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Hobgoblin Hike at Mammoth Park, October 23, 2015

The Mammoth Park Hobgoblin Hike will be held on Friday, October 23 from 7:00pm – 9:00pm at Mammoth Park in Mt. Pleasant. The only free event of its kind in the area, the Hike is sponsored by Westmoreland County Parks and Recreation and will only be cancelled due to severe and dangerous weather.

Recommended for ages eight and over, the Hobgoblin Hike is a ½-mile guided outdoor walk through the haunted woods of the park. Visitors can expect to be led through tunnels and cemeteries, and past more than 100 zombies, ghosts and monsters. The Hobgoblin Hike is a safe family alternative to conventional trick-or-treating. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated! Food and drink will be available for sale at the end of the trail.

Volunteers ages 15 and over are still needed to serve as trail guides or work at scare stations. There will be a volunteer meeting Tuesday, October 20 at the Twin Lakes Park Activity Center starting at 7:00 p.m. Please call (724) 830-3959 if you wish to volunteer your talents – group participation is highly encouraged!

Mammoth Park is located in Mt. Pleasant Township, and is accessible via the Greensburg – Mt. Pleasant Road and via Routes 981 and 982 from Latrobe or Mt. Pleasant. For more information, please contact Westmoreland County Parks and Recreation at (724) 830-3950 or visit www.co.westmoreland.pa.us/parks.

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Media representatives are encouraged to set up an appointment to meet with an **event coordinator** at Mammoth Park prior to the event for excellent photograph opportunities of the park staff preparing **the trail before the hike**. The Hobgoblin Hike is the only free event of its kind in the area and is truly a community effort. Expected attendance is 2,000. **Your media coverage would be greatly appreciated.** For more information, please call Brandon Simpson at (724) 830-3959.