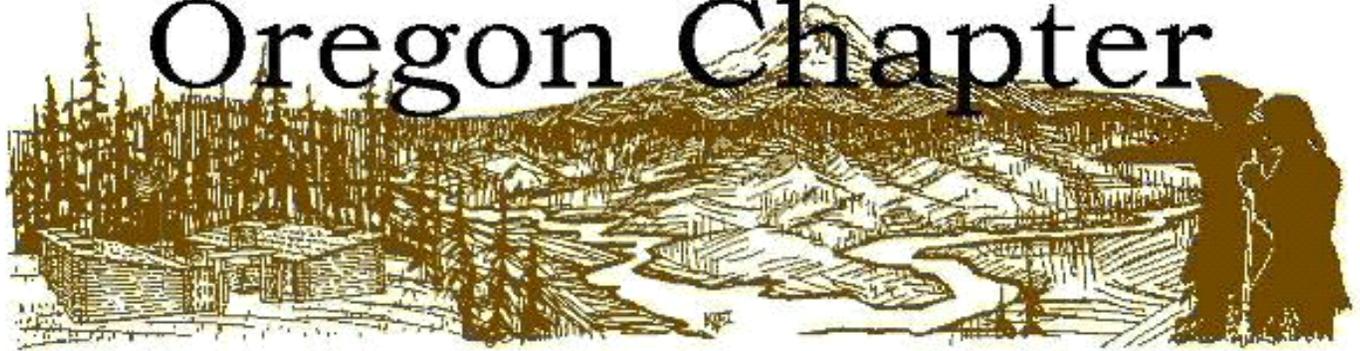


Oregon Chapter



Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

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President's Corner



Dear Chapter Members,

Thank you for your enthusiastic support of our organization and our mission. As you read this newsletter, you will see several articles which recall the national organization's motto, "Keepers of the Story... Stewards of the Trail..." Last year's activities were well-balanced between both goals.

Chapter members provided interpretation for the public on special Lewis & Clark-themed stern-wheeler cruises, our annual Canoe paddle on the Columbia, and at the Seaport Celebration in August.

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Chapter Launches Speakers Bureau

The Chapter has created a speakers bureau to help share members' expertise with the public.



Roger Wendlick interprets George Drouillard to school groups and tours.

Many groups are hungry to learn about L&C, and appreciate access to our experts and their wealth of information about L&C and related topics.

We've posted a page on our website with name, background, expertise/topics, specialty/props, preferred audience, geographic range, availability, and contact information for an initial group of chapter speakers.

Check out the speakers bureau page and refer it to groups and schools seeking



Dr. Albert Furtwangler offers informal talks pursuing questions of value: Why L&C matter—in this region, in early American history, and in the clash of empires in the North Pacific.

speakers. Also, please consider joining in—we would appreciate adding you name. Contact Ted.Kaye@or-lcthf.org.

<http://or-lcthf.org/Speakers/>





Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum in McMinnville tucks a fun Lewis & Clark diorama into its mezzanine-level firearms collection display. In it, the Captains and Sacagawea approach the Pacific.

Did You Know?

Oregon Chapter member **Mary Bratton Burtis**, who lives in S.E. Portland, is a direct descendant of William Bratton, one of Clark's "young men of Kentucky". She laments that most of the family stories about him have not come down to her.

Oregon Chapter Name Badges

Send \$15 and your name (as you want it to appear) to **Dick Hohnbaum**, 6916 Wheatland Lane N., Keizer, OR 97303



CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

EXPLORE MORE!

Thelma Haggemiller and **Lyn Trainer** lead **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 that time.

Watch this newsletter, your mail, your e-mail, and especially the chapter website for more information and details.



Debbie Kaye throws a tomahawk under the expert tutelage of **Roger Wendlick** at our recent Rooster Rock picnic.

Chapter Bylaws Updated

Members approved an update to the Chapter's bylaws at our annual meeting on December 6.

The update made minor housekeeping upgrades with no substantive changes. It brought us into conformance with

the national Foundation, and reflected the current meeting/event program of the Chapter.

To see the current bylaws reflecting the update, visit the chapter website:

<http://or-lcthf.org/Publications/Bylaws.html>.



Chapter members share a dinner and participate in a short but effective annual meeting at the Heritage Museum in Ilwaco.

2015 Chapter Events — Check the Website!

Feb. 21, 2-5: Tour Mike Carrick's pre-eminent L&C-era weaponry collection, Salem.

Mar. 15, 2-5: L&C—the Army Story, with Lt. Col. Alisha Hamel, Camp Withycombe. \$5 donation requested.

Apr. 11: Aero Museum in Hood River, tour local L&C sites, dinner at pFriem Family Brewers (Wash. Chapter Event).

June/July: Annual Columbia River Canoe/Kayak Paddle, Skamokawa, Washington.

Aug. 1-5: Nat'l Foundation meeting (KC, MO).

Aug. 15: Seaport Celebration, Terminal 4, Port of Portland.

Aug. 23: Potluck picnic with Gary Moulton at Fort Clatsop.



