



On The Ohio . . .

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Ohio River Chapter Friends,

Two items of interest: First, Kris Townsend, Webmaster of the LCTHF, recently requested updated information on our chapter. He sent the request to Skip Jackson, who forwarded it to the ORC officers. You can see the update to our chapter's mission, meetings, and contact information by going to lewisandclark.org, then clicking on "Chapters." Thanks, Kris.

Secondly, Paige Cruz and Mike Loesch are busy contacting organizations that interpret or manage points of interest along the Eastern Legacy corridor of the trail. They will begin with sites directly located in the Ohio River corridor and expand outward. They have written a very professional letter of explanation to send to these organizations. As chapter president, I was asked to sign one copy of the letter, so I have read it and can tell you that it is "top-notch." The letter states that signage will be placed at high priority sites managed by the partner organizations. The first sign is free, more will be provided at cost. This is an exciting way to educate people on the importance of the Eastern Legacy. On behalf of all of you, I tip my hat to Paige and Mike for obtaining the grant and doing all of the follow-up work on this project.

Some household interior painting and floor replacement projects this winter required Doug and me to empty all bookshelves so they could be moved. In the process I found a new, but unread, copy of David J. Weber's The Spanish Frontier in North America. I'm certain that I never read it because there is no underlining in it, and I cannot read a book without a pencil in hand. Although I have a basic knowledge of early English and French settlements in our country, I am quite ignorant of what the Spanish did.

I learned that the Spanish founded Santa Elena in 1566 on South Carolina's Parris Island and that the Jesuits established a mission in Virginia in 1570, long before Roanoke and Jamestown were settled. In the early 1790s, Pedro Vial forged a trail from Santa Fe to St. Louis, forerunner of the Santa Fe Trail. The Spanish had a fort at Chickasaw Bluffs in 1795. Naval commander Bruno de Hezeta took a small ship, *Sonora*, up the Alaskan coast to present-day Juneau in 1775.

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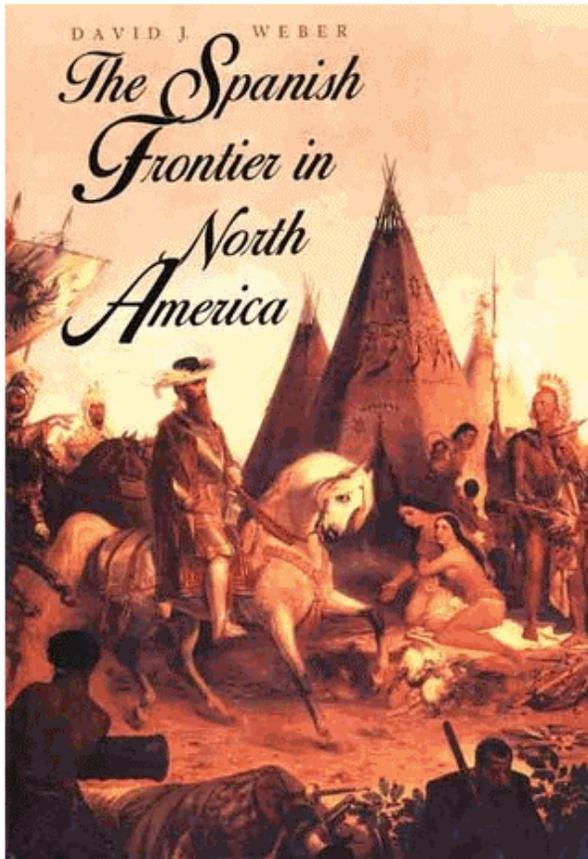
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I now have a better understanding of the extent of Spain's claims to territory on the east coast, Florida, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California and the Pacific Northwest coast. This book has been an eye-opener!

On behalf of the chapter, I send immense thanks to our Communication Officer, Lorna Hainesworth, who has invested so much of herself in producing a quality newsletter for several years. Lorna is stepping down after this newsletter. Huzzah! Huzzah! Huzzah! Thanks, Lorna.

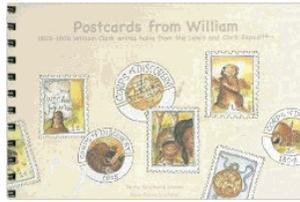
Richard Hennings of Charlotte, Michigan, has agreed to be our next Communication Officer and editor of the OTO. The nominating committee will forward his name at the August chapter meeting in Washington."

