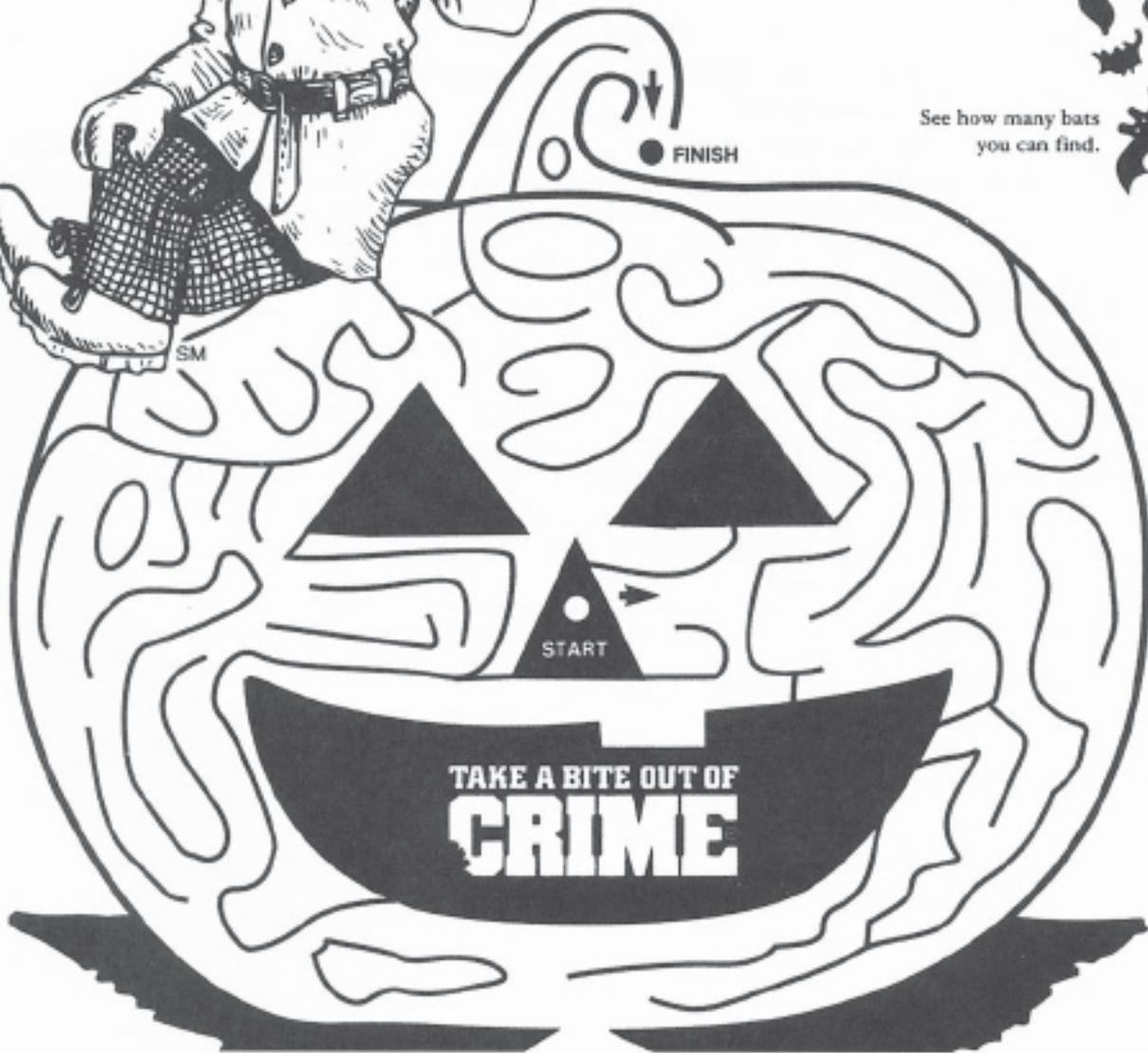
- ▲ Trick-or-treat in your neighborhood.
- ▲ Go with friends. Ask your parents, older sister or brother, or a neighbor to go along.
- ▲ Carry a flashlight, glowstick, or reflective bag.
- ▲ Have parents check all treats before you eat them.



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Black Male DOB: 12/01/1990
H: 6'03" W: 230 lbs
Hair: Black Eyes: Brown
Failure to appear x 2, possession of
cannabis & cocaine



James McCarragher

White Male DOB: 12/04/1989
H: 5'10" W: 155lbs
Hair: Brown Eyes: Blues
Dealing in stolen property



Nathaniel Harris

Black Male DOB: 10/07/1971
H: 5'10" W: 165lbs
Hair: Black Eyes: Brown
Grand Theft, Counterfeiting x 2,
Pass Forged/Altered Instrument
x 2