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*"The object of your mission is to explore the Missouri river, & such principal stream of it, as, by it's course & communication with the water of the Pacific ocean may offer the most direct & practicable water communication across this continent, for the purposes of commerce."*

Thomas Jefferson to Meriwether Lewis, June 20, 1803

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## OREGON CHAPTER HOLIDAY DINNER

FORT CLATSOP, ASTORIA OR  
DECEMBER 6, 2025

Oregon Chapter members and friends will gather Saturday, December 6, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Netul Room at Fort Clatsop for the annual holiday dinner meeting.

Our main speaker will be Zachary Stocks, Executive Director of the Oregon Black Pioneers and seasonal ranger at Lewis and Clark National Historic Park (Fort Clatsop). Zachary's presentation, "York, The Man", will tell the comprehensive story of York both before and after the Expedition. In addition, Lewis and Clark National Historical Park Superintendent Jon Burpee will speak about developments at the park.

The dinner will be catered by Fulio's Restaurant in Astoria and will include wild caught salmon, elk meat and other tastes the Corps of Discovery would have preferred under better circumstances that Christmas in 1805.

Guests are welcome to attend.

The cost for dinner is \$20 per person, payable at the door by cash or a check to "Oregon Chapter, Lewis and Clark Trail Alliance."

Please RSVP by email (for headcount) to:  
**SlowPokeTours@gmail.com**

Lewis and Clark National Historical Park  
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Zachary Stocks



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DECEMBER 31st**

# IDAHO NEWS

BY GARRY BUSH, IDAHO CHAPTER PRESIDENT

The Idaho Chapter of the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Alliance is alive and well.

Idaho Chapter members have been attending Zoom meetings with LCTA CEO Richard Hunt, along with contacts at Travelers Rest and Lolo Hot Springs, in setting a date for an ultramarathon in September 2026.

Runners will volunteer to work on the Lolo Pass Trail. L&C Trail Alliance has obtained grants for L&C Trail Stewardship work along the Lewis & Clark / Nez Perce Tribe - Bitterroot Mts. / Lolo Pass trail system.

ID Chapter gave two *Big Medicine*: York presentations in Lewiston and Troy, Idaho.



The Idaho Chapter is continuing our involvement in the regional planning process for the 2027



Garry Bush

LCTA Annual meeting.

LCTA has made the connections so that the Idaho Chapter can partner with Oregon California Trail Association (OCTA) in connecting the impact of the LC Expedition on the development of the Oregon Trail. Members of the ID Chapter have been invited to submit presentations for the 2027 OCTA Annual Conference in Burley, Idaho.

The Idaho Chapter's next meeting will be in January 2026.



PHOTO BY STEVE LEE

*Hospitality of the Nez Perce* by Douglas Hyde (1993), featuring Meriwether Lewis and William Clark with Twisted Hair and his son Hallalhotsoot (a.k.a. Lawyer) is aglow with holiday lighting At Lewis-Clark State College, Lewiston ID

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## OREGON ROUNDUP

BY ALISHA HAMEL, OREGON CHAPTER PRESIDENT

The Oregon Chapter was thrilled to have York Fest happen in Portland October 17-25. Oregon Chapter members attended most of the events of York Fest which highlighted the role of York during the Corps of Discovery and his impact on American history.

Steve Ludeman presented a painting of York saying goodbye to his wife to Hasan Davis at Hasan Davis's presentation of York.

The planning committee for the 2027 LCTA Annual Gathering continues to move forward in the planning process. A decision was made in the last meeting to hold the 59th annual national meeting at Skamania Lodge in Stevenson, WA (in the Columbia River Gorge).

I am looking forward to moving back to Oregon so that I can start up a Meetup group to start having public events along our section of the Lewis and Clark Historic Trail. I am



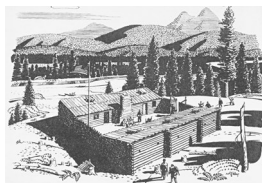
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Alisha Hamel

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looking for ideas and known hikes to take. If you are thinking of any good ideas, please contact me. We need to increase our membership.

I look forward to seeing most of you at our next Oregon Chapter meeting that will take place on December 6 at Fort Clatsop on the Oregon coast.



## YORKFEST AND LCTA

BY STEVE LUDEMAN

Lewis & Clark friends, the evening of October 23rd was a highlight for Jean and me. As a part of Yorkfest here in Portland, OR we attended Hassan Davis' reenactment of the "Journey of York".

