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### Message from the President

Would like to take this opportunity to apologize for not being at the annual meeting in Lewiston, but financially it just wasn't in the picture. As far as I know now I will be at the next three. Have heard the meeting in Lewiston was a success and want to thank Jerry Wilson for presiding for me at our chapter meeting. He is very capable and still in practice after just serving two years as president.

On August 9<sup>th</sup> I had one of the greatest honors bestowed on me I could imagine. I had the opportunity to get to present the first ORC/ BSA patch awarded and to my knowledge the first Lewis and Clark patch to the scouts and/or related groups in the United States.

Will keep my remarks as brief as possible as there are so many things planned in the newsletter. Just want everybody possible to try to be at Cumberland for the Nov. meeting. It is exciting just thinking about it. Should be a really great experience.

Your Most Seldom Obedient Servant  
Bob Anderson "Shannon"



August 9, 2010. ORC President, Bob Anderson, presents Lewis and Clark trail patches to Brock and Luke Andrews at their campfire in the Newcombe Wilderness in Southeastern Michigan.

## Temperance Brothers First to Earn ORC Boy Scout Patch

The Andrews brothers from Temperance, Michigan are the first recipients of the award, given by the Ohio River Chapter in recognition of their achieving requirements to learn Lewis and Clark trail history and skills.

The two Cub Scouts visited Wellsburg and Wheeling, West Virginia and Barnesville, Ohio to learn about Expedition members Patrick Gass and George Shannon. They also saw historical markers highlighting Lewis' 1803 Ohio River observations. The boys traveled 641 miles, all by car rather than keelboat. Back home they read two books about the Expedition.

They completed their requirements for the patch by preparing and cooking a Lewis and Clark style meal of beef stew and deep fried quick bread over an open fire. "It was fun and we learned a lot," said 8-year-old Luke Andrews. Older brother Brock remarked, "We found out we could make dessert by rolling the bread in powdered sugar."

Both Scouts kept a journal in which they recorded their observations and experiences.

Bob Anderson said, "It was a personal thrill to present the boys with their patches. As far as I know they are the first Scouts in the country to earn a patch from any chapter." ORC members are urged to promote the patch to Scouts in their area. By year-end we want every Scout in America to know of the patch—a colorful addition to any uniform. You can print off a copy of the PDF sent to you and deliver the patch requirements to your local scout troop, scout office, and friends of scouting. Sharing the passion of L&C with these young people will keep the story we love alive for the next generation. Perhaps these Scouts and their family members will become some of the leading members of the LCTHF in the future.

Currently nine chapters across the nation are offering a Lewis and Clark patch designed for their area of the Trail. Scouts can earn as many of the patches as they desire as they learn about the teamwork, determination and skills of Lewis and Clark and their Expedition members. Each chapter has designed their requirements so that Scouts do not have to travel to each area, but can substitute elements closer to home.

For more information, contact Tom and Kay Williams, [thewilliams12@aol.com](mailto:thewilliams12@aol.com)

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### FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

The LCTHF Lewis and Clark Wellness Challenge sponsored by the Ohio River Chapter is raising funds to provide awards for participating Foundation members. Fundraisers will take place during the Lewis and Clark at Cumberland Gap Regional Meeting, Pine Mountain State Park, November 5-7, 2010.



Silent auction fundraiser—Bring Lewis and Clark Expedition or Cumberland Gap related items such as apparel, books, glassware, etc. to the meeting. Bid on these items. If you win, you'll take home a valuable souvenir and help a worthy Foundation cause.

T-Shirt sale fundraiser—T-Shirts are kaki with black design and sell for \$15.00. All shirts **MUST** be preordered. Send shirt sizes (S, M, L, XL or XXL) to Jerry Wilson at [wilsonjkw@yahoo.com](mailto:wilsonjkw@yahoo.com) or call 812-689-5172 by October 15. **YOU GOTTA HAVE ONE!**

Profits from the fundraisers will be deposited into the Ohio River Chapter checking account to offset any requested funds for the Wellness Challenge awards. Hopes are high that many Foundation members from throughout the country will participate in the challenge

program and that many awards will be given at the 2011 LCTHF Annual Meeting in Omaha.

## Minutes from Summer 2010 Ohio River Chapter Meeting

Vice-President Jerry Wilson called the summer meeting of the Ohio River Chapter of the LCTHF to order on August 1, 2010 at the Clearwater Casino and Resort in Lewiston, Idaho. A secretary report and treasurer report will be given at the Cumberland Gap fall meeting.

### Old Business

Lorna Hainesworth gave an update on preparation for the Cumberland Gap regional meeting. She has created a database for registration with 79 registered to date. Lorna also described the wayside marker and surveyors monument that will be placed during the meeting. All registrants will receive a digital image of the certificate.

Jerry Wilson gave an update for tentative plans of the spring 2011 meeting in Mackinaw City, Michigan. Nancy and Stan Spencer are planning this meeting with help from Margaret and Doug Wozniak.

Phyllis Yeager gave a report on tentative plans for the 2012 annual meeting in Clarksville. The meeting will center on the life of Sergeant Floyd. The "Sunnyside" Tourism and Convention Bureau is taking the lead on this, but WE are the sponsoring chapter. Phyllis stated that if the chapter could help provide speakers the cost of the meeting could be lessened.

