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Jean Baptiste ("Pomp") Charbonneau Returns to Auburn, California

by Ken Jutzi

On October 13, 2013, after 147 years, Jean Baptiste ("Pomp") Charbonneau returned to Auburn, California, a place where he spent eighteen years of his life. Pomp was portrayed by Garry Bush (Lewiston, ID) who is an experienced educator, National Park Service certified first-person interpreter/re-enactor, and guide along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail in north central Idaho.



Pomp addressing an attentive audience at our Fall gathering in Auburn

Our gathering was made possible by a partnership we formed for this event with the Placer County Historical Society and the Placer County Museums Docent Guild. It was held in the Auburn Veterans Memorial Hall and was well attended.

About 90 people from California, Nevada, and Hawaii were in attendance. Eighteen (18) attendees were CALCTHF members, some of whom traveled from as far away as Los Angeles. A surprise attendee was Army Chief Warrant Officer Terri L. Purcell (Hawaii) who is a good friend of Garry's and who worked with him during the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commemoration.

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Past President's Message

by Mary Ann Kvenvolden

This is my final message as President of our CA Chapter. My main goal during my two-year term was to keep our chapter active and viable. Amazingly enough, our Chapter is looked upon as a model despite the fact that California is "off-trail." Our members include several descendants of members of the Lewis & Clark Expedition, at least three L&C re-enactors, and lots of folks that are simply interested in the history of exploration and the settling of the West. These folks have spent many enjoyable hours following the Lewis and Clark Trail, stopping at Interpretive Centers, and/or attending Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) meetings.

A lot of credit for the Chapter's success goes to Ken Jutzi for serving as President and Vice President and for producing our excellent newsletter and maintaining a web site as well as keeping up-to-date membership information.

Among our accomplishments these past two years was the maintaining of our statewide Spring and Fall gatherings. There were two meetings in northern CA (Palo Alto) and two in southern CA (Claremont and Oceanside). We were fortunate to have excellent programs and presenters at each of these. In addition, Pat Hartinger and I have continued to plan two or three Bay Area L&C Book Group meetings per year that are always enjoyed by our core group of members.

Our Chapter has maintained a healthy Treasury account due to membership renewals, contributions, and occasional fundraising efforts. I am pleased that this has enabled our chapter to contribute

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Jean Baptiste (“Pomp”) (continued from page 1)

Using a modern multimedia presentation, hands on exhibits, and some Indian sign language, Pomp discussed his life’s adventures and the time he spent in Auburn during the California Gold Rush era. He discussed his travels with his mother, Sacagawea, as members of the Lewis and Clark Expedition (1803-1806); his fur trapping days (1830’s); his travels to Europe with Duke Paul Wilhelm of Wurtemberg, Germany (1823-1829); his coming to California with the Mormon Battalion, a part of Kearny’s Army of the West during the war with Mexico (by the time they reached California the war was over) and his short stay at the San Luis Rey Mission in Oceanside where he served as an alcade (magistrate) (1847-1848); his time in Auburn where he partnered with his old friend Jim Beckwourth, a black mountain man from Virginia, in the hotel business and where he also pursued the operation of a ferry on the south fork of the American River; and his final resting place at Inskip Station, near today’s Danner, Oregon, where he succumbed to pneumonia while on his way to a new gold strike in what was then called the Montana Territory (1866).

After Garry concluded his presentation, a question and answer period followed, door prizes were awarded and refreshments, provided by Philippa Newfield, were served. As a token of our appreciation for Garry’s outstanding presentation, newly elected CALCTHF President Philippa Newfield presented Garry with an authentic reproduction of a Jefferson Peace Medal. During the social time, several attendees approached Garry to thank him and ask more questions. A collage of some of the photos taken during this very successful gathering are provided on the opposite page.



Sacagawea & Pomp
U.S. Mint Golden Dollar



Pomp’s Final Resting Place at
Inskip Station (near today’s Danner, Oregon)

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\$1,000 in 2012 to the Travelers’ Rest site to help the managers there in their quest to purchase the Visitor Center (rather than lease) and some additional surrounding property to protect it from the encroachment of future development. This site is a National Historic Landmark, located in Lolo, Montana, and was an important Lewis & Clark campsite on their way to and from the Pacific Ocean.

