

Family Fun to Celebrate the Coming Season at Kennesaw's Fall-O-Ween

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KENNESAW, Ga. – Kennesaw Parks and Recreations hosted its annual Fall-O-Ween on October 12 at Swift-Cantrell Park to bring the whole family together to celebrate Halloween fun with activities and a movie showing of Disney's Hocus Pocus.



Children lining up to play games and win candy during the event

Fall-O-Ween is an annual community centered event where families can get together to be with one another with plenty of events in tow to keep children engaged as well. Daytime activities allow children to go stand to stand to collect candy and play mini games while dressed up with all of their friends.

“[Fall-O-Ween has] carnival games, trick or treating, children’s amusements, and costumed family-fun,” said an anonymous Kennesaw Parks and Recreations representative. “It’s great to see the community gathered together at Swift-Cantrell where everyone can join in on the fun.”

Children, and even some excited teens and adults, were meandering about looking for fun activities to take part in like ring toss or cornhole. For those seeking a more immersive game experience, water drenched children could be followed along a path that led patrons directly to a booth to bob for apples.

The event also boasted their “Monster Mash Dance Party.” Everyone was invited to boogie on down to the dance floor to get their groove on with some festive Halloween tunes.

Judges wandered the area and awarded prizes every half hour to their favorite costumed participants.

“I’m the real Spiderman,” said one of the excited winners of the costume contest.

“That’s why I got this bag of candy and [toy prizes]!”

The dance party’s costume contest was an absolute hit. Having judge appointed winners made countless children’s days, as well as a select number of smitten adults. Spidermen, ninjas, princesses, and pirates alike all toted their prizes with pride and were able to feel seen and appreciated on this special night.

Preparations for the Halloween film viewing experience began when the sun started to set by event managers setting up a large inflatable screen to project Walt Disney Pictures PG rated film Hocus Pocus. Families were scattered about purchasing snacks from concession stands and setting up their groves of picnic blankets, towels, low back chairs, and pillows to get both comfy and cozy during the film’s showing.

Throughout the showing delighted cries from children seeing the movie for the first time could be heard being paired with murmured excitement from fans who’ve seen the film countless times. The scent of popcorn and candy wafted through the air while families enjoyed their concessions and reveled in the warm feeling that comes from being cuddled up with loved ones on a chilly autumn night.

At the conclusion of the showing, families packed their bags and began rounding up yawning kids to shuffle to the car after the day’s festivities. Fortunately, all of the children complaining about not wanting the fun to be over will have an entire year to look forward to the fun and excitement of Kennesaw Parks and Recreation’s next annual Fall-O-Ween event in October of 2020.