His presentation was captivating! The place was packed and you could hear a pin drop.

LCTA is one of Hassan's sponsors. On behalf of LCTA, I presented him with a gift of appreciation. It was a print of my watercolor painting of York saying goodbye to his wife in November 1803. Title of my art is "Goodbye".

It was a surprise to Hassan, and he really appreciated it. The young man on the right is Zachary Stocks, Director of the Oregon Black Pioneers.

Best regards,  
Steve Ludeman, LCTA Artist



PHOTO BY JEAN LUDEMAN  
Steve Ludeman, Hassan Davis and Zachary Stocks

## PNW REGION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## ON & OFF THE TRAIL IN WASHINGTON STATE

BY BARB KUBIK, WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Greetings of the Season!

I would like to begin this winter column with the kind of thoughts of gratitude Sergeant John Ordway expressed in his journal on December 25, 1806:

*“ . . . we have no ardent Spirits, but are all in good health which we esteem more than all the ardent Spirits in the world . . . ”*

As 2025 draws to a close, I am grateful for:

- The staff and volunteers at all our Corps of Discovery-related state and federal lands in the Pacific Northwest. These are the people who work so hard to preserve and protect our nation’s stories and trails, even in the most challenging of times. Without their hard work and dedication, we could not enchant Trail trekkers, educators, and families of explorers with this



Most of all, I am grateful for all of you, our chapter members, who share your time, expertise, and resources to help the Lewis and Clark Trail Alliance, our chapter, and our partners, “tell all the stories of this remarkable journey and steward the Trail and its related sites.”

After lengthy discussions, especially in light of the passing of Rob Heacock, the Pacific Northwest Regional Chapter has agreed to host the 59th annual meeting of the LCTA!

- We have set the dates—August 29-September 1, 2027
- We have chosen a location—Skamania Lodge [Stevenson, WA]
- We have chosen a theme—“The Columbia Gorge: Bridging Cultures and Communities.”



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Pacific Northwest Region Members at Rock Fort in The Dalles, 2024

important piece of our history.

- Our public libraries that, despite on-going budget issues, continue to acquire the most up-to-date books about the Corps of Discovery and the Native Americans, for young readers, for trail trekkers, for naturalists, and for armchair explorers! As President Jefferson once noted, “I cannot live without books” and neither can we.
- The individuals and organizations who act as our “watchdogs” to preserve and protect our natural resources and the wildlife we find along the Trail.

Now, we are working to put the programs together—field trips, activities, programs, the Moulton Lecture. If you have suggestions for really good speakers who can focus on the stories of the Corps of Discovery, the tribal stories, the Gorge geology and the theme, please let Alisha Hamel and Sue Strachan know!

Our chapter will hold our annual meeting at the Washington State Historical Society [Tacoma, WA] on Saturday, February 7, 2026. I hope to see all of you there!

And so, in closing, I wish you a holiday season filled with good health, good friends, good adventures, and good stories!

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## ANNE SCHORZMAN

### 1954 – 2025

Anne was a friend of mine. A very good friend.

Anne was the first new friend I had after I moved to Boise in 1986. We met through mutual friends, and we found we had a common interest. We were both runners and loved to do the local fun runs.

She had a great sense of humor, and she made me laugh. About almost anything — we could laugh together. While Anne and I shared many laughs over the years as well as many fun adventures, I'm here today to tell you about a more serious side of Anne.

It involved two old guys from history, namely, Meriwether Lewis, and William Clark. Our mutual friend Ruthann Caylor introduced me to the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation in which she recruited me to be a member. Then in 1996, Ruthann and I ganged up on Anne and recruited her to join us on a road trip to Sioux City, Iowa, the site for that year's Lewis & Clark gathering. Anne soon learned why we enjoyed the organization so much — it is a great group of amateur historians who quickly became our friends. Anne, like Ruthann and myself before her, quickly became hooked. One afternoon while we were in Iowa, Anne and I played hooky and traveled to the small town of Menno, SD. Anne's father had come from that small town. Lewis and Clark gave Anne an opportunity to check out her family roots in South Dakota.