Our Chapter also contributed \$150 in June 2012 for a much needed directional sign for the LCTHF offices at the Lewis and Clark National Historical Trail Interpretive Center in Great Falls, Montana. These contributions help us to fulfill our mission with regard to stewardship of the Lewis and Clark Trail.

I would like to thank Kathleen Wade and Rodney Willard for sharing some of their family stories in our July 2013 Newsletter. Both are direct descendants of Lewis and Clark Expedition members and are long-standing members of our Chapter. Also, many thanks to Nan Kaeser for all the time and effort she gave to interviewing Rodney (and the results made delightful reading!). Thanks also to Eleanor Ward for sharing her story of the beginnings of our Chapter.

Now is the time to pass the baton of Chapter Presidency to Philippa Newfield. She and her husband, Phillip Gordon, have already given much time, knowledge, and enthusiasm to our organization during the past few years. Due to Philippa’s initiative and efforts, two Trail Stewardship Grants were awarded to our Chapter in FY2012 and FY2013. (See the November 2012 issue of Golden Notes and page 8 of this issue for more information.)

I am grateful that Philippa has agreed to lead us forward during the next two years and I am also grateful to Dan Slosberg, one of our well-known re-enactors, for agreeing to the position of Vice President. Keith and I look forward to working with them as we continue to serve in our capacities as Treasurer and Secretary/Membership.

I hope to see many of you at our future gatherings.

Proceeding On,
Mary Ann
Palo Alto, California
September 2013

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Lewis & Clark Expedition
1805-1806



Fur Trapping
(1830's)



Europe
(1823-1829)



San Luis Rey Mission
Oceanside, California (1847-1848)



Auburn, California
1848-1866



Journey's End
Danner, Oregon (1866)



Left to right, top to bottom: Auburn Veterans Memorial Hall; Barbara Gaitley and Mary Ann Kvenvolden greet Gloria Slosberg and Ed Babcock; Philippa Newfield introduces Garry Bush as Pomp; Pomp discusses his life's adventures; drawing for door prizes; Garry Bush meeting attendees; reunion of Terri L. Purcell and Garry Bush. Photos by Barbara Gaitley, Randy Harr, Ken Jutzi, and Keith Kvenvolden.

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President's Message

by Philippa Newfield

As the new president of the California Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF), I am honored to continue the work of Past Presidents Mary Ann Kvenvolden, Phillip Gordon, Ken Jutzi, and others in fulfilling the mission of the LCTHF which is of course to be "Keepers of the Story and Stewards of the Trail."

The Board of Directors of the LCTHF met in Tucson, Arizona, this past November, during the annual conference of the Partnership for the National Trails System, to discuss our vision and mission and the process by which we will realize our goals as we move through the third century. To our commitment to tell the story and preserve the trail we will add emphasis on the importance of encouraging our members and their families and friends to venture out on the trail. Not only does the Lewis and Clark Trail traverse some of the most awe-inspiring and historic areas of our country, but the National Park Service's funding for the trail is dependent in part on the number of visitors who actually travel on the trail as demonstrated by Visitor Center activity.

The members of the California Chapter have been very active in achieving these goals. Two of our members, Ken Jutzi and your new President, serve on the Board of Directors of the LCTHF. Even though we are a "non-Trail state," many of our members have traveled to the farther reaches of the Trail. Mary Ann and Keith Kvenvolden combined a family trip to Wyoming last summer with a visit to the LCTHF national headquarters in Great Falls, Montana, and had lunch with Lindy Hatcher, the Executive Director of the LCTHF. Phillip Gordon and I joined other members of the LCTHF at Harpers Ferry National Historic Park in West Virginia in October to investigate the possibility of holding the annual meeting of the LCTHF there in 2016. Lewis got the guns and other supplies for the Expedition at the Federal Armory in Harpers Ferry which makes the site an important part of the Eastern Legacy. The LCTHF Board of Directors will consider having the 2016 annual meeting in Harpers Ferry at their March, 2014, meeting in Independence, Missouri. If anyone has information about other important Lewis and Clark sites in the immediate area of Harpers Ferry, please let me know.

