

Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

May 2014

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President's Corner



Dear Chapter Members,

Great things are happening this year, and you are invited to be a part of it. Get out on the river with us in June, go to the National Meeting in August, picnic with us in September, and by all means put the weekend of December 6 & 7 on your calendar. We plan a full weekend of activities for our holiday gathering. This year we have arranged a group rate for members at the

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Canoe Paddle: June 28, Tongue Pt.: July 20

The tides favor this year's canoe paddle on Saturday, June 28. We will be paddling the same route as in years past: Columbia River & Sloughs, from Skamakowa to Cathlamet. We'll paddle past two Wahkiakum Villages and note where Lewis & Clark traded.

RSVP by June 22 to: Margaret: 360-423-4760 margaretmiller.mm@gmail.com or Mark: 503-805-6691 markbarb2@comcast.net.



Longtime chapter member Margaret Miller rallies paddlers at the Skamakowa Vista Park put-in on the Lower Columbia.

Mark your calendars for the afternoon of Sunday, July 20, for the rare opportunity of visiting the site where Clark and most of the men stayed for 10 days at Tongue Point (just east of Astoria) while Lewis located the Expedition's winter quarters site.

We will walk the beach and quite possibly see the same "butifull pebble of various Colours" that Clark described in his journals. Captain Bruce Jones of the Coast Guard will meet with us and has graciously allowed us to visit this secure site.

Watch for details on the chapter website and in an e-mail notice.

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Sam Yarbrough, our chapter member in Paradise, California, is a great-grandson of Patrick Gass. A cultural anthropologist, he has done extensive research in the collections of Lewis & Clark College. He describes how the original Gass family, then "Gasg", were French Huegenots who emigrated to Scotland in 1438, becoming "Gask" then "Gass".



You can now follow us on Facebook by going to our page: "Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation Oregon Chapter".

Oregon Chapter Name Badges

Send \$15 and your name (as you want it to appear) to Dick Hohnbaum, 6916 Wheatland Lane N., Keizer, OR 97303 hohnbaum@aol.com



CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

EXPLORE MORE!

Thelma Haggenmiller and Lyn Trainer lead Explore More!, a series of chapter trips which include a Lewis & Clark connection but also help members learn about other historical and cultural events that happened since that time.

Watch this newsletter. your mail, your e-mail, and especially the chapter website for more information and details.



Thelma Haggenmiller takes the microphone on the bridge as the Columbia Gorge enters Cascade Locks during the April repositioning cruise from Portland.

Coming Events

We have an early start on our big summer and late-fall events. Watch the website for details.

Tom Wilson has arranged a tour of Tongue Point's usually inaccessible L&C sites on 7/20.

Thelma Haggenmiller

has organized a potluck picnic on 9/7 at Rooster Rock State Park, site of the Corps' 11/2/1805 campsite. We'll gather starting at 1:00, begin the food at 2:00, and follow with a short program.

Our holiday event will comprise a bus tour to

Dismal Nitch and a potluck dinner at the Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum in Ilwaco on 12/6, an optional overnight at the Crest Motel (code = hohnbaum), and a lecture on 12/7 in Gearhart. Gloria Linkey, Jim Sayce, & Dick Basch will speak.

2014 Chapter Events — Check the Website!

June 28: Columbia River Aug. 16: Annual Seaport Museum in Ilwaco, Wash. canoe paddle, Skamakowa.

July 20: Tour of L&C campsites on Tongue Point (normally closed).

Aug. 3-6: National foundation annual meeting, Richland, Wash.

Celebration, Terminal 4, Port of Portland.

Sept. 7: Potluck picnic at Rooster Rock State Park. Roger Wendlick, speaker.

Dec. 6: Holiday potluck, Columbia Pacific Heritage (plus tours on 12/6 & 7).