Linda Robertson gave a report on the Boy Scout patch program showing the completed patch and a copy of requirements. Special thanks go the Linda and Tom Williams and Kay Williams for their work on the program.

Janice Wilson gave a report on the Lewis and Clark Wellness Challenge. The Wilsons had previously given a presentation at the Foundation business meeting. The program was well received. Several foundation members have promised to join for the 2010-2011 year beginning September 1. Thanks to the Ohio River Chapter for funding support.

### New Business

Possible sites for future meeting locations were discussed. If you have any suggestions please take the lead to help promote a site. A few suggestions were given: Fort Southwest Point, War of 1812, and William Henry Harrison. (Reporter's note; we have recently learned of Ft. Clatsop in Western Michigan. Have Stan send you his slideshow [spencer6845@yahoo.com](mailto:spencer6845@yahoo.com)).

### Announcements

Several living history events are in the near future that may be of interest. The Fair at New Boston, the Clarksville Heritage Festival and Big Bone Lick Salt Festival all have Lewis and Clark related activities. The Steamboat on the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers Bicentennial may also be of interest to chapter members.

Chapter members are strongly encouraged to participate in the volunteer workday on Thursday, November 4 at Cumberland Gap Park.

The foundation wants chapter members to be sure to report all volunteer hours. Volunteer hours are ANYTHING and EVERYTHING that has to do with Lewis and Clark activities. Report hours to Jerry Robertson by September 15. 812-246-3121 [jerryrobertson@insightbb.com](mailto:jerryrobertson@insightbb.com)

Congratulations to everyone the large turnout of chapter members who traveled to Lewiston, Idaho for the annual meeting. Attending the meeting were: Barb and Bruce Bowden, Alice and Charles Crase, Lorna Hainesworth, Jan Huff, Jim and Paula Mallory, Jerry and Linda Robertson, Bill Smith, Jim and Kathy Snyder, Janice and Jerry Wilson, Doug and Margaret Wozniak and Phyllis Yeager. Also attending were former members, the McCulloughs, now living in Florida and John Fisher joined us toward the end of our chapter meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:  
Jerry Wilson and Janice Wilson

## **SGT. ORDWAY'S EXPEDITION: July 31, 2010**

There would be so much to include when writing about the 42<sup>nd</sup> LCTHF Annual Meeting in Lewiston, Idaho. Viewing the L & C sites at such locations as the Canoe Camp, the Long Camp and other campsites on the Lolo Trail that Janice and I were able to drive to or hike to was thrilling. Actually walking on the Weippe Prairie that I have so often read about gave me a sense of place. And, of course, my introduction to the Nez Perce people, their culture, their traditional homelands, etc. was quite an education.

I think the most thrilling event of our L & C tour of North Central Idaho was the pre-meeting boat trip through Hell's Canyon of the Snake River. I enjoyed seeing and learning about the history of the area. From Nez Perce to white to Chinese settlement be it ranching or mining or just living in the area was fascinating. And so many bighorn sheep! However, this was foremost a Lewis and Clark Expedition event.

All of us know the story of Sgt. Ordway's trip in late May and early June of 1806 while the expedition was waiting at Long Camp near present day Kamiah, Idaho for the time to cross the Bitterroots on their eastward journey. The purpose was to increase their food supply by purchasing salmon that had begun their run on the Snake. No doubt, many of you, as dedicated students of the expedition have been able to visit the site. What made this so exciting was the fact that many "experts" were a part of the trip. Such "experts" as John Fisher, Steve Russell, Ken Reid, Allan Pinkham, Gary Bush and Jim Fazio helped us to understand much of the "behind the scenes" of this short expedition. For instance, why was this a good location for the Nez Perce to use their dip nets, why was this a good site for a village, was there some "extra-curricular" activities conducted by Ordway. As stated by Ken Reid, "We are not 100% sure this is the site, but we are 95% sure the site is not somewhere else."

I will surely travel to North Central Idaho for future Lewis and Clark Expedition events. And I may take another boat trip through Hells Canyon, which would include viewing the Ordway Expedition site. However, it would be impossible to experience and learn as much as I did on my July 31, 2010 boat trip.

Jerry Wilson

### **Experts Sharing Their Knowledge**



The Ohio River Chapter invites YOU to its

# Mackinaw Meeting

**What:** ORC Northern Michigan meeting  
**When:** May 13 - 15, 2011  
**Where:** Mackinaw City, Michigan  
**Why:** To investigate the fur trade, Northwest Passage and influence of the French

**Headquarters for meeting:**

Mackinaw Beach and Bay All Suites Resort, 929 South Huron, Mackinaw City, Michigan, 49701 231-436-8621 or 800-468-7736

[www.mbbresort.com](http://www.mbbresort.com)

\$59.99 plus tax per night. All rooms have 2 large bedrooms each with a TV separated by a bath. Rooms are blocked until April 13, 2011 (unless sold out). Mention Lewis and Clark for the special rate. Cancellation 3 days prior.