My interest in Lewis and Clark dates from a road trip through Montana in the summer of 1999. We went to the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Great Falls and then, en route to Bozeman, turned off the road when we saw a sign that read "Three Forks." It was late on a

summer's afternoon. The midday heat had abated and there was no one around. We found a hand-lettered sign telling of the significance of Three Forks in the Lewis and Clark story. Nearby we saw what still remained of the Hotel Gallatin, surrounded by storm fencing. We walked a short distance to the rivers, sunlight sparkling on the water and a breeze ruffling the leaves of the cottonwoods. Really a remarkable follow-up for us to our introductory experience at the Interpretive Center in Great Falls.

Now fast forward to the spring of 2003. During the down time between festivities at a family wedding in Austin, Texas, we went to the Lyndon B. Johnson Presidential Library. The special exhibit was on Lewis and Clark. We opened the National Park Service's brochure on the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail to the map of the trail, traced the path of the Expedition up along the Missouri, across the mountains, and down the Clearwater, Snake, and Columbia to the Pacific, and said, "We can do this." Five years and ten trips later, we had traversed the entire trail from St Louis to the Pacific Ocean, visiting some sections multiple times. As my niece likes to tell people, we have spent more time on the Lewis and Clark Trail than Lewis and Clark.

Not only did we make friends along the trail but we created a relationship between the California Chapter and the Roosevelt County Library in Wolf Point, Montana, right on the Missouri River and the Fort Peck Reservation. Through joint California Chapter/Roosevelt County Library programs funded by LCTHF Trail Stewardship Grants in 2012 and 2013, Lewis and Clark now have a permanent presence in the Roosevelt County Library in the form of a special section featuring Lewis and Clark books and related artwork.

I am gratified by the ties we have created outside California through our interest in Lewis and Clark and now look forward to solidifying our member base within the state. As our membership is divided between northern and southern California, I will endeavor to enhance communication among our members and provide opportunities for us to get together at our regular spring and fall meetings and in between.

Pat Hartinger and Mary Ann Kvenvolden in northern California have organized a Lewis and Clark Book Club that meets on a quarterly basis to discuss literature about Lewis and Clark, westward expansion, and California history and visit over lunch or dinner, depending upon whether the meeting is during standard or daylight

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savings time. Everyone is invited to these gatherings the dates for which will be announced to our members.

The LCTHF and the national office in Great Falls offers it's Chapters administrative support in the form of advice about important tax filings; templates for chapter newsletters; information about upcoming national and regional meetings; and regular phone conferences on a variety of topics and common issues with LCTHF President Margaret Gorski and Executive Director Lindy Hatcher. The Foundation also publishes an email delivered newsletter *The Orderly Report* and, of course, the scholarly journal *We Proceeded On*.

For all of these reasons and many more, it is very important that all members of the California Chapter ALSO be members of the LCTHF. Joining is easy. Just go to the LCTHF website www.lewisandclark.org and click on "Join or Donate." A membership payment can be made online or you can download a membership form and mail it in. I hope that those of you who are not members of the Foundation will sign up before the end of December to take advantage of a possible tax deduction for 2013 and also so you can begin to receive *We Proceeded On* and *The Orderly Report* on a quarterly basis.

My wishes to all our members for a happy holiday season and new year to come. An extra gil of spirits for you all!

Philippa Newfield
San Francisco, California
November 2013

Pop Quiz for People Who Know Everything (or think they do)

These are not trick questions

- (1) What North American landmark is constantly moving backward?
- (2) What are the only two vegetables that can live to produce on their own for several growing seasons?
- (3) What fruit has its seeds on the outside?
- (4) How did the pear get inside the brandy bottle?
- (5) What three English words begin with "dw?"
- (6) Name fourteen punctuation marks in English grammar.
- (7) What is the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked, or in any other form but fresh?
- (8) List six or more things you can wear on your feet beginning with "S."

(answers on page 11)

Meriwether Lewis at Harper's Ferry

Meriwether Lewis relied on the U.S. Armory and Arsenal at Harpers Ferry for guns and hardware that would meet the unique requirements of his western expedition. On March 16, 1803, Lewis arrived in Harpers Ferry, Virginia with a letter from Secretary of War Henry Dearborn addressed to Armory superintendent Joseph Perkins (Perkin?):

Sir:

You will be pleased to make such arms & iron works, as requested by the Bearer Captain Meriwether Lewis and to have them completed with the least possible delay.

