



Can What Happened on October 7, 2023 Help Unite Us?

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We all know days like December 25th is Christmas and January 1st is New Years Day and the September 11th terrorist attacks. What about October 7th? For some of us, it has a big meaning. It is a big day that created a ripple effect.

Three years ago, on October 7th, a terrorist group called Hamas invaded Israel. At 6:30 am on October 7th, 6,000 Hamas terrorists killed about 20 people at the border. The first stop they took was the Nova Music Festival. There they killed about 1,200 innocent men and women, and almost forty of them were children. If this wasn't bad enough, they took 251 hostages and hid them in the tunnels of Gaza. They didn't choose the politicians or people of high power; they chose normal people, even infants and elders. Some of these people were held as hostages for almost two years. These people were barely given any food or water. They were told that the only way to live is to convert to Islam. They were even tortured. Some didn't even get to see home in their final moments.

On top of all of this, thousands of missiles were shot from Gaza to Israel. This attack was planned because this day fell on the holy day of Simcha Torah, a day that many Jewish people use to celebrate openly. Simcha Torah is an important day when the Jewish people finish reading the last part of the Torah and celebrate. Hamas found this a perfect day to attack them brutally and by surprise.

When on October 13th, 2025, the last twenty hostages and the twenty-eight dead hostages were finally released, they didn't even keep their promise. They claimed that they were only able to find four out of those twenty-eight deceased hostages.

This wasn't a result of an ongoing war, but it branched from a belief that Jewish people are in the wrong for being and some should die because of it. This act also came from a belief that Israel does not in fact belong to the Jewish people. All of this bloodshed, death, and war, was a result of beliefs.

This day has created a ripple effect that has spread. Hamas first attacked, then people chose sides, then we became divided, then people felt hated, and on top of that, it started a war. This war has killed many people from both sides and destroyed towns and important buildings, causing much devastation. This day has created a lot of hate coming from both sides. Even as all the hostages have finally been freed, or their bodies given to their loved ones, people still feel the aftermath. We can see from this, one day can create hate, fear, war, and division.

There are enough things that divide us in this world. We don't need another way to see who stands where or who caves into the pressure of others and their opinions. I have heard this saying many times, "If you know one thing about someone that they would want you to know, you are less likely to judge them." Everyone in this world is trying their hardest. They were placed on this world raw, and when we put labels on someone, they will appear how you think of them. If we all see others, not by who they believe in, but who they are, no harm or hate will exist, just all people living together in harmony. Division causes hate and hate causes division. We are weaker divided, and stronger together. Stop the hate, love your fellow man. On the inside, we are just human.



Some Call it 'Columbus Day' While Others Prefer 'Indigenous People's Day'



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There's a holiday coming up soon, "Columbus Day" as many people call it. You may think that Christopher Columbus, as many teachers tell you, found America, but let me tell you the truth.

Over 15,000 years ago, during the ice age, natives from Eurasia were hunting and gathering food (animal herds), and followed the herds over an ice bridge to North America unknowingly. And they were the first humans there. For at least 15,000- 30,000 years, they lived peacefully in North America and adapted to the environment and climate.

Then, in 1492, everything changed. A Spanish explorer named Christopher Columbus sailed west across the Atlantic Ocean, looking for a shortcut to Asia. He accidentally landed his boat on the Caribbean islands. He had no idea where he was and he thought he was in the East Indies, near India. Because of this, he called the native Tiano people "Indians", and he claimed he had discovered a new world. You cannot "discover" a new world if there are already people living there.

The idea that Columbus "discovered" America is not really true. He did not discover anything. He was just a lost explorer who stumbled onto an island, stole land from the people living there, and took the credit for it. He even lied to the King and Queen of Spain to make himself look like a hero and get rich, even though he never even saw North America.

You can't discover a house if someone is already sitting inside eating dinner, and Columbus didn't discover America because the Indigenous people had been home for 15,000 years. Calling it a "discovery" is a fake history that ignores the millions of people who were already there.

We should stop calling the holiday Columbus Day and praising him to pretend to discover a new world. I like to call it Indigenous People's Day because they deserve credit for adapting to a new climate and living there peacefully for centuries.

