



The Orderly Report

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Newsletter of the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

Dear (Contact First Name),

The LCTHF wishes all our members, partners, and friends a happy holiday and new year to come!



Christmas at Camp Dubois (photo by Michael Haynes)

To see more of Michael Haynes' artwork, please visit his web site at www.mhaynesart.com.

Introducing Mark Nelezen, Our Newest Board Member



Mark Nelezen's thirst for the Lewis and Clark story began 10 years ago, when he received "Undaunted Courage" for his 49th birthday. He told so many stories about "The Journey" at his workplace that one of his co-workers told him of a friend who belonged to a Lewis and Clark "club"

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\$50,000 in
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and suggested that Mark call her for more information. He attended the next Badger Chapter meeting, joined, and the rest is history. He even took his wife and two foreign exchange students to Fort Mandan while on a camping in the Dakotas several summers ago.

Mark retired from a 31-year career with the State of Wisconsin Department of Corrections, spending the last 20 years as a Probation/Parole Agent. He now enjoys attending many regional LCTHF meetings and has truly valued his interactions with so many people who share his passion for the Lewis and Clark story. Mark's wife Cindy and daughter Abi have been supportive of his travel jaunts, both with and without them. Mark said, "I am very grateful and truly humbled by my appointment to the Board of Directors of the LCTHF."

NPS Volunteer Hours

To facilitate the all-important reporting of volunteer hours logged by LCTHF members for work along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail, the National Park Service (NPS) has developed, under the direction of Volunteer Program Manager Nichole Mchenry, an online **Partner and Data Collection Portal**.

"Tracking volunteer hours along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail is critically important to the volunteer, the [NPS], and the [LCTHF]. One of the most important reasons for volunteers to keep a record of their hours is that the number of hours the NPS reports each year to Washington plays a crucial role in securing funds for the Trail's Volunteer Program. Reporting volunteer hours is also an effective way for volunteers to be recognized for their service to the Trail," Ms. Mchenry explained.

Individuals may report their own hours on a daily or weekly basis or one person in a chapter may make a monthly report of the hours for many or all of its members. To sign up to report your volunteer hours online, please contact Ms. Mchenry at nichole_mchenry@nps.gov.

LCTHF Award Nominations Due

Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation Award Nominations are due by April 10, 2013. If you would like to nominate someone for an award, please click on this link to learn more about the variety of awards available and to download nomination forms:

http://www.lewisandclark.org/LCTHF2/Foundation_Awards.html.

You may also contact Bob Gatten, Chairman of the Awards Committee, for more information at bob.gatten@gmail.com.

Meriwether Game Release Date November 2013

Meriwether Computer Game Release Set for November 2013. The object of Meriwether: A Lewis and Clark RPG for PC, Mac, and Linux, is for players to guide the Corps of Discovery to the Pacific and back while fulfilling all of Jefferson's goals for the Expedition. The Meriwether team--including "embedded" historian, Barb Kubik, and Advisory Board members Gary Moulton, Jay Buckley, and Larry



The Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation has awarded \$50,000 from the Bicentennial Trail Stewardship Endowment: A National Council of the Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial Legacy Project to the following ten Chapters: California, Encounters On The Prairie, Greater St. Louis Metro, Home Front, Jefferson River Canoe Trail, Missouri-Kansas River Bend, Mouth of the Platte, Portage Route, and Travelers' Rest.

Give the Gift of a LCTHF Gift Membership This Holiday Season!

For this holiday season, give the gift of Adventure! History! Friendship! Travel! **Give a gift membership to the LCTHF.** Your recipients will receive our print journal *We Proceeded On*; our e-newsletter *The Orderly Report*; updates on local, regional, and national meetings; access to the Sherman Library and Archives at LCTHF headquarters; and a 10% discount at the Portage Cache Store in the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Great Falls, MT. For easy and secure



McClure--has been working hard on the game and has made great strides. The projected release date of November 2013 is, by video-game development standards, NASCAR fast!

