

North Dakota Parks & Recreation Department

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Lake Metigoshe State park celebrates 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Lake Metigoshe State Park is celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2012 and a variety of events are scheduled for Friday, June 8 and Saturday, June 9.

On Friday evening, starting at 8:30 p.m. at the Amphitheater, it's time to "Meet the Manager." LMSP's chief official, Larry Hagen will be answering questions about the park and providing some insight into operations. There will be some treats.

Saturday is Visitor Appreciation Day at the park and the daily vehicle entrance fee is being waived. There is also a full slate of activities including:

10 a.m. – **Dakota Explorers:** Kids are invited to meet at the amphitheater where they can become an official "Dakota Explorer."

11:30 a.m. – **Luncheon at the Dining Hall:** The park is serving lunch until the food is gone.

1-2 p.m. - **Highway 43 Band:** Musical entertainment by Highway 43 Band will be provided near the Dining Hall, so bring a lawn chair and enjoy a great time.

2:30 p.m. – **Hike the Old Oak:** Explore North Dakota's first national recreation trail, "The Old Oak." Meet at the warming house and be sure to wear comfortable shoes and bring drinking water.

8:30 p.m. – **History of the Park:** Learn about how Lake Metigoshe State Park was established and the changes it's gone through in its long history. It's the state's third oldest state park.

Information on Lake Metigoshe State Park and its history can be found on the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department website at [www.parkrec.nd.gov](http://www.parkrec.nd.gov). For more information about the activities associated with the anniversary celebration you can call the park at 701-263-4651. Camping reservations can be made online or by calling 800-807-4723.