Tips for LCTHF 50th Annual Meeting in Astoria, OR, October 7 to 10, 2018.
Onsite check-in will be available at the Holiday Inn Express October 5, 6, and the morning of 7. If you need or can offer a ride, email cpow583@gmail.com with your flight information. We may arrange shuttles from/to Portland airport (PDX). Click here to watch Astoria’s Bicentennial

Come layered for Fall in the Northwest—raingear, an umbrella, comfortable walking shoes, a jacket. Bring “Sacajawea” dollar coins for local gratuities. We want to show local folks that followers of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail still bring business for the whole area. The Saltmakers will be working at Seaside on Saturday and Sunday, October 6 and 7. Attendees will spend October 7 mostly at Fort Clatsop.

Bring your federal park pass to Fort Clatsop on Sunday October 7. Each pass admits four guests, saving the normal $7 entry fee. For parking at Cape Disappointment State Park and the amazing Lewis & Clark Discovery Center, a $10 one-day Washington State Discover Pass is needed (or an annual pass for $30). To save you time paying at a park kiosk, we will have a few day passes to sell at the Holiday Inn Express for $11.50, but you can also order online and download it in advance ($10 + $1.50 handling). To avoid needing passes entirely, we plan shuttles at Ilwaco’s Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum parking lot to take you to the Interpretive Center Monday afternoon October 8. Entry that day is free at the Center by wearing your name tag. The Heritage Museum in Ilwaco also plans to be open from 2:00 to 4:00 PM Monday afternoon, October 8 at no cost. Submitted by Larry McClure

Gifts in memory or in honor of those important to you are an excellent way to recognize the contributions of loved ones while supporting the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. To donate a memorial or tribute gift please go to lewisandclark.org and click on Join/Donate or call the office at 406-454-1234 or 888-701-3434.

The LCTHF welcomes incoming President Lou Ritten who will take office on October 1, 2018. He invites members to contact him at president@lewisandclark.org

Lou is originally from Minneapolis, MN. He and his wife Carolyn live in La Grange Park, IL. He had previously served as President of the Illini Chapter of the LCTHF.
LCTHF 51st Annual Meeting to be in St Louis, MO, September 21 to 25, 2019. Karen Goering, Missouri Historical Society; Robert Moore Jr, NPS Gateway Arch National Park; and Mike Venso, St Louis County Parks, are planning the meeting hosted by the Missouri History Museum. There will be tours to the new Gateway Arch National Park Museum, Missouri Historical Society Library and Research Center, Bellefontaine and Calvary Cemeteries, St. Charles, Camp River Dubois, and Cahokia, IL.

The meeting hotel is the Drury Inn and Suites in Forest Park at 2111 Sulphur Ave, St Louis, MO. Rates for two queen beds - $139/night; suite - $169/night include breakfast, evening food and beverage service, WiFi, and parking. Submitted by Karen Goering

Meriwether Lewis Chapter and Lewis County Historical Society celebrate Lewis' 244th birthday. Participants from as far away as Florence, AL, and Nashville, TN, met at the replica Grinder Cabin at Meriwether Lewis Park on August 18, 2018, and were joined via video by chapter members in Colorado. Chapter President Crystal Nash introduced the goals developed by the Board of Directors to help connect, respect, and protect the Lewis Legacy. A ceremonial candle was lit to honor Lewis and the deceased members of both organizations.

The weather was perfect for a picnic. Participants discussed family genealogy, local history, and Meriwether Lewis’ life while younger attendees played ball. As dusk fell, the party sang “Happy Birthday” and enjoyed cake and ice cream. Afterwards participants walked to the Meriwether Lewis Monument to place a bouquet of fall flowers on Lewis’ grave. It took a collaborative effort to make the bouquet stay, and the party rejoiced when the flowers finally stood unaided. As the sun disappeared behind the trees, a light mist fell, and everyone went back with full stomachs and happy hearts. The 2019 celebration of Lewis’ birthday will be held on Saturday, August 17. Submitted by Crystal Nash

Join the LCTHF’s Gallatin Legacy Society!
Do you want future generations to be the beneficiaries of your hard work on behalf of the LCTHF? Do you want them to be able to follow in the footsteps of Lewis and Clark and have the grand time you have had in exploring and making lifelong friends along the Lewis and Clark Trail? If the answer is yes to all of the above, then please consider becoming a member of the Gallatin Legacy Society by making a bequest or estate gift to the LCTHF. Your dedication will be recognized in our publications and at our national headquarters in Great Falls, MT, and will ensure that the LCTHF continues as Keepers of the Story and Stewards of the Trail. To join other LCTHF members who have made a bequest, please call Lindy Hatcher at 406-454-1234 or 887-701-3434.

