LCTHF and OCTA Sponsor Symposium on “Layers of History on the Columbia River” on April 1 & 2, 2017, in Vancouver, WA. Jack Nisbet, author of Sources of the River, will be the keynote speaker. Other speakers will address such topics as Lewis and Clark, Indian wives, the Ice Age Floods, and the Fur Trade. The registration for the Symposium, including a Friday night reception and all speakers on April 1, is $45/Individual; $10/Student; and $75/Family. Meals are extra. A field trip is offered on April 2 to Ridgefield Cathlapotle Plank House, Steigerwald NWR, and the Vancouver-area Lewis and Clark and Oregon National Historic Trails led by Bradley Richardson for an additional charge. The meeting hotel is the Heathman Lodge at 7801 NE Greenwood Drive, Vancouver. The shuttle between the Heathman Lodge and the airport is $15.00 one way. To reserve the shuttle (essential!), email shuttle@heathmanlodge.com. Please register for the meeting online at www.octa-trails.org.

LCTHF 49th Annual Meeting Set for Billings, MT, July 23 to 26, 2017. The theme of the meeting is “Clark on the Rochejhone.” Attendees will have an opportunity to visit the site of Clark’s once elusive Canoe Camp on the Yellowstone River. The last of the dugout canoes of the Lewis and Clark Expedition were constructed near Park City, MT. This site, which has only recently been located and verified, will be featured for the first time during the 2017 Annual Meeting. Other great field trips will be to Horse Crossing, where Sergeant Pryor and the horses crossed the Yellowstone River on the way to the Mandan Village in present day North Dakota, and Pompeys Pillar east of Billings.

Seminars include: Discovering Clark’s 1806 Canoe Camp; Archaeological Survey of Clark’s 1806 Canoe Camp; William Clark’s Surveying and Mapping Methodology; William Clark’s Horses: Loss and Consequences; Native American Perspective on Clark’s Incursion; and Construction of Cottonwood Canoes. Float trips will be available by licensed and bonded guides along the Yellowstone River, the longest free-flowing river in the lower 48 states. See registration information in February’s We Proceeded On or go to Rochejhone.weebly.com to register.

Give a Gift - Get a Gift. The Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) is offering a $5.00 Amazon Gift Card to everyone who gives a gift membership to the LCTHF. All the gift-membership purchasers and recipients will be entered into a drawing for a $100 Amazon Gift Card at the LCTHF Annual Business Meeting in Billings, MT, on July 26, 2017. We hope to see you all at the 49th Annual Meeting but the winner of the $100 Amazon Gift Card need not be present at the drawing to claim the prize.
Upcoming Meetings

LCTHF’s 50th Annual Meeting Planned for Astoria, OR, from October 7 to 10, 2018. The meeting is being organized by Larry McClure and the Oregon Chapter with the assistance of Jim Sayce, Rennie and Barb Kubik, and the Washington Chapter. This is the 50th anniversary of the first meeting of what would become the LCTHF.

The meeting hotel will be the Holiday Inn Express in Astoria – right on the Columbia River. There are other motels and many restaurants in the area. The Holiday Inn Express can accommodate the registration, opening reception, vendors, and Board meeting. The meeting sessions themselves will probably be at the Loft at Red Building which is a 10-minute walk due west of the hotel on a paved and level path. The key site visits are also close to Astoria. The Planning Committee is currently contacting local tribes with the help of Richard Basch, National Park Service (NPS) tribal liaison and tribal member, who has agreed to serve on the Planning Committee. There will be a teachers’ program at Fort Clatsop under the supervision of the NPS education specialist which will offer continuing education credits. Submitted by Larry McClure

View of Astoria, OR, and the Astoria-Meglar Bridge from atop the Astor Column. Photo by Kris Townsend.

CALCTHF to Hold Spring Meeting at the Mission Valley Library, 2133 Fenton Pkwy, San Diego, CA, on March 19, 2017, at 1:00 PM PST. Steve Lee, immediate past president of the LCTHF, presented “From the Lewis and Clark Expedition to the Mormon Battalion – The Amazing Life of Jean Baptiste Charbonneau.” Phil Brigandi, a prominent archivist and local San Diego historian, discussed “The Forgotten Pathway – The Southern Emigrant Trail into California.” A chapter meeting and refreshments followed the program. After that everyone enjoyed a no-host dinner at Mimi’s Café. A major thank you to David Smith who organized the entire event. Submitted by Lindy Hatcher

Ohio River Chapter to Hold Spring Meeting on April 28-30, 2017, at sites north of the Ohio River from Cincinnati, OH, to Lawrenceburg, IN. Lewis traveled a distance of 53 miles on land past these sites while the crew and keelboat continued on the river without him. At a later meeting the ORC will visit the sites on the south side of the Ohio River. At a third meeting the ORC will retrace the 17 land miles, according to Lewis’ calculation, that he traveled from Cincinnati to Big Bone.