Anne's Lewis & Clark adventures included some obscure but scenic locations, including the Columbia Gorge in 1997 and Great Falls Montana in 1998. Another event in 1998 became a pivotal time in Anne's Lewis and Clark adventure. The Idaho Chapter gathering at Carol McGregor's Raspberry Ranch in

central Idaho was where the group started planning Idaho events for the upcoming Lewis and Clark Bicentennial. No one knew at the time but this planning session would lead to one of the most successful state commemorations of the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial. Two of the participants at



PHOTO BY STEVE LEE

that meeting were our host Carol McGregor and Anne Schorzman. Their exceptional leadership with the Idaho Lewis & Clark Trail Committee steered the very successful commemoration in Idaho. I personally can attest to this fact as I was treasurer of the LCTHF during those years and thus witnessed many of the bicentennial planning efforts and events, and I received a lot of feedback from all over the country. The Idaho effort left many "lasting legacies."

There were two official Lewis and Clark groups in Idaho, namely, the Idaho Chapter of LCTHF and the State of Idaho's Trail Committee. Anne's first job in Lewis & Clark leadership was in the year 2000, when she succeeded me as president of the Idaho chapter.

Her leadership shined in many ways. Among the many "on the trail" accomplishments during her term included working with the Oregon

Chapter in cleaning up the gravesite of Jean Baptiste Charbonneau, Sacagawea's son; this took place in 2000 just outside of Jordan Valley in eastern Oregon. In 2005, she coordinated activities with the Daughters of the American Revolution to mark the birth of J.B. Charbonneau. And in 2002, working with the Nez Perce Tribe, she organized a work party with chapter members to clean up a section of land between the Potlatch and Clearwater Rivers near Arrow Junction. The tribe and locals were very pleased with these efforts.

Perhaps Anne's most important accomplishment as president was sponsoring three annual workshops for teachers in Salmon, Lolo Hot Springs, and Astoria, Oregon. More than 50 Idaho teachers participated in sessions for credit that took them to parts of the trail for extended field trips and workshop training by Lewis & Clark scholars. The Chapter also partnered with the Idaho Department of Education, and the attendees produced instructional lessons for teachers, written by the participants. Expenses were paid with several grants which Anne successfully wrote and administered.

In 2002, Anne chaired the other Idaho committee -- Idaho Lewis & Clark Trail committee appointed by the governor. In this role, she presided over the Passages 2002 conference held in Lewiston for Bicentennial planners from Monticello, VA to Astoria, OR. The event not only showcased the Idaho plans for the bicentennial, it also brought together planners, government officials, tribal members and vendors. As head of the committee, Anne introduced US Senator Larry Craig to the large

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## NORM STEADMAN 1937 – 2025

Idaho has lost one of its legendary 'old timers' with the death of Norm Steadman on October 21.

Norm served as the mayor of Weippe for 53 years and as an engineer on the Clearwater National Forest for 46. He was passionate about local history and was a popular tour guide, especially on the Lolo Trail and Weippe Prairie and in the Kamiah area. He served on the state planning commission for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial and presented programs to groups ranging from school children to out

of state hunters at the exclusive Flying B Ranch. In 1990, he arranged for use of the Weippe Community Center as part of the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation's national convention, and was always helpful in providing information to the Idaho Governors Lewis & Clark Trail Committee and the Idaho chapter of the Foundation. Memorial donations may be sent to the Weippe Community Club, P.O. Box 351, Weippe, ID 83553. Norm will be remembered and missed with deep gratitude.



*Submitted by Jim Fazio*

## ANNE SCHORZMAN (CONT.)

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group of attendees. Sen. Craig was instrumental in securing funds from Congress to help pull off the national commemoration.

In 2003, Anne represented Idaho at the dedication of the Nez Perce Warriors monument in St. Louis, which commemorates the 1830s journey of four young Nez Perce men who had met Lewis and Clark during their journey in Idaho in 1805-1806. Unfortunately, only two survived, and two were buried in St. Louis. This 2003 monument is the only marker for their final resting place. On March 29, Anne was quoted:

"The Nez Perce warriors dedication was very special to me for several reasons. I was the 'official' representative from the governors committee and spoke on behalf of the committee. I couldn't believe the number of Nez Perce who traveled by car to get there, along with their horses. After the day-long powwow at the Missouri Historical Society, everyone went to Calvary Cemetery. It was a very cold day, but everyone was allowed to have their say. I was honored to be there amongst so many tribal folks and was truly awed by their dedication and sacred respect towards their tribal members."

