Hickory Lake Campground

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Hello Everyone,

We just wanted to take a second to introduce you to the Turtle Crew, your new onsite caretakers (Heather, Ron, and daughter Vivian). They have two amazingly large pups, Diamond and Freckles, who are Great Danes that do not offer rides ⁽ⁱ⁾. They also travel with two red footed tortoises named Shelby and Lazareth. They love canoeing, exploring, and learning about local history and wildlife. They are here until Sept. 15, 2022 so feel free to give them a call or text them if you need anything at the campground or just to let them know about fun things to explore.

They are working on a fun schedule of activities for the summer and would love your input. This is their first trip to Minnesota and they have already come to find that there are some amazing new things that they have never participated in like "Turtle and Minnow Races".

We would love to hear what activities you all would love to see this happening here at the campground this summer. Be assured there will be pancake breakfasts, smore nights, and movies in your future. We are also looking for local wineries and breweries so that we can put together fun tasting events.

Please email or text them your ideas, be sure to include your name and lot# at least until they get to know everyone.

We will need volunteers for Father's Day Weekend as well as the 4th of July Celebrations coming up in just a few weeks. Please let us know if you are willing to volunteer your time and/or equipment for any events.



Weekend Events

June 17 - 19

Father's Day Weekend

Fri – 7PM Weenie Roast Sat – 10AM Crafting 4 Dad Sat – 4PM Craft Brews Tasting

June 24 - 26

Fri - 7PM Card Bingo Sat – 2PM Tie-Dye Shirts Sat- 7PM Movie Night

Important Announcement

Minnesota legal fireworks are allowed on the 4th of July only **after 9PM and on the ONLY beach**.

At your campsite you may light sparklers only. If you choose to light other fireworks you must take it down to the beach or on the lake.

You are responsible for cleaning up all trash that your fireworks create.

Please contact us if there are any questions or concerns.

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Events and Activities

1) June 17 – 19 Father's Day Weekend

- <u>Weenie Roast</u> Friday at 7PM meet us by the playground firepit for dinner around the campfire. Weenies, ketchup, mustard, relish, buns, and marshmallows will be provided. Please bring your favorite:
 - 1. Weenie Toppings (cheese, kraut, chili)
 - 2. Side dish (chips, baked beans, salad)
- <u>Crafting 4 Dad</u> Saturday at 10AM bring the kids over to the gathering room to create unique crafts for Dad. Crafts and supplies will be available at no cost to you, we do accept donations for future crafts and events.
- <u>Craft Brew Tasting</u> Saturday at 4PM were all in for a treat tasting finely crafted beers and snacking on tailgate foods.
 Which flavors pair best with a Lager? Well come on down and find out. (nonalcoholic beverages will be available for anyone under 21).
 - 1. Beer (please bring an extra beer to share)
 - 2. Tailgate snack (buffalo wings, cheese dips, chips, nuts, etc.)
 - 3. Dad Jokes (any joke will do)

2) June 24-26

- <u>Card Bingo</u> Friday at 7PM come join us in the gathering room for 10 rousing rounds of card bingo. Please bring 3 Nickels, 3 Dimes, 3 quarters, and 1 Dollar Bill for each player.
- <u>Movie Night</u> Saturday at 7PM Come join us in the gathering room to watch the family friendly Disney movie "Onward", a tale of two brothers embarking on an extraordinary journey.

More Important News

Schedules & Bulletin Board

We need your help determining how many people are interested in having activities, what kind of activities to have, and how often to have them. Please let us know that you and your family want to see at campground.

Schedule of events will be available for each weekend in the Gathering Room. We are working on additional ways to communicate news and events, so please send us your ideas and best ways to contact you.

Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers for upcoming activities. If you are interested in volunteering your time and/or equipment please reach out via text (402)515-4557 or email <u>hlccacaretaker@gmail.com</u> or <u>hlccavolunteer@gmail.com</u>. We look forward to hearing from you.



Swans and their babies. Did you know that a baby swan is called a **Cygnet**?

Weekend Events in July

July 1 - 4

4th of July Celebrations Fri – 7PM Campfire & Info Sat – 10AM Coloring Contest Sat – 12:30 Ice Cream Social Sat – 1PM Minnow Races Sat – 3PM Turtle Races Sat – 5PM Awards Ceremony Sun – 9AM Pancake Breakfast Sun – 3PM Fishing Contest Results Sun – 4PM Fish Fry/Pot Luck Mon – 9AM Coffee & Donuts

July 8 - 10

Fri – 7PM TBD Sat – 2PM TBD Sat -7PM TBD

July 15 – 17

Fri – 7PM TBD Sat – 2PM TBD Sat – 4PM TBD

July 22 - 24

Fri – 7PM TBD Sat – 2PM TBD Sat – 4PM TBD

July 29 - 31

Fri – 7PM TBD Sat – 2PM TBD Sat – 7PM TBD

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