Dear Friends,

LCTHF Hikes the Hill for the National Trails


Margaret Gorski, LCTHF President, and Lindy Hatcher, LCTHF Executive Director, represented our organization at February’s *Hike the Hill event in Washington, DC*. They joined with other members of the Partnership for the National Trails System ([www.pnts.org](http://www.pnts.org)) representing the national, historic, scenic, and recreational trails and
spoke with members of Congress about the importance of preserving our country's national trails system.

The objectives of Hike the Hill this year were to lobby for the annual appropriation for our federal partners who administer and manage these trails as well as to encourage Congress to re-authorize and fully fund the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). The LWCF is vital to enable our states, federal agencies, and local governments to fund important land acquisitions for conservation and recreation access.

The highest priority for the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail was funding to acquire key parcels for public access and trail preservation within the Missouri River Breaks National Monument; a forested area near the Blackfoot River along Lewis' return route; and an elk winter range which extends into the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail corridor.

The LCTHF Awards $56,345 in Trail Stewardship Grants to 14 Projects Along the Lewis and Clark Trail for Fiscal Year 2015

Grant recipients include: Bitter Root Heritage Trust for Scenic-Historic Highway Management Plan, Design, and Interpretive Vision; Beaver County Historical Research and Landmarks Foundation for Interpretive Signage for Lewis and Clark Trail in Beaver and Allegheny Counties, PA; Confluence Project for Refurbishment Project; Friends of the Missouri Breaks Monument for Enhancing Visitor Experiences on the Lewis and Clark Trail in Montana's Missouri Breaks Monument; and Friends of the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge for Lifeways, Landscapes, and Wildlife Interpretive Program.

Recipients also include: Jefferson River Canoe Trail Chapter, LCTHF, for Campsite Development of the Jefferson River Canoe Trail; Montana Wilderness Association for Southeastern Montana Geotourism Project Along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail; Oregon Chapter, LCTHF, for Point William Campsite Interpretation on the Astoria River Walk; Powder River County District High School for Bringing Lewis and Clark to the Powder River Students; Sargent Floyd Honor Guard for Purchasing Rifles and Tents for their Discovery Corps Reenactors; Travelers’ Rest Preservation and Heritage Association for Holding a Bitter Root Culture Camp in 2015; J Greg Smith for Lewis and Clark Country Pacific Northwest "Go Adventuring" Marketing Campaign; Yellowstone County Museum for Clark Canoe Camp Exhibit at the Yellowstone County Museum. Visit www.lewisandclark.org to apply for a Trail Stewardship Grant for FY2016. The application deadline is October 1, 2015.

Message from President Gorski

I want to thank all of our members who called and wrote letters to the editor in response to the WPO article authored by William Benemann. The considerable number of people who took the time to call either me or the office I take as a good sign that we still have many loyal members who care deeply about the Lewis and Clark story, our organization, and our beloved WPO. As is true of any debate, it will take some time to sort itself out. As long as the
discussion is thoughtful and respectful, I think debate is healthy and is what makes organizations grow.

In response to some of the concerns expressed, I have formed a WPO Submission Guidelines Review Committee. It was good timing anyway, since our contract with Washington State Press is up for renewal and the Submission Guidelines are a few years old. The goal of constituting this committee is not to find fault with anyone or the process, but to review the guidelines to ensure they accurately mirror our current mission.

The committee is also charged with beginning the discussion about whether and how to broaden the focus of WPO to include more articles on western history in order to increase the potential for article submissions. I would also like to initiate a conversation about how we might add a digital version to our production so that we can reach younger readers who are accustomed to receiving journals and news online or via social media. As always we will do our best to keep our members informed of opportunities for them to become more actively involved in the workings of our organization.

**Upcoming National and Regional Meetings**

"Across the Wide Missouri" to be the theme of 47th Annual LCTHF Convention in Kansas City, MO, August 1 to 5, 2015, sponsored by the Missouri-Kansas Riverbend Chapter.