Lewis was to procure 15 rifles, 15 powder horns, 30 bullet molds, 30 ball screws, extra rifle and musket locks, gunsmith's repair tools, several dozen tomahawks, 24 large knives and other items including the branding iron and, of course, the iron boat.

Later, on April 20, 1803, Lewis wrote to Jefferson:

My rifles, Tomahawks & knives are already in a state of forwardness that leaves me little doubt of their being in readiness in due time.

Finally, on July 8, 1803, Lewis again wrote to Jefferson:

Yesterday I shot my guns and examined the several articles which had been manufactured for me at this place, they appear to be well executed.

We all know the importance of Harpers Ferry to the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Be prepared to attend either a regional or annual meeting at this historic place sometime during the year 2016.

Jerry Wilson
Ohio River Chapter

A multimedia summary of the LCTHF's 45th annual gathering in Bismarck, North Dakota, is now available on the Foundation's website at www.lewisandclark.org (Annual and Regional Gatherings Section)

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The Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commemoration: An Educational Outreach That Spanned the Nation

by Ken Jutzi

After much careful thought and planning, the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF), in 1993, succeeded in the establishment of a National Council for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial. This Council, a standalone 501c(3) non-profit entity, was formed to promote and facilitate a nation-wide commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark Expedition during the years 2003-2006.

As part of the National Council's efforts to enhance planning and coordination among all of the states and Native American communities along the Trail, the Council facilitated the creation of a bicameral Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Caucus¹, a Circle of Tribal Advisors (COTA) and a Circle of State Advisors (COSA).

These coordinating groups had trail-wide representation and were key resources for the National Council in gathering critical input and guidance for their Bicentennial planning and decision making. The Circle of Tribal Advisors was made up of representatives from the tribal communities through whose homelands the Expedition traveled. The Circle of State Advisors was made up of Trail state coordinators whose responsibilities were to coordinate Bicentennial activities and events taking place within their states.^{2, 3}

Successful execution of the Bicentennial resulted from an unprecedented nation-wide network of partnerships among Federal and State agencies, Tribal and non-Tribal communities, and private entities along the Trail. The Commemoration was organized around fifteen national Signature Events that involved thirteen states (Virginia, Kentucky, Indiana, Missouri, Illinois, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Washington, and Oregon).⁴

Educational outreach was the principal focus. This objective was realized through the use of living history reenactments and demonstrations, documentary films, presentations, and story telling that brought history alive in people's back yards all along the Trail. These activities were facilitated, in large part, by three key entities: the National Park Service's (NPS's) Corps II traveling education center with its "Tent of Many Voices"; a dedicated volunteer group of re-enactors know as the Discovery Expedition of St. Charles (DESC); and the U.S. Army via its Corps of Engineers and National Guard Bureau components.

*The Corps of Discovery II: 200 Years to the Future*⁵

The Corps of Discovery II began its journey in January 2003 at Monticello. It was a traveling education center that recreated the epic journey and served as a unifying component for the Bicentennial Commemoration. Over a four year period it visited eighteen states and the District of Columbia. It made stops in large urban areas, American Indian reservations and in small towns along the Trail and later traveled to areas off the Trail from Florida to Texas and from Minnesota to California.



Corps II Traveling Education Center at Pompey's Pillar during the "Clark on the Yellowstone" Signature Event.

The traveling education center included two interpretive tents with displays and a performance tent know as the "Tent of Many Voices" - a 150-seat auditorium with space for demonstrations, lectures, cultural presentations and audiovisual shows. Presentations reflected a spectrum of nature, culture, and history and were accomplished via partnerships with American Indian tribes; State governments; Federal, State, and local agencies; and the private sector.

Two especially important exhibit/presentation themes were cultural exploration and changes that have occurred to the landscape and cultures of American Indian tribes as settlement of the American West occurred along the Lewis and Clark Trail.

*Discovery Expedition of St. Charles*⁶

The Discovery Expedition of St. Charles (DESC), a diverse group of three hundred volunteer living history re-enactors from across the country, successfully planned and executed the greatest living history project in American history. Using full scale replicas of the Expedition's keelboat and pirogues and authentic period tools, equipment and attire, the DESC re-enacted the Expedition's epic journey. Keeping to the Expedition's schedule as much as was practical, 200 years later to the day, the DESC traveled 8,000 miles by boat, horseback, dugout canoe and by foot, and participated in four hundred community events over about a four year period. Each of their encampments provided living history reenactments, demonstrations, and story telling at each of the Signature Events and in hundreds of local communities, large and small, along the Trail.

