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PLEASE NOTE THESE IMPORTANT EVENTS AND DATES

CALCTHF UPCOMING MEETINGS (Details Later)

Northern California in Palo Alto—Museum of American Heritage (MOAH),
Sunday, October 28, 2018

Chapter Member Bob Case will discuss botany associated
with Lewis & Clark and the Corps of Discovery

Southern California in Pasadena—San Raphael Public Library,
Saturday, May 4, 2019 (tentative)

with George Washington reenactor Channing Hartelius

LCTHF 50th ANNUAL MEETING

Astoria, Oregon in the Holiday Inn Express, October 7-10, 2018.

Welcome to New Members

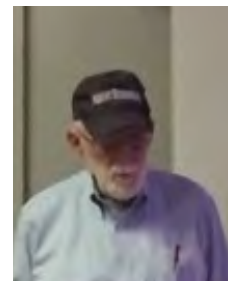
Within the past two years, several individuals and couples have become members of our CA Chapter of the LCTHF. We hope that you will consider attending our Fall Gathering on October 28, 2018, in Palo Alto. We would like to welcome and recognize all of you in this Newsletter:

John & Nancy Siebenand—Walnut Creek; Erin Hess—Sacramento; Eberhard Schwierzke—Stockton; Shirley Smith—Burbank; Margaret Anne Payne—La Jolla; Mark Jordan—Walnut Creek; Bill Claypool & Larry Fusch—Palm Springs; Shannon Harmon—Cambria; Steven Hupp—Coarsegold; Ludd Trozpek—Claremont; Ethan & Michelle Glaubiger—Santa Rosa; David Glaubiger—Chatsworth; David & Nora Newfield—Studio City; Andrew Newfield—San Francisco; Will & Melissa Gordon—Menlo Park; Michael Roumph—Oakland; Arend Flick—Pasadena; and David Reyes, Hollister.

(Submitted by Mary Ann Kvenvolden)

CALCTHF President's Message

The California Chapter had a very successful spring meeting on April 14, 2018, in the San Raphael Branch of the Pasadena Public Library. Mark Jordan, a retired attorney from Northern California, discussed the "Near Misses" on the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Subtitled "How Lucky Were These Men and Women," the talk highlighted entries from the journals that described events that could have caused serious injury, death, and even failure of the expedition. Mark illustrated each place where the men of the corps got out of harm's way with his own photographs of the areas. Dressed in period costume, he assumed a "Virginia" accent when reading Lewis's journal entries and a "frontier Kentucky"



Phillip Gordon, Pres.,
CALCTHF, presiding at
spring chapter meeting
in Pasadena

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accent when reading Clark's journal entries. Mark concluded that there was that element of luck but more crucial to the success of the expedition were excellent leadership, good planning, and the ability to forge the "perfect harmony" among the members of the expedition described by Lewis when they left the Mandan villages in April of 1805. (For more information on Mark's talk, see pages 3-4.) I would like to extend my thanks to Mark for his excellent presentation and also to Arend Flick for making the arrangements with the San Raphael Branch of the Pasadena Library. The chapter business meeting followed the talk.

The Fall meeting of the California Chapter will be on Sunday October 28, 2018, at the Museum of American Heritage (MOAH) in Palo Alto. Bob Case will be speaking on the botany of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. October is actually a busy month. The 50th Annual Meeting of the LCTHF will be from October 7 to 10, 2018, in Astoria, OR. Please go to or-lcthf.org or to lewisandclark.org to register. The Holiday Inn Express in Astoria is the headquarters hotel. Also in October will be the Trails50 Meeting in Vancouver, WA, from October 22 to 25, 2018, at the Vancouver Hilton, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the signing of the National Trails System Act by President Lyndon Johnson. Please go to pntrails.org to register.

