

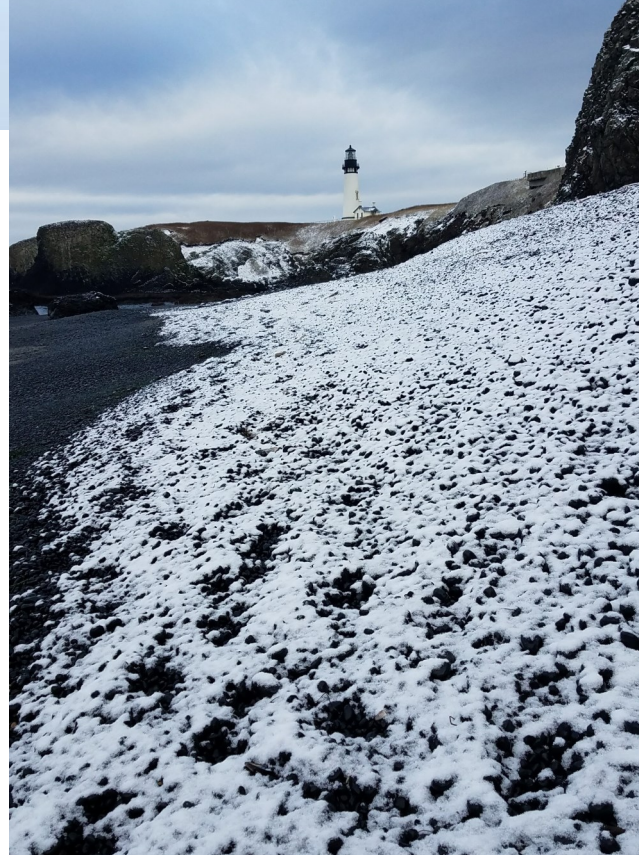
Winter Newsletter 2016-2017

Yaquina Lighthouse News
Latest Updates & Happenings



A New Look For Yaquina Bay

Park Rangers from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department showed off their skills with a chainsaw this month. Gone are the trees that had grown to completely block the front view of this historic wooden light.. If smiling people with cameras are any indication, the change is much appreciated by all!



The Annual Victorian Holiday at Yaquina Head

FOYL staff and family were pleased to once again participate in the annual Victorian Holiday event held at Yaquina Head on December the 10th. In addition to musical presentations, the day's activities included storytelling, tree decorating and the making of Victorian-era crafts. Yaquina Head staff counted over 385 visitors, many of whom shopped in the Interpretive Store for that special holiday gift (at a holiday discount!). Thank you to all who participated and helped to make this event a resounding success.



Guests enjoying a spectacular performance by the African Drummers of Eddyville Charter School

FOYL Photo Contest

Our 16th Annual FOYL Photo Contest received over 20 entries. Entries were submitted in both electronic and print form, and FOYL is so appreciative of all of the talented photographers who participated. We are hoping to be able to put together a calendar or other document with some of the images as a fundraiser for future projects.



The Grand Prize went to Dianne Humble for this up close look at Yaquina Head Lighthouse's first order Fresnel lens. Thanks again goes out to everyone who entered their work, we are already looking forward to 2017's contest.

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**Thank you so much everyone,
Happy New Year!**

FOYL Intern Connor Returns

We recently enjoyed the return of a summer season Intern, who accepted a paid position over the recent holidays with FOYL. Connor Henzel once again educated visitors in the Interpretive Center about the natural resources located here at the Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area, guided tour groups up through the lighthouse, and roved the tidepools at Cobble Beach during times of exposure due to low tide.



After we all have a chance to catch our breath after a busy summer, FOYL will be seeking high school students who are interested in summer employment performing the duties of Tidepool Guides. These summer jobs are a great opportunity to learn more about a possible career in the field of Natural Resources. Care to join us?

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Friends of Yaquina Lighthouses is delighted to announce that the Interpretive Store is now also online! Find us at:

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The online store currently holds around 20 items, and more are being added as time permits (of course any item is always available by calling 541-574-3125 and speaking with a store associate). We anticipate that the ease of shopping online will help us develop another revenue stream during this rather "slow" time of year. Have an extra minute? Click on Shop at yaquinalights.org!

FOYL Lighted Boat Parade Event—2016!

So much fun was had at this event, held on the evening of December 3rd at Mo's Annex on the Newport Bayfront. Tickets were sold out well in advance of the date, and FOYL staff and volunteers had a great time putting together gift bags for the evening raffles. This year saw close to 20 different watercraft on the bay, each adorned with festive holiday lights. Comfortably seated indoors and out of the wind and rain, guests were treated to good food, good company, and the knowledge that all proceeds from the evening would go to a good cause. The 2017 parade should be held on December the 2nd, save the date and join us for the party!



**BLM Volunteer Host
John Walthers making
his debut as Santal**

Calling All Volunteers

We are seeking a variety of skills and talents to assist us in our efforts. Have fun and make a difference while supporting Newport's Lighthouses and Interpretive Programs. Contact Amy at 541.574.3129 or at foyl@yaquinalights.org, find us on Facebook or at www.yaquinalights.org and get involved. See you soon!