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### News Release

## ***The County of Kern Presents The Second Annual "Hart Park After Dark"***

***Saturday, October 20 @ 5-8pm***

Kern County community members are invited to the second annual "Hart Park After Dark," a FREE family-fun event, on Saturday, October 20 at 5-8pm in Section 7 of Hart Park.

We invite the community to explore one of the FREE premiere spots in Kern County!

The purpose of "Hart Park After Dark" is to bring the community together to highlight the importance of parks and County Departments through this family-friendly event. Parks are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in a community, ensuring the health of families and youth, and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of the community in Kern County. "Hart Park After Dark" will feature family activities, including:

- Spider Hat & Finger Puppet Ghost Crafts, with the Kern County Library
- Camo Face Painting & Pull Up Bar, with Kern County Veterans Services
- Pumpkin Ring Toss, with Kern County Human Services
- Pumpkin Bowling & Candy, with Kern County Probation
- Safety Questions & Giveaways, with Kern County Sheriff's Office
- Popcorn & Cotton Candy, with the Sheriff's Activities League
- Stationary Bike Races, with Bike Bakersfield
- Photo Booth & Face Tattoos, with Kern County Child Support Services
- Giant Jenga, with Employers' Training Resource / AJCC
- Spooky Scavenger Hunt, with Kern County Planning
- Plinko Board, with Kern County Aging & Adult Services
- Color Your Own Masks, with Kern County Administrative Office
- Pinball Trivia & Witch Toss, with Kern County Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
- Family-Friendly Fear Factor, with Kern County Human Resources
- Questions from a Hat, with Kern County Public Health, Tobacco Education
- Games for Families, with Stay Focused Ministries
- Live Music, with DJ: The Phantom Stranger
- Photo Opportunities, with the Kern County Fire Department and Roaming Reptiles

### Don't miss these timed activities!:

- *The PopUp Library Presents Spooky Stories for Families @ 5:30pm*
- *The PopUp Library Presents Scary Stories for Adults @ 7:30pm*
- *The County Administrative Office and Kern County Library Present Halloween Costume Contest @ 5:45-7:45pm*  
*(Costume contest winners receive certificates for Ballooniverse by Jennifer and more prizes.)*
- *Kern County General Services – Parks Presents Historical Night Hike @ 6pm*  
*(The hike will go through flat land. Wear appropriate shoes and bring a flashlight.)*
- *The Rugged Mermaid Presents Glow in the Dark Yoga @ 7:15pm*  
*(Bring a yoga mat or towel to participate.)*

We look forward to seeing families at "Hart Park After Dark." Attendees are encouraged to bring flashlights and wear costumes! Additional free parking will be available at the Kern County Soccer Park at 9400 Alfred Harrell Hwy. Kern Transit will provide shuttle service from the parking area to the event throughout the evening.

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