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Mark Your Calendars!

Spring Gathering of *CALCTHF*

Sunday, June 7, 2015 from 2 to 4 PM

Claremont Public Library, 208 Harvard Avenue North,
Claremont, CA 91711

Program: **Meriwether's Minuet**

Musicians Daniel Slosberg, Jed Cope, and Dion Sorell
will demonstrate and discuss music played at balls attended by Corps of
Discovery members before and after their epic journey.

NEW CALIFORNIA CHAPTER MEMBERS: We want to WELCOME **Janice Kelley, Earnest Goitein, Jeanne McDonnell, and Joan Hockaday** as new Chapter members.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: As mentioned in our last Newsletter, our Chapter is looking for a Newsletter Editor. Keith Kvenvolden is taking on this important means of Chapter communication on a temporary basis but needs a replacement. Any volunteers? We would like to hear from you!

CALIFORNIA CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

At this time in 1805, Lewis and Clark were still in their winter quarters at Fort Mandan near present-day Bismarck, ND. Despite the cold and the snow, they enjoyed hunting with their Mandan and Hidatsa and Arikara neighbors and visiting back and forth. We were just on a winter expedition in Yellowstone National Park and spent a few days in Bozeman, MT. Unlike the conditions described by the captains in their journals, we had sunny days and temperatures in the high 30's. We took advantage of being in southwestern Montana to have a dinner meeting with 16 members of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) representing the Headwaters, Crimson Bluffs, and Jefferson River Canoe Trail Chapters. Some of the attendees had traveled from as far away as Sheridan, MT, which is 110 miles from Bozeman - true embracers of the "Montana Mile" who are undaunted by driving great distances. Lindy Hatcher, Executive Director of the LCTHF, drove down from Great Falls, MT, to give an update on LCTHF activities including the upcoming Annual Meeting in Kansas City, MO, from August 1 to 5, 2015, and a Regional Meeting sponsored by the Portage Route Chapter at the time of the Lewis and Clark Festival in Great Falls from June 19 to 21, 2015.



Chapter President Philippa Newfield and Phillip Gordon, Yellowstone Natl. Park 2015

California Chapter, Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, Inc.

Margaret Gorski, President of the LCTHF, and Lindy Hatcher represented our organization at the Hike the Hill event in Washington, DC, joining with other members of the Partnership for the National Trails System. They and the representatives of the historic, scenic, and recreational trails spoke with members of Congress in both houses about the importance of preserving our country's national trail system. The object of Hike the Hill this year was to lobby on behalf of water conservation funding and the annual appropriation for agencies governing the trail corridors. The highest priorities for the Lewis and Clark Trail are preservation of a parcel along the Missouri Breaks, a forested area near the Blackfoot River along Lewis' return route, and a winter range elk habitat which extends into the Lewis and Clark Trail corridor.



Margaret Gorski, (left) and Lindy Hatcher (right)

The LCTHF is also seeking new members from among the ranks of the newly and soon-to-be retired who have skill sets and experience to bring to the organization. Please encourage people whom you know to attend the California Chapter meetings and the LCTHF's Annual Meeting and regional offerings. They may go to the LCTHF's web site at lewisandclark.org to get an idea of the activities and offerings and to read prior issues of *We Proceeded On*, the journal of the LCTHF, and *The Orderly Report*, the electronic and hard-copy newsletter of the LCTHF.

Also of importance is the LCTHF's establishment of a planned giving program. Members of the national organization and our chapter are encouraged to plan for preserving the future of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail by remembering the LCTHF in their wills. There can also be tax advantages to such arrangements; members are encouraged to consult their tax advisors.

Respectfully submitted,

Philippa Newfield

President, California Chapter LCTHF and Member of the Board of Directors of LCTHF.

CHAPTER'S LAST FALL MEETING: A NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAIL, THE EVENTS OF WHICH PRECEDED LEWIS & CLARK BY ABOUT 30 YEARS:

CA Chapter's Fall Meeting featured Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail. National Park Service (NPS) Ranger Hale Sargent gave an excellent description of the colonizing expedition lead by Anza in 1775 and 1776 to 40 attendees at the meeting held at the Museum of American Heritage in Palo Alto, CA. With his soldiers and their families, Anza traveled about 1800 miles from Sonora in Mexico across Arizona and southern California to the area of San Francisco Bay where he established the first settlement of what is now San Francisco. Amazingly, the only fatality on the expedition was a woman who died in childbirth. The baby survived, however, as another baby had been born along the trail (for a total of eight, all born while "on the march") whose mother was able to care for both infants.

The 1200-mile Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail goes from Nogales, AZ to San Francisco, CA.