Three months later in June 2003, Anne again represented the State of Idaho near Lolo Pass on the Idaho-Montana border where a monument was dedicated to the late author Stephen Ambrose, author of the still-popular *Undaunted Courage*. Anne had met Mr. Ambrose at the Lewis and Clark event in the Columbia River Gorge. Anne commented: "I remember what a beautiful blue-sky day it was for the Ambrose memorial dedication. I was sitting next to Stephanie Ambrose Tubbs and Moira Ambrose and they told me they felt Mr. Ambrose's spirit on Lolo more than anywhere else they had been with him. Evidently, Moira almost didn't make the trip, but she was totally overtaken with emotion several times. Stephanie whispered to her mother how glad she was that they hadn't missed the dedication. I'd like to think his spirit resides there in some way. He was like a colleague of Lewis & Clark rather than a historian who traveled the Trail and wrote about it. And the dedication was so well done. I think he would've been proud and honored."

This is why we enjoyed traveling to Lewis and Clark Trail - meeting so many interesting people and see so many interesting sites. We also traveled to Bismarck, North Dakota; Louisville, KY; Dillon, MT; Omaha, NE; and Sturgis, SD. Anne also traveled to Lewis & Clark meetings with her sisters, Carolyn and Cathy. In observing the sisters, I believe the gals very much enjoyed their "sister time" together.

Anne had the opportunity to meet and work with many tribal folks from the Nez Perce and Shoshone- Bannock tribes, Lewis and Clark authors, artists and even Mary Ellen Withrow. Who is Mary Ellen? At the time, she was the Treasurer of the United States and her signature appeared on all US currency during her tenure. She hailed from North Dakota and was an invited guest at the Bismarck Lewis and Clark gathering. There were so many interesting people we encountered on the trail.

Of course, we had many good laughs during all those travels — and good laughs with all those great friends. This was just one chapter in Anne's life - but I believe it was an enjoyable, successful and meaningful chapter for OUR FRIEND ANNE.

*Submitted by Steve Lee, Clarkston, WA*

# MELANIE HEACOCK LETTER TO WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER MEMBERS

August 11, 2025

Dear Members of the Washington Chapter of the Lewis & Clark Trail Alliance,

Thank you for your generous and thoughtful donation to the LCTA in memory of my husband Rob. As you will know, Lewis and Clark was a long-standing passion of his, and he highly valued his connection to you. He would be pleased and humbled to be remembered with your memorial.

Thank you again,  
Malanie

P.S. — Since you were not able to be at his funeral, I'm enclosing the program.

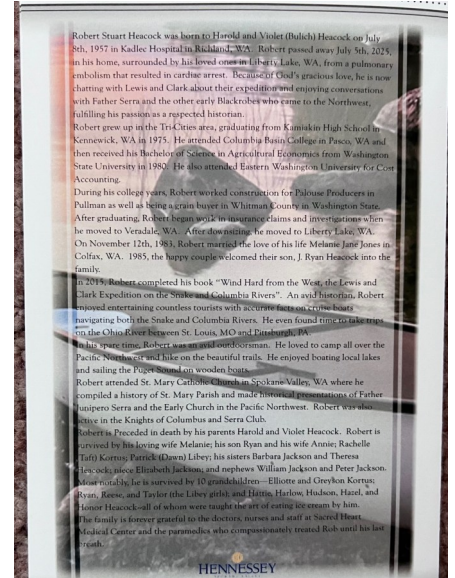
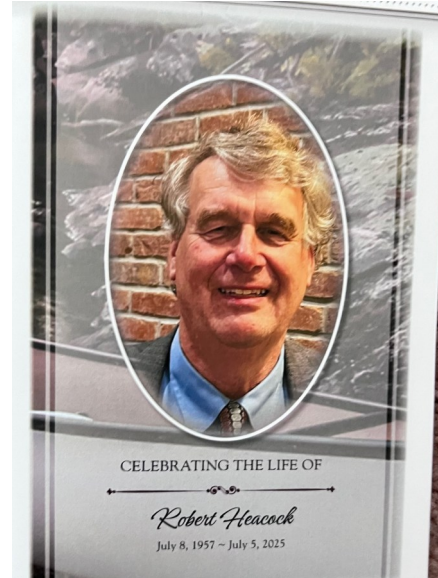
PHOTOS BY MELANIE HEACOCK

Right: Funeral program for Robert Heacock

## S.W. WASHINGTON HISTORY DAY CONTEST BY BARB KUBIK

I am writing with a "save-the-date" notice for the 2026 Southwest Washington History Day contest, on Saturday, March 7, 2026 at I-Tech Prep at 16100 NE 50th Avenue in Vancouver. Many of you have graciously volunteered for this day-long event in the past, or you have encouraged your staff, board of directors, volunteers and/or members to spend the day with us. We hope you will do the same again this year!

