

“Return to St. Louis” for the LCTHF’s 51st Annual Meeting from September 21 to 25, 2019.

Join us as we commemorate the 50th anniversary of the incorporation of the LCTHF, examine how the telling of the Lewis and Clark story has changed over time, discuss current scholarship within the field, learn about legacy projects, and participate in activities and panels about what it means to be the “Keepers of the Story and Stewards of the Trail.”

Hear noted scholar John Logan Allen deliver the Moulton Lecture, visit the new museum exhibits at the Gateway Arch and learn about the background research from the NPS historian, have a behind-the-scenes experience with L & C artifacts at the Missouri Historical Society, revisit “Lewis and Clark through Indian Eyes” with tribal scholars, and participate in a river cruise to the confluence of the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers, passing through the Mississippi lock system to gain insights into the changes to the river system since the time of Lewis and Clark.

Early bird registration for LCTHF members is \$375 (valid until July 31st) and includes four lunches, two banquets, daily transportation, evening activities and field trips. Register online at lewisandclark.org. Book your conference hotel rooms at Drury Inn & Suites



Forest Park (2 Queen Beds \$139 or Suites \$169), by calling 800-325-0720 group code 2312997 or visiting <https://www.druryhotels.com/bookandstay/newreservation/?groupno=2312997>. Conference rates include hot breakfast, evening receptions, WiFi and free parking.

Help Fund the Library! Our William P Sherman Library and Archives has three sources of income: 1) The annual release from the Shattuck Fund; 2) A cooperative agreement with the National Park Service to process archives; 3) Income from book sales and proceeds from the silent auction at the annual meeting. Here's where our members come in. You could: 1) Request our list of books currently available for sale from della@lewisandclark.org; 2) Drive a box of sales books (or several) from Great Falls to the St. Louis meeting in September; 3) Bring exciting items for the silent auction at the annual meeting in St. Louis; let us know in advance at library@lewisandclark.org. Thanks for your support! *Submitted by Sue Buchel, Library Volunteer*

As we honor activities and individuals that have shaped the foundation over time, we are interested in your thoughts about the most significant events and activities during the organization’s fifty-year history. Please share your stories with us. When did you first attend a Foundation annual meeting? What Lewis and Clark activity had the most profound impact on you? Please email or send your thoughts to: 51st Annual LCTHF Annual Meeting, c/o Karen Goering, Missouri Historical Society, PO Box 775460, Saint Louis, MO. 63177 or email to kgoering@mohistory.org.

Please donate Lewis and Clark-related books and memorabilia to support the LCTHF William P. Sherman Library and Archives through the silent and live auction. For the young at heart, consider joining the Katy Trail bike ride from September 16 to 20 with Larry Epstein as they trace the Corps of Discovery route in Missouri. Other pre and post activities are being added. *Submitted by Karen Goering*

LCTHF Regional Meeting in Phoenix hosted 40 LCTHF members who gathered to enjoy the area's cultural and historic sites after the LCTHF Board meeting on April 6, 2019. Mike Fox, museum director of Scottsdale's Museum of the West, welcomed the group and explained the museum's genesis and its mission. Tim Peterson, noted patron and collector of western art, then guided the group through his holdings in the exhibit entitled *Courage and Crossroads*.

Mr. Peterson explained his collecting philosophy: emphasize quality over quantity and tell a cohesive story through selective works of art. Tim detailed his relationship with several of the artists whose works grace the collection, including Charles Fritz. He owns the 100 paintings of scenes from the Lewis and Clark Expedition by Fritz currently on display at the Bass Pro Museum in Springfield, MO, until October of 2020. Over one million people have visited this collection, more than the other seven venues in which the exhibition has already appeared combined. For Tim, making these magnificent works of art available to more people, especially those perhaps not as familiar with Lewis and Clark, is the main

impetus for this traveling exhibit. Tim continued to talk about his collecting and fielded questions from the attendees after dinner.

On Sunday morning, a group of 18 toured Taliesin West, Frank Lloyd Wright's home and studio on the northern edge of the metro Phoenix area. The original Taliesin is in Spring Green, WI, Wright's native state. Other attendees visited the Musical Instrument Museum, rode ATVs in the desert, or toured the area. In the afternoon people visited Phoenix's Heard Museum of Indian and Western Art.



