



# Trail of Scarecrows

6th Annual

**Prizes Awarded!**

**October 3 - November 1, 2015**

Prophetstown State Park invites you to design, create and sponsor a Scarecrow! Promote your business, organization, club, special event, hobby, sport and more to thousands of visitors this fall season. Individuals and families also welcome.



## Fall Funfest Weekend October 24-25

- Harvest Celebration at Native American Village
- Fall Farm Fun
- Trick or Treating
- Campsite and Pumpkin Decorating Contests
- Special Programs
- Hayrides



**Prizes Awarded!**

**Registration Deadline  
September 25, 2015**

Questions?

**Angie Manuel  
Interpretive Naturalist  
Prophetstown State Park**

**TEL #765-567-4919  
amanuel@dnr.in.gov**



Memories made naturally.



# Rules

- Entry forms must be received by 5PM, Friday, September 25, 2015.
- Scarecrows must be installed by 5PM, Wednesday, September 30, 2015.
- Registrants are responsible for installation, maintenance and removal of their Scarecrows.
- Scarecrows must be removed between Monday, November 2, and Sunday, November 8, 2015.
- Prophetstown State Park will provide a sign for each entry noting the Scarecrow Title and Organization / Group / Family Name. Entries may provide additional signage with captions, special event details, mission statement, website and contact information, etc.
- Scarecrows must be securely mounted on a 2.5"-3" diameter PVC pipe (*length dependent on your specific Scarecrow*) to withstand all weather conditions, especially high winds; the PVC sleeve will be placed over a metal fence post provided by the Park. Scarecrows not requiring a fence-post mount (*as part of a tableau setting or scene*) should be constructed with weights and staked to set props.
- Scarecrows that reflect controversial social, cultural or political situations or discrimination, hatred or oppression against any race, ethnicity, religion or group will not be accepted.
- Handouts, promotional materials or free giveaways are not allowed.
- Prophetstown State Park reserves the right to remove any Scarecrow that does not meet these standards and regulations.

# Creative Tips

- What should your Scarecrow say to the public? How can your Scarecrow reflect and highlight your group's interests? What fun activities are enjoyed by your club? What is your organization's mission? What service or product do you offer? What's your specialty? Have a special event to promote?
- Recycle and repurpose building materials, old clothing, craft supplies, junk-to-treasure finds and thrift store bargains. Nature's bounty of gourds, pumpkins, corn, moss, leaves, berries, raffia, and flowers offer natural beauty and decoration.
- Scarecrows will be subject to harsh weather conditions, especially high winds. Use water-resistant and durable materials; plastic bottles and bags work well for stuffing; treating fabrics with moisture and stain repellents will help prevent mold and mildew; rocks can be used for weights; twine, zip ties, safety pins offer secure fastening; hot glue decorations, accessories and materials together.
- ***Have fun at Prophetstown State Park!***



2014 Grand Prize Winner—Battle Ground Cub Scouts Pack 3311