The theme for this year's History Day is "Revolution, Reaction, Reform in History," a theme which co-



Behold, I tell you a mystery. We shall not all fall asleep, but we will all be changed, in an instant, in the blink of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For that which is corruptible must clothe itself with incorruptibility, and that which is mortal must clothe itself with immortality. And when this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about: "Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 15:51-57

"What you are is God's gift to you  
Who you become is your gift to God."  
-Hans Urs von Balthasar

**VISITATION**  
Friday, July 12th, 2025 at 3:00pm  
Hennessy Valley Funeral Home  
Spokane Valley, WA

**ROSARY**  
Saturday, July 12th at 10:30am  
St. Mary Catholic Church  
Spokane Valley, WA

**FUNERAL SERVICE**  
Saturday, July 12th, 2025 at 11:00am  
St. Mary Catholic Church  
Spokane Valley, WA

Presiding: Reverend Fr. Jeff Lewis  
Accompanist: Mary Urbaniak  
Cantor: Cheryl Branz

Opening Hymn : Hosea  
Solemn Reading: 103, The Lord is Kind and Merciful  
1st reading : Isaiah 25:6a-7-9.....Hattie Heacock  
Resp Psalm : 103.....Sung by Cheryl Branz  
2nd reading : Romans 14: 7-9, 10c-12.....Harlow Heacock  
Gospel Reading : Luke 23:33,39-43.....Fr. Jeff Lewis  
Offertory : You are Mine  
Communion : Servant Song  
Going Forth : Lead me, Lord  
Eulogy : .....Ryan Heacock

**GRAVESIDE SERVICE**  
The Family will be having a private graveside service at a later time.  
Burial will take place at Riverside Memorial Park in Spokane, Washington.

incides with the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. If you would like more information about the theme you can check out the National History Day website at [www.nhd.org](http://www.nhd.org).

Thanks to local judges like yourselves, our students have done well at the state and national contests, in part because of your thoughtful and meticulous comments. We hope you will consider judging again, or that

you will encourage your staff, members, and volunteers to do so for us.

Please check the state History Day website, [ospi.k12.wa.us](http://ospi.k12.wa.us), for information on all eight regional contests in Washington. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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# ICONIC SEASIDE SCULPTURE REDEDICATED

BY LARRY MCCLURE

Thirty-five years after it was installed, a monumental statue dubbed “End of the Trail” by noted artist Stanley Wanlass was rededicated September 7 at Seaside, OR with a special plaque. Thousands of visitors to this popular tourist city are reminded of Lewis & Clark’s accomplishments at the Seaside Turnaround overlooking the ocean.

Mayor Steve Wright chose this date to coincide with the annual Lewis & Clark Salt Makers event. This year nine interpreters of the Pacific Northwest Living Historians participated, boiling seawater to make salt 24-7 at their weekend camp on the beach several blocks south near the site of the actual 1806 salt cairn. The city sponsored both events. Former Seaside Mayor Joyce Williams originally commissioned the Turnaround statue, but recognition of the artist was not prominent.

Some 100 onlookers gathered at the statue to celebrate. LCTA Oregon Chapter member Mark Johnson and Washington State Chapter member Glen Allison left their salt-making duties briefly to make remarks, portraying Corps of Discovery explorers George Gibson and Hugh McNeal. Brandy Wanlass, granddaughter of Stanley Wanlass — who also created several other Lewis & Clark bronzes on the Oregon and Washington coast — unveiled the plaque.

Wanlass lives in Utah, but asked his granddaughter to share his words: “I am a hopeless idealist and romantic. Life is short but art is long. I wanted to leave something edifying, of significant beauty and a tribute to the spirit, dignity, and excellence of man.”

More information about the artist is available at:  
[www.stanleywanlass.com](http://www.stanleywanlass.com).



