"Layers of History on the Columbia River” Symposium – Vancouver, WA, April 1 & 2, 2017, at the Heathman Lodge in Vancouver, WA, is a joint symposium, co-hosted by the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) and the Oregon-California Trails Association (OCTA). The Heathman Lodge room rate is $125 per night. Call the hotel directly at 360-254-3100 to reserve your room under the OCTA rate. Join us for a reception Friday evening, Symposium on Saturday, and optional field trips on Sunday. Speakers include: Banquet Keynote speaker Jack Nisbet and Dr. Steven Fountain of Washington State University Vancouver (WSUV) on The Missoula Floods: A Mega-Transformation of the Pacific Northwest. Sarah Hill, Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge, and Chinook Vice Chairman Sam Robinson will offer Insight into Native Peoples, Both Past and Present. Alys Weber, PhD candidate at WSUV will speak on the Scottish Fur Traders and Their American Indian Wives. Also featured will be Barb Kubik on We Proceeded On....Down the Grand Columbia River: The Corps of Discovery in Present Day Clark[e] County and NPS Ranger Bob Cromwell, Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, on The Fur Trade in the Columbia Basin, and the Broader Northwest. OCTA sessions include Richard Engstrom on Clark County, WA; Larry Bafus on his ancestor A.J. Boland, the First Sheriff of Clark County and Descendant of Hackelman Wagon Train, 1834; Lethene Parks on Peter Skene Ogden, and presentation on Amelia Stewart Knight and Her Famed Women’s Overland Journal.

LCTHF 49th Annual Meeting Set for Billings, MT, July 23 to 26, 2017. The theme of the meeting is “Clark on the Rochejhone.” Attendees will have an opportunity to visit the site of Clark’s once elusive Canoe Camp on the Yellowstone River. The last of the dugout canoes of the Lewis and Clark Expedition were constructed near Park City, MT. This site, which has only recently been located and verified, will be featured for the first time during the 2017 Annual Meeting. Other great field trips will be to Horse Crossing, where Sergeant Pryor and the horses crossed the Yellowstone River on the way to the Mandan Village in present day North Dakota, and Pompeys Pillar east of Billings.

Seminars include: Discovering Clark’s 1806 Canoe Camp; Archaeological Survey of Clark’s 1806 Canoe Camp; William Clark’s Surveying and Mapping Methodology; William Clark’s Horses: Loss and Consequences; Native American Perspective on Clark’s Incursion; and Construction of Cottonwood Canoes. Float trips will be available by licensed and bonded guides along the Yellowstone River, the longest free-flowing river in the lower 48 states. See registration information in February’s We Proceeded On.

It’s time to submit your 990! Each year, LCTHF and all our Chapters submit 990s to the IRS before their February 15 deadline. Most Chapters can file a 990N form, which is a short questionnaire. Follow this link to the e-Postcard on the IRS Website: https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/annual-electronic-filing-requirement-for-small-exempt-organizations-form-990-n-e-postcard.

File early to beat the last minute filing and helpdesk backlogs at the IRS! Locate your login and password from the previous filer well in advance. If you need help, please contact Executive Director Lindy Hatcher before February 10, 2017, at lindy@lewisandclark.org.
Upcoming Meetings

Ohio River Chapter Plans Spring Meeting on April 28 to 30, 2017, at sites north of the Ohio River from Cincinnati, OH, to Lawrenceburg, IN. The theme of the meeting, the first of three, will be “Meriwether Lewis Off the Ohio River.”

Dear Sir, Cincinnati, 3rd, 1803
I reached this place on the 28th Ult.; it being necessary to take in a further supply of provisions here,...having now obtained the distance of five hundred miles. On the evening of the 1st inst. I again dispatched my boat with orders to meet me at the Big Bone lick, to which place I will pass by land, it being a distance from hence only seventeen miles, while by water it is fifty three, a distance that will require my boat in the present state of the water near three days to attain. Letter from Lewis to Jefferson in Letters of Lewis and Clark with Related Documents, 1783-1854, p. 126

