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In Their Footsteps: Discovering the Corps "The Lewis and Clark Columbia River Water Trail"

Fort Clatsop National Memorial's next free guest speaker program will be on Saturday, March 20 at 1:00 p.m.. Keith G. Hay will present *The Lewis and Clark Columbia River Water Trail*.

Keith Hay is an author, outdoorsman, and historian. In 1963 he worked with the first Lewis and Clark Trail Commission and through this experience he became interested in the Lewis and Clark Expedition. He is a founder and past president of the Oregon Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation and is vice-president of the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial in Oregon. His just-published book is titled, ***The Lewis and Clark Columbia River Water Trail: A Guide for Paddlers, Hikers, and Other Explorers***. Saturday's presentation is a slide show and talk featuring Lewis and Clark campsites and routes, detailed maps, as well as historical, cultural and ecological highlights of the Columbia. Keith also will share tips on river safety and etiquette plus suggestions for re-discovering today's lower Columbia River with water trips, hiking trails and bicycling trails.

Following his program, Keith will be available to sign copies of his book that can be purchased at the Fort Clatsop Historical Association bookstore in the park visitor center.

The next day, Sunday, March 21 at 1:00 p.m., author Jane Kirkpatrick will speak on *Memory and Momentum in Telling An Historical Woman's Story*.

These presentations are part of the monthly free speakers' forum, *In Their Footsteps: Discovering the Corps*, sponsored by the Fort Clatsop Historical Association, Astor Haus Bed and Breakfast, Lucy's Books and the Red Lion Inn. These programs are held in the Netul River Room of Fort Clatsop National Memorial's Visitor Center.

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