LCTHF members and friends at the Painted Rocks Pump marker

On Monday, 12 attendees visited the Basha Gallery, a private collection of western art assembled by Eddie Basha. Among the treasures are several John Clymer Lewis and Clark paintings and a collection of kachina dolls. A handful of diehards then drove west to the Painted Rocks Petroglyph Site at which the then-extant Arizona Chapter placed a historical marker delineating Jean Baptiste Charbonneau's passage through the region.

If you have not yet attended a LCTHF meeting, I would urge you to go to a regional meeting like this one. You are likely to make some new friends besides being steeped in the knowledge and insights our meetings always offer attendees. Attending meetings, whether our annual meeting or a regional meeting such as this one, is a big benefit of LCTHF membership. Avail yourself of this opportunity the next chance you get.

Submitted by Lou Ritten

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The LCTHF is saddened to report the passing of longtime member Darold William Jackson,

of St Charles, MO, on February 23, 2019, at the age of 83. Beloved husband of Helen (Mimi) Jackson for 56 years;

devoted father of Marie (Joseph) Brahm, Denise (Jeffrey) Ford, and Nancy Jackson; and loving grandfather of Trevor, Phillip, Melissa and Lucy, Darold received his chemical engineering degree at Northwestern University and a master's degree from Washington University. In his 43-year career at Monsanto Company, Darold's responsibilities ranged from manufacturing to information systems. He served as Director of Management Information Systems in Belgium and created Monsanto's Customer Service and Distribution System for Europe and Africa. Back in the United States, Darold became Director of Planning and Distribution Systems for Monsanto.

Passionate about Lewis and Clark, Darold and Mimi created the Lewis and Clark Center in St Charles in 1985 and worked for the 1989 certification of St Charles as an official site on the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail. In 1993 the LCTHF presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Darold and Mimi at the 25th Annual Meeting in Collinsville, IL. When Darold retired he became the first president of the Discovery Expedition of St Charles and furthered their use of life-sized replicas of the Lewis and Clark Expedition's boats to teach American history throughout the country. In 2003 Darold was instrumental in merging the Lewis and Clark Center and the Discovery Expedition of St. Charles to build the Lewis and Clark Boat House and Museum on the St Charles Riverfront. He had the further distinction of working with Jerry Garrett to recruit Karen Goering to join the LCTHF in the early 1990s.

George Washington had a surprising amount to do with the Lewis and Clark Expedition. He was in attendance at the Spring Meeting of the California Chapter of the LCTHF in Pasadena, CA, on May 4, 2019, to present the details as developed by Channing Hartelius, an

attorney in Great Falls, MT. Looking presidential in woolen period dress despite the warmth of the southern California afternoon, Washington talked of his relationship with Jefferson and presented evidence that he had considered sending an expedition to explore the West as early as 1793.

The connections Washington delineated with Lewis and Clark ranged from receiving help from Baron Von Steuben whose military manual was carried by the captains to sending soldiers to put down the Whiskey Rebellion among them Lewis where he came into contact with Clark. Washington quoted from his correspondence and writings to illustrate the impact that he had on Jefferson's thinking about expansion of the young United States. During the question period Washington elaborated on his family life with Martha and her children. It was an educational and thoroughly entertaining experience for everyone to learn something completely new and be able to do so in the presence of greatness.



Lewis and Clark plant specialist Wayne Phillips is welcomed

by (l to r) Portage Route

Chapter vice president Walt Walker, members John Toenyas, and Don Peterson, and Program Committee Chair Ida Johnson. Wayne's talk about plants collected along the Lewis and Clark Trail on April 9, 2019, at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Great Falls, was sponsored by the Portage Route Chapter of the LCTHF. *Photo by Norman Anderson*

Big Bone Lick State Historic Site and the Friends of Big Bone Celebrate Lewis and Clark. The site at 3380 Beaver Road in Union, KY, has long interpreted Lewis's 1803 visit and Clark's 1807 visit as part of their mandate. Now, with the extension of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail eastward along the Ohio River, Big Bone Lick is working to increase local awareness of Lewis and Clark.

The first of a three-part series of Lewis and Clark events was held on May 25, 2019. The three-hour program, free and open to the public, attracted 125 people. The staff demonstrated Lewis and Clark and other period items to educate the public about what Lewis and Clark brought on the expedition, what they saw, and what they brought



Lewis and Clark show-and-tell and period items at Big Bone Lick State Historic Site

back. The LCTHF thanks Property Manager Amelia Hulth, her staff, and Friends of Big Bone members Woody Schuster, Cindy Schuster, and Jerry Wilson for the time and energy they devoted to making Part One a success.