From Lewis’ letter, we see that he did not descend all of the Ohio River by boat. The crew and the keelboat were without his guidance for a distance of 53 miles by his calculation. The ORC will examine the sites along the north side of the Ohio River during the spring 2017 meeting (Lewis at Big Bone Part I). At the spring 2018 meeting, the ORC will examine the sites on the south side of the Ohio River (Lewis at Big Bone Part II). At a summer 2018 meeting, we will examine the 17 miles of land, by Lewis’ calculation, from Cincinnati to Big Bone that he covered on horseback (Lewis at Big Bone Part III). The chapter lodging and meeting room will be at the Riverside Inn, 515 East Eads Parkway (US 50), Greendale, IN. The meeting will also include War of 1812 connections. Submitted by Jerry Wilson, ORC Vice-President/Meeting Chairman

Oregon Chapter to hold LCHTF 2018 Annual Meeting in Astoria, OR, from October 7 to 10, 2018. The meeting is being organized by Larry McClure and the Oregon Chapter with the assistance of Jim Sayce, Rennie and Barb Kubik, and the Washington State Chapter. This is the 50th anniversary of the first meeting of what was to become the LCHTF. Also of note is that We Proceeded On had its beginning when several early LCHTF members met weekly at Lewis and Clark College in Portland. Robert Lange and others put the first editions together around his dining room table near the college in more like a newsletter format.

The meeting hotel will be the Holiday Inn Express in Astoria – right on the Columbia River. There are other lower-cost motels and many eating choices nearby, as well. The Holiday Inn Express has good space for registration, opening reception, vendors, and Board meeting. The meetings themselves will probably be at the Loft at Red Building which is a 10-minute walk due west of the hotel on a paved and level path. The key site visits are also close to Astoria. The Planning Committee is currently contacting local tribes with the help of Richard Basch, National Park Service tribal liaison and tribal member. Basch has agreed to serve on the Planning Committee, as well. There will also be a teachers’ program at Fort Clatsop under the supervision of the NPS education specialist with continuing education credits. Submitted by Larry McClure

From the Director’s Desk

First, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to all of you in our Lewis and Clark family! We appreciate your renewals, service, trail stewardship, and continued support.

We have had some changes since the last issue of The Orderly Report. We have a new Administrative Assistant and WPO Ad Sales Manager. See articles on Pages 3 and 6 for more information. We have been orienting and training them.

I am searching for a new donor database. If anyone works with one that can handle multiple types of intricate transactions, produce good reports, accept our international payments, and is reasonably priced, I would like to hear from you. Please email lindy@lewisandclark.org.

I am grateful for all of the volunteers who help us in the office and along the trail. We couldn’t do it without you! We especially appreciate Chapter Presidents for all of their hard work. Also, there are seven volunteers coast to coast who help write thank you cards for LCHTF. Fall is their busiest time of the year. Thank you for all you do: Carol Arnold, NC; Laurie Brown, WA; Bob Gatten, NC; Doris Gogan, MT; Barb Kubik, WA; Mary Langhorst, NE; and Nelson Weller, CA. Our staff would have carpal tunnel without your help!

I hosted our annual Christmas Party at my house for our staff, contract employees, volunteers, and their spouses. This year, I hired two violinists from my church to play Christmas music for us. They were fantastic and stayed for dinner, gift exchange, and festivities.

In January, I will be making congressional appointments for LCHTF and the Nez Perce National Historic Trail Foundation. If you would like to join us for Hike the Hill from February 12 to 15, 2017, and help disseminate LCHTF, American Hiking Society, and Partnership for the National Trails System information, please let me know by January 13. See article on Page 4 for more details. Lindy Hatcher, Executive Director
Chapter Roundup

Ohio River Chapter Celebrates Indiana Bicentennial. "If we are going to do it, we will do it big," said Jim Keith, Chairman of the Indiana Lewis and Clark Foundation. "We want to make people proud." That is exactly what happened. Late September's three-day festival was based near the Ohio River where Meriwether Lewis and William Clark shook hands and then set off on their journey. Most of the activities took place at the George Rodgers Clark homesite in Clarksville, IN.

Now retired as director of the convention and tourism bureau in Clarksville, IN, on the “the sunny side of Louisville,” Keith helped oversee the signature event at the Falls of the Ohio during the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial. He hopes the new Ohio River Bridge will be named for Lewis and Clark. "We think we’re on track," he said. "We’re very optimistic." Submitted by Phyllis Yeager

The Portage Route Chapter (PRC) has replaced the names of the Lewis and Clark Expedition members including Seaman and Sgt. Floyd, who made it to the Pacific at the Welcome Center’s statue of Lewis and Clark in Great Falls, MT. The stone panels on which the names are listed represent the Chapter’s significant aesthetic and financial commitment.