The theme will be played out through a program of varied and interesting talks; guest speakers including Bud Clark and Gerard Baker; tours to Fort Osage, Lewis and Clark Point, and St Joseph, MO; and a BBQ dinner at Kaw Point - to name only a few of the highlights. Attendees may still register for the 47th Annual Convention online at [www.LewisandClarkKC.org](http://www.LewisandClarkKC.org) or in print in the February 2015 edition of WPO. The registration fee is $350 until June 15 and $400 thereafter. For assistance with registration, please call 816-421-4783 or 816-560-2763.

The convention headquarters will be the Argosy Hotel and Spa (www.ArgosyKansasCity.com) in Riverside, MO, which is offering a special rate of $94/night until July 8. To reserve, call 800-270-7711 and ask for the "Lewis and Clark Convention." The optional pre- and post-convention tours will be on August 1 to the Nelson-Atkins Museum and August 6 to the World War I Museum and the Harry S Truman Presidential Museum and Library, respectively. For

Regional competitions began in February for Washington State. The state competition is in May. If Washington State chapter members would
"Supplied for Survival" to be the theme of the 2016 LCTHF 48th Annual Meeting venued at the Harpers Ferry National Historical Park in West Virginia from July 24 to 27, 2016.

We have a letter dated March 14, 1803, in which Secretary of War Henry Dearborn wrote to Armory Superintendent Joseph Perkins, "Sir: You will be pleased to make such arms and Iron work, as requested by the bearer Captain Meriwether Lewis and to have them completed with the least possible delay." Then Meriwether Lewis wrote to President Thomas Jefferson in a letter dated July 8, 1803, "Yesterday I shot my guns and examined the several articles which have been manufactured for me at this place, and they appear to be well executed."

Come to the 48th LCTHF Annual Meeting and learn the importance of the arsenal and armory in the late 1700's/early 1800's and why Lewis spent valuable time in this location. The venue of the meeting will be in the historic Upper and Lower Towns of the Harpers Ferry National Historical Park (NHP). The host hotel, located in the immediate vicinity of the NHP, will be the Harpers Ferry Quality Hotel and Conference Center (304-535-6302). By Jerry Wilson

Chapter Roundup

Gates of the Mountains Chapter will meet at 7:00 PM on April 18, 2015, at the Helena Alliance Church in Helena, MT. Guest speaker Professor Tom Rust of MSU Eastern will talk about discovering Clark's Canoe Campsite on the Yellowstone.

Carolina Chapter Dedicates Trail Stewardship Grant Eastern Legacy Signs at Fort Southwest Point in Kingston, TN

like to volunteer to judge a regional or state-wide competition, please contact Mark Vessey at the Washington State Historical Society mvessey@wshs.wa.gov Similar opportunities are available to members of other LCTHF chapters through www.nhd.org and your state historical societies. By Barb Kubik

Library Update

The Western Hall of Fame bronze statue of York will be working its way home this summer. Jerry and Janice Wilson have agreed to pick it up from the Filson Society in Louisville, KY, en-route to the Annual Convention in Kansas City. From there we will find someone driving home to transport it to Great Falls, MT. Jim Holmberg has been helpful in the process of returning the statue to its home at the LCTHF.

Duplicate library books will finally be sent to Bev Hinds for the Lewis and Clark Library at the Onowa State Park's Visitor Center. Doug and Lynn Davis will be transporting the books to Iowa after the March LCTHF Board meeting in Great Falls. The duplicate books were reviewed by the Library Committee in 2013 and approved for de-accessioning.

Shelly Kath and our three library volunteers have the Library Catalog about ready to import to the LCTHF website! They will, along with Sue Buchel, begin a final review before working with Kris Townsend to upload. This catalog contains our book and serial collections. It has taken four years of mostly
Trail Stewardship Grant sign dedication at FSWP, Kingston, TN, (L to R): Chuck Crase, Ohio River Chapter; Trent Strickland, Carolina Chapter President; Kingston, TN, Mayor Troy Beets; and Reverend Larry Bolden with signs.

