

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION

of the
**CAPE BLANCO
 HERITAGE SOCIETY**



CBHS BOARD MEETINGS: Currently held at Point.B Studio at 10:00 AM on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.
PLEASE NOTE: Our meetings are open to everyone who would like to attend. We invite and encourage anyone interested in CBHS to participate!

Hughes House Holiday Events & Winter Projects

Photos: Lynda Foster



"Home Sweet Home For Christmas" will take place at the Hughes House on Dec. 11~23, 10AM to 4PM(ish). Stay tuned for [full event details!](#)

The annual holiday tradition at the historic Hughes House and Ranch at Cape Blanco State Park continues with the theme of *"Home Sweet Home For Christmas."* Now in its 36th year, the Cape Blanco Heritage Society invites area organizations, businesses, and individuals to decorate the restored 1898 Victorian farmhouse built for pioneers Patrick and Jane Hughes to a theme. This year's theme celebrates the very essence of the Hughes House during the holiday season. This event is hosted by the Cape Blanco Heritage Society and Oregon State Parks.

The two week Open House event will include holiday teas, desserts, art, music, merriment and more. Our annual Christmas Concert will be held on December 20, the anniversary of the first lighting of the lamp of the Fresnel lens at the Cape Blanco Lighthouse. Performing artists for 2026 will be announced. We will also have merchandise from our three gift shops available with creative items and original art that make perfect gifts for your family and friends. If you are an artist with an interest in supporting the historic sites with your creativity, this is a perfect opportunity to have your

work be seen and appreciated with proceeds donated to a good cause. All of our heritage holiday open house events are free to the public.

If you would like to participate in this year's festivities, please fill out [this form](#) and indicate which room(s) you have an interest in decorating. You can also email heritage32@frontier.com or call 541-366-1666 to volunteer.

Come enjoy Christmas at the sweet

home of the Hughes Family in the breathtaking natural surroundings of Cape Blanco State Park!

TO GET THERE: From Highway 101, 4.5 miles north of Port Orford and 26 miles south of Bandon, travel west on Cape Blanco Road. After you cross the marshy bottomland, the road begins to climb and soon you will see a sign on your right, then the entrance to the house. ❄️

Internet Archive Community Webs Oregon Cohort

The Cape Blanco Heritage Society is pleased to announce that we have been invited to participate in the 2026 Community Webs Oregon Cohort, a nationwide program conducted in partnership between the Internet Archive's Community Webs program and the State Library of Oregon.

This new effort complements our current archiving efforts on **"Museum OPEN"** introduced at our membership meeting in January. We were one of eight participants statewide invited to participate in this first Oregon cohort (Oregon being the 4th state). Participants

include the Cape Blanco Heritage Society, Chetco Community Public Library District, Deschutes County Historical Museum, Garden Home and West Slope Community Libraries, Maggie Osgood Library, North Douglas Library District, Oregon Trail Library District, and the Sherwood Public Library.

We'll have more news to share about this exciting new development as well as other projects in progress at our next annual membership meeting in January 2027. Details to be announced! ❄️

JUST A REMINDER that our gift shops at the historic sites are home to many unique gifts that are created by artists, many of whom have a connection to our heritage or are inspired by the beauty and history of the area. We also have creative merchandise for each of the historic sites designed by members of our group that can only be purchased through the Cape Blanco Heritage Society. Proceeds support our mission as well as help preserve our history and historic sites. Our flagship Cape Blanco Greeting Center Gift Shop is open April through October from 10AM to 3:30PM every day except Tuesday. In the Winter Season (*November through April*) a small selection of merchandise can be purchased at our [Etsy store](#) with a broader selection available to our members. A membership also makes a great gift and keeps the recipient connected to the news and events of the Cape Blanco Heritage Society year round. ❄️



Become a MEMBER of the CAPE BLANCO HERITAGE SOCIETY



OUR MISSION: To provide interpretative and educational services for the Cape Blanco Light Station, Historic Hughes House and Ranch and the Port Orford Lifeboat Station. We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and your donation is tax-deductible.

Mail this portion of the form with your check made out to:
Cape Blanco Heritage Society. P.O. Box 1132 Port Orford, Oregon 97465.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION	MEMBERSHIP TYPE	DUES
NAME:	INDIVIDUAL	\$ 15
ADDRESS:	FAMILY	\$ 25
CITY/STATE/ZIP:	BUSINESS or ASSOCIATE	\$ 50
PHONE:	CITIZEN HISTORIAN	\$ 100
EMAIL:	BENEFACTOR	\$250—\$500
FAVORITE CBHS SITE:	LIFETIME MEMBER/MAJOR GIFT	\$1,000
	TOTAL ENCLOSED:	