Erin Stypulkoski Hired as new WPO Ad Sales Manager. Erin, a California native, loves the beach, sailing, hiking, reading, and good food and wine. Erin and her husband live in Tiburon, CA, with their two teenage daughters, and a dog and a cat, which make for a very busy household. She is an event planner and brings advanced sales skills to LCTHF. If you would like to place an ad in WPO, email Erin at erin@lewisandclark.org.

LCTHF Board Member Jerry Wilson serves as a Ripley County torchbearer for Indiana's Bicentennial Torch Relay during the state's bicentennial commemoration in September 2016.

Janice and Jerry Wilson unveil a monument to General Eleazer Whitlock Ripley, their county's namesake who served as a general in the War of 1812. The Wilsons initiated this Indiana state bicentennial project and saw it through to completion.
Partners Page

Plan to HIKE THE HILL on February 12 to 15, 2017! The LCTHF will join the Partnership for the National Trails System (PNTS) and the American Hiking Society (AHS) in Washington, DC, to lobby our members of Congress about the value of the national trails system. This is our opportunity to educate senators and representatives about extending the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail. We can tell our elected representatives that it is within their power to incorporate the Eastern Legacy by turning the National Park Service’s recommendation into federal law.

We will also be advocating for the North American Energy Security and Infrastructure Act which includes permanent reauthorization of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). The bill also addresses funding to alleviate the Forest Service’s constant borrowing from its other programs in order to pay for the increasing costs of wildfire suppression. The Forest Service expenditure on fighting wildfires has grown from 16% of its budget in 1995 to 52% in 2015.

To register for Hike the Hill including a symposium, lunch, and reception on February 12 (early bird fee is $124 until January 13, 2017) and the lobbying activities, go to pnts.org. The Washington Plaza is the meeting hotel. Make your reservations directly with the hotel at 202.842.1300 and ask for the AHS/PNTS rate of $139.00 plus tax by January 19, 2017, which will be in effect for three days before and after the meeting.

Calling All College Students: Make a Difference During Your Spring Break. American Hiking Society’s Alternative Breaks are volunteer trail stewardship projects in America’s parks. They provide college student groups the opportunity to make an impact, connect with nature, meet like-minded people, and have a truly memorable vacation. The week is tailored to accommodate novice trail-maintainers. Alternative Breaks feature hiking, trail conservation, exploration, camaraderie, and fun.

Projects are currently scheduled in California, Florida, Missouri, and Virginia. Campsite or cabin accommodations, park entrance fees, tools, project supervision, project and meal planning guidance, use of cooking gear, and a 1-year membership in the American Hiking Society (AHS) are included in the registration fee, making Alternative Breaks an affordable way to do adventure travel over break and connect with the land. Spend your break doing something that makes a lasting difference.

“Alternative Breaks encourage, educate, and equip students and young professionals to be public land champions in their own communities, provide park managers with dedicated and enthusiastic volunteers, and improve outdoor access for the public,” says Libby Wile, Senior Director of Volunteer Stewardship for the AHS. Please contact Ms. Wile at LWile@AmericanHiking.org or 800.972.8606 x704 for the 2017 Alternative Break sites and registration information.

Maya Lin Awarded Presidential Medal of Freedom. President Barack Obama honored the work of Maya Lin who designed five of the six Confluence art/landscape projects along the Columbia River system. The White House described her projects at the ceremony as “[bringing] people together in spirits of remembrance, introspection and humility. The manipulation of natural terrain and topography within her works inspires us to bridge our differences and recognize the gravity of our collective existence. Her pieces have...influenced the dialogue of our society.”

Harpers Ferry Historical Association Issues “Harpers Ferry Bill of Fare,” a collection of recipes. LCTHF’s 48th Annual Meeting is a thing of the past. What remain besides the memories are the Harpers Ferry National Historical Park and the friends group that promotes it, the Harpers Ferry Historical Association (HFHA).

The HFHA has recently published a cookbook entitled “Harpers Ferry Bill of Fare.” This “bill of fare” can of course be added to, or retrenched; it is only a nucleus for the catering ideas of a young mistress of a household so as to vary each day’s provision, according to “Mrs. Goodfellow’s Cookery as it Should be: A New Manual of the Dining Room and Kitchen” (Philadelphia, 1865).