I recently read *Astoria* by Peter Stark at the recommendation of our California Chapter Vice President and Treasurer Keith Kvenvolden. Not only is it good preparation for the LCTHF meeting in Astoria, but it impressed me anew just how outstanding were the leadership, planning, and execution of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. The expedition of Astorians sent out by John Jacob Astor to establish a fur trading empire in the Pacific Northwest was plagued by poor leadership, bad planning, and intra-group dissension. The contrast between Lewis and Clark and the Astorians is very striking.

I look forward to seeing you at one or more of our upcoming meetings next October.
(Submitted by Phillip Gordon, President, CALCTHF)

Report of the President of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

Report on Progress of HR 3045 - Eastern Legacy Extension

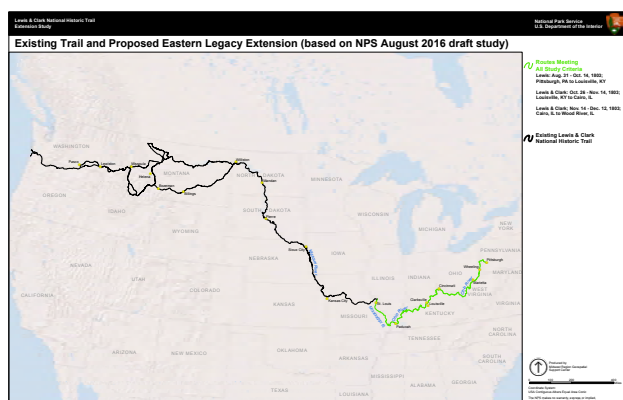
The members of the Eastern Legacy Committee—Paige Cruz, Chair; Mike Loesch; Jerry Wilson; and Phyllis Yeager, plus LCTHF Executive Director Lindy Hatcher, LCTHF Vice President Lou Ritten, and LCTHF President Philippa Newfield—worked against a deadline to develop testimony and supporting documents when

the LCTHF received word that we had been invited to testify before the Federal Lands Subcommittee of the House Natural Resources Committee on HR 3045, the Eastern Legacy Extension bill in support of the National Park Service (NPS) recommendation to extend the LCNHT from Camp Dubois in Illinois to Pittsburgh, PA.

Lindy testified before the Federal Lands Subcommittee of the House Natural Resources Committee on April 11, 2018, in support of HR 3045, the Eastern Legacy Extension bill. This bill introduced by Rep Luke Messer (R-IN) will, when passed, extend by statute the LCNHT to include the three segments recommended by

the NPS from Pittsburgh to Camp Dubois. Paige Cruz was in Washington DC with Lindy.

The LCTHF had developed and submitted two pages of oral testimony and 10 pages of supporting documentation detailing the reasons for our support of the Eastern Legacy Extension recommended by the NPS and embodied in HR 3045. In addition, the constituents of members of the Federal Lands Subcommittee and the Natural Resources Committee sent letters of support for HR 3045 to Rep Messer's office, which he asked to have read into the official record.



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Lindy had the opportunity to speak for five minutes and then answer questions. The main question concerned the NPS maintenance backlog as the DOI had recommended that the Eastern Legacy Extension not become statute until the NPS maintenance backlog was cleared up. The fact is that the NPS does not own any land along the LCNHT so the NPS maintenance backlog is not applicable. The person representing the NPS, when questioned about the backlog, said she would get back to the committee. The LCTHF also responded in writing to the questions from the Federal Lands Subcommittee after the oral testimony.

Here are next steps regarding HR 3045 and Eastern Legacy Extension advocacy:

House: The House bill HR 3045 will be sent to the House Natural Resources Committee for discussion, markup, and approval. This is where Rep Messer’s amendment that offers the NPS map name and date will be added. This is also where other opinions regarding the composition of the Eastern Legacy could be introduced if the Chair so chooses. The committee does not have witnesses in that meeting. Rep Messer plans to be present to advocate for the LCTHF’s support position for the NPS three-segment extension recommendation.

