

Fort Atkinson State Historical Park

park information: The first U.S. military post west of the Missouri River, Fort Atkinson was established in 1820 on recommendation of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Located at Fort Calhoun, the fort was important to the early fur trade, river traffic and Indian relations. It was an active fort until 1827.

Living history demonstrations take place periodically throughout the summer and fall with reenactors portraying fur traders, cooperers, blacksmiths, carpenters, finsmiths, weavers and other period trades. Visitors are encouraged to interact with the reenactors. The 2017 living history demonstrations will take place on the following weekends: May 6-7; June 3-4; July 1-2; Aug. 5-6; Sept. 2-3; Sept. 30-Oct. 1. A candlelight tour of the fort is held each November and allows visitors to see the grounds in a different light while learning about historical events that took place at the fort.

The grounds are open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and the visitor center is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. between Memorial Day and Labor Day. There is a fee to enter the Visitor Center: \$1 for kids and \$2 for adults. A valid Nebraska vehicle permit is required and can be purchased at the visitor center.

camping: Camping is not available.

activities: Find fun things to do at www.negpp.org under "Activities."

directions: Take 680 north out of Omaha to Hwy 75 and go north 11 miles to Fort Calhoun. From Blair take Hwy 75 south 10 miles to Fort Calhoun.



clue: Follow the boardwalk towards the butter maker's room.

distance: Approx. 3 blocks from south parking lot.

surface: Brick walk and boardwalk.

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