To reach this ambitious goal, the team has launched its Kickstarter campaign which will run until January 6. Kickstarter is a fundraising web site used by people all over the world to support artistic and entrepreneurial projects. The benefits of contributing through this site are that it is very user friendly and extremely secure (all financial transactions are handled through Amazon). Please click on <http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/meriwether/meriwether-an-american-epic> and help spread the word!

Chapter Roundup

Carolina Chapter Boy Scouts Earn Lewis and Clark Patches. More than 200 patches have been awarded thus far among nine LCTHF chapters. Trent Strickland, president of the Carolina Chapter, made the news in the *Richmond County Daily Journal*, when he awarded the Lewis and Clark patch to Boy Scout Zachary Gerald of Hamlet, NC, the first scout to earn the patch in their area. The Carolina Chapter patch was developed and designed by chapter members John Lipscomb and Dr Bob Cline. All LCTHF members are encouraged to contact their local Boy Scout troops to advise them of the availability of the patch and of the dates of the Annual Meeting in Bismarck, ND: July 27, 2013, to July 31, 2013.

Gates of the Mountain Chapter: *He Walked the Whole Trail.* Guy Gertsch will be at the Lewis and Clark Library in Helena, MT, on Monday, December 17, at 7 PM to describe walking the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail from Camp Dubois in Illinois to the Pacific Ocean, a journey that took him an entire year during 2004-05. His trek journal was published as *Following Lewis and Clark* by Pronghorn Press. Guy currently lives in Helena where he is employed by the Fort Harrison Veteran's Hospital as a Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist. The talk, sponsored by the Gates of the Mountains Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, is free and open to the public.

Oregon Chapter promotes Lewis and Clark: The Oregon Chapter has created a Lewis and Clark Bookmark to publicize their chapter and the LCTHF. Tom Wilson had the idea; Dick Hohnbaum and Ted Kaye wrote the text; and Gavin Anderson, the chapter's webmaster, did the design. The bookmarks, which cost \$120 for 5000, were printed by Overnightprints.com. The chapter is asking regional interpretive centers to put a bookmark in every book in their Lewis and Clark sections and invites other chapters to steal the idea. They will even provide the electronic InDesign template of their bookmark. Please contact Ted Kaye at tedk2005@aol.com for further information.

Portage Route Chapter: Two of Montana's outstanding Lewis and Clark historians have been selected for inclusion in that honored

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NPS Launches Tribal Legacy Web Site

The new Tribal Legacy web site was developed by Richard Basch, a member of the NPS Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail team stationed at the Fort Clatsop office. Mr Basch serves as the liaison with all of the tribes along the Trail. The web site features highlights from the Native American presentations at the Tent of Many Voices operated by the NPS during the Bicentennial. Mr. Basch may be reached at richard_basch@nps.gov and 503-861-4404. LCTHF chapter members are encouraged to contact Mr. Basch whenever they wish to secure tribal involvement in local projects.

It's 990 Time Again!

Just a friendly reminder to all Chapter Treasurers and Presidents: If your 990 is not already underway, please start preparing it now! It is due to be filed with the IRS no later than February 15, 2013.

There was confusion in the past regarding who needs to file a 990 under the LCTHF Chapter umbrella. The quick answer is EVERY chapter needs to file its own 990 to the IRS on or before the February 15, 2013 deadline. If you have any questions or concerns

group, **The Sherman Fellows**, this coming March. **Harry Mitchell** and **Bob Bergantino** have been tireless champions of Lewis and Clark history and heritage for many decades. They have been focused and resolute in providing energy to a multitude of projects without consideration for themselves. Their induction will take place during the **Annual Sherman Breakfast** on Saturday, March 16, 2013, at 9:00 AM at the Meadowlark Country Club in Great Falls. An excellent buffet breakfast will be served. Cost, including gratuity, is \$15.00 per person. For more information and to make reservations, please contact John England via e-mail john@england8.com or call him at 406-452-8794.

