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### FALL GATHERING, CALCTHF—Oct. 26, 2014 (See Separate Flyer for Details)

How many of us who live in the Bay Area really know about the Anza Expedition of 1775-1776 that brought the first settlers to what is now San Francisco? The Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail passes through Palo Alto and other present-day Peninsula cities. The journey of these settlers and their military escorts started in Mexico and went up and the Anza-Borrego State Park) to the Los Angeles area. From there the expedition followed mission travel routes. More than 1,000 head of livestock accompanied the journey.

One of thirty outdoor recreation trails connects the Anza Trail throughout California.



National Historic Trails, history, culture, and throughout Arizona and California.

The Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail is, of course, another of these National Historic Trails. There are important common challenges faced by the National Park Service and the community support groups in keeping these trails in good shape and in the forefront of peoples' consciousness so that people will use the trails and appreciate the history associated with them.

Please join us for a special presentation about the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, given by Hale Sargent of the National Park Service. He is an Interpretive Specialist from the Anza Trail Administrative Office in San Francisco.

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Commemorative Plaque in the Presidio of Monterey (left)

Re-enactors at Yearly Anza Event in the Presidio of San Francisco (below)



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

**NEW CALIFORNIA CHAPTER MEMBERS:** We would like to extend a WELCOME to the following people who have joined our Chapter since last December:

**Jim Cope, Helen Salemi, David Smith, Robert Case, Al Caler, and John Fisher.**

We hope to see you at one or more of our meetings. If you have ideas for speakers or future programs, please let us know.

**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:**

I am happy to report to the members of the California Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) that, in the words of LCTHF President Margaret Gorski, the LCTHF is currently in a very sound financial position which enables us to focus on carrying out our mission. At the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the LCTHF in Richland, WA, President Gorski went on to delineate our recent successes:

-The LCTHF has helped fund 11 excellent projects across the trail through our Trail Stewardship Endowment Grant Program.

-Almost all the past editions of our flagship journal *We Proceeded On* are now searchable by topic online through our new and improved website [lewisandclark.org](http://lewisandclark.org).

-The LCTHF has contributed funds in support of National History Day and its essay contest. The *Lewis and Clark Country* marketing campaign has been a resounding success thus far in that interpretive centers along the Lewis and Clark Trail in Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, and now North and South Dakota and Montana report that they cannot keep up with the demand for the posters, brochures, and maps created by the campaign. The important metric, however, will be a comparison of the hotel tax receipts in these trail states at the conclusion of this year's summer travel season as compared with last year's. Stay tuned.

-The LCTHF has launched a project to upload 25 of the major Lewis and Clark-themed interpretive centers along the Lewis and Clark Trail onto the "*Next Exit History*" cell phone app ([www.nextexithistory.com](http://www.nextexithistory.com)) which not only alerts travelers as to the historic sights and sites in the vicinity but also guides them there and provides informational commentary.

**LCTHF Future Plans:** In planning for the future, the LCTHF will focus on projects that are adequately funded and sustainable to ensure their long-term success. The LCTHF would like to enhance the programs, according to President Gorski, by building on the resources of other organizations that have similar missions. The Board of Directors has identified 3 new areas of endeavor it would like to pursue:

1. Finalize plans to commemorate 2018 as the LCTHF's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year. President Gorski will be asking long-time LCTHF members and former Board members and officers to serve on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee. It's not too early to plan our birthday party! Please contact President Gorski at [mgorski@bitterroot.com](mailto:mgorski@bitterroot.com) or me at [philgor@aol.com](mailto:philgor@aol.com) if you have information about the founding of the LCTHF or would like to participate in the planning process.
2. Develop the priorities, guidelines, and evaluation criteria for an Educational Grant Program similar to the Trail Stewardship Endowment Grant Program. The Education Committee will be finalizing the program so that LCTHF chapters and other organizations will know how they can fund their Lewis and Clark educational projects. The Educational Grant Program will also demonstrate the benefit of donating to the Dar Burroughs Educational Fund as donors will know the kinds of projects they are helping to support.
3. Rename our "Annual Meeting." The LCTHF Bylaws require that there be an annual business meeting of the members but they do not require that it be called the "Annual Meeting." What do you suggest? The Annual

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Gathering? The Annual Rendezvous? The Annual Conference? The Annual Symposium? The Annual Convention? Send me your ideas!

