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City of Menifee Announces Summer 2021 Park After Dark Series Dates and Activities

MENIFEE, CA—Summer is just around the corner and the City of Menifee is excited to announce its fun new outdoor series “**Park After Dark!**” The event lineup features three unique event series and one overnight experience hosted at a variety of our beautiful Menifee parks. Events include Movies in the Park, Menifee Moonlight Markets, Park Ranger Campfire Program, and Family Camp Out.

Menifee Mayor Bill Zimmerman expressed his excitement about the **Park After Dark** programming schedule. “Over the past year, the entire City Council understood that things needed to look a bit different and that our typical lineup of activities needed to transform for the safety of our residents and employees. But we are very much looking forward to hosting these fun and engaging events so we can bring the Menifee community together. Our great events are one of the things that make Menifee special and we can’t wait to see everyone this summer.”

Our **Movie in the Park** series will take place at various City parks beginning at 7 p.m. Movies in the Park are free and open to all ages. A variety of activities and family-friendly competitions will take place before each movie. Bring a picnic dinner and snacks or grab takeout from your favorite local spot and enjoy popular new flicks under the stars!

Our **Menifee Moonlight Markets** are back for the Summer at Central Park (30268 Civic Plaza Drive, Menifee, CA 92586). Bring your friends and family for a FREE, fun Friday night filled with family activities, themed nights, costume contests, community movie choice, vendors, and so much more! Remember to also vote for your favorite movie for each one of our themed nights at www.cityofmenifee.us/moonlightmarkets. Menifee Moonlight Markets begin at 6:30 p.m.

Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy our **Campfire Program** hosted by your local Park Rangers! Located at Spirit Park (25507 Normandy Road, Menifee, CA 92586), this program will feature interactive, interpretive activities for youth and families to learn about the natural habitats right in their own backyard. Events take place from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Finally, our annual **Family Camp Out** where residents come to enjoy a fun overnight experience at Silverstar Park (30054 Thunder Court, Menifee, CA 92584) Friday, July 9 – Saturday, July 10. For \$15 per participant, enjoy family activities and games, crafts, nighttime campfire, along with s’mores, dinner, and breakfast. Activities include a scavenger hunt, family competitions, moonlight movie, campfire and s’mores, and picnic games. Space is limited. Tickets are required for participants ages 3 and up.

Community Services Director, Jonathan Nicks, shared how much the City and the Community Services team are looking forward to the events. “Working in Community Services, this is what we all love; engaging and interacting with the community are the best parts of our jobs and being able to once again put on educational and fun programming is something we have been looking forward to. We are very thankful that the community engaged with us in our extensive modified programming this past year, but we can’t wait to be back to regular events and programs again this summer,” expressed Nicks.



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Check out the full **Park After Dark** lineup:

- June 17: **Park Ranger Campfire Program**, Spirit Park: 25507 Normandy Road, Menifee
- June 18: **Moonlight Market - 80s Night**, Central Park: 30268 Civic Plaza Drive, Menifee
- June 26: **Independence Day Fireworks**, MSJC: 28237 La Piedra Road, Menifee
- July 9 – 10: **Family Campout**, Silver Star Park: 30054 Thunder Court, Menifee
- July 15: **Park Ranger Campfire Program**, Spirit Park: 25507 Normandy Road, Menifee
- July 16: **Movies in the Park - Onward**, Nova Park: 25444 Nova Lane, Menifee
- July 23: **Movies in the Park - The Croods: A New Age**, Silver Star Park: 30054 Thunder Court, Menifee
- July 29: **Park Ranger Campfire Program**, Spirit Park: 25507 Normandy Road, Menifee
- July 30: **Moonlight Market - 90s Night**, Central Park: 30268 Civic Plaza Drive, Menifee
- August 6: **Movies in the Park - Raya and the Last Dragon**, Centennial Park: 29756 Shire Horse Way, Menifee
- August 13: **Moonlight Market - 2000s Night**, Central Park: 30268 Civic Plaza Drive, Menifee

The City hopes you can join us for one or all of this summer's exciting lineup of **Park After Dark** events. Additional information and registration links can be found at www.cityofmenifee.us/specialevents. For more information, contact Menifee Community Services at (951) 723-3880 or email specialevents@cityofmenifee.us.

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ABOUT MENIFEE: *Situated in the heart of southern Riverside County along Interstate 215, Menifee is a vibrant, new city of more than 100,000 residents who enjoy a pleasant year-round climate, abundant recreational offerings, reasonably priced housing and convenient proximity to some of Southern California's premiere attractions and employment centers. Within its 50 square miles, Menifee's business, retail and entertainment outlets are starting to shape the community's character and this growing economic base is also contributing favorably to the city's strong financial position. Menifee's growing family-oriented population values the city's ongoing commitment to public safety, community events and smart growth for the future. All of these elements are working together to support the city's strategic vision to make Menifee one of the state's most promising new cities.*