The Carolina Chapter received a Trail Stewardship Grant to install signs at Fort Southwest Point (FSWP) which describe FSWP’s connection to the Lewis and Clark Expedition and give a brief history of FSWP and a description of each soldier recruited from FSWP. The signs were dedicated by Trent Strickland, President of the Carolina Chapter, during the LCTHF Regional Meeting in Kingston, TN, in October 2014. The soldiers from FSWP, Corporal Richard Warfington and Privates Hugh Hall, Thomas P. Howard, and John Potts, were further honored as army veterans by Troy Beets, Mayor of Kingston, TN; Glen Collins, an army veteran and Hugh Hall descendant; Reverend Larry Bolden; and the local VFW. This project and the Eastern Legacy Signs project (see below) clearly mark FSWP as a significant site along the Eastern Legacy of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. By Chuck Crase

Ohio River Chapter Presents Eastern Legacy Sign at FSWP Regional Meeting in Kingston, TN, in October 2014

Ohio River Chapter's Eastern Legacy sign presentation at FSWP (L to R): Kingston, TN, Mayor Troy Beets; Mike Loesch, Ohio River Chapter; Mike Woody, FSWP Manager; and Don Lawrence, FSWP Agent.

Mike Loesch of the Ohio River Chapter (ORC) presented an Eastern Legacy Lewis and Clark Expedition sign to Mike Woody, Fort Southwest Point (FSWP) Manager, and Don Lawrence, FSWP Agent, during the FSWP Regional Meeting in Kingston, TN, in October, 2014. The sign project, funded by a LCTHF Trail Stewardship Grant through the ORC, involves installing Eastern Legacy signs along the Ohio River corridor from Pittsburgh, volunteer and part-time staff work to get to this point! Shelly and her crew are continuing to work on the other catalogs for Maps, Objects, and Audio-Visual Materials.

Participants at the Library and Archives Training in Great Falls, MT

The LCTHF staff, our library volunteers, several Library Committee members, some LCTHF Board members, a Crimson Bluffs Board member, and an archivist from the Cascade County Historical Museum attended a one-day workshop at the LCTHF headquarters on March 22, 2015, on “The Basics of Archives,” facilitated by Sue Buchel. The Library Committee has forwarded to President Gorski a Draft Records Retention Policy. Beverly Lewis wrote the document which members of the Library Committee reviewed and edited. All non-profit organizations are encouraged to have this policy on file which is another step toward professionalizing our operation. It is recommended that the document be reviewed by the Finance Committee, Executive Committee, and Executive Director. The Library Committee will consolidate all their comments into a final draft. By Sue Buchel

LCTHF Friends and Partners Committee
PA, to Cairo, IL, to mark the route of the Lewis and Clark Expedition and to indicate the sites that tell the “story” of the Expedition’s members, their lives, and their accomplishments. So far signs have been installed identifying 30 locations and 46 sites. Mike and Lorraine Loesch and Paige Cruz are members of the Project Committee. By Chuck Crase

Oregon Chapter Creates Speakers’ Bureau to share members’ expertise with the public. Many groups are hungry to learn about Lewis and Clark and appreciate access to our experts and the wealth of information they possess about Lewis and Clark and related topics. We’ve posted a page on the Oregon Chapter’s website (http://or-lcthf.org/Speakers/) with the name, background, expertise and topics, specialty and props, preferred audience, geographic range, availability, and contact information for an initial group of Oregon Chapter speakers. We’ve asked our members to refer groups and schools seeking speakers to the website. Interested groups would then contact the speakers directly, so the Oregon Chapter need only maintain the web page. While it’s too new to know how much activity it will spur, we are confident that the Speakers’ Bureau will advance our mission as “Keepers of the Story.” By Ted Kay

The Portage Route Chapter (PRC) of the LCTHF has named Dr. Jay H. Buckley and Margaret Adams (posthumously) as the recipients of the 2015 Bill Sherman Fellow Award which is given annually to those recognized by their peers as people who reflect the values of William P. Sherman.