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A STAR award stands for STudents who Are Role models. The above listed students have been caught doing something that deserves the STAR recognition for this month! Great job to all of our Stars – keep up the positive behavior.

It makes our school a better place!

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Unshelved: Why Banned Books Are Important To Read Even If They're Banned And Why They're Banned

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What are banned books?

Banned books are books that have been challenged and removed from libraries across the country for being considered inappropriate or too violent for their age group. You have probably read some of these books like Harry Potter, The Hunger Games, Captain Underpants, and Where The Wild Things Are.

Harry Potter was banned for encouraging witchcraft (and wizardry) and was removed from some religious schools; The Hunger Games was banned for encouraging rebellion against government and was also banned by some schools and public libraries.

Banned Books are important to read, too! Most banned books offer a chance to widen your perspectives and can open your mind to new ideas by presenting you with unfamiliar situations some of the books are banned for being "too realistic."

Interestingly, educators report that up to 78% of students read more when banned books are available as an option, which directly supports vocabulary growth and lifelong literacy habits.

Banned Books Week first started in 1982 by ALA (American Library Association) Office for Intellectual Freedom director Judith Krug in response to a sudden surge in book challenges in libraries, schools, and bookstores. Banned Books Week is usually either the last week of September or the first week of October. This year Banned Books Week is from October 4 through October 10.

You can read some banned books in the school library and the public library. You can also find some of these on Sora because banned books are not banned in some states; the states with the most banned books are Tennessee and Texas with 8,100 banned books and Florida with 3,200 banned books.

In other states, banned books can be taken from school districts and public libraries. Happy Reading!!!



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Your Authoritative Guide to Warding Off Halloween Spirits

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Many holidays have obvious pasts. Christmas is the birth of Christ; 4th of July is the day America became a country. But what about a very popular favorite: Halloween?

Halloween became a holiday over 2000 years ago by the ancient Celts, people who lived in Ireland, the UK, and northern France (before they were countries).

It originated as a festival called "Samhain". It is pronounced S-OW-in. It was later called "All Hallows' Eve" and eventually...Halloween.

The Celts celebrated the day before their new year, November 1st. The Celts believed on the night of October 31st, the boundary between the living and the dead became blurred. It was believed that the spirits of the dead returned to Earth on Samhain.

To scare off these spirits everywhere, people wore costumes made of animal heads and animal skin so the dead would think they were other ghosts. The original pumpkins were turnips, and people carved scary faces in them. People left sweets and wine on their front doors to calm the spirits and prevent them from playing tricks on the house.

During the Irish Potato Famine (when Ireland ran out of food), people from Ireland rushed to America for food, and brought their tradition with them, which is how Halloween came to America. So next time you see Micheal Myers walking down the street and eating candy, at least you know how the tradition started.



SHaRkle--Danger at the Beach

By Emily Gardella and Victoria Ramos
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I slide on my pink flip flops and gather my purple beach bag.

"Reese!" I exclaim like a shrieking sea lion.

"WHAT?" says Maddie with an annoyed look like she'd just been disturbed from her sleepy sleep.

"We're finally at the beach--wake up you big baby," I said with an ugly grin smeared across my face like wet butter.

Reese and I ran to the sand like the diva baddie track stars we are. We finally found a spot on the beach and spread our ugly orange towels across the sand.

I sneakily pulled off Reese's mint green flip flops with arrogance, touching her feet like a criminal stealing a Barbie. "Hey Reese, let's go in the water!"

"No, not yet. I want to watch my skibidi toilet first and eat my Dubai chocolate."

Suddenly I had an idea . . . I wanted to go hunting for a fine beach surfer dream guy.' Reese thought like a very intelligent donkey.

I ran frantically like a rabid raccoon across the sand, kicking sand at many babies' faces.

"D-did you say hot surfer boy?" says Maddie with a flirty look on her face

"YES, I did," says Reese.

"Let's go," I said as I walked with my super amazing model walk like I was Adriana Lima.

We ran like someone was trying to catch tung tung from running away from the Skibidi gods. Once we finally reached the water, I thought maybe we should go deep into the ocean to look for the hottest aura farming ones. "Hey Reese let's go deeper."

