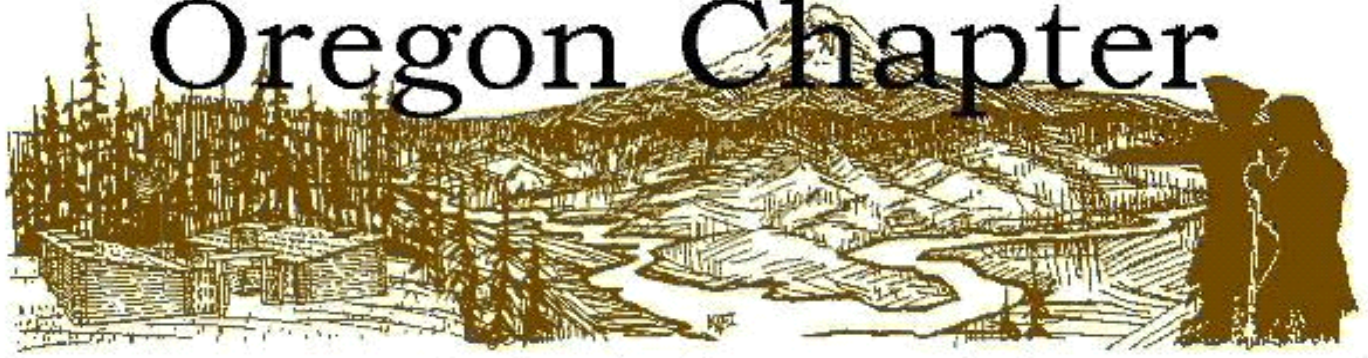


# Oregon Chapter



Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

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**To Be Held Virtually**



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## President's Corner



Dear Chapter Members,

This is my last “president’s message” for the Oregon Chapter newsletter, as we are creating a regional organization, joining with the Idaho and Washington Chapters. This change, coupled with changes in national LCHTF membership options, will strengthen the organization and bring about much-needed improvements. As part of PNW Region, we will enjoy a regional newsletter, single website, and a larger audience for our activities, while we continue our local programs and projects. Membership enrollment will be handled nationally—each member will belong to the Foundation and one regional chapter with a menu of options for receiving *We Proceeded On*, *The Orderly Report*, and

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## The Last Oregon Chapter Newsletter

Dear Readers:

This marks the last issue of this newsletter. The imminent combination of administrative functions into the Pacific Northwest Region means that future newsletters will roll Idaho, Oregon, and Washington news into one publication, to be edited by the able **John Orthmann**.

It has been my role and pleasure to bring you this little summary of chapter events three times a year, combining news, images, and L&C lore.

Long-time members will recall that **Jay Rasmussen** originated the newsletter in 1998, then **Dick Hohnbaum** published it 2005–06. I took over in 2007. Since then I’ve produced 15 years’ worth of issues, capably printed and mailed first by Dick then by **Ellie McClure**.

All issues of the newsletter are available in digital form on our site: [or-lcthf.org](http://or-lcthf.org), on the Foundation’s site: [lewisandclark.org](http://lewisandclark.org), and soon on [pnw-lcthf.org](http://pnw-lcthf.org)—thanks to webmasters

**Gavin Anderson** and **Kris Townsend**.

(For print versions of back issues, contact me.)

Of course, I must also recognize all the contributors of articles, photos, links, president’s letters, and event information (especially **Thelma Haggemiller**) who provided the content which I have shared with you in these **45 issues**.

Thank you for your readership during this long run.

— **Ted Kaye**, editor

## Sternwheeler Cruise



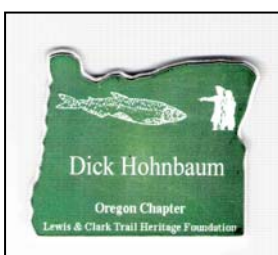
Chapter members and guests sailed on the sternwheeler *Columbia Gorge* along the Lewis & Clark river trail on April 24, 2021.