Upcoming Regional and National Meetings

A Limited Number of Spaces Are Still Available for the 2013 New Orleans Regional Meeting, sponsored by the Ohio River and Illini Chapters, highlighting the Lewis and Clark connections with people and events in the lower Mississippi valley. The **program** includes tours of the French Quarter (expect to walk a lot), a John James Audubon museum, and plantation homes along the River Road plus talks on local items from the Lewis and Clark era, a riverboat ride to the site of the 1815 Battle of New Orleans, and sampling of the renowned New Orleans cuisine. The meeting runs from **Thursday February 28 to Friday March 1** (cost: \$160.00) after an informational meeting on the evening of February 27. An additional **all-day field trip** is scheduled on Saturday March 2 for an additional \$130.00. Registrants may attend either part separately or both at a discounted cost of \$250.00. A very few discounted hotel rooms are still available at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside 504-561-0500. Questions? Please contact Lou Ritten lrritten01@yahoo.com; Lorna Hainesworth lornament@comcast.net; or Jerry Wilson wilsonjkw@yahoo.com.

Northwest Regional Meeting in Idaho on Memorial Day Weekend, 2013: Events include a catered dinner and evening campfire program at **Canoe Camp** near Orofino, ID, on Friday, May 24, and the Annual Camas Festival at the **Weippe Prairie** outside Weippe, ID, featuring special programs, vendors, a photo contest, and a fun run/walk on Saturday, May 25. After side trips to the Weippe Discovery Center and the **1805 meeting site**, Kris Townsend will lead a back-roads car caravan along the **route Lewis and Clark took to reach the Clearwater River**. The group will reassemble 40 miles downriver at Hells Gate State Park in Lewiston, ID, for a visit the Lewis and Clark Discovery Center and an evening campfire program. A jet boat ride to the **Ordway site in Hell's Canyon**, only the third public tour of this point along the Trail, is planned for Sunday, May 26, followed by an evening campfire program and wine tasting at Hells Gate State Park. Available accommodations include the Pink House Hole Campground and motels in Orofino; campgrounds and cabins in Hells Gate State Park; and motels in Lewiston and Clarkston, WA. For more information, please contact Steve Lee at lee99403@gmail.com or 509-780-2036. Space is limited on the jet boat ride.

LCTHF Annual Meeting to Highlight the Enlightenment:The theme of the 2013 Annual Meeting in Bismarck, ND, from July 27 to

regarding filing, please call Lindy Hatcher at 406-454-1234.

From the Director's Desk

This has been a busy fall at LCTHF! I would like to take the opportunity to give thanks to some people who make working here a joy. First, thanks to all of our Chapter Presidents for their Annual Reports, Grant Reports, Volunteer Hours, and for updating their Chapter officers and rosters. We know you have much to do at your own Chapters, and greatly appreciate the extra you give to the Foundation. We have accomplished a lot in a very short time and it is a pleasure working with all of you.

Another sincere thank you goes out to Don Peterson, our tireless and dedicated Administrative Assistant for his hard work this fall. I could not have done it without him! Don is like an agate - amazing on the inside and I want to make sure we give him the kudos he deserves.

Our Annual Appeal is currently underway. If you would like to help support the Foundation's work and mission, please click on [Join or Donate](#). We would be grateful to have your donation. The Foundation thanks those who have already donated and those who are considering us.


Kindly,
Lindy Hatcher

July 31 is the Enlightenment. The meeting, headquartered at the Best Western Ramkota Inn, will feature a program of lectures and panel discussions and field trips to the Fort Mandan recreation, the Knife River Indian Village site, and the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Washburn, ND. For more information, please click on [Annual Meeting](#) or e-mail David Borlaug, President of the Lewis and Clark Fort Mandan Foundation, at borlaug@fortmandan.org or Wendy Spencer, Vice President, at wspencer@fortmandan.org who are planning the Annual Meeting. Additional information will be forthcoming.

If you would like to include your Chapter's events and articles in our next issue, please e-mail your information to Don Peterson at york@lewisandclark.org by March 1, 2013, and put "TOR" in the Subject Line. Should you wish to update your e-mail address, click on Update Profile/Email Address below. We hope you enjoy this issue and look forward to hearing what you liked as well as what you want to see in the next issue of *The Orderly Report* due out in mid-March 2013. Lastly, be sure to check out our links below and above on the right.

Respectfully,
Your TOR Team: Philippa Newfield, Don Peterson, and Lindy Hatcher



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