"Uhm Maddie, don't you think we're going too far?"

"NO! Come on, don't be a loser! Lets go!"

"Okay."

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I do see a surfer boy in the distance, but I don't know if I'll ever be able to tell if he's a mile or 1,000 miles away. As the water starts to get deeper, darker, and to the point where we can no longer see land, we panic.

"Oh my God, oh my God Maddie!"

"WHAT?"

"I -I felt something on my foo-"

"REESE! NO REESE, NO!"

Reese gets pulled under except this time it was actually a shark looking for its prey. At this point I'm probably the most serious I've been in a long time. I see her head pop out like a hedgehog scared to come out of his burrow. So, I pull out my handy dandy verity pocketknife and I stab the shark and Reese comes right up with a few injuries. I quickly grab her as she weighs me down. I spot the shark on the ground in a position that looks like he's dead and rush to a rock. Little did we know that shark was not dead and there were more looking for their delicious diva queen track star food. I find a piece of seaweed lying on the rock and slice it in half with my pocketknife, to wrap her toe and finger to stop blood from gushing.

"I'm so lightheaded," said Reese looking like an ugly rat that came out from 2020. That's when I remember I brought spare Takis and spare Dubai chocolate.

"Here's a bag of Takis," I said.

"I think this is our sign to call for help or go back."

"No, no," I said looking in the distance for a guy.

"DO YOU WANT TO DIE, MADDIE!?"

"No, of course not but we're not going to," I said like a chill grandpa from the 70's.

Reese gobbled up a few Takis like a chipmunk finding its hidden stash of nuts after a long hibernation. We started to groggly and wade a long way back through the water, but then a hot surfer boy came up to us!

"Can I help you guys?" he pronounced like a foreign squirrel speaking Spanish for the first time.

"Uhm, yeah," Reese said licking the Taki dust off her fingers like a toddler eating an expired crayon. He lifted Reese like a bodybuilder, lifting a 4000-pound weight. Reese really does need to cut off the Takis. Once we got back to the towels, we called an ambulance.

"Do you think I'll be ok?" Reese asked licking strawberry Dubai chocolate off her fingers.

"Ya, definitely," I speak. Well, she basically wasn't bleeding much, and she mostly got scratched, thanks to my baddie preppy ninja pocketknife skills. Once the ambulance came, we frantically jerked our bodies into the back like thirsty elephants looking for a place to sit. We got to the hospital, and luckily the doctors said she will be fine; they just need to do a few stitches on her finger and toe. I mean, I give myself credit. Because where would Reese be right now if it weren't for her Taki loving, silly, bestie boo?



Anime Grows Rapidly in Somers

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You don't have to have a look all the way to Japan to see the massive rise of anime. The takeover is happening right here in Somers. From local store shelves packed with manga to kids wearing anime hoodies in hallways, anime culture has officially moved into the mainstream right in our own neighborhood.

While global stats show that over a third of the world watches anime, the real evidence is right here at school. Walk into any classroom or club meeting, and you're bound to find at least one person debating the latest episode in any anime. It is quickly becoming one of the biggest shared hobbies among kids in our community.

Whether you've been a fan for years or are just noticing anime around Somers, there is no denying that our community's interest in anime is growing fast (over 4 million people in NY watch and read anime/Mangas). Keep reading and watching to see how you like anime from romance and horror, and Sci-Fi.



Kailin Chio Energizes LSU's Gymnastics Squad

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Do You know who Kailin Chio is? Do you know what she has done for the LSU gymnastics team? Well, here is your chance to find out!

Kailin Chio is a 20-year-old gymnast who competes at Louisiana State University for Gymnastics. She was originally a JO gymnast which stands for the Junior Olympics if you are looking to go there. Instead, she chose to switch to NCAA gymnastics in January of 2023, but that does not take going to the Olympics out of her future!

Kailin Chio started gymnastics at the age of 5, not knowing where she would be today. Kailin Chio was 16 years old when she started competing for her first level 10 season. Level 10 is the highest level aside from Elite, but she decided she was not going in that direction anymore and chose college gymnastics. After the 2021 Pan American games and the 2021 U.S. National Championships, recruiters and major D1 colleges really started noticing her true talent. Kailin Chio committed to Louisiana State University on October 22nd, 2022, when she was in her junior year of high school.