Letters of support will be key to this phase. The LCTHF members who are constituents should contact their members of the House Natural Resources Committee to ask for their support right now.

Senate: The Senate cannot introduce a companion bill UNTIL Sen. Donnelly (D-IN) signs onto the bill with Sen. Todd Young (R-IN). *This is critical to getting the bill introduced in the Senate.* We have Sen Donnelly’s commitment that he will sign onto the bill. Both senators must sign onto the bill to introduce it in the Senate. Phyllis Yeager and Jerry Wilson will contact Sen Donnelly’s office and go in person to Sen Donnelly’s local office if possible. Sen Donnelly should see all the letters of support sent to Rep Messer. The LCTHF will write to Sen Donnelly, as well.

(Submitted by Philippa Newfield, President, LCTHF)

Chapter Meeting--San Raphael Branch, Pasadena Public Library, Pasadena, California

On April 14, 2018, the CALCTHF was treated to an interesting presentation by our Chapter Member Mark Jordan, who told the Lewis & Clark story with a new twist! His talk *Near Misses of the Lewis & Clark Expedition--How Lucky were Those Men and Women* described many events that Lewis & Clark faced, the outcome of which could have delayed or even terminated the expedition. *Near Misses* included “An event that could have led to disaster or some serious consequence, or material change in the course of the Expedition, but did not get to that point” and “Or some event that possibly could have affected one of the members’ continued



Mark Jordan talking about “Near Misses” on the expedition at the San Raphael Branch of the Pasadena Library

participation in the Expedition. All of which came close to happening--or did happen--but because of some other factor, the bad result did not take place.”

For example, on August 31, 1803, the air gun carried by the Expedition was accidentally discharged, and the ball passed through the hat of a woman standing about 40 yards away, cutting her temple. Although she fell

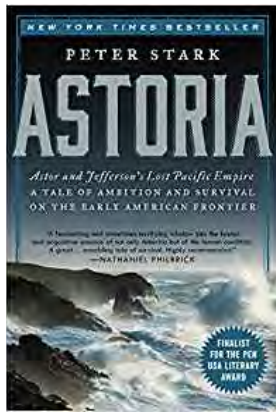
instantly, she revived and the wound was found to be by no means mortal or even dangerous. On May 23, 1804, Clark wrote that Captain Lewis almost fell into the Missouri River from the top of a 300 ft. cliff, but saved himself by using his knife to stop his fall about 20 ft. down the face of the cliff. Mark gave almost 30 examples of *Near Misses*. The overall take-home message for me was that the success of the Lewis & Clark Expedition was truly a miracle in that so many things could have gone wrong, but didn't!

Mark's presentation was attended by 25 individuals. Following his talk, we had refreshments, followed by our CALCTHF Business Meeting where there were eight members and one guest. Six members came to the dinner in downtown Pasadena at Tender Greens Restaurant.

(Submitted by Keith Kvenvolden)

Bay Area Lewis & Clark Book Discussion Meeting, January 28, 2018.

Our thanks go to Virginia Hammerness for hosting our regular eight members for lunch and discussion at her home in San Jose. As often is the case, topics covered a variety of members' interests. Barbara Dorr enjoys historical novels by Clive Cussler and recently read *The Navigator*, which mentions Lewis and Clark and Thomas Jefferson. Joan Saczynski was looking forward to a History Channel series in March, "Men Who Made America," about important historical men in the U.S.. Mary Mueller described tours of various historical trails that she led through the San Jose School District Adult Education. She planned and coordinated these tours all over the West from the Pacific Coast to the Mississippi River for eager groups of history and trail buffs.