Chapter Spurs Rock Fort Plaque Repair Chapter Board

The supporting stone-work for the historic brass plaque at L&C’s Rock Fort site was vandalized in June, perhaps by metal-seeking scavengers. Thanks in part to **Roger Wendlick**, who discovered the damage, and **Glen Kirkpatrick**, who contacted the right folks in ODOT and the City of The Dalles Public Works, it was tidily repaired by September.

The plaque, a historic artifact in its own right, was placed in 1977 as part of the U.S. bicentennial celebrations.

The Rock Fort is on the river side of Bargeway Road in The Dalles, near Lewis & Clark Festival Park. Other historical markers there—some placed by LCBO—help interpret the story of Lewis & Clark and the native peoples they encountered.



The Rock Fort plaque in The Dalles—repaired by September.

President’s Corner ... continued

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Members of our new speakers bureau were in demand, presenting Lewis & Clark educational programs around the state.

We were very active in trail stewardship last year, identifying historic sites in need of protection or repair, providing support to individuals and groups, and developing projects for trail interpretation. With the Washington chapter, we are pressing the BPA to avoid destroying sacred tribal sites threatened by the Big Eddy-Knight transmission project. We alerted city officials in The Dalles to vandalism at

Rock Fort, and we have written letters of support for a PNW Lewis & Clark Trail travel brochure and to help the Friends of the Pacific Crest Trail do an engineering study of the Bridge of the Gods to make a safer crossing for hikers and horses.

Outgoing board member **Tom Wilson** contributed greatly to both goals this past year. As a Fort Clatsop ranger, he tells the story daily to park visitors, yet his enthusiasm never dims. He devoted a significant amount of time to bringing together community partners and working on our proposal for a bench and interpretive sign about the Corps’ stay at Tongue Point. I do not know how we could

Officers:

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- Glen Kirkpatrick, Vice Pres. ’16
- Ted Kaye, Secretary ’15
- Dick Hohnbaum, Treasurer ’16

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- Thelma Haggemiller ’16
- Mary Johnson ’15
- Ellie McClure ’17
- Steven McClure ’16
- Lyn Trainer ’16
- Roger Wendlick ’15
- Doug Erickson, *ex officio*
- Larry McClure, *ex officio*
- Scott Tucker, *ex officio*



Please contact **Mark Johnson** (e-mail address below) with interest in Chapter service.

find a more tireless and capable board member than Tom, but if you are interested in serving on our Chapter board, please let me know.

Finally, I am very pleased to announce that we have been awarded a \$6,300 grant for the Tongue Point interpretation project, thanks the efforts of our committee—**Tom Wilson, Lyn Trainer, Larry McClure**, and me. We anticipate installation in the fall, and will keep you posted on our progress and all opportunities to help.

Your most humble and obedient servant,
Mark Johnson
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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. We’re sending fewer postcards, so watch the website for updates.



Welcome new members:

- Jerry Aalfs
- Sue Crist-Aalfs
- Lil Banville
- Donna Brown
- Dave and Carol Dystra
- Larry Frei
- Larry Hudomint
- Diana Morimoto
- Ben Najera
- Shayna Olson
- Carol Powers
- Jerry and Lynn Roehl
- Gail Sunderland
- Dena Tuveng
- Bob Zimmerling

See the website for a full list of members.

National History Day L&C Prize

The national Foundation has established a \$1,000 prize for winning entries focused on an aspect the Corps of Discovery.

It is open to a student in each division and in any category. Please alert your young colleagues!
www.nhd.org.



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The ext National Meeting:
August 1-5, 2015 in Kansas City, Missouri
see www.lewisandclark.org

Please check your label and renew your membership if the "Exp. Date" is before 2015. Annual dues are \$10 for individuals, \$5 for students, & \$16 for households. Your prompt response will save your Chapter volunteers work and postage. Thank you!



2014 Holiday Dinner and L&C Events at the Mouth of the Columbia

Over Dec. 6-7, 30+ chapter members and guests enjoyed L&C tours, a fine potluck meal, and holiday camaraderie at the mouth of the Columbia River.

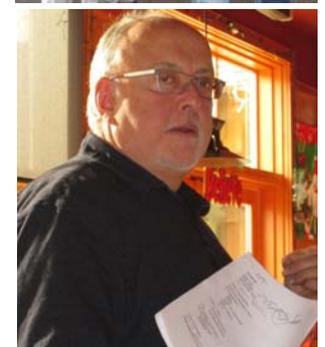
On Saturday, **Jim Sayce** of the Wash. State Historical Society led a school bus tour of L&C locations including Dismal Nitch. Then we shared a potluck dinner at the Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum, in Ilwaco, Washington.

Gloria Linkey spoke on "How Native American Women Helped L&C".

On Sunday, **Tom Wilson** and **Mark Johnson** presented the interpretation of the Salt Works at Seaside. We shared a lunch in Cannon Beach, with a talk by **Dick Basch**, Amer. Indian Liaison—L&C Nat'l Hist. Trail, on the NeCus' Village where Clark and party stayed during their visit to the whale. 



Jim Sayce,
Gloria Linkey



Tom Wilson & Mark Johnson,
Dick Basch