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# Lava Beds National Monument News Release

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## Timeline Living History Event

*Tulelake, California*— History will come alive on Saturday, May 10, during the park's annual Timeline Living History event. This very special event, illustrates the many layers of Tule Lake Basin history. Groups of local volunteers, including representatives of the Klamath Tribes, the Cascade Civil War Society, and the Mount Mazama Mountain Men, will join National Park Service staff and other volunteers in portraying different time periods. Travel through history as you travel through the park visiting different historical reenactment stations throughout the park. Visitors may view demonstrations of traditional activities, while getting a glimpse into one of several important periods in the history of the Monument and the Tule Lake Basin.

Five historical stations will be open for public visits from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Saturday. Three will be located at the park's north end—an encampment of fur traders at Captain Jack's Stronghold, and a Modoc War era Army encampment and blacksmith's shop at Gillem's Camp. Two stations representing early twentieth century explorations and homesteading will be located at Mushpot Cave, and near the Lava Beds Visitor Center.

In addition, four formal programs will be presented Saturday afternoon.

At 11:00 AM, at Captain Jack's Stronghold, fur traders will demonstrate how to start a fire, throw a knife and give you a peek into life as a fur trader.

At 1:00 PM, J.D. Howard will lead visitors through Mushpot Cave, while discussing early caving at Lava Beds.

Also at 1:00 PM, E.L. Hopkins, another early Lava Beds explorer, will guide visitors through Skull Cave.

Finally, at 3:00 PM Army soldiers will commemorate those who died on both sides of the Modoc War at the Gillem's Camp cemetery, then lower the camp flag.

National Park Service staff invite you to experience a glimpse into local history. Contact Jesse Barden, 530-667-8114, for more information.

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Lava Beds National Monument, established in 1925, is a land of turmoil, both geologic and historic. Over the last half-million years, volcanic eruptions have created a rugged landscape dotted with diverse volcanic features. Lava tube caves, Native American sites, historic battlefields and a high desert wilderness experience await you!

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