I look forward to seeing you in eastern Washington in August and at Fort Southwest Point in October.

Margaret Wozniak

On the right is an image of my grandson Leo James Buck's first visit to The Filson Historical Society and "meeting" William Clark. Leo was born on Pearl Harbor Day so my reasoning is that he is fated to pursue a historical career – or at least enjoy history. He got off to a good start! I'm making sure that an early addition to Leo's library is Betty Stokes's "Postcards from William" and will be at the top of his reading list when grandpa visits!

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Ohio River Chapter
March 15, 2014
Kalamazoo, Michigan

The spring meeting of the Ohio River Chapter was called to order by President Margaret Wozniak.

The opening reading was given by Jim Koss. Jim read from *Acts of Discovery* by Albert Furtwangler. An invocation was given by Skip Jackson who read *A Prayer for our Country* by Francis Scott Key.

President Wozniak made a brief comment reminding everyone of her comment at a previous meeting. She asked that anyone wanting to participate in a discussion, first raise their hand and wait to be called upon before speaking.

Vice President Chuck Crase gave a report on the upcoming fall meeting. This meeting will be a regional meeting with the Merriwether Lewis Chapter, the Carolina Chapter, and the Ohio River Chapter. It will be held at Fort Southwest Point in Kingston, Tennessee October 17, 18, and 19. Chuck informed everyone of all the exciting and interesting activities that will be part of the weekend. A more detailed description will be included in this edition of the newsletter. Anyone having any information pertinent to the meeting may contact Chuck Crase.

The minutes of the last meeting were not read since they had been printed in the latest edition of the *On the Ohio* newsletter. A motion was made by Doug Wozniak and seconded by Jerry Wilson to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion was voted and passed.

Treasurer Skip Jackson gave the Treasurer Report. There is currently \$11,350 in the chapter account. \$7,500 of this is a grant from the Foundation for the Eastern Legacy signage project which Paige Cruz and Mike Loesch submitted and \$300 is for use by the Challenge program and the Boy Scouts. Skip also noted that the chapter currently has 32 paid memberships. Jerry Robertson made a motion to accept the treasurer report, which was seconded by Jerry Wilson. The motion was voted and passed.

Lorna Hainesworth, Communications Officer, noted that every issue of *On the Ohio* has a passage from the journals, which corresponds to the meeting date or a holiday (if newsletter is issued close to a holiday). She also noted that the next issue of the newsletter (which usually comes out a month before the next meeting) would not normally be sent until early July. Since this might be a long time before the next issue, she will do one in mid to late May. She asked that anyone having information for the newsletter please have it to her by May 7th.

New Business:

Election of officers for the coming year was held. The nominating committee consisting of Jerry Robertson, Linda Robertson, and Doug Wozniak reported results of their work. Each officer was asked if they would be willing to serve another year. The committee received a "yes" from all officers with the exception of the secretary and communications officer (communications officer had previously requested that this be her last year). The slate of officers submitted for vote by the nominating committee were as follows:

President-----Margaret Wozniak
Vice President---Chuck Crase

Treasurer-----Skip Jackson
Secretary-----Janice Wilson

There were no nominations and no offers for communications officer so this office will be addressed at a future meeting since Lorna will remain in this position until October. A motion was made by Jerry Wilson and seconded by Lorna Hainesworth that the slate be accepted by acclamation. Motion passed

Announcements:

A report was given on the Eastern Legacy Special Resource Study. It was reported that progress is being made. Jim Mallory has reported that he has received assurance that additional resources will be put on the project and completed by the end of the year.

