

# Oregon Chapter



Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

## May 2015

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## President's Corner



Dear Chapter Members,

I would like to thank several people for helping us begin 2015 with a series of excellent outings. Many thanks to **Mike and Bev Carrick** who opened their home to us for a close-up viewing of Mike's collection of rare and unusual arms, and a lively discussion about the Corps. We also enjoyed **Lt. Colonel Alisha Hamel's** Lewis & Clark presentation at Camp Withycombe.

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## Hood River-Area L&C Sites — April 2015

We recently joined the Washington Chapter for its Hood River jaunt. First stop: the Western Antique Aeroplane and Automobile Museum, an outstanding collection. Second stop: a Columbia River field trip to see Drano Lake/Little White Salmon River (10/29/05 campsite), Catherine Creek, Major Creek (4/14/06 campsite), Pilgrim Rocks, Memaloose Island (4/15/06 visit), and a view of the "good situation" at Mosier. Third stop: dinner at



The party heads up the river along the railroad tracks, toward the Corps' Major Creek campsite of April 14, 1806, approaching a Pilgrim Rock.

"Camp 1805" overlooking Hood River's waterfront. **Rob Heacock**, Washington's past president, provided excellent interpretation of the campsites, while

our own **Roger Wendlick** explained his identification of the Corps' alternate winter campsite, seen from the north side of the river.





An 1805-era U.S. flag announces that L&C folks are meeting: 15 stars & 15 stripes fly at the W.A.A.A.M.

## Amazon Smile

If you shop at Amazon.com, you can benefit the Chapter by going to “Smile” and selecting us.

Or use this link:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/41-2131496>

## 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.



Lt. Col. Alisha Hamel, of the Oregon National Guard and executive director of the Historical Outreach Foundation, briefs the chapter on L&C’s grizzlies—before heading to a Timbers game.

## Pomp’s Gravesite Planning Under Way

A plan is under development for the gravesite of Jean-Baptiste Charbonneau near Danner, Oregon.

A training workshop led by Laurie Heupel (formerly of NPS, now with USF&W) is convening a team of federal employees (in natural resources, interpretation, visitor services) to guide

them through developing a plan for the “care and feeding” of the site.

Roger Wendlick, our chapter’s project leader for the site, has shared its history since the late 1990s and shed some light on the ownership questions. For more info, contact Barb Kubik: [barbjkubik@gmail.com](mailto:barbjkubik@gmail.com)



Tributes to Pomp cover his grave marker. Many are U.S. dollar coins bearing his likeness (along with that of his mother, Sacagawea).

## 2015 Chapter Events — Check the Website!

June/July: Canoe Paddle. Port of Portland.

Summer: Work Party at Tongue Point. Aug. 23: Potluck picnic with Gary Moulton at Fort Clatsop.

Aug. 1-5: Nat’l Foundation meeting (KC, MO). Dec. 5: Holiday Potluck and annual meeting at

Aug. 15: Seaport Celebration, Terminal 4, Camas Community Center in Camas, Wash.

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



**Lower Columbia River Water Trail Signs Chapter Board**

Keith Hay would be so pleased! This spring the Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership is installing Lower Columbia River Water Trail signs at launch and landing sites along the lower Columbia River.

The signs will go up at sites from Beacon Rock, to the Port of Camas-Washougal, to the John Day Boat Ramp, to Netul Landing in Lewis & Clark National Historical Park. Each Water Trail sign is site-specific and includes the site name, river mile, and amenity icons.

For more information on this exciting project, visit: [www.estuarypartnership.org](http://www.estuarypartnership.org)



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

[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. We're sending fewer postcards, so watch the website for updates.



**President's Corner ... continued**

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I also wish to thank the outgoing Washington Chapter president, **Rob Heacock**, for his excellent leadership and friendship over the past several years, and to salute the publication of his book, *Wind Hard From the West: The Lewis & Clark Expedition on the Snake and Columbia Rivers*. It is available from [www.windhardfromthewest.com](http://www.windhardfromthewest.com) or [www.whftw.com](http://www.whftw.com).

I would like to welcome **John Orthman**, who succeeds Rob. John is a fellow member of the Pacific NW Living Historians, portraying Pvt.

Joseph Whitehouse. Together he and I will plan more regional events and trail stewardship projects in years to come.

Another past president of our chapter is making a transition. **Doug Erickson** was a founding member of our chapter's board in 1999, and served as our president 2003-05. I would like to wish Doug success in his new role as he assumes leadership of the West Linn Public Library. For 24 years at Lewis & Clark College he served as archivist and special collections librarian, overseeing the College's extensive holdings of Lewis & Clark material, including the

Anderson, Chuinard, Tweney, and Wendlick collections. All the best, Doug!

Finally, I am dismayed to report that the BPA's Big Eddy-Knight Transmission project is moving forward with plans that may destroy tribal cultural resources near Wishram, Wash., despite strong public opposition. I am told that this includes the cave that our members scouted last year on Robert Zornes' property.

Your most humble and obedient servant,

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Replica Peace Medals, in all three sizes carried by the Corps, welcome visitors to Mike Carrick's expansive collection of Lewis & Clark weaponry and related artifacts.



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The Next National Meeting:  
August 1-5, 2015 in Kansas City, Missouri  
see [www.lewisandclark.org](http://www.lewisandclark.org)



## Mike Carrick's Gun Collection — February 2015

Most chapter members know **Mike Carrick**, our 2005-2006 president, and know about his historic weapons collection, which includes a rare Girardoni air gun and other Lewis & Clark-era weapons.

Mike is a frequent and valued contributor to *We Proceeded On*, does frequent presentations about the L&C Expedition and its guns, and also writes about guns for other publications.

On February 21st, 15 members had a chance to peek inside Mike's extensive collection and learn about many special items in it. He showed one of every type of weapon carried by the Corps, including the swivel gun, various long guns, pistols, swords, tomahawk, and spontoon.

Mike and Beverly Carrick received us warmly for a very educational visit. We are grateful to them both.



Mike Carrick shows how Captain Meriwether Lewis would have supported a Harper's Ferry Rifle using his spontoon. Both items in his collection are period pieces, contemporaries with those actually carried by the Corps of Discovery. Looking on (but not in the line of fire) are John Orthmann, incoming president of the Washington Chapter, and John Scott, professor of history at Corban U.