In addition to many fine recipes (look for one submitted by JW), the book includes much about the history of Harpers Ferry with historic postcards and pencil sketches that give us a feeling of the town. Throughout the book there are also short descriptions of the town. There is even a reference to our own Meriwether Lewis. Even if you do not use any of the recipes from the book, it is still a good read.

I am recommending this book to everyone who attended the meeting, to anyone who did not attend the meeting but wished to have done so, and to anyone who collects historic cookbooks. The book can be obtained from the HFHA for $11.95; proceeds go to the association. You can purchase the book through the HFHA website at www.harpersferryhistory.org.
Chapter Roundup Continued

Travelers Rest Chapter to Survey Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Through the Blue Mountain Recreation Area. Trying to walk in the footsteps of the Corps of Discovery often requires a little study, especially when the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail (LCNHT) remains a mystery on the ground.

For years we’ve known the approximate route Captain Lewis and his small party followed on July 3, 1806, after departing from Travelers Rest and traveling north “7 miles to the crossing of Clark’s river.” Of those seven miles mentioned in the journals, 1.5 miles of the trail straddle the Blue Mountain Recreation Area of the Lolo National Forest on the outskirts of Missoula, MT. An estimated 30,000 recreationists use this area annually for hiking, biking, horseback riding, and playing its famous “folf” course.

Yet the major Indian “Buffalo Road” trail Lewis was following remains unknown and unrecognized at this time. Consequently, the Travelers Rest Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) has taken the initiative and entered into an agreement with the Lolo Forest through a public/private partnership to undertake a proper survey of the LCNHT across this wonderful area. We are currently putting together the team’s players. As it is principally an Indian trail, the Travelers Rest Chapter will be consulting with neighboring tribes including the Salish and the Nez Perce/Ne Mee Poo. Submitted by Ritchie Doyle, President, Travelers Rest Chapter

WA State Chapter to Hold Annual Meeting at Washington State History Museum on February 4, 2017, at 10:30 am. DeWayne Pritchett of the Pacific Northwest Historians will give a living history presentation as Toussaint Charbonneau, interpreter for the Corps of Discovery. The address is 1911 Pacific Avenue in Tacoma, WA. There will be a chapter meeting in the afternoon after lunch at local eateries. Submitted by Rob Heacock

Barb Kubik at Washington State Chapter’s information booth at Sacajawea Heritage Days held at Sacajawea State Park, Pasco, WA.

Washington State Chapter Staffs Information Booth at Sacajawea Heritage Days in Sacajawea State Park and Interpretive Center, Pasco, WA, on September 23 to 24, 2016. Chapter members also assisted with set up and clean up, served at an information center, and helped guide more than 1600 local school children through the park, the Interpretive Center, and the many exhibits and hands-on activity centers. The activities and displays included encampments of the Corps of Discovery, mountain men, and Boy Scouts and displays on early 1800s medicine, birds of prey, Ice Age floods, Boy Scouts of America, Sahaptin-speaking people, Confluence Project, and area history.

The Washington State Chapter held its fall meeting on September 25. The guest speakers talked about their non-profit organizations and the organizations’ partnerships with the park, including the Confluence Project, geo-caching, the Friends of Sacajawea State Park, and the Pasco Jaycees and their highly successful October “haunted forest.” Submitted by Barb Kubik

Washington State Trails Association Conference Hosts 300 Attendees. A group of five hearty souls braved the rain on a trail ride that took them along the Columbia River from the Red Lion in Richland, WA, to the statue of Sacajawea on the overlook across from Bateman Island and the mouth of the Yakima River. This is where Clark had canoed from the expedition campsite at the confluence of the Snake and Columbia Rivers (October 17, 1805). Pictured (l to r) are Don and Judy Willott, Bainbridge Island, WA; Gail Malin, Richland, WA; and Greg Cardwell and Vanessa Seldal, Beverly, WA.

Photo submitted by Gail Malin
We Proceed Online!

The numbers below show that the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) website, at www.lewisandclark.org, truly serves a World Wide Web. By comparison, the Discovering Lewis & Clark (DL&C) website, at www.lewis-clark.org, serves a largely American audience. The DL&C site, which we manage in cooperation with the Lewis & Clark Fort Mandan Foundation and National Park Service, receives about 80,000 visitors per month. Our LCTHF website receives about 150,000 visitors per month.* Article submitted by Kris Townsend

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National Fish and Wildlife (NFW) Foundation Offers Support for Natural Resource Protection Collaborations. The NFW Foundation's Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Grant Program seeks to develop nationwide community stewardship of local natural resources. The focus is on ecological improvements including wetland, riparian, forest, and coastal habitat restoration; wildlife conservation; community tree canopy enhancement; and water-quality monitoring and storm-water management.