Jerry Wilson announced that the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation will be held in Harpers Ferry. He felt this site is an important site in the Eastern Legacy. Jerry gave a report on the planning that has been done by a committee in the absence of any chapter to sponsor the meeting as has been done in the past. The planning committee consists of Philippa Newfield, Philip Gordon, Paige Cruiz, Mike and Lorraine Loesch, and Jerry and Janice Wilson. Work on the meeting will be done by long distance using phone calls, e-mail, etc. The Harpers Ferry Park service and West Virginia Tourism have given their full support to this meeting. Jerry asked the Ohio River Chapter would give a show of support for this meeting. Skip Jackson made a motion that the Ohio River Chapter highly endorse and support the Annual Meeting in Harpers Ferry. The motion was seconded by Jerry Robertson, voted and passed. Jerry also asked the chapter for financial support for the meeting in Harpers Ferry. After much discussion, it was suggested that a budget be drawn up for the annual meeting and presented to the chapter before voting on any specified dollar amount. Lorna Hainesworth moved that the Ohio River Chapter commit to assisting with finances for the annual meeting at Harpers Ferry. The dollar amount will be contingent upon the budget submitted by the Harpers Ferry planning committee. The motion was seconded by Jerry Robertson, voted and passed.

Linda Robertson announced that the Indiana Lewis and Clark Foundation has purchased to disks to be placed in Vincennes and Waynetown. The dedication for the disk in Waynetown will be Saturday, June 28, 2014, at 1:00pm.

Sandy and Richard Hennings presented Chuck and Alice Crase replicas of silver dollars for their outstanding work in arranging the meeting in Kalamazoo.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation.

List of attendees, March 15, 2014

Chuck Crase
Alice Crase
Douglas Wozniak
Margaret Wozniak
Skip Jackson
Lorna Hainesworth

Mark Bear
Michael E. Dotson
Janice Wilson
Jerry Wilson
Linda Robertson

Jerry Robertson
Ginny Koss
Jim Koss
Richard Hennings
Sandy Hennings

Regional Meeting Update

Event: Fort Southwest Point Regional Meeting
Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

Sponsors: Carolina, Meriwether Lewis and
Ohio River
Chapters

Where: Kingston,
TN

When: October 17,
18, 19, 2014



Purpose: To explore an Eastern Legacy site, Fort Southwest Point, on an Eastern Legacy Trail, the George Drouillard Recruiting Route, and its history and contributions to the Lewis and Clark Expedition; to recognize and honor the four soldiers recruited there for the expedition; and to dedicate signage at FSWP commemorating these soldiers and their contributions.

Hotel: Super 8 Hotel Kingston, TN. \$50.88+taxes/night, with breakfast. Reservations at 865-376-4965, ask for Lewis & Clark Block.

Friday Pre Meeting Tours, Optional:

Morning-Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

Afternoon-American Museum of Science and Energy in Oak Ridge.

Sunday Post Meeting Tour, Optional: Fort Loudoun

Special Alert: The Great Smoky Mountains NP is one hour away, plan to visit.

Schedule & Registration Form: Next Pages

Questions??: email Chuck Crase at afccecrase@roadrunner.com

Day-Date-Time	Event	Presenter	Location
Friday 10/17/2014			
09:00am	Optional Tour	Oak Ridge National Lab	Oak Ridge, TN
02:00pm	Optional Tour	American Museum of Science and Energy	Oak Ridge, TN
06:00pm	Buffet Dinner		Community Center
07:30pm	Lecture-Introduction to Fort Southwest Point	Robert Bailey, President Roane County Historical Society	Community Center
Saturday Morning 10/18/2014			
06:30am	Buffet Breakfast		Hotel
08:00am	Maps, Trails, Expansion	Brian Thompson, Historian, ORC	Community Center
08:45am	Cpl Warfington and the recruits from FSWP	Trent Strickland, Pres. Carolina Chapter	Community Center
09:30am	Ft Massac, Drouillard, and the L&C Connection	TBD	Community Center
10:15-10:30am	Break		
10:30am	Col. Meigs, Cherokee Nation, and tribal Relations	Don Lawrence, Fort Agent	Community Center
11:15am	FSWP	Mike Woody and Ken Inman	Community Center
12:00pm	Adjourn		
Saturday Afternoon 10/18/2014			
12:00-01:30pm	Picnic Lunch	Pavilion	City Park
01:30-04:00pm	Fort and Museum Tours	FSWP Staff	FSWP
03:30pm	Dedication Historic Marker	Trent Strickland, Pres. Carolina Chapter	FSWP
Saturday Evening 10/18/2014			
06:00pm	Buffet Dinner		Community Center
07:30pm	Sites and Scenes along the Eastern Legacy Trail	Michael Petty, Pres. National Capital Chapter	Community Center
09:00pm	Adjourn		
Sunday Morning 10/19/2014			
06:30am	Buffet Breakfast		Hotel
09:00am	Chapter Meetings		Pavilion
Noon	Optional Tour	Head to the Smokies	Gatlinburg, Townsend
Noon	Optional Tour	Fort Loudoun Tour	Vonore, TN

