



Attendees at the 2019 Astoria Nordic Heritage Park capital campaign benefit dinner.

Dinner to raise funds for Nordic heritage park

ASTORIA — Tickets are available for the second annual Astoria Nordic Heritage Park capital campaign benefit dinner.

The dinner will be held March 28 at Carruthers, 4126 1198 Commercial St. Event proceeds will help fund the proposed Nordic Heritage Park.

The Nordic Heritage Park Committee hopes to open the park by June 2021. The park will celebrate Astoria's Nordic history. About half a million dollars have been raised by the committee. Another \$500,000 is needed to start the park's construction.

The dinner will include five courses. Attendees will have the option of a meat, fish or vegetarian main course. Nordic-themed cocktails will be available.

Attendees are encouraged to wear Nordic attire.

Tickets cost \$150 per person. Tickets are available online at astorianordicpark.org. Mail payments are accepted at: P.O. Box 34, Astoria, OR 97103. Seating is limited.

Contact Judi Lampi with questions at clatsop41@yahoo.com or 503-791-9156.

Join Lewis and Clark with Astor Street Opry

ASTORIA — Auditions for Astor Street Opry Co.'s new production will be held Monday and Tuesday.

The company's next play will be "The Real Lewis and Clark (How the Finns Discovered Astoria)". Auditions will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. at the company's playhouse, 129 West Bond St. in Astoria.

The production will tell the "lost" story of Meriwether Lewis and William Clark's

journey to the Pacific Northwest. The story features Lewis and Clark's local adventures, including a rescue mission which saved the two men.

Previous acting experience isn't required to audition. More than 26 parts are available for ages 16 and older. Actors will learn songs and dance numbers.

Call 503-791-1037 for more information.

Speaker to reflect on Oregon's black pioneers

MANZANITA — The Nehalem Valley Historical Society will present "Black in Oregon 1840-1870" at 3 p.m. on Saturday.

The presentation will be part of the society's monthly speakers series, which is held at the Historic Pine Grove Community House, 225 Laneda Avenue in Manzanita. Admission is \$5 per person.

"Black in Oregon 1840-1870" is an award-winning exhibit created by

the Oregon State Archives. The project illuminates the courage and resilience of black pioneers who immigrated to Oregon between 1840 and 1870.

The event's speaker will be Layne Sawyer, reference manager for the Oregon State Archives.

The society maintains archives and exhibits featuring lower Nehalem Valley history. Learn more at nehalem-valleyhistory.org.



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