Army Corps of Engineers and National Guard Bureau

The NPS's Corps II and the DESC were successful due to teamwork and the partnerships they formed with many Federal and State agencies and local communities. Two key partners were the U.S. Army's Corps of Engineers and National Guard Bureau who provided critical logistical support all along the Trail. Two examples include setup and teardown support to the Corps II traveling education center and lock and dam transit assistance to the DESC. The National Guard Bureau units worked so closely with the DESC that DESC members came to view them as their brothers and sisters and members of their DESC family.

In addition to this logistical support, the Corps of Engineers and the National Guard Bureau also conducted their own educational outreach programs via living history demonstrations, film production (such as the documentary film *Confluence of Time and Courage*), and *The Army Then and Now* program. All of these programs reinforced the fact that Lewis and Clark were Army officers and the Corps of Discovery was a military unit.

¹ *The Lewis and Clark Congressional Caucus consisted of both House and Senate representation from each of the eleven "Trail States": Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Oregon and Washington.*

² *Journal of the Montana Bicentennial State Commission, Issue No. 2 Vol. 3, December 2000.*

³ *To learn more about these Tribal Communities, their involvement during the Bicentennial, and the legacies stemming from that involvement, visit the LCTHF's website at www.lewisandclark.org (TRIBAL RELATIONS section). Also see "Enough Good People", an outstanding publication produced by the COTA. A copy may be obtained by writing to: Enough Good People, 223 South Boulevard St., Gunnison, CO 81230 or calling (970) 641-1355. To learn more about Tribal related Bicentennial legacies, visit the excellent website developed by the National Park Service. It contains numerous archival multimedia records of Native American presentations and perspectives that were made in the "Tent of Many Voices" of the Corps II. It is located at www.lc-triballegacy.org.*

⁴ *For details associated with each of these Signature Events visit <http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/LewisAndClark/>*

⁵ *For more information on Corps II visit the NPS's website at <http://www.nps.gov/NR/travel/lewisandclark/trailtoday.htm>*

⁶ *"Expedition of Discovery, A Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Celebration, 2003-2006" (DVD), Prestholdt Images, 2008.*

Remembering Chief Snyder of the Chinook Nations

by Terri L. Purcell



Chief Snyder was my hero, teacher, coach, and mentor. He taught me there are Seven Directions in life and ever since that day in January 2003 when he spoke during the first Bicentennial event at Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson, I have remembered his teachings and added them to the close of my presentations when I teach the Seven Army Values of loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal courage ...

There is the Direction of Heaven, the Direction of Mother Earth, the Direction on the Compass, North, South, East, and West, and there is the Direction of Your Heart. Always follow the Direction of Your Heart.

His legacy for the Chinook people will live on forever. He truly touched the lives of many and was one of the most powerful role models and leaders the Northwest Tribes have known in our century! He will be missed.

Editor's Note 1: Chief Snyder left us on December 7, 2013.

Editor's Note 2: Army Chief Warrant Officer Terri L. Purcell has Native American heritage and is listed as one of the COTA's "Good People" during the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial. She is currently on active duty in the United States Army stationed in Honolulu, Hawaii.

CALCTHF Works on Two FY2013 Lewis and Clark Trail Stewardship Grants

by Philippa Newfield

The California Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (CALCTHF) received two trail stewardship grants for FY2013.¹ The first was in conjunction with the Roosevelt County Library in Wolf Point, Montana. The second was to support the writing of a bilingual children's book on stewarding the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail.

For the second year in a row, the CALCTHF partnered with the Roosevelt County Library located on the Fort Peck Reservation in the far northeastern corner of Montana, right on the Missouri River and the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail. I and my husband, past president Phillip Gordon, worked with librarian Andrea Hayes on all aspects of the project's development and execution.

The project began with a visit to Wolf Point as part of our travels along the Trail during the Bicentennial. From this initial visit, it first blossomed into an ongoing series of photography exhibits at the library and then into the idea of having a non-Trail state cooperate with a Trail state to develop a multi-faceted educational project at the library.