The program requires the establishment of diverse partnerships of at least five organizations (nonprofit organizations, local and state government agencies, Indian tribes, and educational institutions). Projects must also integrate outreach, education, and training into the proposed on-the-ground activities that advance local watershed and conservation goals. Grants for this program are available nationwide, and additional funding is also available for specific geographic priorities. Matching grants will range from $20,000 to $50,000, with an average of $30,000. The application deadline is January 31, 2017. Visit the NFW Foundation website nfwf.org to review Request for Proposals.

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Library Update

At the William P. Sherman Library and Archives, we are winding up the first year of our archives project made possible through the support of the National Park Service. We performed our archives blitz to arrange the entire record group into series. This year we have processed, housed, and arranged three series from the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation records: Chapters, Board and Committees, and Trail Activities.

A grant from the Portage Route Chapter Grant made it possible for us to get our Oral History program up and running once again. We were able to purchase equipment and interview four Montanans involved in establishing the Montana Lewis and Clark community. The interviews have been transcribed using speech to text software, and then manually edited and formatted. We are planning to capture as many stories and as much Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation history as possible through this program as funding permits.

We are set to begin work on processing the US Army Corps of Engineers Eastern Legacy and Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Records donated by Mike Loesch. We are continuing to work on the Don Nell Visual Resource Collection, cataloging the digitized images.

Do you have a history buff on your gift list? Do not forget about the surplus books we have for sale to raise money to support our activities in the William P. Sherman Library. To see our sales list, send a request to library@lewisandclark.org.

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From the TOR Team: If you would like to include your Chapter’s events and articles in our next issue, please email your information to Philippa Newfield at philgor@aol.com and Lindy Hatcher at lindy@lewisandclark.org by March 1, 2017, and put “TOR” in the Subject Line. 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 TOR due out in mid-March, 2017.

We mail TOR to members who do not have email addresses and any members who ask to receive TOR via mail. If you wish to save a tree and receive TOR electronically, please give us your email address.

Respectfully,
Your TOR Team: Philippa Newfield and Lindy Hatcher

Eastern Legacy Brochure Available on LCTHF Website. “Eastern Legacy – The Lewis & Clark Expedition Begins...” has been updated by Paige Cruz and is now linked from the lower right corner of the LCTHF website’s home page lewisandclark.org. The brochure cites the many sites important to the events of the Lewis and Clark story before, after, and during the expedition itself. The updating and reprinting of the brochure, originally developed under the auspices of the US Army Corps of Engineers during the Bicentennial, was supported by a grant from the Lewis & Clark Trail Stewardship Endowment, a National Council of the Lewis & Clark Expedition Bicentennial Legacy Project.
Idaho Chapter Needs Volunteers for Lolo Trail Work Week. Consider spending a full week helping to maintain the trail. The 2017 Lolo Work Week crew will make camp at NoSeeEm Meadow near Spirit Revival Ridge on Sunday, July 30, 2017, work the following week, and return on Saturday, August 5, 2017.

WHAT YOU WILL DO: The work involves maintaining the ridge line trail established by Native Americans and followed by western explorers, fur traders, missionaries, and the army. We will keep the trail open by removing brush, cutting fallen trees, and cleaning water-bars. We also maintain signs and campsites along the high mountain ridge route.

THE COST: Your week will cost you $50 plus your travel and personal equipment costs. You must be paid-up members of both the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation ($49) and the Idaho Chapter of the LCTHF ($10).

YOU WILL NEED: A good tent, mattress pad, and sleeping bag for the often cool nights and hard ground. No pickup-campers or travel trailers. It takes a fleet of stout vehicles to transport our mountain of groceries and camp gear to our camp site, a four-hour trek from Orofino, ID, where we organize. We suggest you drive SUVs or empty pickups with heavy-duty tires because tire side wall damage is common. As for clothing think layers as weather is extremely variable. Be prepared.

MORE INFORMATION: The work project is organized by the Idaho Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. For more information, visit the Idaho chapter’s website lewis-clark-idaho.org. If you are interested in joining us, email us at loloworkweek@gmail.com. We’ll send you a detailed information packet and application.