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International Observe the Moon Night at Yaquina Head

Newport, OR — The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) at Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area invites you to discover how the moon has affected the natural and cultural history of the Oregon Coast. On **Saturday, September 19th, 2015**, from 10:00 am until 8:30 pm, Yaquina Head will be hosting a special event with ranger-led talks, multimedia presentations, lighthouse tours, and Heart of the Valley Astronomers of Corvallis, Oregon, providing telescopes and information.



Schedule of Events

- **10:00 am** – Ranger Talk “Rocky Shore Low Tide” at Cobble Beach deck
- **11:00 am to 4:00 pm** – “The Moon and the Earth” multimedia presentations at Interpretive Center
- **Noon to 4:00 pm** – Lighthouse tours; learn how tides affected life at Yaquina Head Light Station
- **3:00 pm to 5:00 pm** – Telescopes outside Interpretive Center for daytime observations of the First Quarter Moon (weather permitting); learn how the Sun and Moon create Earth’s tides
- **4:30 pm** – Ranger Talk “Rocky Shore High Tide” including comparison photo of the morning’s low tide to illustrate the tidal range at Cobble Beach
- **7:30 pm to 8:30 pm** – Rare opportunity to visit Yaquina Head after dark! Join us for a special half-mile ‘Moon Walk’ from the Interpretive Center to the Cobble Beach deck; telescopes will be set up for nighttime lunar viewing (weather permitting)
- **Bring a flashlight for the “Moon Walk”**

The park entrance fee is \$7.00 per vehicle (3-Day Pass). Accepted passes include Yaquina Head Annual Pass, Oregon Pacific Coast Passport, and Federal Annual, Senior, Military, Access, EKIP and Volunteer Passes. The Yaquina Head Interpretive Center will be open from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. All other areas of the park will be open from 8:00 am to sunset, except for the special evening ‘Moon Walk’ from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm. For more information contact the BLM at Yaquina Head (541) 574-3100 or visit us online at <http://www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/yaquina/index.php>

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