Bill Sherman was a Lewis and Clark Trail visionary and one of the largest private donors who helped establish the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Center in Great Falls, MT, through an anonymous donation of over $200,000 to complete the funding drive. Sherman considered himself to be most effective when working “behind the scenes” as he did to build up the Russell Art Auction, the Museum of the Rockies in Bozeman, MT, and the Holter Art Museum in Helena, MT. Bill always said, “You can get a lot done if you don’t care who gets the credit.” His philosophy and accomplishments motivated the PRC’s establishment of the annual William P. Sherman Fellow Award in 2008.

Dr. Buckley is Associate Professor of History at Brigham Young University (BYU) and also Director of BYU’s interdisciplinary Native American Studies minor. He has authored a number of books about the early history of the West including William Clark: Indian Diplomat (2008) which won the Missouri History Book Award and the Eagleton-Waters Book Award, By His Own Hand?: The Mysterious Death of Meriwether Lewis (2006), and Zebulon Pike, Thomas Jefferson, and the Opening of the American West (2012). A recipient of the LCTHF’s Meritorious Achievement Award, Buckley’s service to the LCTHF began in 2004 when he was designated as the PRC’s Scholar-in-Residence. Elected to the LCTHF Board in 2007, he became President of the LCTHF in

The Friends and Partners Committee is requesting your help in locating centers or businesses that have a connection to the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail but may not have Lewis and Clark as the central theme. Such organizations include museums along the Trail, visitor centers such as at Fort Union, history centers and clubs, and county and state historical societies. We would like to be in touch with such organizations so that we may share ideas, collaborate on Lewis and Clark-themed interpretive media, and work together to get people out on the Trail. If such organizations exist in your area, please send their contact information to Dick Fichtler, Friends and Partners Committee Chair, at dfichtler094@gmail.com or call (406)239-3888.

Lewis and Clark Book Released

Tales From the Rivers, written and published by Ken Altergott in 2014, is an account of his journey from 2003 to 2006 in the footsteps of Lewis and Clark. Ken did double duty as a captain of the keelboat and a 21st century Patrick Gass while traveling 8000 miles up and down rivers and across mountains and prairies with Bud Clark, a direct descendant of William Clark, and the reenactors of the Discovery Expedition of St Charles (DESC).

Along the way, they camped at the same sites and on the same days as
2011. During his tenure, he worked to strengthen the LCTHF and enhance outreach to the membership.

**Margaret Adams** was a pioneer in conservation, a sensitive educator, and school principal who lived by the values exemplified by William P. Sherman. She was one of the original founders of the Lewis and Clark Fund, Inc., and raised $1 million toward Great Falls' Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center. She was a board member of both the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Association and the Portage Route Chapter. She served the Lewis and Clark community and "captained" efforts to bring the Lewis and Clark story to students, families, and visitors.

The **Sherman Fellow Award** was presented to Dr. Buckley and the Great Falls School District on behalf of Margaret Adams at the PRC's annual Sherman Breakfast at the Meadowlark Country Club on Saturday, March 21, 2015. For more information about the LCTHF please visit [http://www.lewisandclark.org/](http://www.lewisandclark.org/).

### Washington State and Oregon Chapter Programs:

- **April 11** - Saturday - 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Western Antique Aeroplane and Automobile Museum. 1600 Air Museum Road, Hood River, OR. Come see the actual flying of planes and touring of autos. 1:00 PM - Chapter meeting at museum. 2:00 PM - Leave museum for Columbia River field trip to Drano Lake/Little White Salmon River (campsite Oct 29, 1805), Major Creek (campsite April 14, 1806), Pilgrim Rocks, Memaloose Island, and view of "a good situation" at Mosier. Dinner to follow at pFrieim Family Brewers, 707 Portway #101: take I-84 exit 63 at Hood River Waterfront Park.