The full group (most pictured here) was 20, including members of the Washington Chapter. They enjoyed the post-vaccination outing, which took them from Portland to Cascade Locks (a motor coach brought them back).



## Oregon Chapter Name Badges

Send \$10 and your name (as you want it to appear) to **Ellie McClure**, 17760 S.W. Cheyenne Way, Tualatin, OR 97062  
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## CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

### EXPLORE MORE!

**Thelma Haggemiller** leads **Explore More!**, a series of chapter trips which include a Lewis & Clark connection but also help members learn about other historical and cultural events that happened since then.

Watch the new regional newsletter, your mail, your e-mail, and especially the new regional website for more information.



In a joint Oregon-Washington Chapter meeting, 16 members visited Pillar Rock on May 15, 2021. They heard a presentation by Mike Rees “Nov. 7, 1805 Ocean in View, Fact or Fable?”, a BYO lunch, a walking tour of the 11/7/05 and 11/25/05 L&C campsites, and a cannery tour.

## PNW Region Formed

Our chapter is combining administrative functions with our sister chapters in Washington and Idaho into a Pacific Northwest Region.

Chapters will maintain their boards, money, and project/event planning.

As of the end of our fiscal year, September 30, 2021, chapter dues will be collected by the national Foundation and passed to the PNW region to fund administrative costs.

A single regional website, [pnw-lcthf.org](http://pnw-lcthf.org), will host a

combined calendar of chapter events and an archive of all three chapters’ sites, starting soon.

A regional newsletter will replace the individual chapter newsletters starting in 2022.



## 2021 Chapter Events — Check the Website!

As pandemic precautions ease, we have reinstated in-person meetings.

**Oct. 21, 7:00 PM**  
“Sea Otters, Empire, and the Struggle for the Northwest Coast” talk by **Cameron La Follette** at Tualatin History Center.

**Dec. 4, 4:00 PM**  
Holiday event at Tualatin History Center; \$10 each for catered dinner, BYOB; talk by **Barb Kubik**: “Sah-kah-gar we a: Stories, Statues and Symbols”.

**Watch your e-mail and visit our website for more details on all upcoming events:**  
[www.or-lcthf.org](http://www.or-lcthf.org)



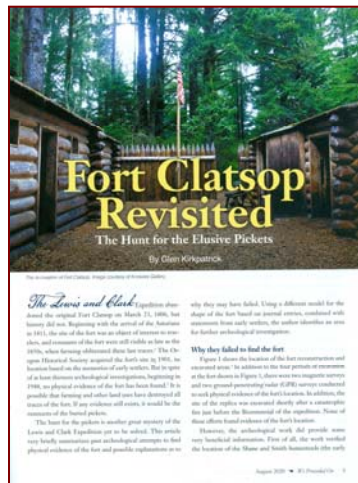
## Glen Kirkpatrick Wins New Award

Funding for the hunt for the elusive Fort Clatsop pickets got a boost when chapter president **Glen Kirkpatrick** won the first annual PRC (Portage Route Chapter) memorial prize for best *We Proceeded On* article of 2020.

WPO, the foundation's quarterly, published Glen's investigation into the possible location of the defensive structures that might help locate the original Fort Clatsop.

Congratulations to Glen for the honor. He plans to use the \$1,000 prize money to launch crowd-funding for a ground-penetrating

radar survey of undisturbed soil on the edge of the bluff, which may reveal hitherto unknown traces of the wooden pickets. This may be Glen's new "whale"!



WPO, August 2020, 46:3, pp. 5-9.