From the Director’s Desk
We love it when members stop by and say hello while traveling the trail!

Susan Gingrich and Lauren Bennett of New York came to Great Falls, MT.

L to r: Brad Troutman and Colter Descendant Tonya Renae (Wermske) Troutman with LCTHF member and USFS Forest Service Education Coordinator Duane Buchi. Duane prepared a presentation on Colter. Tonya searched and found LCTHF online. She and Brad came to MT from Oklahoma to meet us, check out our headquarters, get on our descendants list, and join the LCTHF.

The Portage Route Chapter held a fieldtrip to the Old North Trail (ONT) led by Al Weisman. PRC members gather around the ONT route marker etched into the rock.

Reminder: If you are a snow birder, please send any contact information changes to chris@lewisandclark.org It will spare the LCTHF return mail costs and ensure delivery of your WPO. Submitted by Lindy Hatcher
Chapter Roundup


This year the Puyallup Nation invited tribes from Washington, British Columbia, California, Oregon, and Alaska to meet on their land. After starting from these different locations, all the canoes finally came into Puget Sound. At each evening’s stop, the canoers, adhering to a formal protocol while still off-shore, would be greeted by the local tribe, identify themselves, and formally ask for permission to land.

On Friday July 27, 2018, the canoers planned a landing at Dash Point State Park, Federal Way, WA. We joined Native Americans who were waiting for their family canoes. Some even used GPS to track their progress! The canoes began to appear at around 2:00 PM and continued to arrive for the next five hours. First we would see a tiny dot on the water and then a flash would appear of the wet wooden cedar paddles as everyone paddled in unison. Eventually you could see the boats and there were lots; ultimately 70 to 80 canoes came in. There were about 18 paddlers per canoe, both men and women, sometimes more, sometimes less depending on the size of the cedar tree used to craft the canoe.

Carrying the canoe above high tide line. Photo by Allen Nelson

The paddlers needed to put their canoes above the high-tide markers for the evening. They would slide the canoes as close to shore as possible and then lift the heavy vessels onto their shoulders. Showing real team work, they finally lifted the canoes over the large high-tide mark beach logs. There were a lot of canoes packed “cheek-by-jowl” into the limited space between the logs and the bluff! As more and more canoes came in, it perhaps looked like the old days when people arrived for potlatches. The next day, the Puyallup invited “everyone,” paddlers, observers, both Native Americans and non-Natives, to come to their reservation every day for a week of meals and programs. Submitted by Margaret Nelson

“Lewis and Clark - the Handshake” Event to Be Held October 20 to 21, 2018, at the Falls of the Ohio State Park in Clarksville, IN. Among those groups celebrating the handshake’s 215th anniversary will be historians, the Frazier and Filson Museums, and an old-time music group. The Boy Scouts will provide food service and earn the Ohio River Chapter’s (ORC) Boy Scout patch.

Members of the ORC will demonstrate period skills, display Lewis and Clark period items, and educate the public about Lewis and Clark. Dr David Bell will discuss early medical practices and Hasan Davis will portray York. There is a $20 vendor fee for those who plan to sell items at the event. Please make the check out to Sandy Hennings. Volunteers are needed to answer questions, direct parking, and offer general support. Registration is required to facilitate volunteers’ placement during the event and for accountability to the Falls of the Ohio State Park. For questions, please call Sandy Hennings at 517-231-3193; sandybear48813@yahoo.com

ORC President and LCTHF Board Member Chuck Crase has suggested meeting for dinner on Friday October 19, 2018, at 7:00 PM at the Radisson Hotel, 505 Marriott Dr, Clarksville, IN; 812-283-4411; mention Lewis and Clark for special room rate. The ORC meeting will be at the George Rogers Clark site on October 20 at 5:30 PM. The ORC commends Phyllis Yeager, Jim Keith, and Jim Epperson for their help. Submitted by Sandy Hennings, Ohio River Chapter Vice-president Elect

CA Chapter Fall meeting features LCTHF member Bob Case who will discuss "The Botanical Legacy of the Lewis and Clark Expedition." The meeting is at the Museum of American Heritage, 351 Homer Ave, Palo Alto, CA, on Sunday October 28, 2018, from 12:00 Noon to 3:30 PM.
Partners Page

Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation offers Trail Stewardship and Education Grants for projects in areas significant to Lewis and Clark Expedition. Trail Stewardship grant applications are due October 1, 2018. Education grant applications are due November 1, 2018. For guidelines, Q&As, ranking criteria, and online application, please go to http://www.lewisandclark.org/grants/.

