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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

I write this after returning from the LCTHF annual meeting in Richland, Washington. As usual, lectures and field trips were outstanding. Some highlights: I learned that the geological features of the Columbia River are a result of the Ice Age floods of ancient lakes Missoula and Bonneville. I also learned how the Lewis and Clark story has been used in an integrated curriculum to motivate students. I found a new explorer, naturalist David Douglas. I want to learn more about him. I also learned about the close relationship between the journals of Captain James Cook's expeditions and the Lewis and Clark journals.

The Tamastlikt Cultural Institute in Umatilla, Oregon, hosted a delightful field trip. The institute displays the culture of the Cayuse, the Umatilla, and the Walla Walla affiliated tribes. Exhibits are phenomenal. I especially enjoyed a temporary display on wolves—the Arctic, the Southwestern/Mexican, the red, the grey, and their cousin, coyote. The coyote is displayed because it often interbreeds with the red wolf. These specimen mounts were among the most beautiful things I have ever seen. I couldn't take my eyes off the sheen of the pure white hair on the Arctic wolf. Tribal members were at different stations throughout the museum to teach us about their foods, leatherwork, languages, and horses. Various tule reed teepees graced the grounds. There was an additional program on raptors, with a live display of the Peregrine falcon, red-tail hawk, barn owl, and great horned owl.

When attending the chapter officers' meeting, I learned four things of interest to our chapter:

Foundation board member Phillippa Newfield is drafting a handbook for annual meeting planners. When I receive it, I will forward it to those of you who have had such experience, and ask you to give concrete suggestions to Phillippa. Our chapter has a wealth of information that can be passed on to others.

The National Park Service Volunteer Coordinator, Nicole McHenry, has developed a method by which individuals can report their volunteer hours directly to her at any time. This may be helpful to those of you who spend many hours planning and researching meetings, writing grants, or doing outreach work.

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You could send in your hours on a weekly or monthly basis. If you would like to have access to this NPS portal, contact Nicole at Nicole_McHenry@nps.gov. (That's an underscore between her first and last names.) I will ask for access so that I can submit any hours that chapter members have not submitted individually. In October I will ask for your unreported hours for the year.

The foundation's 50th anniversary of annual meetings is coming up in 2018. The national office is looking for any ideas for commemorating this milestone. Perhaps we can have a brainstorming session on this at a future meeting. Also, the office is looking for a more descriptive name to replace "annual meeting." Any ideas?

The LCTHF Webmaster, Kris Townsend, keeps a calendar of all national and chapter meetings and events. Chuck Crase has agreed to forward our events to Kris for inclusion on that calendar. This is an additional way to publicize our activities.

Congratulations to Richard Hennings for being elected to the Communications Officer position for our chapter and to Jerry Wilson for his election to the LCTHF board of directors!

Hoping to meet you at Fort Southwest Point in October, I remain

Margaret Wozniak
Your Humble Servant and President

Since the date of our spring meeting is not yet established, and we have our election of officers at the spring meeting, **I ask anyone interested in serving on the Nominating Committee to contact me.** (Our by-laws state that the committee shall be appointed in March, but that may be too late.) Margaret Wozniak

Lewis and Clark are Global

At the end of June this year, Sandy and I were in Clarksville, IN for their Clark Days Celebration. Owing in large part to the dark skies and the threat of storms in the area, attendance was poor. One person that did stop by we found to be most interesting. His name is Adaur Pickarski and he had traveled to this country from Pydgoszcz City, Poland specifically to view the Lewis & Clark Trail. His timing was such that he just happened to be in Clarksville at the right time. We had quite a long conversation with him about Lewis & Clark. He had many questions about our display and took several pictures. The two of us were amazed to learn that there is quite a bit of interest in Lewis & Clark in the area where he lives...so much so that they get together once a month to talk about the Expedition.

The fame of these brave explorers has truly spread worldwide.

