

September 12, 2022

Dear Hubbardston Greater Community,

The Hubbardston Lions are planning our Eighth Annual Halloween Event involving the Town of Hubbardston and surrounding communities. The Hubbardston Halloween Haunted Hay-ride (HHHH-ride) will be held on Friday & Saturday October 28th and 29th , 2022 from 5:00pm to 10:00pm. (Hayrides run from 5:30-9:30 PM) at Rietta Ranch (flea market). The evening of fun will consist of the **Haunted Hayride** that some of you may have participated in and a **Haunted House haunted walk**.

This request is for anybody interested in participating in creating and putting on a skit or skits that will be on display along the hayride route. The committee is hoping, that with your participation, we will be able to provide a number of scary (haunted) skits with a Halloween theme for the folks to enjoy.

Skit parameters: Each space is about 15 feet wide; you can use a sheet as a backdrop or the woods. The skits should be active, have lights, sound, humans acting, with props. Also welcome are animated displays. The Lions will provide some power via generators for your skits lights and sound needs.

The skits need to be active for about three and a half to four minutes, with sound lights and motion, as the wagons approach. You can request to have the Tractor stop or if you need, to keep it rolling through. There will be 4 or 5 tractors pulling the hay wagons set at intervals to allow each group to regroup for the next tractor. Please take this into consideration as you time out your skit. There may also be folks dressed in costume and masks in between the skits. Any kids performing that are under 16 should have a parent or guardian with them at the event. Parent's don't have to participate but need to be onsite.

These are basic guidelines. We do not want to restrict your creativity. Please contact any of the names at the bottom of the page with any questions and with your interest in participating. Another aspect we are exploring this year is helping students earn community service merits for participating. This will be a fun way to fulfill your community service requirements while helping out a great cause.

We will be judging of the skits and awarding prizes for the best and most creative ones. Judging will be based on originality, scary/haunted, and the quality of the skit. As in the past years we are looking at giving out cash gifts to winners which can be shared with the group.

A kids hayride will be available at dusk or around 5:30pm. Not so scary but enjoyable for the little kids.

The Lions, Halloween Haunted Hay-ride Committee looks forward to your interest and participation. We want this to be a continuation of many Haunted Hayrides in the future.

Lions are a service, charitable, and non-profit organization, which raises money, through various events. The majority of the monies raised are returned to the local community with portions of the funds raised going to assist in eye and hearing research and to the application of sight and hearing assistance.

Thanks again to each of you that provided a skit during last years HHHH-ride.

Please email or call with your interest, as soon as you can, to one of the folks listed below. This will allow us to plan the spacing and the lighting requirements for the skits and to get an idea of your groups' interest.

Sincerely,
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