

North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Halloween in July at Turtle River State Park**

Turtle River State Park is hosting its first annual “Halloween in July” on July 16. Everyone is invited and participants are encouraged to decorate their sites, wear costumes, distribute candy for trick or treating, and experience the Spooktacular Haunted Trail.

Halloween in July will kick off at 7 p.m. with a costume contest at the amphitheater for all ages. Judging categories are 2 years old & under, 3 to 5 year olds, 6 to 9 year olds, 10 and older, and adult. Trick or treating will begin at 8:20 p.m. through the North, South and Primitive campgrounds. The best decorated and spookiest sites will be judged beginning at 9p.m. The night will end with the Spooktacular Haunted Trail at the amphitheater interpretive trail. This adventure is not for the faint hearted. Turtle River’s staff and goblins invite you to help us celebrate a ghoulish night in the park... if you dare.

Prizes will be awarded for all contests. For safety reasons, it’s requested participants do not bring baby strollers, bikes or pets on the haunted trail. Strollers and wagons may be used during trick or treating. If you would like more information on upcoming events contact the park at 701-594-4445 or visit our web page at [www.parkrec.nd.gov](http://www.parkrec.nd.gov).

Turtle River State Park is located 22 miles west of Grand Forks on Hwy 2. Information on the park can be found online at [www.parkrec.nd.gov](http://www.parkrec.nd.gov).