Rich Hennings

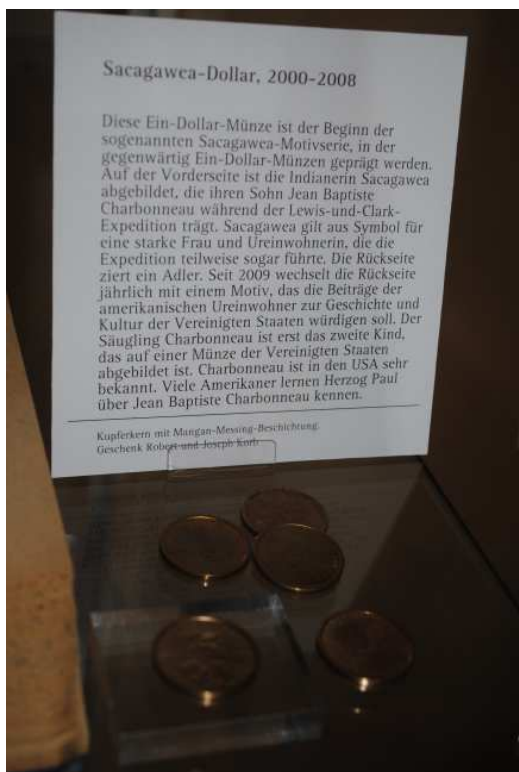
From the first meeting of the Ohio River Chapter of the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) we have always had an expansive view of the Lewis and Clark Story and a complete Trail. The chapter stepped up and lobbied Congress to secure a desirability and feasibility study then organized public hearings to launch the study in 2010. Members of the chapter cover a large geographic portion of the U.S. to go along with the broad view.

In keeping with that expansive view, my family and I had the distinct pleasure of traveling to Germany this summer for a family event, our son's wedding. However, before the wedding festivities started we had two day of travel to Bad Mergentheim and Neuwid to visit sites that are prominent in the Lewis and Clark Story. I'm confident that friends of Lewis and Clark will remember that Jean Baptiste Charbonneau traveled to Wurttemberg with Prince Paul Wilhelm in 1824 after Paul's first tour of the Missouri River country.

The Deutschorden Museum has a permanent display devoted to Paul Wilhelm Duke of Wurttemberg in the castle owned by his family. Displays reference Jean Baptiste and Sacagawea among items collected by Duke Paul. The museum staff and Executive Director was



extremely pleased that we visited their museum and recognized the significance of Duke Paul in the early exploration of the western U. S. A.



In addition to the permanent exhibit, they had a temporary exhibit dedicated to the Tribal People of the U. S. Plains. A very large display of Tribal artifacts included clothing, art and daily utensils were presented along with North American animals and birds describe by Duke Paul. Time constraints prevented us from traveling to Stuttgart to see other museums having Paul Wilhelm's massive collections. To learn more about Duke Paul, I urge you to read "Paul Wilhelm, Duke of Wurtteburg, Travels in North America 1822-1824" by Nitske & Lottinville, U. of OK Press 1973.

The visit to the Rhine River community of Neuwied was just as interesting but without a tour of the Maximilian Castle. The castle remains a private residence, yet there is a possibility of a tour if previously arranged.

Cultural heritage tourism is a significant portion of the German economy and heavily impacts the preservation of their culture and historic buildings—a lesson for us in our efforts to preserve the Lewis and Clark Story and the coast-to-coast trail.

Everyone who learns the classic story of Lewis and Clark may not necessarily become a devoted scholar, but the story and LCNHT will be more easily protected because of their interest. Cultural heritage tourism is worthy of our time and interest.

The Lewis and Clark Story continues to have a positive impact on our World today.

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**Ohio River Chapter
August 4, 2014 @ Annual Meeting
Richland, Washington**

The summer meeting of the Ohio River Chapter was called to order by President Margaret Wozniak.

President Wozniak decided to forgo the opening reading due to the lateness of the hour. She did praise all who were able to make the trip to Richland, Washington to attend the annual meeting.

Vice President Chuck Crase gave an update on the regional meeting at Fort Southwest Point in Kingston, Tennessee. He gave an outline of the meeting and stated that an email concerning side trips will be sent to all those who have signed up to attend the meeting.

The minutes from the previous meeting were not read since they had been printed in the latest edition of the newsletter. Jerry Wilson made one correction to the report regarding the 2016 Annual Meeting in Harpers Ferry. The minutes should read that The Harpers Ferry National Park and the Harpers Ferry Historical Association, (these being two different groups rather than grouping them as one) and West Virginia Tourism have given their full support to this meeting. Minutes were approved as corrected.

President Wozniak gave the Treasurer report, which was sent to her by Treasurer Skip Jackson. He reported \$3,912.41 in unrestricted funds and \$3,257.12 in restricted funds, \$2,988.92 of which is Stewardship grant money for the Eastern Legacy Signage Project.

The Communications Officer's report was sent in by Lorna Hainesworth. She thanked members for all their contributions and cooperation given her over the past five years. She also stated

that the last issue of the newsletter that she will produce will be in mid-August. The new communications officer will produce the winter newsletter.

Doug Wozniak gave the report of the nominating committee. He reported that Richard Hennings had been submitted as a candidate for Communications Officer. Doug made a motion that Richard Hennings be accepted as the new Communications Officer. The motion was seconded by Jerry Wilson, was voted, and passed.