Mary Ann Kvenvolden discussed the book *Astoria* by Peter Stark. The subtitle is *John Jacob Astor and Thomas Jefferson's Lost Pacific Empire*. This book seemed like a good 'lead-in' for the LCTHF's Annual Meeting planned for this coming October in Astoria, Oregon. In 1810 (only four years after the conclusion of the Lewis & Clark Expedition) John Jacob Astor made elaborate plans to establish a fur trading post and the first American colony on the West Coast of North America. He sent one group of men by sea around the tip of South America and another group overland. This latter group started by following the Lewis & Clark route but later became convinced that they should try a more direct route to the Pacific Ocean. Much of this route later became the Oregon Trail. The trials and tribulations of this ill-prepared overland group are fascinating to compare with the carefully planned and well-prepared and disciplined group in the Lewis and Clark Expedition. In the overland group there was

even an Indian wife of an interpreter with two very young children, and she survived this overland trek, even giving birth to a third child in the middle of winter in the mountains of what is now Oregon. The journey by sea was filled with crises and blunders of leadership. Despite many errors of judgment, the two groups finally met and established a fur-trading post at a site that later became the modern city of Astoria, Oregon. This book presents a well-researched, true, and spellbinding story—definitely worth reading!

(Submitted by Mary Ann Kvenvolden)

A Note from the New Newsletter Editor, Arend Flick



I'm pleased to be following in Keith Kvenvolden's footsteps as editor of *Golden Notes* (Keith and I co-edited this issue). I live in Pasadena and retired two years ago after 24 years as a professor of English at Norco College, near Riverside. A member of the LCTHF for over 20 years, I've traveled the length of the trail many times over on summer trips from Southern California to North Dakota, where my wife had the good sense to be born and grow up.

I was born and raised in Hamilton, Ohio, the site of Fort Hamilton, where both Lewis and Clark spent time during their Legion days. I'm particularly interested in their (brief) time together at Fort Greenville, 50 miles north of Hamilton. I've been working on a series of

articles (I hope for *WPO*) about the first meeting of Lewis and Clark and on Lewis's 1795 court-martial at Fort Greenville. I look forward to suggestions from you about what you'd like to see (or not see!) in future editions of *Golden Notes*. Please contact me at arend.flick@gmail.com.

**State of the California Chapter of the
LCTHF (CALCTHF) (as of 04/24/2018)**

CALCTHF Membership Demographics (as of 4/24/2018)		
On Active Mailing List: 60 (71 people)		
Dues Are Current: 56 (93%)		
Membership Level Counts		
Honorary (\$0)	0	(0%)
Student (\$8)	0	(0%)
Individual (\$10)	22	(36%)
Family (\$15)	8	(13%)
Willard Club (\$20)	2	(3%)
Pomp Club (\$25)	3	(5%)
Heritage (\$30)	9	(15%)
Explorer (\$50)	7	(12%)
Jefferson (\$100)	7	(12%)
Discovery (\$150)	1	(2%)
Expedition (\$300)	0	(0%)
Leadership (\$500)	1	(2%)
Patron (\$30 or more)	24	(40%)
Geographic Distribution		
California	53	
Northern	33	
Southern	20	
Arizona	1	
Colorado	1	
Montana	1	
Nebraska	1	
Nevada	3	



Geographic distribution
of CALCTHF members in CA & NV

LCTHF Membership Status	
Percent of CALCTHF members who are also members of the LCTHF (34/60)*	56%
Percent of CALCTHF members who have let their LCTHF membership expire (13/60)*	22%
Percent of CALCTHF members who have never been a member of the LCTHF (13/60)*	22%
* Source: CALCTHF and LCTHF data bases of 4/24/2018.	

Prepared by Ken Jutzi (Camarillo)



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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.

CALCTHF Membership Options	
Membership Level	Annual Dues
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● Business	\$15
● Alexander Willard Club	\$20
Jean Baptiste “Pomp” Club	\$25
Patron Levels	
● Heritage Club	\$30
● Explorer Club	\$50
● Jefferson Club	\$100
● Discover Club	\$150
● Expedition Club	\$300
● Leadership Club	\$500

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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General Operations: \$5980.85