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Haunt History Park is Not Scary

Sunday, October 28 from noon to 4 p.m.

San José, CA – October 11, 2012 --- What's scary about Halloween? Have no fear at Haunt History Park, on Sunday, October 28 from noon to 4 p.m. Children will be able to trick-or-treat throughout San José's History Park at Kelley Park in a fun, safe, family-friendly environment.

This scare-free annual event has become a tradition, with trick-or-treating, family-friendly events and arts and crafts activities. Trolley and hand car rides, games and crafts, will provide family festivities.

"This year the entire family can celebrate this historic holiday in a fun yet old-fashioned Halloween atmosphere," said Barbara Johnston, Director of Education at History San José. "There will be plenty of activities for all ages."

Trick-or-treating stations will be set up at the historic homes in History Park and are sponsored by the History San José Education Department, History San José docents and History San José's affiliates.

There will be games around the plaza along with Halloween crafts. The Costume Parade will be around the Plaza at 2:00 p.m. and the 'wrap-a-mummy' contest will take place on the Plaza at 3 p.m.

Speaking of treats, the tradition of trick-or-treating is very well known for handing out sweets. Dead Dog Hotdogs will be on hand, and popcorn is available for purchase. O'Brien's Ice Cream Parlor at History Park serves San José's own Treat ice cream. Treat Ice Cream Company has been in business in San José since 1951 and produces gourmet ice creams, sherbets, and sorbets.

Admission is free for History San José members, and only \$5 for members of Happy Hollow Park & Zoo; adults are \$8 and seniors are \$5, children age 2 and above are \$5. For more information, visit historysanjose.org or call 408 918 1047.

Kelley Park is located at 1621 Senter Road, between Phelan & Keyes. For GPS mapping use 135 Phelan Avenue. City parking is available for \$6. For more information visit historysanjose.org or call 408 287 2290.

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About History San José:

History San José is a non-profit organization that collects, preserves and celebrates the stories of diversity and innovation in San José and the Santa Clara Valley. HSJ manages one of the largest and most comprehensive regional history collections in the State of California, from 1784 Spanish governmental records to twenty-first century Silicon Valley technology.

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