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Chester, CA...Crisp sunny winter days for many are an invitation to enjoy and play in the outdoors. While there are several outdoor winter activities, snowshoeing is one that people of all ages can enjoy. Join the Almanor Ranger District this winter to observe the beautiful mountain landscapes, and learn about "Winter Survival", "Trees and Wintering Animals of the Lassen National Forest", "Ravens in winter", and winter safety while walking on snowshoes.

These free snowshoe walks begin January 2009 sponsored by the Lassen National Forest's Almanor Ranger District in Chester. The walks will be one to two miles, lasting up to two hours and are open to adults and children eight years and older. The first walk is scheduled for Friday January 9, depending upon weather conditions; pre-registration for the walks is required. The second walk of the season will be Friday January 23, 2008.

Walks are geared for beginners who will learn outdoor survival skills as well as what type of snowshoes are best for different levels of activity. Programs will be held in a variety of locations throughout the Almanor Ranger District depending upon amount of snow.

For those who find the idea of snowshoeing intriguing and wish to try it out, contact Barbara Jackson at the Almanor Ranger District at (530) 258-2141 for more information on this winters program and dates of scheduled walks. Anyone interested in participating in these walks are encouraged to sign up early. Additional snowshoe walks are available by special request for school and educational programs. School programs can be geared to the California State Education Standards.