- **April 21 - 27** - Tuesday to Monday - **Lewis and Clark Tour**: Weippe Prairie to Astoria presented by Inland Empire Tours and led by John "Chet" Caskey and Dick Jensen. Call 509-747-1335 for more information, or see www.ietours.net. May 29 Friday - **Confluence Project dedication at Chief Timothy Park**, Clarkston, WA. October 2015 - 100th anniversary of commencing to build the trail to the top of Beacon Rock by Henry J Biddle. May 16, 2016, Monday - 100th anniversary of Henry J Biddle's planting an American flag at the top of Beacon Rock. Fall 2016 - **Confluence Project dedication at Celilo Park**. Please check the LCTHF and chapter websites for updated information:

  - LCTHF: [www.lewisandclark.org](http://www.lewisandclark.org)
  - Oregon: [http://orlcthf.org/Speakers/](http://orlcthf.org/Speakers/)
  - [Lewis and Clark Today](http://lewisandclarktoday.net/about.html)

**Travelers Rest Chapter Welcomes New President Ritchie Doyle.** Ritchie, a member of the Travelers Rest Chapter since 1999 and long-time Board member, has **played the part of Capt William Clark for almost 20 years**. He is an integral part of the Travelers Rest Brigade and an expert on Clark's maps. Ritchie as Capt Clark met Gen Hal Stearns (ret) as Capt Lewis in the Montana State Senate chambers in January of 2006. The Travelers Rest Brigade was the Honor Guard for the unveiling of the $4,000,000 Lewis and Clark bronze that hangs in the Capitol's Senate chambers. Ritchie also participated in the burial of Lawrence Rence who was called either "Lolo" or "Lou Lou" by the Indians. Lolo was killed by a grizzly bear around 1860 on the Lewis and Clark Trail. The grave of Lolo was discovered in 2004 under Lewis and Clark, according to their journal entries, and met the more than half a million people who visited the DESC at their campsites across the country. Ken tells of the many similarities and differences between the DESC's expedition and the original Lewis and Clark Expedition and relates some very interesting anecdotes, many of which probably have never been told before.

### Charles Fritz’s Paintings Shown in Scottsdale, Arizona

The Lewis and Clark paintings by Charles Fritz will be shown at the Western Spirit: the Museum of the West in Scottsdale, AZ, until October 2015. For more information visit [us scottsdalemuseumwest.org](http://us scottsdalemuseumwest.org) By Lynn Davis

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the direction of the late George Knapp and the Travelers Rest Brigade had a funeral for him. The Travelers Rest Chapter also bids farewell to outgoing President Scott Sproull and thanks him for his many years of dedicated and inspired leadership.

LCTHF Friends Lost in 2014: The LCTHF is greatly saddened to report the passing of two great friends and supporters.

Peter Stuyvesant Hockaday, 77, Fellow of the American Institute of Architects, died on May 9, 2014, in San Francisco. A graduate of Yale University (1958) and the Yale Architecture School (1961), Peter joined McCue Boone Tomsick (MBT) Architects in San Francisco in the 1960s, became a principal in 1979, and remained with the firm for four decades. He served on the Board of the Foundation for San Francisco's Architectural Heritage and was a great supporter of the LCTHF. He leaves Joan, his wife of 47 years; a son and daughter; and two grandchildren. Joan's article "Beautiful Blue Camas" illustrated by Peter, an accomplished watercolorist, appeared in WPO in November 2003. In the obituary published in the San Francisco Chronicle, the Hockaday family requested that people who wished to honor Peter's memory send donations to "the Foundation for San Francisco's Architectural Heritage or the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation in Montana."