The first phase of the project, supported by a Trail Stewardship Grant in 2012, involved the creation of a "Lewis and Clark Corner" in the library wherein a Lewis and Clark mural and Lewis and Clark related books, videos, a quilt, and photo presentations of the flora and fauna encountered by the Expedition as they passed through the area are displayed.

The library sponsored a Lewis and Clark Movie Night at which former LCTHF President (1979-1980) Bob Saindon of Wolf Point was available to answer questions. The library's Lewis and Clark Heritage Celebration drew an audience totaling three percent of the town's population! They listened to local and Native American speakers and dined on chili and fry bread prepared by the Friends of the Roosevelt County Library. Prizes were awarded for the most creative framing of Lewis and Clark posters that had been given to the library. During the summer, a week-long camp, featuring field trips and Lewis and Clark oriented activities, attracted children from Wolf Point and the Fort Peck Reservation.

In the second year, the library used the 2013 Trail Stewardship grant to continue the special programs. The library put on another movie night, a Lewis and Clark

Heritage Celebration, and conducted another summer camp, all of which were again well attended.

New during 2013 was a concert of Native American music performed by Bryson Runsabove-Meyers, a flutist, drummer, and traditional speaker who was recently nominated for a Native American Music Award (NAMA) (the Native American version of the Grammy Award) and an Aboriginal People's Choice Music Award. Forrest Mount, an historian, discussed the life of Pomp and caterer Angela Wolff brought all the fixings for Indian tacos.

The Wolf Point newspaper covered the events² which served to further the impact of the Trail Stewardship grant by alerting the entire community as to the activities and events made possible by the LCTHF's/CALCTHF's support. A



Sample Illustration from
Bilingual Children's Book ©2013

collection of photos taken during some of these activities is provided on the opposite page. The newspaper articles also publicized what is locally available in terms of education and activities along Wolf Point's portion of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail.

The second Trail Stewardship grant awarded to the CALCTHF was for the writing of a bilingual children's book in English and Spanish that tells the Lewis and Clark story as well as what children and their families can do to preserve and protect the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail. This project was supervised by me in conjunction with translators Matilde Hollander and Israel Gonzalez and illustrator Nas Khan. The story line consists of a tale of how children can care for the trail as part of their family's own journey along the Trail. In the book, the family is "watching" the action of the Corps of Discovery across two centuries while discussing ways in which children can take responsibility for the Lewis and Clark Trail to preserve this wonderful resource for their family and friends and for future generations.

¹ Funding for these grants was provided by the LCTHF's Lewis and Clark Trail Stewardship Endowment Fund. This endowment is a National Council of the Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial Legacy Project. The funds were originally raised during the Bicentennial via the sale of Lewis and Clark silver dollar commemorative coins by the U.S. Mint.

² "The Herald News", Vol. 103 - No. 39, Wolf Point, Montana, September 26, 2013. p.1.

Lewis and Clark Activities and Events
at the
Roosevelt County Public Library
Wolf Point, Montana



*Sponsored by the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation's
Lewis and Clark Trail Stewardship Endowment Fund,
a National Council of the Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial Legacy Project*



Lewis and Clark Adventure Camp held for one week in August and taught by Sharri Vandall



Mural Greets Visitors, Forrest Mount as Sacagawea's Son, and Event Centerpiece



Native American Flute Concert with Bryson Runsabove-meyers (l) and Adrian Imus (r)

Did You Know?

by Margaret Woznik
President of the Ohio River Chapter
(reprinted with permission)

A year after attending the 2012 Fur Trade Symposium in Pinedale, Wyoming, I was happy to finally receive our copy of the Proceedings.

The symposium commemorated the 200 anniversary of the Astorians and consisted of a series of presentations and field trips much like those presented at an annual meeting of the LCTHF. Distinguished scholarship, "feet-on" visits to historic sites, and panel discussions comprised this four-day event last September.

As I read through the 11 papers of the Proceedings, I could not help but compare the experiences of the Astorians with those of Lewis and Clark. Here are some of my reflections.

Astor had a two-pronged approach to the Pacific Fur Company's business - an overland expedition and a sea expedition. It is the overland party of which I write.

