

North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department

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Halloween in July at Turtle River State Park

Turtle River State Park is hosting its annual Halloween in July event the weekend of July 25-27 -- bring your costumes, candy, and decorations.

Explore the Night at the amphitheater Friday, July 25 at 9:30 p.m. to see what bloodcurdling nightlife might be out in the park after dark. Bring a flashlight to help you navigate to and from the amphitheater; however, we will provide flashlights needed during the hike.

Saturday, July 26, join the Dakota Explorers at 9:30 a.m. to learn about scary animals adaptations. The real fun begins at 7 p.m. with a costume contest at the amphitheater. Costumes will be judged in age groups: 2 and under, 3 to 5, 6 to 9, 10 to 16, and adults. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. Trick or Treat through the campground at 8 p.m. then stop back at the amphitheater at 9:30 p.m. to enjoy a family-friendly movie. The Friends of Turtle River will have soda and popcorn available for purchase.

Turtle River State Park staff will also be on the lookout for the best decorated campsites. Judging takes place during the movie; winners and prizes will be announced Sunday morning at Coffee with the Naturalist and on Facebook. Prizes for 1st and 2nd place provided by Cabela's.

Join the interpretive naturalist for some fright recovery coffee or hot chocolate Sunday morning, July 27 at 9:30 a.m.

There are a limited number of campsites and cabins still available for reservation. Visitors not registered for camping will be directed to park in the Agassiz picnic area via Forest Rd.

For more information, call (701) 594-4445. Or find us at www.parkrec.nd.gov; all of Turtle River State Park's interpretive programs and special event information is available on the calendar. Turtle River State Park is 22 miles west of Grand Forks, North Dakota, on Highway 2.