

Haunted House Name Riles Resident

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A Papillion resident who complained about a Halloween haunted house called Lucifer's Lumberyard said Thursday that he has achieved part of his goal even though the name still is appearing in ads and on a sign.

Jim Jones, who lives three blocks from the haunted house at 84th and West Second Streets, said talking about the issue has at least raised awareness.

"The name is offensive to me and my family," Jones said. "I'm not trying to be a parent for the whole community or trying to shut down every haunted house, but I do have a sense of reality when it comes to that name. Nothing good has come of Satanism."

The haunted house was organized

by Ed Young of Young Management. Members of three Papillion-LaVista High School groups — Future Business Leaders of America, DECA and the National Honor Society — are staffing the house and will receive part of the proceeds, Young said.

"It's a lot of fun," he said.

The event has two names which were chosen by students as part of a contest during homecoming week, Young said. The main name, which appears in several places on the building, is Nightmare on 84th Street. The other is Lucifer's Lumberyard. The site, which most recently was an antiques store, used to be a lumberyard.

Young said the complaints by Jones' family have been friendly in tone.

"They were real nice," he said.

Young said he checked with the students about the name. It was decid-

ed the name would stay, he said. The sign has been taken down during the day, then put up when the haunted house opens at 6:30 p.m.

Jones is a member of Glad Tidings Church, 74th and Hickory Streets in Omaha. Curtis Brown, the church's youth pastor, said he supported Jones in complaining about the name.

"I feel what was desired was accomplished," Brown said. "We're not trying to stand in judgment of people. He was just trying to make the point that 'Lucifer's Lumberyard' was extreme. Jim cares about kids and the community."

Brown said people take the name of Satan too lightly.

"I think a lot of people are ignorant about what this stands for," he said. "Lucifer is a name that has to do with Satan and wickedness."