Watch your e-mail and visit our website for more details on all upcoming events: www.or-lcthf.org



Down the Willamette, Up the Columbia

Over three hundred folks joined 18 L&C chapter members on a riverboat jaunt on a beautiful April Saturday.

As the Columbia Gorge sternwheeler moved from Portland to Cascade Locks for the summer season, interpreters from the Oregon Chapter enthralled the crowd retelling the L&C story as the boat passed a large number of important sites. Captain



Tom Cramblett, Thelma Haggenmiller, Steven McClure, & Roger Wendlick board the Columbia Gorge sternwheeler.

Tom Cramblett also narrated from the bridge, explaining the historical, commercial, and natural aspects of the route. High points: going through the locks at Bonneville and enjoying spring waterfalls.

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Please contact Mark Johnson (e-mail address below) with interest in Chapter service.

Your most humble and

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P.S. Last week I was in the Laurelhurst Market (3155 E. Burnside) and was surprised to see boudin blanc in the butcher's case. My wife and I tried some and enjoyed them very much. I am sure Charbonneau would have been pleased!

www.or-lcthf.org

There is far more L&C information available on our website! Please check it for the latest updates on Chapter activities. We're sending fewer postcards, so watch the website for updates.



ANNUAL MEETING

Our Washington chapter friends need volunteers to help with registration on August 2 & 3 and other tasks. Please contact our coordinator Larry McClure at larry.mcclure@gmail.com.



Every summer North Wasco County Parks & Recreation in The Dalles holds a L&C kayaking camp for kids. To explore helping out, contact Danny Kittelson at 541-296-9533 or programs@nwprd.org.

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Crest Motel in Astoria so that we can join expert Jim Sayce on a tour of the Dismal Nitch area, in addition to enjoying our potluck dinner, chapter meeting, and presentation by Seaside author Gloria Linkev in Ilwaco. On Sunday, NPS tribal liaison Dick Basch will talk to us about his Clatsop-Nehalem heritage and the history of the lands around Gearhart. Don't miss it!

On the trail stewardship front, your board is involved in evaluating the impact of various projects along the Lewis & Clark Trail in Oregon and Washington. We are also moving ahead with new historical interpretation of Tongue Point near Astoria, and we expect to apply for and receive funds for this work in the near future. You will have the chance to tour this high-security area in July in an Explore More event. Let us know how you feel about these

activities by visiting our new Facebook page, up thanks to Dave Ellingson.

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Stewards of the Trail in Oregon



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The Next National Meeting: August 3-6, 2014 in Richland, Washington see www.lewisandclark.org Please check your label and renew your membership if the "Exp. Date" is before 2014. Annual dues are \$10 for individuals, \$5 for students, & \$16 for households. Your response will save the Chapter work and postage. Thank you!



Never-Finished L&C Monument of 1940 Demolished in The Dalles

The Lewis & Clark Monument, abandoned when only partially constructed in 1940, was demolished in January, 2014. Located in Thompson Park, in downtown The Dalles, Oregon, the 24-foot obelisk base fell to the park's renovation plan.

The Northern Wasco County Park and Recreation board of directors approved the monument's removal in 2013 after the monument was found to have no historical landmark status and thus







The Lewis & Clark Monument in The Dalles as it appeared in 1937 in an architect's rendition, in 2011 when inventoried by the Oregon Chapter, and in 2014 when demolished by the local park district.

without protection when no viable proposals for relocating the monument were received.

Attempts had been made in the 1970s to relocate it. In 2005 local historian and archeologist Eric Gleason tried to secure landmark status for it. In 2006 L&C expert Ken Karsmizki, while directing the nearby Columbia Gorge Discovery Center, unsuccessfully proposed moving it to the nearby Rock Fort and completing its construction.

Otherwise it stood as a long-forgotten relic of Lewis & Clark commemorations past, identified as OR-094 in our Oregon Lewis & Clark Asset Inventory in 2011. Parts of the monument may be used in the new pool and park.