NPS Ranger Hale Sargent

Portions of the trail can be explored by car, foot, horseback, bicycle, and train. Commemoration events along the trail include Yuma Crossing Days in Yuma, AZ; Anza Days in Tubac, AZ; and Pasados de Presidio at the Presidio of San Francisco. For more information please visit www.anzatrailfoundation.com or www.anzahistorictrail.org. From *The Orderly Report* (TOR), December 2014.



Meeting Attendees:
Chapter Member Barbara Gaitley
(Van Nuys, CA) and her sister
Sandra VonLandschoot (Longmont, CO)

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BAY AREA LEWIS & CLARK BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP MEETINGS:

Sunday, September 14, 2014--This group was started more than eight years ago towards the end of the Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Events and Commemorations, and those of us still involved continue to look forward to our get-togethers. Although initially we focused on books, articles, and films about the Lewis & Clark Expedition, we have broadened the scope of our discussions to include other early explorers of the West and the theme of Western Expansion in general.

Books discussed at this September Meeting included “Beyond Lewis & Clark—The Army Explorers of the West” by James Ronda; “Astoria” by Peter Stark; “Lions of the West” by Robert Morgan; and “Wyatt Earp—A Vigilante Life” by Andrew C. Isenberg. Also discussed was an article from the Summer/Fall 2014 Smithsonian publication of the National Museum of the American Indian entitled “Nation to Nation—Treaties between the United States and American Indian Nations.”

Sunday, November 23, 2014-- Once again this congenial group met to discuss books and other subjects pertaining to exploration and history of the West. Three women joined us for the first time, two of whom had attended our Chapter Fall Gathering on October 26, where the program focused on the Anza Expedition in California (1775-1776). The third newcomer to our meeting was a longtime friend of three of our regular members. She and one of the other new attendees are descendants of the settlers brought by Anza to settle in the area that became San Francisco. Thus we had some interesting background for discussions about vaqueros and rodeos and other early Spanish and Mexican history in our state.

Other topics of discussion included the origin of the horse in North America, when the horse was acquired by Indian tribes, and how horses were obtained by Lewis & Clark for their passage over the Bitterroot Mountains and their return along the Yellowstone River; the life and work of botanist David Douglas, who came to the Pacific Northwest to study the native plants a few years after the Lewis & Clark Expedition; and Riverboat Tours available today on the Lewis & Clark Trail along the Snake and Columbia Rivers.

Submitted by Mary Ann Kvenvolden

IN MEMORIAM:

Walter J. Hartinger, a long-time member of the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation and of our California Chapter, passed away on February 3, 2015. Walt was born in North Dakota in 1928 and migrated to California where he worked as a County Probate Officer. He, along with his wife, Pat, traveled the Lewis & Clark Trail even before the Bicentennial, and both have been very active in the affairs of CALCTHF.

PHOTOS FROM PREVIOUS CHAPTER MEETINGS



Auburn Meeting, 2013



Claremont Meeting, 2014



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About the Foundation

The Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF), Inc. was created to stimulate public appreciation of the Lewis and Clark Expedition's contributions to America's Heritage. The foundation serves as advocate, interpreter and protector of the trail.

The Foundation works with Native American tribes, site tourism bureaus and several federal agencies including the National Park Service, the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S.D.A/Forest Service.

The Foundation is a non-profit, 501(c)(3), corporation. Memberships include subscriptions to *We Proceeded On*, the Foundation's scholarly publication, which is issued quarterly. Individual memberships are \$49 and your contributions above that are tax deductible. You are encouraged to learn more about the Foundation and to join. You may do both by visiting the Foundation's website at www.lewisandclark.org or by contacting a member of the California Chapter.

About the California Chapter

The California Chapter is one of 32 Foundation chapters located throughout the country. We work in partnership with the Foundation to stimulate public awareness and appreciation of the Lewis and Clark Expedition's contributions to America's heritage. We actively support education, research, and preservation of the diverse heritage of Lewis and Clark and we seek ways to support trail stewardship. We also have fun! To learn more, please visit us at www.calcthf.org.

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● Expedition Club	\$300
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All new CALCTHF memberships include a copy of the booklet *A Charbonneau Family Portrait* by Irving W. Anderson. This booklet contains historically accurate biographical sketches of Sacagawea, Jean Baptiste "Pomp", and Toussaint Charbonneau.

CALCTHF memberships also include a subscription to *Golden Notes*, which is published at least twice a year. Patron Level members receive their copy of *Golden Notes* in color. Memberships of more than \$10 are tax deductible.

Please join us!

To do so, send your check or money order to:

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