The National Park Service (NPS) has entered into an agreement with the LCTHF to address the backlog of worn interpretive wayside signs along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail. If you’re looking to replace EXISTING interpretive panels and/or bases, then we encourage you to apply! If you need help in figuring out materials and costs, contact Karla Sigala, Interpretive Specialist for the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail, at 402-661-1826 or karla_sigala@nps.gov

The NPS is also offering a new Lewis and Clark Interpretive Wayside Exhibit panel at no cost to replace an outdated panel if the base of an old sign is in good condition. If your base needs to be replaced, then submit an application for a Trail Stewardship grant. Submitted by Ashley Danielson, Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail

Efforts to reauthorize the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) continue. Congress passed a Continuing Resolution to fund the work of the government agencies through December 7, 2018, giving Congress more time to resolve differences between the House and Senate versions of the Interior, Agriculture, and other Appropriations bills. Please contact your senators and urge them to vote for permanent reauthorization of the LWCF. The LCTHF supports S.369 sponsored by Sens. Maria Cantwell (D-WA) and Richard Burr (R-NC) which permanently reauthorizes LWCF and requires that the full amount be appropriated each year for conservation and recreation. The LCTHF also supports S.3172, sponsored by Sen. Rob Portman (R-OH), establishing the National Park Service Legacy Restoration Fund which will address the infrastructure maintenance needs of the National Park System. From Pathways.

Bismarck Theater Company Presents Play on Death of Lewis. TruNorth Theatre in Bismarck, ND, investigated the events surrounding the mystery of Lewis’ death in their August production of Oakley Hall III’s play Grinder's Stand. The play came to the attention of TruNorth Artistic Director John Clemo through a documentary aired on a PBS station entitled The Loss of Nameless Things about playwright Hall. In 1978, just after Hall had finished the draft of Grinder's Stand, he mysteriously fell from a bridge.

According to Clemo, one of the major themes of Grinder's Stand is the question of how a person who has done what no one has ever done lives with the fact that everything he does from then on will always be compared to that previous accomplishment.

The TruNorth Theatre is indebted to the playwright’s sister, Sands Hall, for granting the play’s the performance rights. TruNorth’s next project at the High Prairie Arts and Science Center, 1810 Schafer Street, Bismarck, ND, will be a dramatization of War of the Worlds on October 25 to 27, 2018, at 7:30 PM, October 28 at 2:00 PM, and October 30 at 7:30 PM. Submitted by John Clemo
They Proceeded On

The LCTHF mourns the loss of longtime member Mildred Straus Jenkinson. Born in Fergus Falls, MN, on August 3, 1931, to Dick and Rhoda Straus, Mil earned a Bachelor of Science degree in English and Social Studies from Moorhead State Teachers College. In 1952 she married Charles Jenkinson of Detroit Lakes, MN. They had two children, Leslie Ringen (Joe) and Clay. An English teacher at Dickinson (ND) High School for 22 years until her retirement in 1987, Mil loved the literature she taught and she loved her students. Poetry and novels were her favorite subjects.

After retiring, Mil served as president of the state and local North Dakota Retired Teachers, Dickinson's Friends of the Library, and PEO Chapters AD and AJ and was a member of the AAUW, Above all else Mil cared about her family, reading, her cabin in Cooke City, MT, her dog Bozzie, her friends, swimming, exercising, and walking. She is survived by her son Clay Jenkinson, son-in-law Joe Ringen, three granddaughters: Meg Gion (Luke), Jenny Berve, and Catherine Jenkinson, and two great grandsons: Abraham Sticha and Landon Gion. The guiding principles of her life were: "Every day is a gift" and "Something good comes out of everything." From The Dickinson Press

The LCTHF lost a friend and supporter with the passing of Anne Rutledge Tufts, 75, in March of 2018 at her home in Ivy, VA. Born on July 11, 1942, in Atlanta, GA, she had lived in the Charlottesville area since 1981. Anne was a member of the Virginia Colonial Dames and the Board of the Lewis and Clark Exploratory Center and served as President of the LCTHF Home Front Chapter. Anne and Malou Stark co-chaired the LCTHF Annual Meeting in Charlottesville in 2007. She is survived by her children Matthew Tufts and Libby Eiden; sisters Elizabeth and Susan Tufts; and granddaughters Kalina, Birdie, and Nadia. From the Daily Progress

It is with great sorrow that the LCTHF reports the passing of Past President James Morton "Jim" Peterson, 92, on June 26, 2018, at his home in Vermillion, SD. Born on Nov. 21, 1925, in Sioux City, IA, Jim grew up in Ponca, NE. He married Jeannine E Wallace in 1952 and they had two children, Kim Elizabeth and James Scott.