At the 2021 Junior Pan American Games, her team won gold, and she won floor exercise gold, and all-around silver. At The 2021 U.S. National Championships she won gold on vault and bronze on floor.

Kailin Chio is currently going into her junior year but first let's recap her freshman and sophomore years! 2025 was her breakout season, so here is what happened in that year. Kailin Chio was named NCAA Freshman of the Year in 2025! This means she was voted the top freshman in the whole SEC conference, and she even earned spots on the All-SEC Team and SEC All-Freshman Team. This means she was honored for her OUTSTANDING All around performances and that she got onto the team of all the other amazing SEC Freshman. She was also named SEC Freshman of the week nine times which breaks the record set by Florida's current gymnast Kayla DiCello, who had eight. Kailin also got her first perfect 10 which was on vault, but she had many other worthy performances of 10s like 9.975s and 9.950s across all events. Kailin was the first all-arounder to get a 39.8 as a freshman in 2025 for LSU. She competed in the all-around 14 out of the 15 meets, and her average across those 14 meets was 39.513.

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Kailin also scored 9.9750 on vault in the NCAA Semifinals and won a title for that, making her only the third LSU freshman in history to win an individual National Championship Award. From just this year alone she surpassed Haleigh Bryant's LSU Freshman record for most weekly awards. Haleigh Bryant is now an assistant coach for LSU gymnastics. If 2025 seemed crazy just wait until you hear about her sophomore season in 2026!

In 2026 Kailin Chio Received 13 Perfect 10s! Yep, you heard that right, 13! This sets a new LSU record. Five were on Vault, five were on Floor, and three were on beam. Kailin Chio's Best Event may seem like its Vault or Floor, and yes, it is but what no one talks about is her beam. She was ranked #1 in the country for nine consecutive weeks, and she scored three consecutive perfect 10s in the span of just 10 days (about one and a half weeks). In a regular season meet, Kailin became the fifth gymnast in NCAA History to score three perfect 10s in a single meet, achieving them on Vault, Beam, and Floor. But she became the FIRST Gymnast in NCAA HISTORY to score a perfect 30 on the only events she competed in (Vault, Beam and Floor).

Many people including me wonder why she did not compete on bars. Mostly everyone thinks it's so she did not have so much on her plate before the post season. At the SEC Championships in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Kailin Captured both an All-around Win with a 39.775 and a Vault win with a 9.975. You must think it is over, but it is not. There is a lot more to say. At the 2026 NCAA Championships, Chio ended off her second season with another perfect 10, but this time getting a 10 from six judges instead of the normal two! This makes the first perfect 10 on vault at an NCAA Championships in LSU history! She ended that meet with 39.700 in the all-around, helping her team to be the runner-up of the National Championships. Psst! They should have won . . .

Kailin Chio was the last routine of the Championship, and this determined who would win. It was either The Oklahoma Sooners or The LSU Tigers. Kailin had an almost flawless routine with a little scooch on the landing, which is not like her, but still she performed an exceptionally good routine. The judges were most definitely not paying attention because they gave her a 9.900 and she deserved a 9.950. This sparked some controversy because a gymnast from the Oklahoma Sooners named Faith Torrez got the perfect score she needed to win after Kailin Chio's 9.900. It seems weird. If Chio had gotten her deserved 9.950, Oklahoma's win would have been out of reach because Faith Torrez would have needed a 10.050 to tie. I even heard it for myself when I went to the LSU gymnastics camp in June. Haley Mustari said she thought it was very odd and unfair the score they gave Torrez. She said she had competed in the All-Around once in the whole season and the one time she NEEDS a 10, she gets one, and she even said she saw her foot scooch back in her handspring layout, which is a deduction. In the end Kailin placed 2nd on everything, including as a team.

In order to get a ten on vault you must have perfect execution and have no movement on your landing, and Kailin Chio's stick percentage (In, other words the times she didn't move at all on vault) is 83% which is 12/14 stuck landings! She was the No. 1 ranked vaulter in the NCAA. She has earned a total of 67 total titles in both her sophomore and freshman years. Kailin also tied for the 2nd highest all-around score in LSU history with a 39.875! Chio was selected as a Honda Sport Award Finalist, with other contenders being Jordan Chiles, Anna Roberts and take a guess who is next . . . Faith Torrez, who ended up winning the award.