PHOTO BY CLARENCE HABOVSTAK

**ABOVE:** Seaside Mayor Steve Wright introduced “Hugh McNeal” (Glen Allison) and “George Gibson” (Mark Johnson) at the rededication of the “*End of the Trail*” monument by Stanley Wanlass

PHOTO BY STEVE WRIGHT

**RIGHT:** *End of the Trail* by Stanley Wanlass

PHOTO BY STEVE WRIGHT

**BELOW:** Detail of *End of the Trail* by Stanley Wanlass, a new plaque acknowledging the artist







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**Following in their Footsteps**

The Lewis and Clark expedition of 1803-1806 is one of the most important diplomatic and scientific expeditions in history. This educational VR experience teaches about the Corps of Discovery and the expedition’s people, places, and events. The project contains deep-dive videos narrated by experts, interactive

virtual artifacts, recreations of important historical structures and places, 360 photos of real-life locations, immersive sound, and informative text.

Lewis and Clark VR explores the history of the Corps of Discovery from a variety of viewpoints and is designed to be used as a supplement to classroom learning across multiple grade levels, including middle school, high school, and early college.

This project is proudly sponsored by the Lewis & Clark Trail Alliance and created by the talented students at the Shenandoah Center for Immersive Learning. Lewis & Clark VR is your ticket to a dynamic learning experience. Discover more at SCIL and download the app today at Meta. Don’t just learn history—live it!

[su.edu/scil/projects/lewis-and-clark-vr/](http://su.edu/scil/projects/lewis-and-clark-vr/)

**2026 FREE DAYS AT WASHINGTON STATE LANDS**

Washington State Parks, the Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW) and Department of Natural Resources (DNR) offer several "free days" when a Discover Pass is not required to visit these lands.

- Jan. 1 – New Year’s Day & First Day Hikes
- Jan. 19 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- March 9 – Billy Frank Jr.’s Birthday
- March 19 – State Parks 113th Birthday
- April 22 – Earth Day
- June 6-7 – Free Fishing Weekend
- June 19 – Juneteenth
- Aug. 9 – Smokey Bear’s Birthday
- Sept. 26 – National Public Lands Day
- Oct. 10 – World Mental Health Day
- Nov. 11 – Veterans Day

Free parking days apply only to day use (not overnight stays or rented facilities). Sno-Park permits are still required on free days at designated Sno-Parks during the winter season.

The annual Discover Pass is \$50.00 and is valid at all State Parks, WDFW and DNR lands. A day-use pass costs \$11.50.

[parks.wa.gov](http://parks.wa.gov) [wdfw.wa.gov](http://wdfw.wa.gov)  
[dnr.wa.gov](http://dnr.wa.gov)

**VIRGINIA 250 PASSPORT**



70 Leading History Attractions in Virginia Launch First-of-its-Kind Statewide Commemorative Passport in Celebration of America’s 250th

In 2026, the United States marks its 250th anniversary. This historic milestone—extraordinary in our lifetimes—provides the ideal moment to come together, better understand our shared past, and renew our commitment to the pursuit of A More Perfect Union.

In partnership, the Virginia Museum of History & Culture, Colonial Williamsburg, George Washington’s Mount Vernon, Jamestown-

[virginiahistory.org/virginia-250-passport](http://virginiahistory.org/virginia-250-passport)

Yorktown Foundation, Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello, Virginia Tourism Corporation, and the Virginia American Revolution 250 Commission created the Virginia 250 Passport.

This commemorative passport is a history travel guide, discount book, and 250th keepsake! From November 11, 2025, through December 31, 2026, participants can collect unique stamps at 70 history sites and museums across the Commonwealth, receive special pricing on admission,

and enter to win prizes. Passports are available at no cost at Monticello and select locations across the state.

“We at Monticello are honored to help lead this extraordinary statewide partnership,” said Dr. Jane Kamensky, president of Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello. “The Virginia 250 Passport encourages exploration, reflection, and connection—values at the very heart of Monticello’s mission. We hope every traveler finds inspiration in the places and histories that shaped our democracy and continue to inspire it.”