**LCTHF Board Members Retire:** The LCTHF Board members who are leaving the Board after many years of service include Larry Epstein, Secretary and former President; Dan Sturdevant, Past President; Ron Laycock, Board Member and former President; and the California Chapter's own Ken Jutzi, Board Member who has worked long and creatively to improve the LCTHF office data management systems. President Gorski has agreed to continue as President for another year. Clay Smith, Treasurer, will become Past President; Philippa Newfield will serve as Secretary; and Steve Lee will continue as Vice President.

**Incoming LCTHF Board Members:** The incoming Board members are Kris Townsend, from Washington, who brings his digital talents and living history experiences; Ella Mae Howard, from Montana, who is an author and founding member of the Portage Route Chapter; Jerry Wilson, from Indiana, who is knowledgeable about the Eastern Legacy, the Wellness Challenge, and plans for the 2016 meeting in Harpers Ferry; and John Toenyas, Great Falls, MT, who will resign as interim book keeper to serve as Treasurer. Other Board members include former President Barb Kubik, Vancouver, WA; Della Bauer, Nebraska; Mark Nelezen, Wisconsin; and Dick Fichtler, Montana.

**CALIFORNIA CHAPTER NEWS:** As for our California Chapter, we have distinguished ourselves in a number of ways. First and foremost, we are the only chapter of the LCTHF to have made a contribution to the purchase of Shoshone Landing as a floaters campsite along Montana's Jefferson River Canoe Trail, founded by wilderness survival skills instructor and local author Thomas J Elpel. We thank Nelson Weller who, having wonderful memories of paddling the Jefferson River, encouraged the chapter to make the donation. The Jefferson River Canoe Trail traces the route of Lewis and Clark from the three forks of the Missouri at Headwaters State Park up the Jefferson River to its origin at the forks of the Big Hole and Beaverhead Rivers near Twin Bridges. The remarkable thing about this trail is that much of the view from the river remains intact. Most of the development is at a distance so that paddlers see only cottonwood groves on the banks of the river and mountains in the distance. You can visit [www.JeffersonRiver.org](http://www.JeffersonRiver.org) or make a contribution by mail to Jefferson River Canoe Trail; PO Box 697; Pony, MT 59747.

The northern California section of our chapter has continued to hold Book Club meetings 3 or 4 times a year--an opportunity to discuss books and articles relevant to Lewis and Clark and western history. A pot luck luncheon or dinner is usually added to the agenda as well.

The chapter is also planning our Fall Meeting to be held on Sunday, October 26, 2014, at the Museum of American Heritage in Palo Alto, CA. Our guest speaker will be Ranger Hale Sargent who will discuss the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail and the expedition that brought San Francisco's first settlers to the Bay Area as well as the issues common to all National Historic Trails.

Respectfully submitted,

Philippa Newfield,

President, CA Chapter, LCTHF and Member of the Board of Directors of LCTHF

**LEWIS AND CLARK BAY AREA BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP REPORT:** The last meeting was held on June 8, 2014. A variety of topics were discussed by members, including the Fur Trade era, Spring snow plowing in Yellowstone National Park, Revolutionary War series on TV, participation in an organization establishing Trail Markers in Nevada and California, and a report on the OCTA Southern Trails Meeting in Temecula, California.

The next meeting will be held September 14 in San Jose, open again to a variety of Western History topics.

Submitted by Mary Ann Kvenvolden



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Stewards of the Trail <sup>SM</sup>**

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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](http://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](http://www.calcthf.org).

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● 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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