Part Two on Saturday June 29 will include a

“Lewis and Clark Hike.” Part Three on Saturday July 27 will feature a “Lewis and Clark Overnight Camp Out” and an appearance by Meriwether Lewis himself! *Submitted by Jerry Wilson*

“Weapons of the Corps of Discovery” exhibit at the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Center in Great Falls, MT, will open on July 4th 2019.

The program includes a midday hotdog BBQ and ice cream social sponsored by the Lewis and Clark Foundation and afternoon live-fire swivel gun demonstration, gun exhibit, ribbon cutting, and presentations by Michael Carrick and Darian Kath.

Michael will also display his air gun in the main lobby of the interpretive center and answer questions throughout the afternoon. The interpretive center will be “fee free” for the entire day and everyone is invited to join the fun.

Submitted by Duane Buchi

John Fisher is liquidating much of the most extensive collection of Lewis and Clark artifacts and natural science specimens ever assembled.

Some are offered at ten, twenty-five, fifty cents on the dollar, but most are free for shipping costs to re-enactors and those assembling L & C "Discovery Trunks"--specifically to those folks who have volunteered their time and money to spread the word about this historic expedition. Fifty to one hundred thousand dollars worth of items are yet to be dispersed, most in 2019, but some at a later date. This is your first, last, and best chance to create a "Discovery Trunk" from an expert who has provided thousands of items to schools across the country. Two decades of primary research have gone into extensive written interpretive materials which are available for most groups of items.

A photo inventory PDF is available listing almost all items, though some new ones are discovered every week. Email jwfisher1961@gmail.com for a copy. Email is the best way to contact me but you can call 208-276-3164 or mail requests to John Fisher, 25216 Arrow Highline Rd. Juliaetta ID 83535. *Submitted by John Fisher*

You may think you know Charlottesville, Virginia,

the site of the 2020 LCTHF annual meeting, August 2-5. You know it's the birthplace of Meriwether Lewis, and that it offers Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's self-designed home. You may realize that Charlottesville was William Clark's family home in the years before his birth. But the Home Front Chapter and the Lewis and Clark Exploratory Center board will welcome you to explore the parts you may not know.

Charlottesville is where “it all started,” the place you won't want to miss and to which we welcome you. Contact us at lcecvirginia@gmail.com with any questions. *Submitted by Sally Thomas, President, Lewis and Clark Exploratory Center*

Clarksville, IN, Hosts Media Event to Announce Eastern Extension of Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail.

A jubilant crowd of 300 people joined local media representatives on May 13, 2019, for the formal announcement of the extension of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail (LCNHT) from the Mississippi River eastward to Pittsburgh, PA. The event took place in Clarksville at the Falls of the Ohio Interpretive Center on the north bank of the Ohio River.

The day was breezy and bordering-on-chilly day with overcast skies and occasional sunshine. Cameron Clark, director of the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, and Paul Fetter, president of the Clarksville Town Council, welcomed everyone to the “Sunny Side of the Ohio.” The keelboat brought overland by the Discovery Expedition of St. Charles (DESC) added color and authenticity to the proceedings. LCTHF member Phyllis Yeager had worked last-minute magic in the lieutenant governor’s office to secure an escort by the Indiana State Police.



(l to r) Greg Pence, Bud Clark, Phyllis Yeager, Paul Fetter, Jim Keith, and Trey Hollingsworth.
Photo by Cindy Kannina

Congress was represented by the members who were instrumental in passing the bill that turned what was an NPS recommendation into the law of the land. Among them were Senator Todd Young (R-IN); an aide to Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY); Rep. Trey Hollingsworth, 9th IN Congressional District; Greg Pence, 6th IN District Congressman and Vice President Mike Pence’s brother; and Nicole Yates, aide to Rep. John Yarmouth, 3rd KY Congressional District. They all expressed support for the eastern extension and discussed its significance to the nation and the region. Indiana has now taken its place on the National Trails System map, the fiftieth and final state to do so.

Jim Keith, retired director of the Clark-Floyd Counties Convention & Tourism Bureau, thanked the many supporters who had made the extension possible. Bud Clark, three-times great grandson of William Clark and member the LCTHF Board of Directors and DESC, praised the partnerships and friendships formed by people on both sides of the Ohio. Mark Weekley, LCNHT superintendent, also referenced the partnerships as they will be vital to incorporating the 1200 miles of new trail into the current system. He expressed gratitude to the groups with whom he has worked and said he looks forward to continued cooperation.

