

North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department

NEWS RELEASE

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Halloween in July at Lake Metigoshe State Park

Lake Metigoshe State Park is hosting its 6th annual “Halloween in July” weekend on July 29-31. Everyone is invited and encouraged to bring Halloween costumes, candy, campsite decorations and participate in all of the spooky park events. Celebrate this frightful event weekend at Lake Metigoshe State Park...if you dare.

Activities start on Friday, with a haunted trail that is open from 9:30-11 p.m. Parking is available near the entrance of the trail; the overflow parking area is located near the entrance of Washegum Campground. For safety reasons, please do not bring baby strollers, bikes or pets on the trail during the haunted trail. Families with young children are invited to come when the trail opens, while it is still light outside and perhaps less scary. To ensure everyone a chance to walk through our haunted trail, participants are asked to go through no more than twice.

On Saturday there are morning and evening programs. At 10 a.m., kids are welcome to meet at the amphitheater to put on their favorite Halloween costume or get their face painted and join us in trick-or-treating throughout the modern campgrounds. Campers are encouraged to bring candy for the trick-or-treaters. At 9:30 p.m., “Metigoshe Mysteries” takes place. Meet at the amphitheater to hear about some eerie happenings in the hills.

There are prizes for the scariest campsite, best trick-or-treat host and more, so don't miss out on these spooky events! Judging will take place on Saturday morning during and after trick-or-treating. Prizes will be delivered to the campsites that afternoon.

To wrap-up the weekend, there is a guided canoeing program on Sunday 10 a.m. Meet at the park's warming house to take a stroll along the shores of School Section Lake. Canoes, paddles and life jackets are provided. Participants under the age of 18 do need to be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, call 701-263-4651 or check out www.parkrec.nd.gov as all of Lake Metigoshe State Park's interpretive programs and special events are posted on the website. Lake Metigoshe State Park is located 14 miles NE of Bottineau, North Dakota, along the Lake Loop Road, just off of Highway 43.