Coaches have also consistently commented on Kailin's unfazed mindset. She seems to show up most when the team needs it. Jay Clark, the head coach of the LSU Gymnastics Team, has noted that Chio naturally elevates her game when the team needs it most. "She's just operating at such an efficient, consistent, extremely high-level and seems to really rise to the occasion in moments where we need her to be . . . I've called them mistake erasers before, and she has played that role for us."

Kailin was once again, no surprise named SEC Gymnast of the Year, except this time out of all the freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors! Kailin still has her junior and senior seasons ahead of her, and I cannot wait to see what she does these next two years!

Quiet in the Atlantic, but Busy in the Pacific!

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North Atlantic Basin: There were no systems active in the North Atlantic basin as of October 1.

Eastern and Central Pacific Basin: There were three systems active in the Eastern and Central Pacific on October 1.

Hurricane Nolo, which formed on September 13, is, as of October 1, 2026, at tropical storm intensity and is currently threatening the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands. Hurricane Rachel, which formed on September 27, became a Category 2 hurricane on October 1. As of October 1, Rachel's peak intensity was winds of 105 miles per hour and with a low pressure of 964 millibars. Tropical Depression 19-E formed on September 29, 2026, and hasn't developed much since then. As of October 1, 19-E's peak intensity was winds of 35 miles per hour and a low pressure of 1002 millibars.

Western Pacific Basin: There were two systems active in the Western Pacific on October 1. Typhoon Surigae, which, as of October 1, wasn't even a tropical depression, is an extratropical cyclone. The other system is Tropical Storm Choi-wan, that formed on September 27. Over the next four days it steadily intensified to tropical storm status with winds of 50 miles per hour and a low pressure of 990 millibars as of October 1.

North Indian Ocean Basin: There were no systems active in the North Indian Ocean on October 1.

Thank you for reading Hurricanes Daily!

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From Mariner 1 to Mariner 2 to Veritas: The Journey to Venus

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Space Daily Issue 1

VERITAS, planned to be launched sometime in the 2030s, is going on a mission to explore Venus, the closest planet to Earth. But why is VERITAS heading for Venus? What missions came before VERITAS? Well, today, we are going to find out.

It all started 64 years ago on July 22, 1962. Why is this day important? It is important because that is the day Mariner 1 was being launched by NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration), which was founded in 1958. As I said earlier, Mariner 1 was launched on July 22, 1962. But something went wrong on that day.

So, what went wrong? The answer can be traced to a small typo in the computer code. Why does this error matter? After all, it is just a small typo. But this typo resulted in the rocket (which was an Atlas-Agena model), becoming uncontrollable. This was bad because, if you can't control the rocket, it could land in a populated city, which meant a lot of people could die. So, because of this, the Range Safety Officer had to issue the order to destroy the rocket (which was completely uncontrollable), in mid-air.

As a result of this, the rocket was destroyed and could not hurt anyone, but it meant that Mariner 1 was not going to be the first successful Venus mission. But Mariner 1 had a twin. It was called Mariner 2. Which meant Mariner 2, sadly not Mariner 1, could become the first successful mission to Venus.

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Mariner 2 Makes History Orbiting Venus

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Space Daily Issue #2

In the last issue, we learned about Mariner 1 and how it tragically was destroyed (just in case anyone was wondering, there were no people onboard). In this issue, we will learn about Mariner 2, Mariner 1's twin, and see if Mariner 2 could do what Mariner 1 could not.

It was August 27, 1962, a little over a month after Mariner 1's tragic end. This day was significant because this was the day Mariner 2 was supposed to be launched. Like its twin, Mariner 2 was going to be launched on an Atlas-Agena rocket. This time, however, Mariner 2's Atlas-Agena worked successfully, which meant Mariner 2 reached space! Even though Venus is the closest planet to Earth, it still takes months to get there.

