

Delve into the art/hike experience

In Their Footsteps provides an intro to Sunday in the Park with Art event

ASTORIA — The last In Their Footsteps lecture of the season will take place at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 15 at the Fort Clatsop Visitor Center. Marco Davis will give the talk “Connectivity Through Art and Nature: The Art/Hike Experience.”

Davis, an Astoria native, has been inspired by the beauty and mystery of local forests his whole life. A few years ago, the Kwis Kwis

Trail at Lewis and Clark National Historical Park began to speak to him and a vision was planted in his mind. He started a conversation with park staff about the potential of having an art/hike experience on the trail.

Davis organized the park’s first Sunday in the Park with Art event and invited his artist friends to join. On Sept. 20, they shared their art with the community on the Kwis Kwis Trail as people hiked the 3-mile loop taking in the art, music and dance and the beauty of the natural area.

Davis’ talk will focus on

how the art-hike is a way for people to enjoy nature and get some exercise while experiencing art in a way less travelled. Part of the “magic” of this event is the transitory aspect of the art, which leaves no trace along the trail afterwards.

Both artists and hikers enjoyed the September event so much that the second Sunday in the Park with Art will begin right after Davis’ talk, and the audience is welcome to join the hike.

“Sunday in the Park with Art is Fort Clatsop’s offering of a peek into the mind of a park user,” says Davis.

“Comparing Sunday in the Park with Art as a gallery show would be mistaken; the visual and auditory experiences emerge only after large gaps of quiet and unadorned trail. The trail user is therefore still provided with mostly the sights and sounds of nature.”

In Their Footsteps is a free monthly speaker series sponsored by the Lewis & Clark National Park Association and the park. The program is held in the Netul River Room of Fort Clatsop’s Visitor Center and is free of charge. For more information, call the park at 503-861-2471.

Find ‘Magic in the Kitchen’ in Rosburg

Annual Spring Tea and Luncheon set May 15 with raffle and silent auction

ROSBURG, Wash. — Grays River Methodist Church Friendship Circle will host its annual Spring Tea and Luncheon on Sunday, May 15.

Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. at the Rosburg Community Hall, and lunch will begin at 12:30 p.m. 4-H youths will again be the servers.

This year’s theme is “Magic in the Kitchen,” with comedian and magician Steve Hamilton as the entertainment. The program will be about 20 to 25 minutes long and will appeal to both adults and children. Children are welcome to attend but must be accompanied by an adult.

The annual tea is known as a fun mother-daughter activity. A display com-

prised of unusual kitchen antiques, aprons and memorable cookbooks will provide topics of conversation. To complement the theme, Appelo Archives Center will be selling Donna Gatens-Klint’s book “The Magic in the Backwoods Kitchen,” which is filled with recipes, photos and stories from Naselle through Grays River in the Willapa Hills of southwest Washington.

There will be the usual pick-your-own-prize raffle for \$1 each and a silent auction. The raffle will be held all throughout the luncheon rather than just at the end of the event. The silent auction will continue throughout the afternoon. Proceeds from the silent auction will be donated to the West End Food Bank.

Suggested donation at the door is \$8 per person. Children under age 12 are \$5. For more information, call 360-465-2740 or 360-484-7749.

Willapa Harbor Chorale serenades this spring

RAYMOND, Wash. — The Willapa Harbor Chorale will present a spring concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 15 at the historic Raymond Theater.

The chorale is marking its 47th year with “Springtime Serenade”: 32 voices performing a variety of music including the songs “Over the Rainbow,” “The Impossible Dream” and Neil Diamond’s “Sweet Caroline,” along with

a popular 1920s medley.

The choir is directed by Rick Gauger with James Worlton as accompanist, Connie Bevington on flute, Lew Chapman on brass and Kathy Holland on piano. Soloists include Linda Snodgrass, Dean Farrell and Virginia Basil.

The concert is free; donations will be accepted. A reception at the Raymond Elks Lodge will follow.

Northwest Author Series hosts Lois Leveen May 14

CANNON BEACH — Author Lois Leveen will speak at the next Northwest Author Series event at the Cannon Beach Library, located at 131 N. Hemlock St. The free event is set for 2 p.m. Saturday, May 14; it will be the last event for the 2015-16 season.

Leveen, an award-winning author, dwells in the space between literature and history. He earned degrees in history and literature from Harvard, University of Southern California and University of California, Los Angeles, and has taught on the faculty of UCLA and Reed College.

In “Juliet’s Nurse,” a book which is by turns comic, sensual and tragic, Leveen gives voice to one of literature’s most unforgettable characters, seen through the eyes of her long-time nurse, Angelica. The book has been described as richly detailed, fast-paced and well-researched. One reviewer commented that “con-



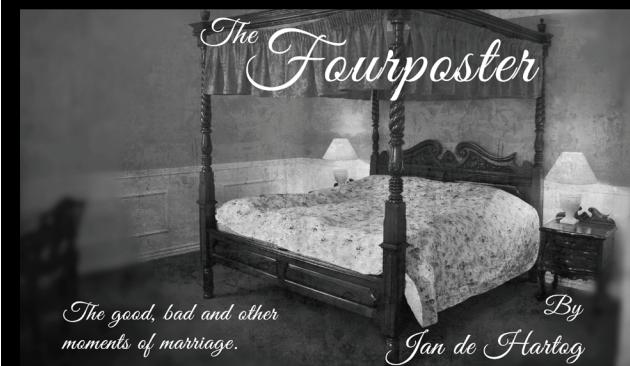
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Author Lois Leveen will speak at the Cannon Beach Library.

vincing historical details are sprinkled throughout, provoking in the reader the sense of how it must have been in the 14th century.”

Leveen’s first book, “Secrets of Mary Bowser,” was the story of a slave turned spy for the Union army. Shining a light on America’s darkest history, the story is a good old-fashioned historical novel packed with drama, intrigue, love, loss, and, most of all, the resilience of a remarkable heroine — a story of how ordinary people can do remarkable things.

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