

Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

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President's Corner



Dear Chapter Members,

The volunteer efforts of our dedicated and talented board members make our chapter's success possible. They provide leadership which makes our chapter a model for other chapters.

We started the year with a truly outstanding presentation on Oregon's Spanish Galleon Shipwreck, complete with a beeswax artifact. Our next event was a great evening touring the Oregon Historical Society's the Oregon Experience and hearing a lecture Native Homelands and Lewis & Clark. After that we had a great

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Natives + Lewis & Clark at OHS — April 2019

The Oregon Historical Society hosted a public lecture in celebration of the opening of its new Oregon Experience exhibit: *Native Homelands: Lewis & Clark and the Pioneers*.

Historian and professor Bill Lang and Tamástslikt Cultural Institute director Bobbie Connor shared their perspectives on Oregon history seen from the native point of view.

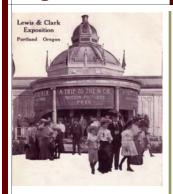
Chapter members enjoyed a pre-event dinner at the nearby Raven & Rose restaurant (the former Ladd Carriage House) and toured the exhibit.



Bill Lang and Bobbie Connor speak at the Oregon Historical Society on *Native Homelands: Lewis & Clark and the Pioneers*. The new Oregon Experience exhibit features substantial interpretation of Lewis & Clark, along with Expedition-related several artifacts.

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The National Cash Register pavilion at the 1905 Lewis & Clark Fair not only helped commemorate the Expedition's centennial, but survives today in St. Johns, not too far from Clark's April 1806 Willamette River campsite.

A movie theatre then and now, it provided many excited fair-goers their first glimpse of a motion picture.

It is now McMenamin's St. John's Pub.



Oregon Chapter Name Badges

Send \$10 and your name (as you want it to appear) to Ellie McClure, 17760 S.W. Cheyenne Way, Tualatin, OR 97062 Ellie.McClure@or-lcthf.org



CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

EXPLORE MORE!

Thelma Haggenmiller leads 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.



Chapter members provide first-person interpretation of the Lewis & Clark Expedition aboard the *Columbia Gorge* sternwheeler on its April 18 repositioning cruise between Cascade Locks and The Dalles.

L. to R: John Orthmann, Glen Kirkpatrick, Capt. Tom Cramblett, Thelma Haggenmiller, and Roger Wendlick.

NASA and LCTHF Team Up — GLOBE Observer

Our national foundation urges us to participate in NASA's GLOBE Observer program as citizenscientists like the Corps.

As we get outside more frequently this summer and travel the L&C Trail, we can use the downloadable GLOBE

Observer phone app to take scientific measurements and provide observations to help better understand our global environment.

The app includes tools to count mosquito larvae, measure the height of trees, and more.

GLOBE observations can help scientists track changes in clouds, water, plants, and other life in support of Earth system science research. Scientists can also use our data to help interpret NASA and other satellite data.

https://observer.globe.gov

2019 Chapter Events — Check the Website!

Your board is working on many more events.

May 31 12 / 2 Lunch/ Tour the Oregon Vault in Gresham, the Oregon Historical Society's stateof-the-art storage facility for Oregon's artifacts. Prospects:

- L&C military history in Oregon
- Spirit Mountain Casino and Museum
- Portland L&C campsites and commemorations
- Camp Rilea archaeology
- Ice Age Floods
- Confluence sites

Let us know if you want to help.

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



Sacagawea Featured in Play



"Protect the Water— Remember the Sacrifice." Written by Mary Kathryn Nagle and directed by Molly Smith, Crossing Mnisose (minne-show-she) "tells the story of one of America's first feminists, Sacajawea, and draws a line from a completely original view of Lewis & Clark to the present day, as descendants of the Dakota and Lakota Nations continue their fight for the *Mnisose* (what Europeans named the Missouri River) and the lands that contain the burials of their ancestors."

Chapter members will attend the May 4 performance.

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Please contact Glen Kirkpatrick (e-mail address below) with interest in Chapter service.
There are two open positions.

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There is far more L&C information available on our website!

Please check it for the latest updates on Chapter activities and for photos of our events.

We're sending fewer postcards, so watch the website for updates.



New chapter board member Zachariah Selley is the Associate Head of Special Collections and College Archivist for Lewis & Clark College. He contributes to the Orbis Cascade Alliance as a member of the Unique and Local Content Team, and Chair of the Archival Collection Management Standing Group.

His work on the history and literature of the Lewis & Clark Expedition center around his position at Lewis & Clark College, where he uses the resources of the Expedition collections to teach and advance research on the legacy of Lewis & Clark.

President's Corner ... continued

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day on the Explore More Sternwheeler ride. This is just the beginning of an exciting year with several great upcoming events. I hope you can all make the pizza feed and tour of the Oregon Vault by OHS Director Kerry Tymchuk on May 31. These events don't just happen—they are a product of selfless volunteers. I appreciate the board members who make all this possible.

Reading the *Journals*, I often marvel at the daily accomplishments and wonder how the Corps got it all done. Consider Sergeant Patrick Gass's day on July 31, 1806. He and his

party of 12 had just completed the down-river portage of the Great Falls and picked up Lewis, the Field brothers, & Drouillard after their Blackfeet encounter. On that wet and disagreeable morning they loaded their canoes, headed down river, and at 9:00 AM stopped to shoot 15 elk. After taking the skins and the best meat, they proceed on and conducted a "leisurely" hunt killing, skinning, and dressing another 14 deer, two bighorn sheep, and a beaver. They found shelter from the persistent rain by covering the Indian winter lodge frameworks they found with the skins they had just procured. When I canoed that stretch of the Missouri, the farthest I travelled in one day was

25 miles. They did all this and still traveled 70 miles that day!

So when my wife broke her ankle last winter I had to pick up all the duties of running the house, farm, and car. There was just not enough time to get everything done—at times I felt overwhelmed. Then I remembered Patrick Gass and the day he had. This is nothing compared to that day. So if you ever feel too busy and overwhelmed, just remember Patrick Gass on July 31, 1806.

Your most humble and obedient servant,

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Stewards of the Trail in Oregon



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The next national meetings: Sept. 21–25, 2019 in St. Louis, Missouri Aug. 2–5, 2020 in Charlottesville, Virginia see www.lewisandclark.org To stop receiving this newsletter in printed form and receive it in electronic form only, please alert:

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Please check your label and renew your membership if the "Paid Through" date is before 2019. Annual dues are \$10 for individuals, \$5 for students, & \$16 for households. Your prompt response will save your Chapter volunteers work and postage. Thanks!



Beeswax Shipwreck — February 2019

We now know with nearcertainty that the Santo Cristo de Burgos wrecked on Nehalem Spit in 1693.

Cameron La Follette, the Executive Director of the Oregon Coast Alliance and co-author of a special issue of the *Oregon Historical Quarterly* devoted to the shipwreck, gave a special presentation to 25 chapter members and friends at the West Linn Public Library in February. She described the wreck and recent research illuminating it.

The Spanish "Manila galleon" strayed off course en route to Acapulco. Among its many cargo items were tons of beeswax destined for churches in the New World (which had no honeybees).

The Journals of the Lewis & Clark Expedition were the first to mention the beeswax on the Oregon Coast. The Oregon Historical Society loaned a chunk for viewing.

Cameron La Follette describes the extensive research shedding new light on the "Beeswax Shipwreck" and the cargo that natives traded to Lewis & Clark.