Jerry Wilson gave an update on the 2016 annual meeting to be held in Harpers Ferry. He reported that the meeting is being planned by a committee rather than a chapter. The speakers have been set and the committee is working to determine the meeting site hotel. The National Park Service, the Harpers Ferry Historical Association and West Virginia Tourism have been very helpful and supportive during the planning of this meeting.

Janice Wilson reported on the Wellness program. She stated that the program finished with 12 teams. Incentive prizes for those participating in the 2014-2015 program will be a cinch sack printed with the challenge logo. Janice had an example to show the chapter. Janice also announced that 3 new teams had expressed serious interest in participating in the program and one team had already turned in their registration form. Janice and Jerry expressed their thanks to the chapter for their support of the program and also their appreciation to Philippa Newfield for thanking the chapter at the foundation awards luncheon.

Margaret Wozniak submitted an update on the Eastern Legacy signage project, which had been sent by Paige Cruz. Paige stated that the project has been very successful so far and that the project committee has received excellent participation and support. A copy of the full report will be filed in the secretary notebook.

President Wozniak gave a report on the Foundation meeting of chapter officers. She reminded everyone to continue to keep track of their volunteer hours. These hours can now be reported on a national Park Service website. Individuals can get an account and log in volunteer hours as they occur, or the chapter can have one person collect and submit hours for their chapter. President Wozniak said that hours could be sent to her and she would submit them this year. Hours must be sent to her by October 1.

President Wozniak also said that she had been sent the annual meeting handbook and will be sending it on to those in the chapter who are helping to plan annual meetings. She also informed everyone that the chapter can send any chapter events to Kris Townsend and he will post them on the Foundation website.

Janice Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jerry Wilson and was approved by all.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Wilson
Secretary

Passing the Baton

Welcome to Richard Hennings as the next Communications Officer for the Ohio River Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. This is a most challenging position and I am very confident that Rich is fully equal to that challenge. Thank you for all the assistance given to me in the past five years. It has been a pleasure to serve our members in this manner.

Lorna Hainesworth

Fort Southwest Point Regional Meeting

The Regional meeting at FSWP on October 16-19, 2014 in Kingston, TN is all set. Registrations are coming in and we have attendees signed up from coast to coast. It should be a really good meeting at a real Lewis and Clark site that neither the Foundation nor any Chapter has visited previously.

The schedule for the weekend has not changed. The pre-meeting tours on Friday are in Oak Ridge, TN at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory in the morning and at the American Museum of Science and Energy in the afternoon. Those attending the Friday Tours can stay Thursday night in Kingston at the Super 8 or any motel in Oak Ridge. It is a 30-minute drive from Kingston to Oak Ridge. Those that sign up for the Friday Tours will receive an email from me in late September with a specific tour schedule, instructions and directions.

Friday evening in Kingston will feature a buffet dinner at the Conference Center followed by an introductory lecture.

Saturday morning will be back at the Conference Center for a series of lectures on FSWP, the early trail connections, the soldiers recruited from FSWP, George Drouillard, and the connection to the Lewis and Clark Expedition. After a box lunch lakeside at the pavilion, we will move to the fort for the afternoon.

Saturday afternoon will feature tours of the fort, museum, and Cherokee Cabin. There will be interpreters, tour guides, and demonstrations. Trent Strickland of the Carolina Chapter received a Trail Stewardship Grant to install signage at the Fort explaining FSWP's connection to the Lewis and Clark Expedition. There will also be a ceremony dedicating this signage at the Fort commemorating FSWP's contributions to the Lewis and Clark Expedition and honoring the soldiers recruited from FSWP.

Saturday evening will be back to the Conference Center for dinner and a closing slide presentation on the Eastern Legacy.

Sunday morning is reserved for chapter meetings.

The post-meeting Fort Loudoun Tour will leave after the chapter meetings. The drive is about 30-40 minutes. We will have a park ranger as a tour guide. Specific Tour times and directions will be passed out to those going to Fort Loudoun at the meeting. This is a really great tour site, a complete reconstruction, knowledgeable and helpful staff, and I encourage everyone to try and attend.

See the registration form on the next page for you to complete and return to me.

Do not forget that the Great Smoky Mountains National Park is close by and its foliage should be at its peak fall colors. If you have not visited, you should consider scheduling at least a drive through.

