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### PFCLG 2011 THIRD ANNUAL SPOOKTACULAR

## The Partnership for Children of Lincoln & Gaston Counties annual

## SPOOKTACULAR

Saturday, October 29, 2011 12 Noon to 4:00 p.m.

WoodMill Festival Grounds, 1350 WoodMill Winery Lane, Vale NC

Activities include: Games • Trunk or Treat • Bounce House • Petting Zoo • Cup Cake Walk FREE Hotdog Lunch!

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## STAY SAFE Halloween Safety Tips

- Do not let your child trick or treat alone. They should have a responsible adult to accompany them.
- Tell your children not to eat any treats until they have been brought home and examined. Serve them a filing meal before trick or treating to avoid the temptation of eating the candy.
- Have your child carry a flashlight, glow stick or reflective tape so they remain visible.
- Make sure the child's costume is flame retardant. If they are wearing a mask make sure they can see through the eye holes.
- If you are driving a vehicle on Halloween pay extra attention, especially to crosswalks and intersections. Drive under the speed limit.
- Remind your child not to get in the car of a stranger at any time.

Make plans to join us at the Spooktacular!!!!



# WIN A NINTENDO 3DS!

The Partnership is raffling off a Nintendo 3DS. Tickets can be bought at the Partnership office now through Oct. 28, 2011 and at the Partnership for Children of Lincoln & Gaston Counties Spooktacular event, Saturday, Oct. 29. Please come to our office to purchase tickets. You do not need to be present to win. Cost, one ticket, \$2, three tickets, \$5 and seven tickets, \$10. Partnership staff, board members and spouses are not eligible to win.



### APPLE FESTIVAL 2011



Save the Date: Run for the Money 2012 Run for the Money 10 will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2012

### **OCTOBER IS SIDS Awareness Month**

SIDS, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome is the sudden and unexplained death of a baby under one year of age. It is the leading cause of death in babies after one month of age to one year. October is SIDS Awareness Month, which is a time to educate caregivers, parents, and family members about the risk factors associated with SIDS. Some tips to remember:

- Place a baby to sleep on his/her back; this is the number one way to reduce the risk of SIDS.
- Place your baby on a firm mattress since soft surfaces increase the risk of SIDS. Use a safety-approved crib mattress.
- Keep pillows, quilts and stuffed toys away from the sleep area.

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Serving as a leading advocate and collaborative resource to provide access to high quality services for young children.

### **OUR VISION**

A community where young children will reach their full health and educational potential.

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