Joint action slows devil

Instead they're using a resolution which they hope will encourage parents to "keep their young people within the family circle on devil's night," the night preceding Halloween.

The resolution is a joint effort of the cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills. West Bloomfield Township and the Farmington School District.

All four governmental units took offi-cial action recently to reinforce the citizen campaign against devil's night vandalism.

THIS IS the second year that the groups have banded together in such an effort.

The Citizens' Committee on Devil's Night (CCDN) was organized last year with initial help from the PTA Council of Farmington was sparked by an idea from Al Lanigan, principal at Larkshire School.

"There must be something we, as parents, could do about the devil's night problems," Lanigan said. "It

Three communities want to take the devil out of devil's night without using any spells or potions.

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The CCDN action operates on the as-sumption that the major part of the vandalism during devil's night comes from within not from outside the com-

"I THINK we have to presume our assumption was a sound one." Laniagn said. "Our local police departments reported a drop in vandalism for last year's devil's night compared with the previous year, and both government officials and local citizens we spoke to afterward felt that the night was generally quieter and safer than in previous years."

Mischief-making on the night before Halloween, called "cabbage night" in other parts of the country, appears to have it's roots in Celtic traditions of Great Britain when rural Halloween celebrants hurled cabbage stumps at the doors of country cottages

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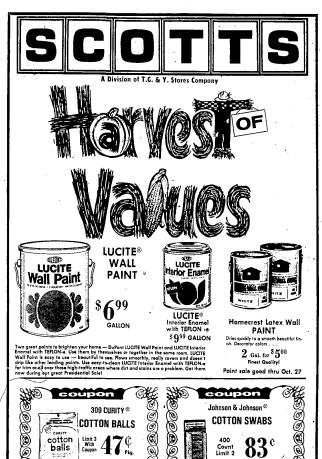


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