See everyone in Kingston/Chuck Crase/VP-ORC-LCTHF

REGISTRATION FORM

FORT SOUTHWEST POINT REGIONAL MEETING, KINGSTON, TN, OCTOBER 17-19, 2014

Mail this completed form and your check made payable to "The Ohio River Chapter" to:

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FILL IN YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION:

Names _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Phone Home _____ Mobile _____
Home Chapter _____ Email _____

REGISTRATION FEES: Be sure to indicate below if you **ARE (Yes)** or **ARE NOT (No)** attending a tour:

Community Center _____ No Charge
Friday Evening Buffet, Conference Center __ \$ 24.00 __ per person.....\$ _____
Saturday Box Lunch/Buffer, Pavilion _____ \$ 11.00 __ per person.....\$ _____
Fort Southwest Point Admission Fee _____ No Charge
FSWP Museum Admission Fee _____ No Charge
Saturday Evening Buffet Dinner _____ \$ 31.00 __ per person.....\$ _____

Pre Meeting Tour-Oak Ridge Nation Laboratory-----NO CHARGE

I will attend **Yes** ___ **No** ___

Pre Meeting Tour-American Museum of Science and Energy, Oak Ridge, TN

I will attend **Yes** ___ **No** ___ \$ 4/per person.....\$ _____

Post Meeting Tour-Fort Loudon-----NO CHARGE

I will attend **Yes** ___ **No** ___

FSWP/LCTHF Logo Tee Shirt, preorder now\$12 each.....\$ _____

Indicate Size __ M ___ L ___ XL ___ XXL ___

TOTAL _____ \$ _____

HOTEL RESERVATIONS:

Make your own reservation at Super 8 Hotel Kingston, 865-376-4965, and ask for the "Lewis and Clark Block". Rooms are \$50.88 plus taxes per night, continental breakfast included.

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See On The Ohio
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For further details on the meeting at Fort Southwest Point.

Buying a watch in 1880...

If you were in the market for a watch in 1880, would you know where to get one?

You would go to a store, right?

Well, of course you could do that, but if you wanted one that was cheaper and a bit better than most of the store watches, you went to the train station!

Sound a bit funny?

Well, for about 500 towns across the northern United States, that's where the best watches were found. Why were the best watches found at the train station?

The railroad company wasn't selling the watches, not at all.

The telegraph operator was.

Most of the time the telegraph operator was located in the railroad station because the telegraph lines followed the railroad tracks from town to town.

It was usually the shortest distance and the right-of-ways had already been secured for the rail line.

Most of the station agents were also skilled telegraph operators and that was the primary way that they communicated with the railroad.

They would know when trains left the previous station and when they were due at their next station.

And it was the telegraph operator who had the watches.

As a matter of fact, they sold more of them than almost all the stores combined for a period of about 9 years.

This was all arranged by "Richard," who was a telegraph operator himself.

He was on duty in the North Redwood, Minnesota train station one day when a load of watches arrived from the East.

It was a huge crate of pocket watches. No one ever came to claim them.

So Richard sent a telegram to the manufacturer and asked them what they wanted to do with the watches.

The manufacturer didn't want to pay the freight back, so they wired Richard to see if he could sell them.

So Richard did.

He sent a wire to every agent in the system asking them if they wanted a cheap, but good, pocket watch.

He sold the entire case in less than two days and at a handsome profit.

That started it all.

He ordered more watches from the watch company and encouraged the telegraph operators to set up a display case in the station offering high quality watches for a cheap price to all the travelers.

It worked!

It didn't take long for the word to spread and, before long; people other than travelers came to the train station to buy watches.

Richard became so busy that he had to hire a professional watchmaker to help him with the orders.

That was Alvah.

And the rest is history as they say.

The business took off and soon expanded to many other lines of dry goods.

Richard and Alvah left the train station and moved their company to Chicago -- and it's still there.

YES, IT'S A LITTLE KNOWN FACT that for a while in the 1880's, the biggest watch retailer in the country was at the train station.

It all started with a telegraph operator: **Richard Sears** and his partner **Alvah Roebuck!**

**Bet You Didn't Know That!!!
Now that's History!!!!**

ADVENTURES ON THE LEWIS AND CLARK TRAIL

By Jerry Wilson

I normally do not like to place photos of myself in a newsletter, but I just could not resist doing so for this article. Janice and I spent two weeks exploring parts of the Lewis and Clark Trail in Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon as well as attending the LCTHF Annual Meeting in Richland, Washington. We were able to visit or revisit many sites. However, there are two that stand out and are worth the photos.