Bud Clark and Jan Donelson as Meriwether Lewis recreated the famous handshake, memorialized in Carol Grende’s sculpture on the interpretive center grounds, to climax the event. After the ceremony, LCTHF Eastern Legacy Committee Members Mike Loesch and Paige Cruz, Lorraine Loesch, WPO Editor Clay Jenkinson, and LCTHF President Lou Ritten met with Superintendent Weekley and his team members Neal Bedlan, Dan Wiley, and Ashley Danielson.

The LCTHF committed to work with the National Park Service (NPS) and other partners to facilitate the seamless incorporation of the extension into the existing trail. We will also work with the Corps of Engineers on matters pertaining to the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. The LCTHF plans to assist the NPS with data collection, introduce all our long-time partners, and lend our on-the-ground expertise and local knowledge. We will inform tourist bureaus and chambers of commerce in the extension states of the new opportunities for travel and tourism. We will also advise on the placement of auto-tour route signage on both sides of the Ohio that will direct visitors to sites of interest.

We believe the extension of the trail and increased recognition of the Lewis and Clark story bode well for the nation, the states along the now-extended trail, and the LCTHF as we enter our next half-century. I urge all LCTHF members to assist in our effort to integrate and publicize the eastern trail extension. Let us proceed on in this endeavor together! *Submitted by Lou Ritten*

Lectures on the Expedition in Northern California. Long-time LCTHF member Mark Jordan, seen here in his costume as an early nineteenth-century mountain man, has been lecturing on Lewis and Clark at several locations in Northern California this spring. On Tuesday, May 14, he appeared at the Lake Park Residence in Oakland, delivering a ninety-minute overview of the expedition. In April, he lectured at the Blackhawk Museum in Danville. In October, he will begin teaching a six-week course on the expedition at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute in Berkeley. Contact information for the course is:

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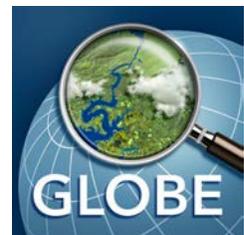
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photo by Bruce Muhlbardt

Hiking with Your Dog. You can always count on your dog to be ready, willing, and eager to hit the trail with you. Find places to hike with dogs along with gear your dog will need on the trail at the American Hiking Society website: <https://americanhiking.org>. Here are some “Petiquette” guidelines to bear in mind: 1. **Make sure that dogs are allowed** on the land where you will be hiking and obey any restrictions about areas that are off limits. 2. **Keep your dog on a leash** to keep your dog safe, protect other hikers, prevent your dog from chasing wildlife, and reduce the habitat damage when dogs run off the trail. 3. **Plan for your dog’s needs on the trail** by packing food, water, and accessories that will keep your dog energized, hydrated, and comfortable. Remember to pre-treat your dog with medication to prevent heartworm and insecticides to prevent flea and tick infestation. 4. **Clean up your dog’s waste.** 5. **Don’t assume that every hiker you meet on the trail will like your dog** and don’t assume that other dogs you might meet on the trail are friendly. 6. **Remember never to leave your dog in a closed vehicle.** *From American Hiking Society Paperless Trail*

The Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail is partnering with NASA GLOBE Observer on a summer citizen science campaign to document the land cover along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail using the GLOBE Observer app. Help NASA and the National Park Service collect scientific information to benefit the trail and NASA science. To learn more about GLOBE Observer, go to <https://observer.globe.gov/>.



The Lewis and Clark Trail staff also collaborated with NASA and the US Geological Survey to assemble a collection of satellite images tracing the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail. This unique story map, entitled *The Lewis and Clark Trail from Space*, highlights historic sites and significant points of interest along the Trail using Landsat 8 satellite imagery. To access the story map, visit <https://www.nps.gov/gis/storymaps/mapjournal/v2/index.html?appid=5de6c27936214e0dad7ec49b00632ffb>. Landsat 8, a Landsat program American Earth observation satellite launched on February 11, 2013, images the entire Earth every 16 days. The data from Landsat spacecraft constitute the longest record of the Earth’s continental surfaces as seen from space, a record unmatched in quality, detail, coverage, and value.

The LCTHF's Portage Route Chapter honored Mike Labriola on May 4, 2019, in Great Falls, MT, for his efforts to make Great Falls a must-stop destination along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail.

