

Adventure awaits campers this summer

COAST WEEKEND

LEWIS AND CLARK — Two weeklong camps at Lewis and Clark National Historical Park this summer allow children to explore the area's trails, water and animals, and include exciting overnight opportunities.

Nature Adventure Camp, held Monday through Friday, July 8 through 12, offers a week's worth of adventures at the park and nearby, as well as an overnight in Fort Clatsop. The camp is open to students

entering fourth grade through sixth grade. The hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Wednesday; for the Thursday overnight, drop-off is at 9 a.m. and pickup is at 11 a.m. Friday. The cost is \$140.

Nature Survival Camp, held Monday through Friday, July 15 through 19, takes campers on the water and to the woods, deep into the park and other sites, as they explore and practice skills to survive and thrive in nature, including a two-night camping trip at the beach. This camp is

open to students entering seventh, eighth and ninth grades. The hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, with a 9 a.m. drop-off on Wednesday and 11 a.m. pickup on Friday for the two-day camping trip at the beach. The cost is \$150.

Enrollment for both camps is limited and scholarships are available.

Questions? Call 503-861-4422, visit nps.gov/lewi or follow Lewis and Clark National Historical Park on Facebook and Instagram.



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Nature Survival Camp and Nature Adventure Camp allow young people to explore the area's trails, water and animals this summer at Lewis and Clark National Historical Park.

Native plants are the best and other gardening myths

Featuring WSU Horticulturist Linda Chalker-Scott



Linda Chalker-Scott

MANZANITA — Come learn about some common gardening myths from 12:30 p.m. Thursday, May 2, at the Hoffman Center for the Arts, 594 Laneda Ave. Admission is \$5.

Gravel in a pot helps drainage. Planting holes amended with goodies improve growth. Wilting leaves mean thirsty plants. When in doubt, use natives!

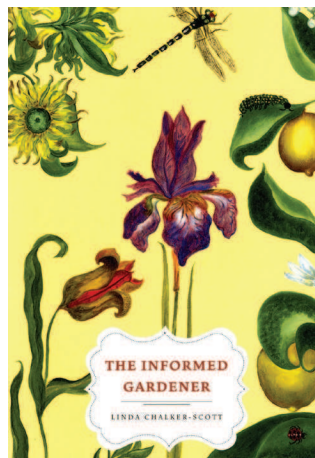
The question is, are all those received wisdoms actually true? Or might they simply be bad advice that's become garden lore?

Enter the sage of smart gardening, horticulturist Linda Chalker-Scott, a woman who has been outing myths, legends and bad advice about plants for decades. Described as "a champion for evidence-based horticulture," Chalker-Scott travels widely as an extension hor-

ticulturist debunking gardening practices and dubious nursery products. She's also a professor of horticulture and landscape architecture at Washington State University.

Her books include "The Informed Gardener," "The Informed Gardener Blooms Again" and, most recently, "How Plants Work" (Timber Press, 2016), making plant science accessible as it "eases our minds and lightens our workloads" (New York Times).

Her presentation, Native



Plants Are the Best Plants & Other Gardening Myths, will have you questioning received garden wisdom by using a new understanding of how plants actually work. And in case you were wondering:

- Gravel in a pot does not help drainage.
- Amended planting holes can stunt growth in shrubs & trees.
- Wilting is caused by a variety of problems.
- Native plants only work when they're the right plant in the right place!

Wit & Wisdom celebrates 'Conversing about Conversation'

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ASTORIA — Join speakers John Nygaard and Seth Tichenor for April's Wit & Wisdom talk titled "Conversing about Conversation," 7 p.m. Thursday, April 25, Fort George Brewery's Lovell Building, corner of 14th and Duane.

We seem to live in a time where people talk at one another, rather than converse. People who disagree will speak past one another, while those who agree find themselves trapped in echo chambers that they don't even realize are there.

And, yet, there is clearly a longing for more meaningful, constructive, and even challenging conversation. But what does this mean, and what would it look like? What exactly is a "conversation" anyway and why do they seem to have become more diffi-



Seth Tichenor

cult in recent times?

Can conversations really change minds, or actually be "transformational"? And, once we find ourselves engaged in them, what do we hope will come from them?

Doors open at 6 p.m.,

with the conversation starting at 7 p.m. Food and beverages are available through the Taproom, all ages are welcome and there is never a cover. Wit & Wisdom is brought to you every month by Philosopharian.

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