**Cost:** No registration fee. There will be costs for lodging, meals and state historic park entry fees.

**For more information:** Stan Spencer

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## ***TENTATIVE ITINERARY***

### ***Northern Michigan Meeting for the Ohio River Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation Straits of Mackinac, Mackinaw City, Michigan***

***May 13-14, 2011***

#### ***Regular Meeting and Program***

##### ***Friday Evening***

3:00 - 5:00 P.M. Check-in at meeting headquarters hotel:

Mackinaw Beach and Bay All Suites Resort  
929 South Huron

Mackinaw City, Michigan 49701  
231-436-8621 or 800-468-7736

[www.mbbresort.com](http://www.mbbresort.com)

\$59.99 plus tax per night

Rooms blocked until April 13, 2011

Mention Lewis and Clark meeting for special rate

5:00-7:00 P.M. Dinner on your own

7:00 P.M. Reception and evening program in the hotel meeting room:

**Welcome** - Stan Spencer, president-elect, ORC

**Special display:** Equipment from the Lewis and Clark Expedition presented by Richard Hennings from Charlotte, Michigan

**Guest speaker:** Ron Lacock from Minnesota

**Topic:** The Dorians and the Fur Trade

**Overview of tomorrow:** Stan Spencer, view DVD

##### ***Saturday Morning***

Free complimentary breakfast at the hotel for guests

9:00 A.M. Business meeting in the hotel meeting room

10:00 A.M.-Noon Tour Historic Old Mill Creek State Park (1700s sawmill) three miles east on US 23

Admission: \$7.00-8.00 range  
231-436-4100

[www.mackinacparks.com](http://www.mackinacparks.com)

##### ***Saturday Afternoon***

12:00-1:30 P.M. Lunch on your own

2:00-4:00 P.M. Tour Colonial Fort Michilimackinac Park under the Mackinac Bridge

Admission: \$10.00-11.00 range

231-436-4100

[www.mackinacparks.com](http://www.mackinacparks.com)

##### ***Saturday Evening***

6:00 P.M. Dinner at Audie's Restaurant

\$5.00-15.00 range

314 N. Nicolet

Mackinaw City, Michigan 49701

231-436-5744

[www.audies.com](http://www.audies.com)

8:00 P.M. R&R back in the hotel meeting room "Far Horizons" for a prize!

##### ***Sunday (May 15): Optional Post Trip #1***

Take ferry of your choice to Mackinac Island.

Spend the day on the island visiting Fort Mackinac and other sites, bicycling, carriage riding, eating fudge, etc.

##### ***Monday (May 16): Optional Post Trip #2***

Spend the day at the very rustic and humble Spencer cottage in northern Michigan on Intermediate Lake in Antrim County located between the towns of Central Lake and Bellaire. Pontoon Intermediate Lake and learn the history and ecology of the area from your guides and hosts, ORC members Stan and Nancy Spencer. Numerous lodges and resorts are located within ten miles (i.e. Shanty Creek) and would probably offer good deals for off-season visitors.

##### ***Tuesday (May 17): Optional Post Trip #3***

Enjoy a personalized guided tour of Sleeping Bear National Lakeshore. Your hosts will be ORC members Doug and Margaret Wozniak from Beulah, Michigan, in Benzie County. The tour will begin and end at their home. A Best Western motel is located in the area.

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[Clark]

Fort Mandan  
6th November Tuesday 1804

last night late we wer awoke by the Sergeant of the Guard to See a nothern light, which was light not red, and appeared to Darken and Some times nearly obscured, many times appeared in light Streaks, and at other times a great Space light & containing floating Collomns which appeared opposite each other & retreat leaving the lighter Space at no time of the Same appearance

This morning I rose a Day light the Clouds to the North appeared black at 8 oClock the [wind] begun to blow hard from the N W. and Cold, and Continud all Day Mr. Jo Gravin our ricare interpreter *Paul premor*, *Lajuness* & 2 french Boys, who Came with us, Set out in a Small perogue, on their return to the ricaree nation & the Illinois, Mr. Gravin has instructions to take on the recarees in the Spring &c.— Continue to build the huts, out of Cotton Timber, &c. this being the only timber we have.—

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. Lewis and Clark at Cumberland Gap LCTHF Regional Meeting, November 5-7, 2010. For flyer and registration form go to <http://www.lewisandclark.org/node/12> or contact Lorna Hainesworth, [lornament@comcast.net](mailto:lornament@comcast.net)
2. Mackinaw Spring Chapter Meeting, May 13-15, 2011—See details inside, [spencer6845@yahoo.com](mailto:spencer6845@yahoo.com)
3. 2011 LCTHF Annual Meeting—First Encounters—Omaha, NE & Council Bluffs, IA Metro Area, July 30—August 3, 2011. Email [mouthoftheplatte@cox.net](mailto:mouthoftheplatte@cox.net) for more information
4. 2012 LCTHF Annual Meeting—“Nine young Men—Celebrating the Life of Sergeant Floyd, Clarksville, IN, July 29—August 1, 2010, Contact [tourism@sunnysideoflouisville.org](mailto:tourism@sunnysideoflouisville.org)

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