Labriola galvanized the community, raised money to build the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center, founded the Lewis and Clark Honor Guard, and helped launch the annual Lewis and Clark Festival.

Newly retired from the military and hired by the Great Falls Chamber of Commerce, Labriola realized that promoting the Lewis and Clark story was the way to attract tourists to Great Falls. Labriola's boss, Roger Young, introduced him to Bob Doerk, Bob Bivens, Marcia Staigmilller, and Dick Martin, who had founded the Portage Route Chapter. Their goal was to establish an interpretive center about Lewis and Clark in Great Falls.

In 1987 Labriola and other Great Falls residents traveled to Washington, DC, to testify about the need for an interpretive center in Great Falls. Although the National Parks Service director spoke against the project, Congress authorized the Forest Service to establish the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center owing to the support of Dale Gorman, superintendent of the Lewis and Clark National Forest, but did not fund it.

Great Falls ultimately received partial funding with a mandate to raise \$3 million in matching funds. "We realized that, if we wanted to get this done, we had to button up, shut up, and get on with it," Labriola recalled.

Jane Weber worked with Labriola to help the community envision what the center would be. It took five years of work by the entire Great Falls community to get the center built.



Portage Route Chapter Vice President Walt Walker and Jane Weber, first director of the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center, present a cake to Mike Labriola (seated) at the dinner in his honor sponsored by the Portage Route Chapter in Great Falls, MT. Photo by Lee Ebeling

When at the Armed Forces Industrial College at Fort McNair in Washington, DC, Labriola would frequently watch the Continental Color Guard drilling in uniforms similar to those approved by George Washington in 1782. As Labriola and others brainstormed ways to generate enthusiasm for the interpretive center, Labriola thought that a Lewis and Clark version of the Continental Color Guard might be similarly effective.

Labriola recruited members of the first Honor Guard from Great Falls' black powder club and Malmstrom Air Force Base. "I really had to scramble to find people," he said. "We didn't have any money, so we borrowed flags. I didn't have any period clothing, but I borrowed some and went to Tandy Leather to get a moccasin kit and hurriedly stitched a pair." Their initial event was the ceremonial "groundbreaking" for the interpretive center near Rainbow Dam in 1996, even before it had funding or a designated location.

The Honor Guard was also part of the Lewis and Clark Festival, this year on June 14 to 16, from its beginning in 1989 as another way to build enthusiasm for the interpretive center and central to its opening on July 4, 1998. Creating a fire from flint and steel, Labriola burned through a rope made of sweetgrass. Having practiced until his hands were sore, he said the "ribbon cutting" was flawless.

Lewis and Clark dominated Labriola's life from 1986 to 1998. He'd come home in the evening and work what amounted to a second shift on the Honor Guard, the festival, fundraising, and the Portage Route Chapter. "In my heart, this was an opportunity for me to contribute myself and my time for my adopted community, to pay my due, and earn my place in Great Falls," he said. "Lewis and Clark's story of perseverance and courage is a very important part of our heritage." *Submitted by Philippa Newfield*

From your TOR team: If you would like to include your Chapter's events in our next issue, please email your information to Philippa Newfield at philgor@aol.com or info@lewisandclark.org by August 1, 2019. We mail TOR to members for whom we do not have an email address and any members who ask to receive TOR via mail. If you wish to receive TOR electronically, please give us your email address. Respectfully, Philippa Newfield and Arend Flick.

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"Meriwether Lewis, Augusta and the Sun River Valley Revisited" is scheduled for August 17-18 at the American Legion Park in Augusta, MT. The opening is Saturday at 11 am with the Lewis & Clark Honor Guard of Great Falls performing a flag ceremony followed by talks and demonstrations in an encampment setting until 3:50 pm, at which time they will close the camp with a flag ceremony. At 4 pm, Norman Anderson, aka Meriwether Lewis, will give a presentation to the public before the Legion rodeo



The Lewis & Clark Honor Guard of Great Falls

grandstand about the Lewis detachment's return trip in 1806 between the Clark Fork and Great Falls. This will be followed by local historians on later Augusta history.

On Sunday, August 18, a guided bus tour will board at noon in Augusta and proceed down the Sun River Valley to Simms, noting sites and events along the way, then proceed on HWY 200 towards Rogers pass, near Droulliard's route following the stolen horses, stopping at the wildlife overlook, retrenching to HWY 434 and proceeding northerly, observing L&C Pass, Lewis's route and campsite along the way, and thence to Augusta.