After Mariner 2 was launched, it took months for Mariner 2 to reach Venus. (It took almost four months). And luckily, contact was not lost with Mariner 2 during this timeframe.

December 14, 1962: The moment of truth. Why was this day important? This was the day Mariner 2 was going to perform its flyby of Venus. If Mariner 2 succeeded, it would go down in history. If it failed, well, it would be very disappointing to get this far from Earth and fail. Did Mariner 2 succeed? Well, the answer is . . . Yes! Mariner 2 became the first successful Venus mission, the first successful planetary flyby, and the first interplanetary mission overall. Its closest approach to Venus was 18,776 nautical miles. Not bad for a probe launched millions of miles away.

But why did Mariner 2 come to Venus in the first place? The answer is that, as humans, we have a constant thirst for exploration. Columbus did, Magellan did, and so did NASA. With this probe, NASA found out lots of information about Venus. For example, people have assumed for centuries could possibly harbor life, with a planetwide rainforest where life could flourish. However, those assumptions turned out to be very wrong. Mariner 2 discovered that Venus was not even close to being habitable. In fact, Venus could get as hot as 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit, and its atmosphere is full of carbon dioxide, which we exhale. After this successful flyby, last contact was made with Mariner 2 on January 3, 1963.

Now, back to VERITAS. Although VERITAS is way more advanced than the simple Mariner 1 and Mariner 2, it still has the same purpose: To find out more. That is why we send all missions to space. Because we want to know more about Mars, Jupiter, Neptune, and a lot more other objects.

Next: Mariner 3 and Mariner 4 journey to Mars. Will they fail, will they succeed? find out in the next issue of Space Daily.

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Halloween Tips and Treats

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As everyone knows, Halloween is coming up, so here are some suggestions for you!

First, let's start with candy to give out to people. As everyone knows, everybody likes Snickers, so that should be your number one candy to give out. The second candy you should give out are Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, because a lot of people like those. A third suggestion is KitKats. Everybody loves those, so just hand those out, and I bet you're going to run out of Kit Kats.

Now for costume suggestions. As you know everybody wears costumes (who doesn't?), so the number one costume you should wear is . . . Banana Man! PERFECT. Another costume you should wear is any costume from a horror movies. I can't really get specific because I don't watch horror movies, so yeah, just throwing out an idea. The third and final costume you should wear is any inflatable dinosaur costume.

If you follow any of these candy or costumes suggestions, I bet you, you will be set for Halloween.



Fabulous Fall Fun and Frolic!

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The year is back up and running. Here are some fun fall activities near Somers, activities include apple picking at places like Muscote farm, hiking at places like Angle Fly Preserve, Reis Park or North County trailway, the haunt at Wildcliff mansion, which takes visitors through architecture, theatrical sets, and a haunted corn maze.

If you want to do trivia, every Thursday Night at 6:30-8:00 PM, there is a team trivia competition at DeCicco and Sons. For people who like Go-Karting, K1 speed in Mount Kisco is a great choice. It offers go-karts that can reach up to 45 miles per hour, though you must be 4 feet tall to ride in a kids kart and be 4 feet 10 inches tall to ride in an adult kart. There is also a large prize arcade there where you can win lots of cool prizes.

If you are into Bowling, Spins Bowl in Carmel is a great place offering 26 bowling lanes and welcomes many different skill level bowlers. If you like trampoline parks, there is a place in Danbury, Connecticut called Jumpz Trampoline Sports where you can play many games, such as Extreme 3D Dodgeball. You can bounce into foam pits, or you could try the ninja warrior obstacle courses.

Sky Zone Mount Kisco is also another very fun trampoline park. There are Basketball Hoops that you can try to dunk on while bouncing on the trampoline, slides, a zip line, and arenas for dodgeball.

If you really like trick-or-treating, there is a trunk-or-treat at Primrose Elementary School on Saturday, October 17th from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. There is also "Trunk or Treat" at the Jefferson Valley mall on Saturday, October 17th at 4:00 PM. If you are into running, there is a 5K and a Kids Mile at FWD Fitness Katonah at 8 am and there is a Fall Kids Run at Muscote farm on Sunday, October 25th where there is a race for ages 7-12 that is 1.1 miles.