*Submitted by Barb Kubik*

## DATES TO REMEMBER



All times are Pacific unless stated otherwise

**August 15 through December 20, 2025** — Exhibition: “What is Native Art? Eugene Landry and the Creative Spirit.” Northwest Native artist Eugene “Gene” Landry’s (1937-1988) art offers a glimpse into a transitional and little-documented time in Northwest Native history. His paintings represent a Native artist’s portrayal of his own people during a time when Native Americans were erased, marginalized, and misrepresented by stereotypes in media and public education. Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum, 115 SE Lake St, Ilwaco, WA 98624. [columbiapacificheritagemuseum.org](http://columbiapacificheritagemuseum.org)

**September 2025 through May 2026** — History & Hops is a series of local history discussions hosted by the Seaside Museum on the last Thursday of each month, September through May, at Seaside Brewing Co. The event is free to attend. Seaside Brewing Co., 851 Broadway, Seaside, OR 97138. [seasideoregonmuseum.com/events](http://seasideoregonmuseum.com/events)

**September 2, 2025 through June 21, 2026** — Fort Clatsop Visitor Center on winter schedule. Visitor Center, park grounds, trails & fort replica are open 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.; closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Lewis and Clark National Historical Park, 92343 Fort Clatsop Rd, Astoria OR 97103. Ph: 503-861-2471. [nps.gov/lewi](http://nps.gov/lewi)

**November 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026** — Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center on winter schedule. Cape Disappointment State Park, 244 Robert Gray Drive, Ilwaco, WA. WINTER HOURS: open Wednesday thru Sunday 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., closed Monday and Tuesday. Cape Disappointment camping is closed entirely until late spring 2026 while the park undergoes major renovations. The L&C Interpretive Center, North Head Lighthouse area, Beard's Hollow, Waikiki Beach and the North Jetty will remain open during this closure. Check the state parks website for more information Phone: (360) 642-3078. [parks.wa.gov/486/Cape-Disappointment](http://parks.wa.gov/486/Cape-Disappointment)

**December 6, 2025** (Saturday) 2:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. — Oregon Chapter Holiday Dinner (see page 1 — please follow RSVP instructions). Netel Room at the Visitor Center. Lewis and Clark National Historical Park, 92343 Fort Clatsop Rd, Astoria OR 97103. Ph: 503-861-2471. [nps.gov/lewi](http://nps.gov/lewi)

**December 31, 2025** (Wednesday) — New Year's Sobriety Powwow. The Native American Rehabilitation Association of the Northwest (NARA NW) presents an annual beacon of hope and celebration with its Sobriety Powwow, a cornerstone event in Portland's New Year's Eve festivities. Oregon Convention Center, 777 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Portland OR. [calendar.powwows.com/events/36th-annual-new-year-eve-sobriety-pow-wow](http://calendar.powwows.com/events/36th-annual-new-year-eve-sobriety-pow-wow)

### 2026

**February 7, 2026** (Saturday) 10:15 A.M. — Washington Chapter 28<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting. Speaker T.B.A. Washington State History Museum, 1911 Pacific Ave., Tacoma WA. Phone: 1-888-238-4373. More details to come in the January newsletter. [washingtonhistory.org](http://washingtonhistory.org)

**June 21-24, 2026** (Sunday through Wednesday) — Lewis & Clark Trail Alliance Annual Gathering. Great Falls MT. More information will be announced on the LCTA website. [lewisandclark.org/annual-gathering](http://lewisandclark.org/annual-gathering)

Visit the LCTHF website for a nationwide calendar of events:

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“Corps of Discovery” by Eugene Daub (2000) features Meriwether Lewis (top), Sacagawea (left), Jean Baptiste (obscured), William Clark (center), York (right) and Seaman (obscured).

The monument is at Case Park in Kansas City, MO, visited during the 2025 LCTA Annual Gathering

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- Basic memberships include *The Orderly Report* e-newsletter (e-TOR).
- Our quarterly journal, *We Proceeded On* is available via e-mail (PDF) and high-quality printed magazine.

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## SPOTLIGHT

### SPOTLIGHT: ON THE RIVERS WITH LEWIS & CLARK



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The Lewis and Clark Fountain / Sculpture (2016) portrays the explorers as they struggled to proceed on the mighty Columbia River. Designed and sculpted by artist Jeff Stewart, it is located at Lewis and Clark Festival Park in The Dalles, OR.

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**Right:**  
A replica of the barge (widely known as the "keelboat") used by the Corps of Discovery was displayed during the 2025 LCTA Annual Gathering in Kansas City, MO at Kaw Point on the Missouri River. The boat is owned by the Lewis & Clark Boathouse and Museum in St. Charles, MO; it is crewed by the living history interpreters of the Lewis & Clark Discovery Expedition of St. Charles, who also staged an encampment and presentations for the LCTA.



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