Knowing the importance of employing strong, hardened men, Astor opened a Pacific Fur Company (PFC) office in Montreal to recruit French-Canadian voyageurs from the Hudson Bay Company (HBC) and hearty Scotsmen from the Northwest Company (NWC). These men would seem to be the equals of those tough Army enlistees and frontiersmen recruited by Lewis and Clark. In addition to these Canadian fur traders, additional men were hired in St. Louis to trap furs and do subsistence hunting.

Leading the Astorians was Wilson Price Hunt, an inexperienced outdoorsman, in fact a merchandiser, but one who had the necessary qualification of being an American. This was important because it was unclear if Jay's Treaty extended the commercial rights of British citizens to lands of the Louisiana Purchase. The PFC was, after all, an American endeavor and should be led by an American! So, lucky Mr. Hunt was selected. More seasoned frontiersmen such as Donald McKenzie, Robert McClellan, and Joseph Miller assisted him.

Like Lewis and Clark, the overland party spent one winter upstream from St. Louis, in this case at the mouth of the Nodoway River 450 miles to the north. When the party embarked the following spring, there were six PFC partners, 56 additional men including naturalists John Bradbury and Thomas Nuttall, and Pierre and Marie Dorion and their two children. Remember Pierre? The Dorion's third child was born en route and lived only a few days.

Hunt's original plan was to follow Lewis and Clark's Missouri River route. However, in late May two groups of seasoned trappers joined the party. Both groups were on their way downstream to St. Louis. Benjamin Jones and Alexander Carson were returning home after many years in the fur trade. Edward Robinson, John Hoback, and Jacob Reznor, three Kentuckians, had similar experiences working for the Missouri Fur Company and had been as far west as Henry's Fort on the Snake River. They also reported a negative contact with the Blackfeet, resulting in Robinson's scalping. These newcomers told Hunt that a better course west was to go overland from the Arikara villages. Hunt agreed to it. With five guides, what could go wrong?

This new plan puts a new perspective on things! Horses, horses, now they needed horses! They were purchased from the Arikara and nearby Cheyenne - a total of 82 horses. Seventy-five were packed with trade goods, equipment, food, and traps. Only the leaders and Marie Dorion rode.

The travails of Hunt's group are enough to make a river of tears. The group split into many subgroups, made wrong choices when crossing the Rockies, found that horses and goods left in the care of the Shoshone were not to be found when needed, and had many tragedies in traveling on the Snake River - even in Hell's Canyon! They dribbled into Astoria between January and May of 1812. Only 45 of Hunt's original group made it.

What happened to these seasoned outdoorsmen of the HBC and NWC? Where was the discipline? The planning? Where was the geographer? Ah, William, how we yearned for thee! Wilson Price Hunt did meet with Lewis and Clark shortly after their return to St. Louis in 1806. But, oh, he had so much to learn, much more than he realized.

I have made notes from the Proceedings, jottings of names of people and places that I want to read about this winter. It will be interesting to continue making comparisons between the two expeditions which occurred so close on the timeline, but were widely separated in achieved outcomes.

Copies of the Proceedings of the 2012 Fur Trade Symposium are available at the Trading Post, www.museumofthemountainman.com for \$24.95.

Did you know that John Jacob Astor was born in Walldorf, now a part of northwest Germany? Remember that the next time you lodge at the Waldorf Astoria! (Yes, two different spellings.)

Lewis & Clark Bay Area Book Discussion Group Meeting *September 29, 2013*

Our focus for this meeting was on the life of Jean Baptiste Charbonneau in preparation for the Chapter's Fall Gathering in Auburn, California. In conjunction with that topic, members also discussed the 49er gold mining era and the Spanish-Mexican era around the time of Jean Baptiste's arrival in California.

Topics covered included: The story of Levi Strauss in the early San Francisco gold rush days; the life of a ranchero in Central California in the 1800s; a recent archeological discovery of remnants of a Spanish fort in the Great Smoky Mountains; a timeline description of Jean-Baptiste's life; and the Argonauts (some unusual and largely unknown people) who came to California in the gold rush days searching for riches. The book "Lincoln" by Doris Kearns Goodwin was also discussed. In addition, we heard about the LCTHF Annual Meeting in Bismarck, North Dakota, from Phillip and Philippa, and the Kvenvolden's July road trip along the Lewis and Clark Trail in Montana and Idaho.

