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### Underwater Pumpkin Carving Contest Returns to Palmdale

PALMDALE – The Antelope Valley Desert Divers (AVDD) will present their Annual Underwater Pumpkin Carving Contest on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 9 to 12 noon at Palmdale Oasis Park Pool, 3850 East Avenue S (next to DryTown Water Park) in Palmdale.

The fee for the contest is \$6 per person. Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> will be awarded in two categories: 1) Underwater carving for certified divers ages 10 and up; and 2) Poolside pumpkin art with magic markers for participants 5 to 10 years of age.

All participating divers must be in possession of their certification card before being allowed to dive. Divers should also bring their own dive gear and air tank as a limited amount of scuba gear and tanks will be available on a first come, first served basis.

Pre-cleaned pumpkins and carving implements will be provided. Pumpkins must be carved with the carving implements provided. Pumpkins carved in the water must be carved completely under the water.

For those who are not certified divers but would like to try diving, there will be a “Scuba Experience” class at 9 am. Participants must be 10 years old and bring a bathing suit and towel. Participants under 18 must have a parent or guardian present.

For more information, visit [www.avdesertdivers.org](http://www.avdesertdivers.org), email AVDD president Mike Orlando at [scubaguymike@gmail.com](mailto:scubaguymike@gmail.com) or call 661/267-5611.