2016 LCTHF ANNUAL MEETING MERIWETHER LEWIS AT HARPERS FERRY

All Ohio River Chapter members should mark July of 2016 on their calendars. The Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation Annual Meeting will take place in the small West Virginia town of Harpers Ferry. This is an event that we all can and should support. Although the meeting will not be an ORC sponsored event like the 2002 meeting in Louisville and the 2012 meeting in Clarksville, it is in the Eastern Legacy, which is very important to all of us. ORC members Paige Cruz, Lorraine and Mike Losech, and Janice and Jerry Wilson are on the planning committee, and we are quite sure that other chapter members realize the importance of this site and will lend their skills, knowledge and expertise when there is a call out for meeting volunteers.

As you can see in the photo taken at the March 2014 Kalamazoo Living History Show, publicity has already begun. So brush up on your “Supplying the Expedition” knowledge, mark your calendars and hone your volunteer skills to make sure Meriwether Lewis at Harpers Ferry will be a memorable event.

Submitted by Jerry Wilson



ORC Upcoming Meetings

Summer 2014: LCTHF Annual Meeting
Tri-Cities Region, WA
July-August 2014
<http://wa-lcthf.org/2014/>

Fall 2014: Fort South West Point
Kingston, TN (October 17, 18, 19)

Spring 2015: Berea, KY
Lewis & Clark on Wilderness Trail
(Exact Dates TBA)

If you have not yet paid your dues, write a check in the amount of \$10.00 per person/\$15.00 per family made payable to Ohio River Chapter.

Please send your mailing address, phone number and email address along with your check to:
Richard "Skip" Jackson, Treasurer
Ohio River Chapter
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Cincinnati, OH 45211

ATTENTION

**Ohio River Chapter
Members**

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NEWSLETTER IN THE MAIL



From the Journals

October 19, 1805

Saturday October 19, 1805

[Clark]

The great chief *Yel-lep-pet* two other chiefs, and a Chief of Band below presented themselves to us very early this morning. we Smoked with them, enformed them ... of our friendly intentions towards our red children Perticular those who opened their ears to our Councils. we gave a Medal, a Handkercheif & a string of Wompom to *Yelleppit* and a String of wompom to each of the others. *Yelleppit* is a bold handsom Indian, with a dignified countenance about 35 years of age, about 5 feet 8 inches high and well perpotiond. he requested us to delay untill the Middle of the day, that his people might Come down and See us, we excused our Selves and promised to Stay with him one or 2 days on our return which appeared to Satisfy him— Set my Self on a rock and made Signs to the men to come and Smoke with me not one Come out untill the Canoes arrived with □ Some five Came out of each Lodge and Set by me and Smoked Capt Lewis at □ the 2 Chiefs, one of whom spoke aloud, and as was their Custom to all we had passed the Indians came out & Set by me and Smoked They said we came from the clouds &c &c □ which the □ and were not men &c. &c. this time Capt. Lewis came down with the Canoes rear in which the Indians, as Soon as they Saw the Squar wife of the interpereters □ wife □ they pointed to her and informed those who continued yet in the Same position I first found them, they imediately all came out and appeared to assume new life, the sight of This Indian woman, wife to one of our interprs. confirmed those people of our friendly intentions, as no woman ever accompanies a war party of Indians in this quarter— Capt Lewis joined us and we Smoked with those people in the greatest friendship, dureing which time one of our Old Chiefs informed them who we were from whence we Came and where we were going giveing them a friendly account of us, those people do not Speak prosisely the Same language of those above but understand them, I Saw Several Horses and persons on hors back in the plains many of the men womin and children Came up from the Lodges below; all of them appeared pleased to See us, we traded some fiew articles for fish and berries, Dined, and proceeded on passed a Small rapid and 15 Lodges below the five, and Encamped below an Island Close under the Lard Side, nearly opposit to 24 Lodges on an Island near the middle of the river, and the Main Stard Shor

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