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Lewis and Clark National Historical Park, Fort Clatsop Presents "Wintering Over: *snuggly fixed in their huts*" First-Person Living History Program December 28-30, 2004

Beginning Tuesday, December 28th, and continuing through Thursday, December 30th, the Fort Clatsop replica will come alive from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with members of the Lewis and Clark Expedition during the park's 4th annual presentation of "Wintering Over: *snuggly fixed in their huts*."

Visit with expedition members as they settle into the nearly completed Fort Clatsop. Explore what it was like for these men as they finish their fort, prepare for their winter stay, make clothes and begin the daily routine of life at the fort. As you interact one on one, discover who the men were, where they came from and what the journey has been like so far. Come explore the people behind the story!

Through an introductory guided tour, offered every 20 minutes starting at 9:10 am, visitors are introduced to the Lewis and Clark Expedition, the 1805 winter at Fort Clatsop and how to participate in the "Wintering Over" program. First-Person living history interpretation is an experiential program in which there is no script. This allows for a real experience (not a staged event) and for the visitor to direct their own discoveries. Come observe or come to trade; either way participants will discover the men behind the expedition.

In addition to the Wintering Over living history program being offered at the fort, there are audio-visual programs in the visitor center. "We Proceeded On..." a 32-minute movie about the expedition will be offered on each hour and "The Farthest Reach" a 17-minute slide show will be offered at twenty to each hour.

Regular park hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. September through mid-June. A unit of the National Park Service, Lewis and Clark National Historical Park, Fort Clatsop is located southwest of Astoria, Oregon, three miles southeast of U.S. Highway 101. The park also maintains the Lewis and Clark Salt Works site near the Promenade in Seaside, OR. Come and visit both during that time of year the expedition stayed on the coast. For further information, call the park at 503-861-2471 ext. 214. or visit the park's web site at www.nps.gov/focl.

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