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Maricopa Bashas' hosts Old-fashioned Halloween Party

(CHANDLER, Ariz.)—Oct. 18, 2005—On the Saturday before Halloween, Bashas' #109 on Smith Enke & Maricopa Road will host a special Halloween party for kids of all ages. From 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Oct. 29, families can visit Maricopa's Bashas' Supermarket to get into the Halloween spirit early.

Soma Photography will join in the fun by taking free Halloween photos. These photographs will be processed and returned to the store for families to pick up. Bashas' will have trick-or-treat candy, a coloring contest with prizes and Halloween cookie decorating for kids. All of these activities are free for everyone involved.

“When we were kids, Halloween was so much fun because you had an excuse to eat candy and play dress-up,” said Maricopa Store Director Barb Delfino. “Bashas' decided to host this old-fashioned Halloween party because we would like to put the fun back into Halloween by providing a safe environment for children.”

While celebrating an early Halloween, parents can link their Bashas' Thank You Card to their charity of choice in Bashas' Thanks A Million for Friends and Neighbors fundraising program. There are currently four Maricopa nonprofits and 12 Casa Grande nonprofits registered to participate. For more information about the Thanks A Million program, or to see a list of participating nonprofits in your area, visit <http://www.bashas.com/charity>.

Bashas' Family of Stores was founded in 1932 by brothers Ike and Eddie Basha, Sr. It is the largest family-owned supermarket in Arizona and the 3rd largest employer in the state. Bashas' is the 15th largest privately held supermarket chain in the nation. For more information, visit www.bashas.com.

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