

Title: Philadelphia Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation Records

Name of Creator: Philadelphia Chapter LCTHF, Frank Muhly

Inclusive Dates: 1992-2003

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Collection Number: AR 042

Name and Location of Repository:

William P. Sherman Library and Archives Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, Great Falls, MT

Access Restrictions:

The collection is open for use and housed at the LCTHF Head Office in Great Falls, Montana.

Language:

The contents of the collection are primarily English language documents.

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Biographical/Historical Note:

On October 12, 1995, the Philadelphia Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation was formed. Frank Muhly, founder, became a Lewis and Clark buff after he read *Two Captains West* by Albert and Jane Salisbury in 1952. After this reading, his family decided to road trip and camp the entire Lewis and Clark Trail. During his research, he discovered the plant specimens kept by Lewis were housed in his native Philadelphia. This discovery was followed by a visit with the curator of the Academy of Natural Sciences where the Herbarium is located. Frank and his wife joined the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation in 1974, the first year of publication of *We Proceeded On*. After enjoying the Lewis and Clark Trail with his family, Frank self-published *Historical Signboards on the Lewis and Clark Trail* advertising the publication in *We Proceeded On*. Frank served the Philadelphia Chapter as President, he served on the board of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, and he was volunteered by his wife to serve on Bob Doerk's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee as the Philadelphia Chairman. Up to 1992, not much was known about Meriwether Lewis' time in Philadelphia, but Frank and the Philadelphia Chapter recognized the important role Philadelphia played in the preparations for the expedition and at the conclusion of the expedition. They started research to identify sites important to the expedition and encouraged sites in non-trail states to be recognized as Certified Sites by the National Park Service. These efforts culminated with tours of 35 Lewis and

Clark related sites during the 2003 Bicentennial meeting of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation in Philadelphia. The chapter also was responsible for the production of three brochures with maps: *The Eastern Legacy of Lewis and Clark* produced in 2001, *Lewis and Clark in Historic Philadelphia* in 2002, and *Walk in the Footprints of Lewis and Clark in Philadelphia* in 2003. The Philadelphia Chapter worked tirelessly to support the LCTHF to lobby Congress in order to extend the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail to Philadelphia, which was finally accomplished in 2019. They also worked to educate and share the story of Lewis and Clark.

Scope and Contents: The collection contains the records and activities of the Philadelphia Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. It also contains an archival copy of the chapter website.

Arrangement: Materials have been left in their original arrangement with the exception of removals.

Acquisition Date: 2018

Acquisition Source: Anne Mackintosh, the last secretary of the chapter, sent in the records.

Processing Note:

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Related Materials:

Muhly, Frank. *Historic Signboards on the Lewis and Clark Trail*. Frank Muhly. 1976.

RG 003 Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation Organizational Records

AR 012 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Eastern Legacy and Bicentennial Records

AR 015 Bureau of Land Management Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Records

AR 026 National Council for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Records

AR 029 Minnesota Chapter Records

AR 031 Badger State Chapter Records

AR 035 Missouri Lewis and Clark Commission Materials Compiled by Gerald Lee

Separated Materials:

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Philadelphia Chapter Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation.

Eastern Legacy of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail.

Muhly, Frank.

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