

# The Police Report

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*Southern Shores, North Carolina*



## Southern Shores Has A New Officer

The Southern Shores Police Department recently hired a new officer bringing our staff up to 11 members. Our newest addition is Tracy M. Mann, a native of Mann's Harbor. Officer Mann has been in law enforcement since 2002 and has been previously employed with the Dare County Sheriff's Office and the Duck Police Department. She has two Bachelor's Degrees in Management Studies and Psychology from UMUC and Appalachian State respectively. Additionally, Officer Mann is the niece of Frankie Hemilright who passed away in the service of the Southern Shores Police Department and is the cousin of Officer Jeremy Hemilright who is currently employed with the Southern Shores Police Department. In many ways, Officer Mann is already a member of the Southern Shores family. We are extremely proud to have her on board.



## HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

### "Unhaunting" Your House and Neighborhood

- Welcome trick-or-treaters at home by turning on your exterior lights.
- Remove objects from your yard that might present a hazard to visitors.
- Ask your Neighborhood Watch or citizens' group to patrol the community.
- Involve students from a local college or university to be "witch's helpers." These students help trick-or-treaters cross busy streets and watch out for ghoulish behavior.
- Drive slowly all evening—you never know what creature may suddenly cross your path.
- Report any suspicious or criminal activity to your local police or sheriff's department.

### Making Safe Costumes

- Check that costumes are flame-retardant so the little ones aren't in danger near candlelit jack-o-lanterns and other fire hazards.
- Keep costumes short to prevent trips, falls, and other bumps in the night.
- Encourage kids to wear comfortable shoes.
- Try makeup instead of a mask. Masks can be hot and uncomfortable and, more importantly, they can obstruct a child's vision—a dangerous thing when kids are crossing streets and going up and down steps.

- Make sure kids wear light colors or put reflective tape on their costumes.

### Preparing Ghosts and Goblins for Their Tricks and Treats

- Make sure older kids go out with friends. Younger children should be accompanied by an adult. If you live in a rural area, offer all kids a ride in the car.
- Set a time limit for children to trick-or-treat. Together, map out a safe route so you know where they'll be. Remind them not to take shortcuts through backyards, alleys, or playing fields.
- Remind kids not to enter a strange house or car.
- Try to get kids to trick-or-treat while it is still light out. If it is dark, make sure the children are carrying flashlights that work.

### Eating the Treats

- Kids need to know not to eat their treats until they get home. One way to keep trick-or-treaters from digging in while they're still out is to feed them a meal or substantial snack beforehand.
- Check out all treats at home in a well lit place.
- What to eat? Only unopened candies and other treats that are in original wrappers. Don't forget to inspect fruit and homemade goodies for anything suspicious. By all means, remind kids not to eat everything at once or they'll be feeling pretty ghoulish for a while.

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## Statistics 09/2010



Total Incidents.....	07	Warnings.....	16
Larceny.....	03	Speeding.....	04
Damage to Property.....	01	Seat Belt.....	01
Simple Assault.....	01	Equipment.....	01
Drug Violations.....	01	Stop Light/Sign.....	05
All Other.....	01	Other.....	05
Arrests.....	01	Ordinance Violations.....	11
All Other Traffic.....	01	Parking.....	11
Citations.....	24	Accidents.....	02
Speeding.....	11	Calls For Service.....	1015
No Operator License.....	01	Business Check.....	255
Expired Registration.....	03	Residence Check.....	294
Stop Sign/Light.....	01		
Other.....	27		

## Interesting Facts

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Police Departments in Boston and Chicago are the first to issue uniforms to their officers.



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## HALLOWEEN FELONY

### § 14-401.11. Distribution of certain food at Halloween and all other times prohibited.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly distribute, sell, give away or otherwise cause to be placed in a position of human accessibility, any food or eatable substance which that person knows to contain:

- (1) Any noxious or deleterious substance, material or article which might be injurious to a person's health or might cause a person any physical discomfort, or
- (2) Any controlled substance included in any schedule of the Controlled Substances Act, or
- (3) Any poisonous chemical or compound or any foreign substance such as, but not limited to, razor blades, pins, and ground glass, which might cause death, serious physical injury or serious physical pain and discomfort.

(b) Penalties.

- (1) Any person violating the provisions of G.S. 14-401.11(a)(1):
  - a. Where the actual or possible effect on a person eating the food or substance was or would be limited to mild physical discomfort without any lasting effect, shall be guilty of a Class I felony.
  - b. Where the actual or possible effect on a person eating the food or substance was or would be greater than mild physical discomfort without any lasting effect, shall be punished as a Class H felon.
- (2) Any person violating the provisions of G.S. 14-401.11(a)(2) shall be punished as a Class F felon.
- (3) Any person violating the provisions of G.S. 14-401.11(a)(3) shall be punished as a Class C felon.

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