Jim served in a B-29 bombardment squadron during World War II and attended the University of South Dakota (USD) after the war. He was graduated from USD's School of Law in 1951 and joined the faculty of USD's School of Business in 1959 as a professor of business law until 1991. He served as chairman of the University Senate for four terms and was selected as Teacher of the Year by the USD Student Body Association in 1977.

Jim had a life-long interest in the Missouri River and navigated the Missouri from the headwaters at Three Forks, MT, to the river's mouth near St. Louis. The author of numerous articles about boating on the Mighty Mo, he was a valued source for newspaper and magazine stories about the river. Jim was a past president of the Missouri River Bank Stabilization Association and a member of the Missouri National Recreational River Advisory Board, among other organizations.

In 1996 Jim was instrumental in helping Ken Burns shoot scenes along the 59-mile stretch of the Missouri River from Ponca to Gavin's Point Dam for Burns' documentary on Lewis and Clark. His association merited him an invitation to the White House where he met President Clinton. Jim presented innumerable programs about Lewis and Clark and the river. Many people remember the boat trips they took with him at the helm, as the self-proclaimed river rat navigated the swirls, ripples, and boils of the Mighty Mo.

Jim is survived by his son James "Pete" Peterson and his wife Jill of Yankton, SD. Please send memorial contributions to the LCTHF at lewisandclark.org From the Sioux City Journal

Eastern Legacy Extension to the LCNHT Passes the House!

The 2016 National Park Service Study was released by the Department of Interior to Congress earlier this year. As a result, Congressman Luke Messer (R-IN) introduced HR 3045 to the House of Representatives to amend the National Trail Trails System Act to extend the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail to include the three segments recommended by the NPS study. This would extend the trail from Camp River Dubois in Illinois to Pittsburgh, PA. The bill passed the House. Then, Senators Todd Young (R-IN) and Joe Donnelly (D-IN) introduced S.3375 in the Senate. The bill was read twice in the Senate, referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and is currently awaiting action by the Committee.

We wish thank Gary Werner, Executive Director of Partnership for the National Trails System, for his help with LCTHF testimony. LCTHF Executive Director Lindy Hatcher testified in the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Federal Lands in April, accompanied by Eastern Legacy Committee Chair Paige Cruz. The Eastern Legacy Committee: Paige Cruz, incoming LCTHF Board Member Mike Loesch, LCTHF Board Member Jerry Wilson, and Phyllis Yeager with the help of President Philippa Newfield, Vice President Lou Ritten, and Executive Director Lindy Hatcher did a yeoman’s job preparing the testimony and support documents to secure House passage. While we pause to celebrate our achievements, we understand there is still much work to be done in the Senate! If you would like to help move our legislation forward in the Senate, please contact Lindy Hatcher at lindy@lewisandclark.org or anyone on the Eastern Legacy Committee. Submitted by Paige Cruz
Dung from Lewis and Clark Expedition sites now available. While clearing the Nez Perce-Lewis and Clark Trail over the Bitterroot Mountains last July, our crew helped collect more than two dozen samples of scat from coyote, wolf, black bear, grouse, moose, and pine marten. Armed with plastic Ziploc bags, they covered many miles of trails around No-Seeum Meadows.

Almost 50 years ago, I discovered the fascination spoor held for my high school biology classes. I eventually developed the following process to assure the samples' safety. After thoroughly drying the scat in the sun, some folks sterilize in a microwave, but I simply soak specimens in a 50% bath of turpentine and surplus varnish. The turpentine contains turpenes, the antibacterial in Pine-sol that gives it a fresh scent. The diluted varnish saturates the sample, affords it a “freshly laid” appearance, and holds loose samples together making them more durable.

During and since the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial I have prepared many hundreds of samples of the 15 animals mentioned in the Journals and distributed them to museums, historical interpreters, and teachers across the country. All were collected literally on the trails walked by the Corps of Discovery or within a few miles.

