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A chill is in the air...you can sense something...is it the changing of the seasons of a ghostly presence

Are you ready to be a fun, exciting, and fright-filled night? If you are, then you need to mark your calendar for Saturday, October 17 for the annual Haunted Harvest Hayride at the Staunton River Battlefield State Park in Randolph and Clover Virginia. This year marks the eighth year of it being hosted by the Historic Staunton River Foundation. Lots of hard-work and many hours of preparation have gone into making this year unique, spookier, and more entertaining with an all new Civil War “storyline” for the highly acclaimed ghost walk/ride; and new and returning visitors alike will enjoy the addition of the “Haunted Trail” – a

The excitement will begin at 6:30 P.M. on Saturday, October 17 at the Clover Visitors Center (Halifax entrance) of the Staunton River Battlefield State Park. Admission is \$5 per person (children 5 and under are admitted for free) for the Haunted Harvest Hayride (ghost walk/hayride) and \$ per person for the new “Haunted Trail.” Both events are designed and intended for the entire family to enjoy!

Tickets for the Haunted Harvest Hayride are available only on a first come, first serve basis so arrive early to purchase your ticket! They will be going fast! The tour will begin approximately every

Please come to Clover Visitors Center to purchase tickets for the Haunted Harvest Hayride; they are available on a first come, first serve basis. The walking tours will begin approximately every 25 minutes beginning approximately at 7:10 PM, 7:30, 7:55, 8:15, 8:40, 9:00, and 9:25, and each will last approximately 70 minutes. Two wagons will be available in order for the Foundation to provide tours beginning every 25 minutes.

Again, both events are intended for the entire family; however please be advised that a portion of this tour includes walking on asphalt, gravel, and trails. Extreme caution has been taken: an experienced tour guide will direct each tour; tiki-torches will light the paths and trails for safety. It is advisable that you wear comfortable shoes, weather appropriate clothing, and souvenir flashlights will be available for purchase.

This admission rates charged for this event maintain and operate the Park.

Please come to the Clover Visitors Center to purchase tickets for your desired tour time. Make arrangements to arrive anywhere from 30 minutes to an hour ahead of your tour time. Tickets are only available on a first-come-first-serve basis. There is no rain date for this event.

If it's a fun-filled fright you're after, head out for the ghost walk/ride at Staunton River Battlefield State Park. For more information or questions, please visit [www.stauntonriverbattlefield.org](http://www.stauntonriverbattlefield.org), call 434.454.4312 or email [info@stauntonriverbattlefield.org](mailto:info@stauntonriverbattlefield.org).