Darlene Stone Fassler, 78, of Great Falls, MT, died on December 25, 2014. A direct descendant of Patrick Gass, Darlene loved all things Lewis and Clark and was a long-time supporter of the LCTHF. She was born on February 25, 1936, in Ruth, Nevada. After graduation from White Pine County High School (1954), Darlene became a telephone switchboard operator. She and her husband John Fassler were married in 1956 and raised five boys. Darlene was active in community theatre, pottery clubs, Sons and Daughters of Montana Pioneers, and Daughters of the American Revolution, and volunteered at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center. An avid genealogist, Darlene traced her roots back to the Mayflower era and took great pride in the fact that her great-great-great grandfather was Sgt Patrick Gass. She leaves John, her husband of 58 years; her children John H., Brian, Kevin, and Mike; siblings Sharyn and Doug; and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Portage Route Chapter Selects 2015 Scholar-in-Residence

Portage Route Chapter selects Ryan Badger as the 2015 Scholar-in-Residence. Ryan received his BA in History/Native American studies from Brigham Young University (BYU) and worked as a seasonal ranger at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Great Falls, MT, for two seasons while attending BYU. During his residency at the LCTHF Sherman Library and Archives from June 1 to 19, he will complete the final paper for his master's degree in history from Utah State University. His residency will culminate in a public presentation of his work during the Lewis and Clark Festival from June 19 to 21, 2015. For information about applying for the 2016 Scholar-in-Residence program in Great Falls, please contact Ella Mae Howard at ellahoward@q.com.

LCTHF Donation Wish List

in support of the mission and programs of the LCTHF!

From the Director's Desk

Happy Spring! We are in the midst of a few fun and interesting projects. Next Exit History has completed “backpacks” containing 25 Lewis and Clark Interpretive and Visitor Centers and Native American attractions across our trail. The Lewis and Clark Country project expanded into WA, OR, ID, and MT - look for the release of the Pacific Northwest brochures and travel guides by June 2015. Don Peterson and I prepared for and hosted the LCTHF Spring Board meeting in Great Falls, MT, this month.

We finished our financial review and are working on revamping our Financial Statements to meet Generally Accepted Accounting Practices and to be more transparent and easier to understand. Our new bookkeeper, Lora Helman, has worked tirelessly on them with Treasurer John Toenyes, Finance Chair Steve Lee, and me. We are grateful to have a CPA on staff!

Our new WPO Ad Sales Manager is on board and selling ads for WPO. If you would like to place an ad in an upcoming issue of WPO, please Rebecca@lewisandclark.org Rebecca McClellan.

Shelly and library volunteers are working feverishly on our maps, identifying and cataloging
We created a wish list for those wanting to help out with specific LCTHF needs. Over the years, we have had members offer to purchase software and office supplies so we decided to identify some specific needs for those wanting to help LCTHF:

Office - Polycom SoundStation IP5000 Conference call telephone $450 (new) to upgrade our conference call hosting abilities.
Library - Past Perfect V software upgrade $375.
Standard Supplies - Cases of copy paper, reams of pastel colored paper, office store gift cards, and Forever and $1 stamps.

Donors will receive a tax receipt for all cash or credit card donations and an in-kind donation letter from LCTHF listing the value of all products donated. We thank our members for their generosity and offers to help where needed. Please e-mail Executive Director Lindy Hatcher at lindy@lewisandclark.org if you are interested in helping with a specific donation item.

If you would like to include your Chapter's events and articles in our next issue, please e-mail your information to Philippa at philigor@aol.com and Lindy at lindy@lewisandclark.org, by June 1, 2015, and put "TOR" in the Subject Line. Should you wish to update your e-mail address, click on Update Profile/Email Address below. We hope you enjoy this issue and look forward to hearing what you liked as well as what you want to see in the next issue of The Orderly Report due out in mid-June 2015. Lastly, be sure to check out our links below and above on the right.

If you want to receive The Orderly Report via mail, or you are receiving a mailed copy and prefer to save a tree and receive it via e-mail, please contact Lindy at lindy@lewisandclark.org or call 406-454-1234 to make that change before mid-June.

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Your TOR Team: Philippa Newfield and Lindy Hatcher

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