I now have 50 samples of a dozen different animals' scat and will provide samples to teachers and historical interpreters who volunteer their time to educate the public. I will pack and ship the samples with selected interpretive sheets and ask only that the receiver pay actual shipping costs. On request I also have extensive collections of pressed plants of the Expedition, rock samples from formations and geological sites observed by the journalists, and animal body parts such as antlers. Please contact John W. Fisher, 25216 Arrow Highline Road, Juliaetta ID; 208-276-3164 or 208-843-7159; jwfisher1961@gmail.com

Ohio River Chapter members at the Betts Museum House in Cincinnati, OH (l to r) Ken Jutzi, Jerry Wilson, Jerry Robertson, Janice Wilson, Linda Robertson, Lorna Hainesworth, and Skip Jackson

Ohio River Chapter Summer Meeting on August 23 to 25, 2018, in Cincinnati, OH, and Big Bone Lick, Kentucky, highlighted the importance of their Ohio River connections to the Lewis and Clark story. Participants visited the Boone County Library in Union, KY, where the Friends of Big Bone presented their second annual Lewis and Clark Expedition program featuring Meriwether Lewis aka Skip Jackson, Jerry Wilson, and Paul Simpson of the Big Bone Lick State Historic Park. In Cincinnati the participants toured the 1804 Betts Museum House. The visit to the Cincinnati Museum Center's Geier Research and Collections Center featured the Findlay letters and the story of their “discovery” and authentication by Jim Holmberg and others.

A road trip from Cincinnati to Big Bone Lick completed the program. Recall that, in his October 1803 letter to Jefferson, Lewis said he traveled 17 miles overland by horseback to the lick. We similarly traveled over historic buffalo trails. At Big Bone we visited their bison herd and then hiked on some local buffalo trails including one that followed some of Big Bone Creek to its mouth as did Lewis in 1803.

A special thank you to Ken Jutzi, Lorna Hainesworth, Skip Jackson, and Janice Wilson for attending all three days. Thanks also to the Friends of Big Bone and the staffs of Big Bone Lick State Historic Park, Betts Museum House, and Cincinnati Museum Center. If you wish to visit these sites, contact wilsonjkw@yahoo.com Submitted by Jerry Wilson
Library Update

Have you looked at the William P Sherman Library catalog posted on the LCTHF’s website? We now have over 3,400 titles listed! These are a great bibliographic resource for researchers. Our thanks to Gary Moulton and Barb Kubik for their recent donation of dozens of journal articles. You can access the library at lewisandclark.org and then click on “Library Catalog.” To see a list of our more than 40 archival collections, click on “Archives Catalog.”

Ways to support the LCTHF’s William P Sherman Library

1. Volunteer! Email library@lewisandclark.org for more information about on-site and remote opportunities. Offer to join the Library and Archives Committee. This group meets by phone, develops projects that support the library, and reviews library policies and activities. Offer to transcribe an oral history interview (can be done remotely). Offer to search bibliographies for Lewis and Clark titles we do not yet have (can be done remotely). Help organize our brochures and pamphlets collection (on-site). Help organize our clipping collection (on-site). Update/correct library data (on-site).

2. Buy books! These books, donated by our members to be sold, duplicate what we already have or are deemed outside the scope of our collection. Contact our library staff at library@lewisandclark.org for the full list.

3. Donate books from our “wish list!” Contact library@lewisandclark.org for a copy of the list and arrange for your donation.

4. Contribute to the Robert Shattuck Fund of the LCTHF, an endowment of the library program, or directly fund a project! We keep a list of current projects that could use a boost! Submitted by Sue Buchel, Volunteer Librarian

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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 December 1, 2018, 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-December, 2018.

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

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National Trails System Celebrates 50th Anniversary!
The Partnership for the National Trails System (PNTS) has a Toolkit for event planning that includes logos, maps, social media ideas, and more. Be sure to enter your Trails50 events in the Events Map. If your Chapter is planning or participating in a 50th Anniversary event, please also send photos to lindy@lewisandclark.org for inclusion in our newsletters.

PNTS will also hold the National Trails System Conference on October 22 to 25, 2018, in Vancouver, WA, as a co-located event with the River Management Society to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the National Trails and Wild and Scenic Rivers Systems Acts. Register for the PNTS conference before October 2, 2018, to receive the early bird rate of $395. The full program for the conference is now available.

Share the amazing National Trails System Web Map created by Ryan Cooper and Dan Wiley of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail with your audiences. If your event or organization is covered in local media and mentions the 50th anniversary of the National Trails System, please send a link to Leigh Schmidt at communications@trails50.org You can purchase Trails 50 logo stickers in bundles of 200. Submitted by Lee Schmidt, PNTS

LCTHF Past President Jay Buckley is appointed as New Director of the Charles Redd Center for Western Studies at Brigham Young University. Buckley will also continue teaching courses in the American West as associate professor in the History Department and director of the American Indian Studies academic minor. He is the author of the award-winning William Clark: Indian Diplomat and co-author of six other books. Buckley has also worked with students on the Intermountain Histories public history project. The Charles Redd Center (reddcenter.byu.edu), founded in 1972 by Charley and Annaley Naegle Redd, promotes the study of the Intermountain West through its sponsorship of research, publication, teaching, and public programs.