I know that most, if not all Ohio River Chapter members have climbed the Lemhi Pass from either Montana to Idaho

or from Idaho to Montana. We were very fortunate (Camp Fortunate?) to have a beautiful day with very little traffic for the entire route. Once to the head of Trail Creek, like Lewis we had reached "the most distant fountain of the mighty Missouri." And how could we not do as Private McNeal and "exultingly stood with a foot on each side of this little rivulet and thanked God to had lived to bestride the mighty and heretofore deemed endless Missouri."

Now, I believe Janice and I "discovered" a Lewis and Clark site that no one else in the chapter has seen (unless Bob Anderson camped there with DESC). We were headed east on US 12 and made the necessary stop at the Lolo Pass Visitors Center. We had planned for about a 30-minute picnic/restroom break, but

ended staying for close to three hours. As we talked to the ranger she mentioned a new (this Spring) trail that had just opened. The Glade Creek Camp Trail was about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile from the center, and we loved every step of it. If any other chapter members have seen the sight, please let me know. We can compare notes on the beauty of this pristine location.

Please take a close look at the photos, and if you do not wish to look at Janice and me, check out the trail scenery in the background.



ORC Upcoming Meetings

Fall 2014: Fort South West Point
Kingston, TN (October 17, 18, 19)

Spring 2015: Berea, KY
Lewis & Clark on Wilderness Trail
(Exact Dates TBA)

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Ohio River Chapter Members

If you have not yet paid your dues, write a check in the amount of \$10.00 per person/\$15.00 per family made payable to Ohio River Chapter.



Lewis and Clark Wellness Challenge

The wellness program completed another successful year. The program ended June 30, finishing with 12 teams. Each participant received a specially designed challenge program bookmark. (New participants could choose to receive a challenge lapel pin or hiking medallion.) The top three teams were announced at the Awards Luncheon during the annual meeting in Richland, Washington. Team members on these teams were awarded a certificate. "Ocian in View" team from California finished in first place, "Mouth of the Platte 2" finished in second place and "Tromp for Pomp" from Washington finished in third place. The Ohio River Mile trackers, although they did not receive a certificate, did finish in fourth place less than 200 points behind the third place team.

Comments made by the participants indicated that they enjoyed the program and felt it was worthwhile. Board member, Phillippa Newfield, thank the Ohio River Chapter for their support of this foundation program during the Awards Luncheon. Many people expressed an interest in participating in the program in the upcoming year and one new team has already turned in their registration form.

Jerry and Janice Wilson led two wellness walks during the meeting, with eleven people participating on the first day and fourteen on the second day. (See photo on Foundation's Facebook page.) It was very encouraging to hear positive comments and to see the excitement of the participants.

From the Journals

October 19, 1805

Saturday October 19, 1805

[Clark]

The great chief *Yel-lep-pet* two other chiefs, and a Chief of Band below presented themselves to us very early this morning. we Smoked with them, enformed them ... of our friendly intentions towards our red children Perticular those who opened their ears to our Councils. we gave a Medal, a Handkercheif & a string of Wompom to *Yelleppit* and a String of wompom to each of the others. *Yelleppit* is a bold handsom Indian, with a dignified countenance about 35 years of age, about 5 feet 8 inches high and well perpotiond. he requested us to delay untill the Middle of the day, that his people might Come down and See us, we excused our Selves and promised to Stay with him one or 2 days on our return which appeared to Satisfy him— Set my Self on a rock and made Signs to the men to come and Smoke with me not one Come out untill the Canoes arrived with □ Some five Came out of each Lodge and Set by me and Smoked Capt Lewis at □ the 2 Chiefs, one of whom spoke aloud, and as was their Custom to all we had passed the Indians came out & Set by me and Smoked They said we came from the clouds &c &c □ which the □ and were not men &c. &c. this time Capt. Lewis came down with the Canoes rear in which the Indians, as Soon as they Saw the Squar wife of the interpertrs □ wife □ they pointed to her and informed those who continued yet in the Same position I first found them, they imediately all came out and appeared to assume new life, the sight of This Indian woman, wife to one of our interprs. confirmed those people of our friendly intentions, as no woman ever accompanias a war party of Indians in this quarter— Capt Lewis joined us and we Smoked with those people in the greatest friendship, dureing which time one of our Old Chiefs informed them who we were from whence we Came and where we were going giveing them a friendly account of us, those people do not Speak prosisely the Same language of those above but understand them, I Saw Several Horses and persons on hors back in the plains many of the men womin and children Came up from the Lodges below; all of them appeared pleased to See us, we traded some fiew articles for fish and berries, Dined, and proceeded on passed a Small rapid and 15 Lodges below the five, and Encamped below an Island Close under the Lard Side, nearly opposit to 24 Lodges on an Island near the middle of the river, and the Main Stard Shor

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