Victorian Holiday Celebration at Yaquina Head

Newport, Ore. – The Bureau of Land Management’s Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area will host a Victorian Holiday Celebration Saturday, December 13, 2014. The event encourages visitors to step back in time to relive the 19th century holiday traditions celebrated by the families of Yaquina Head Lighthouse keepers. Admission to the park is free and a 20 percent discount will be given at the Yaquina Head Interpretive Center Store.

The celebration begins at 10:00 a.m. and will continue until 4 p.m. “Visitors can enjoy traditional music, caroling, and Victorian-era crafts while sipping a cup of hot chocolate in a family friendly atmosphere,” said Yaquina Head Manager Tim Fisher.

Throughout the day, families can participate in making Victorian crafts and decorating the tree. Local musicians will perform holiday favorites and encourage community caroling.

10 a.m. Caroling and sing-along
11 a.m. Spindrift: Dulcimer, Viola, Guitar
12 p.m. Newport High School Choir
1 p.m. Caroling and sing-along
2 p.m. Mary Beth Nickel - angelic voice, harp, and Native-American flute
3 p.m. Coastalaires Barbershop Chorus - special harmonies and sing-along

For more information please call 541.574.3100 or visit Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area at: http://www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/yaquina

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Photo Caption:
Mary Beth Nichols enchants visitors with Native American flute and Harp

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Visitors create crafts with costumed rangers Chloe Holbrook and Erin Bruce

Photo Caption:
Victorian carolers and visitors enjoy a festive song.