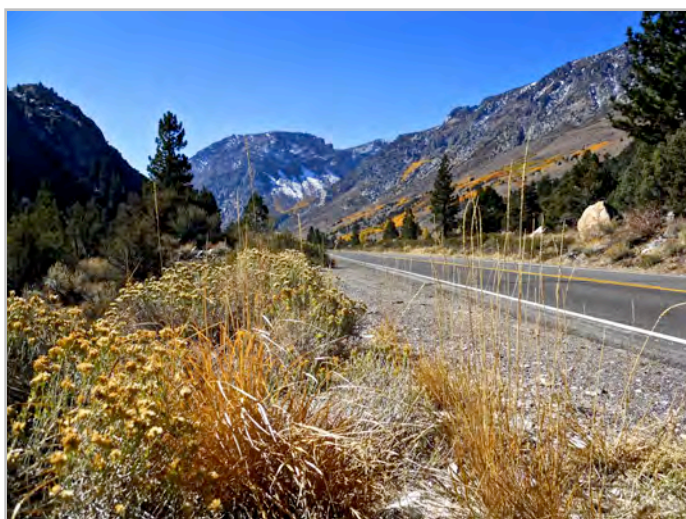
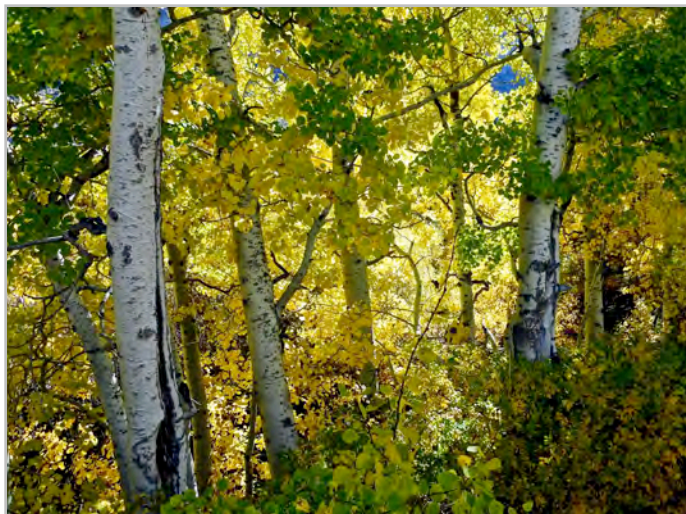
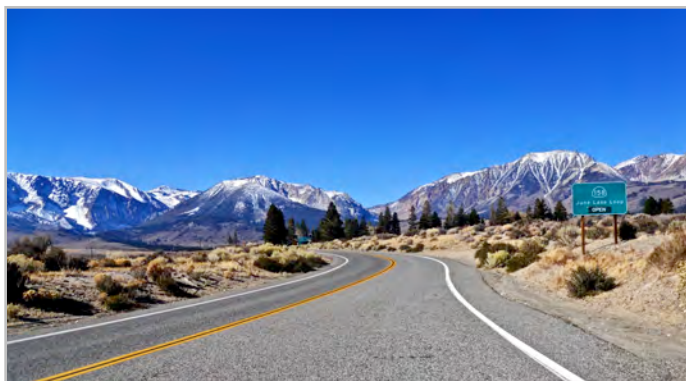
After the meeting a pizza pot luck dinner was enjoyed by the nine attending members. The next get together is planned for Sunday, December 8, 2013, at the home of Mary Mueller in San Jose.

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Answers to Pop Quiz for People Who Know Everything

- (1) Niagara Falls. The rim is worn down about two and a half feet each year because of the millions of gallons of water that rush over it every minute.
- (2) Asparagus and rhubarb.
- (3) Strawberry.
- (4) It grew inside the bottle. The bottles are placed over pear buds when they are small and are wired in place on the tree. The bottles are left in place for the entire growing season. When the pears are ripe, they are snipped off at the stems.
- (5) Dwarf, dwell and dwindle.
- (6) Period, comma, colon, semicolon, dash, hyphen, apostrophe, question mark, exclamation point, quotation marks, brackets, parenthesis, braces, and ellipses.
- (7) Lettuce.
- (8) Shoes, socks, sandals, sneakers, slippers, skis, skates, snowshoes, stockings, stilts.

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