## Chapter Board

### Officers:

- Glen Kirkpatrick, President '21
- Lyn Trainer, Vice Pres. '22
- Mark Johnson, Secretary '21
- Ellie McClure, Treasurer '22

### Directors:

- Alec Burpee '21
- Lisa Commander '23
- Thelma Haggemiller '22
- Mary Johnson '21
- Ted Kaye '22
- Roger Wendlick '21
- Jon Burpee, *ex officio*
- Hannah Crummé, *ex officio*
- Larry McClure, *ex officio*

Please contact **Glen Kirkpatrick** (e-mail address below) with interest in Chapter service. We have four open positions.

[www.or-lcthf.org](http://www.or-lcthf.org)

There is far more L&C information available on our website!

**Please check it for the latest updates on Chapter activities.**

Our website will soon be combined into the Pacific Northwest Region's:

[www.pnw-lcthf.org](http://www.pnw-lcthf.org)



**Lisa Commander** has joined our chapter board. A 5th-generation Wasco County resident, she is director of education for the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center & Museum in The Dalles.

## President's Corner ... continued

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membership in other regions. We hope these changes will increase membership and help attract a wider demographic. Although the transition may encounter some bumps, I'm confident all our members will see many positive developments.

I have tried to focus my president's messages on lesser known aspects of expedition; I hope you have enjoyed them.

This one covers my very favorite journal entries, those that hooked me on the Corps of Discovery 30 years ago. Every person reading this should also read or re-read the events of August 10-19, 1805, as Lewis and his advance party travel over Lemhi Pass, making first contact

with the Lemhi-Shoshone people. The success of the expedition depended on finding them and trading for their horses.

These pages are filled with drama, suspense, and evidence of Lewis's personal courage. They also give us great insight into the Lemhi-Shoshone people, their customs, horsemanship, living conditions, and character as well as understanding more of Sacagawea. What a great story these pages tell!

Just one of the amazing events encountered by the advance party of Lewis, Drouillard, Shields, and McNeal during this time frame happened on August 16, 1805. Lewis was trying to persuade Chief Cameahwait and his young men to travel eastward to meet Clark and the main party to help carry the party's baggage to the Shoshone

village. Lewis had had very little to eat for the previous three days and the Lemhi-Shoshone people had little food to share. At this point, the Shoshone did not trust Lewis, thinking he might be setting them up for an ambush by their Atsinas enemies. Under these circumstances, it was difficult for Lewis and the hunters to get away from the Shoshone long enough to procure any game. Finally one of the hunters managed to shoot a deer. You will have to read that day's events to know what happened next (Moulton, V. 5, pp. 102-03). Spoiler alert...it made Lewis lose his appetite.

Your most humble and obedient servant,

**Glen Kirkpatrick**  
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### Summer Board Picnic

On August 7, 11 board members/guests had a picnic and a meeting in Portland's Washington Park, within Lewis & Clark Circle near the monument to the 1905 Exposition. **Ted Kaye** gave an impromptu presentation on the history of the nearby statue of Sacagawea & Pomp.



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The next national meeting: Held virtually September 12, 2021 see www.lewisandclark.org

For 2021-22 the Foundation will institute a combined national and membership. Your renewal notice will come from the Foundation in Great Falls. Watch for it this autumn. Thanks!



Ne’Cus Village Monument Dedication — July 2021

Our chapter’s effort to commemorate the site of the Clatsop-Nehalem’s Ne’Cus Village in Cannon Beach (where McNeal’s Folly took place in January 1806) culminated in a dedication event on July 10, 2021.

More than 60 people attended the moving welcoming ceremony—tribal members, NPS staffers, chapter members, the entire Cannon Beach City Council, and local visitors—on a perfect sunny day on the coast.

Mark Johnson coordinated the project, which installed two monuments by sculptor/stonemason Patrick Costello, not far from the site of the beached whale visited by Clarks’ party. Dick Basch emceed the event.

Afterward, attendees shared a traditional tribal feast featuring smoked salmon provided by the Tribe and grilled elk sausage made with huckleberries provided by Oregon Chapter members.



Above: the first monument and the tribe’s honoring of the sculptor. Below: Clatsop-Nehalem tribal members and the second monument.