The field trip on April 29 will take us to the approximate site in Cincinnati where Lewis and crew landed. We will consider Cincinnati in 1803 with an emphasis on where and with whom Lewis might have visited and travel along the north side of the Ohio River with stops in North Bend, OH, and Shawnee Lookout Park. North Bend bills itself as the home of presidents: William Henry Harrison and grandson Benjamin Harrison resided there. Shawnee Lookout Park offers many stunning views of the Ohio River. Lorna Hainesworth will present her Corps in the War of 1812 program. For more information contact Jerry Wilson at wilsonjkw@yahoo.com. Submitted by Jerry Wilson

From the Director’s Desk

Happy spring! Remember to email award nominations by April 3, 2017, to knox.jane@lewisandclark.org.

We funded five Trail Stewardship grants:
- Bitter Root Cultural Heritage Trust 1806 Descent Trail Interpretation.
- Southern Illinois University’s Archaeology and Public Outreach at Fort Kaskaskia, IL.
- Crimson Bluffs Chapter: Posters at Lewis and Clark Expedition sites in Broadwater City, MT.
- Philadelphia Chapter: Lewis and Clark Down the Ohio River in 1803.
- Illini Chapter: 2017 IL-MO-KS-IA-NE Go Adventuring Program Brochures.

Exciting events are fast approaching:
- National Park Week April 15 to 23, 2017. All National Parks are offering free weekend days.
- National Trails Day June 3, 2017. A great opportunity to invite your congressmen out on our trail.

We thank the following Gift Membership purchasers: Sally Freeman, Jerry Garrett, Ken Jutzi, Philippa Newfield, and Phillip Gordon.

We welcome the new and renewed gift membership recipients: Cole Donelson, Larry Frei, Robert Hoelscher, Gerry Seim, Erin and Gary Stipulkoski. Everyone listed above will be entered into a $100 Amazon Gift Card drawing at our 2017 Annual Business Meeting. Submitted by Lindy Hatcher

While the Lewis and Clark Expedition towed dugout canoes up the Jefferson River in 1805, most present-day travelers prefer to travel in reverse and float down the Jefferson River. The entire length of the river is Class I water and suitable for beginning paddlers except during spring runoff season. We expect to hit the end of the high water season: water levels are dropping but the river is still moving pretty fast. The Canoe Trail includes a network of publicly accessible but primitive multipurpose backcountry campsites on public land along the Jefferson River. At each camp there are opportunities for such activities as mushrooming, bird watching, hiking, and fishing.

This canoe trip is open to friends and family, Jefferson River Canoe Trail Chapter members, Green University interns, Bozeman Kayaking and Canoeing Meetup Group members, and anyone else with basic camping skills who would like to come along. In lieu of a fee for the float trip, we would welcome donations to the Jefferson River Canoe Trail to support our work in securing additional public campsites along this segment of the LCNHT. For information visit http://www.JeffersonRiver.org. Submitted by Thomas J Elpel


Washington State Chapter Events: April 1 – Make the Park Shine Day at Sacajawea State Park and Interpretative Center, 9:00 AM, Pasco, WA; potluck lunch at 12:30 PM; Friends meeting at 1:30 PM. April 7 – Badger Mountain (Richland, WA) hike sponsored by REACH and Ice Age Floods Institute. http://visithereach.org/2017-tours/ April 16 – Cathlapotle Plank House spring opening celebration at Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge Carty Unit, 28908 NW Main Ave, Ridgefield, WA.

April 29-30 WA and OR Chapters’ combined field trip to Celilo Park I-84 exit 97. Saturday 10:00 AM geologist Glen Kilpatrick speaking on the geology of the Celilo area and Chapter meetings. View Expedition campsites, start of Overland Trail (Road to the Buffalo), and Expedition portage routes plus Celilo Canal. 12:00 Noon Potluck lunch. 2:00 PM Depart to see Oregon Trail monument near Biggs, Overland Trail route down Maryhill Canyon, Stonehedge Memorial, Maryhill Museum, Maryhill Winery, and Wishram 1923 Great Northern 2507 P2 4-8-2 locomotive and tender. 6:00 PM Dinner and campfire TBA. Accommodations at Maryhill State Park (http://parks.state.wa.us/223/Reservations) or Peach Beach RV Park at 509-773-4927. Sunday 10:00 AM WA and OR Chapters Tour of Columbia Gorge Discovery Center, 5000 Discovery Drive, The Dalles, OR; then travel to Rowena Summit for a view of Mount Adams. June 3 Wallula Gap hike with geologist Bruce Bjornstad, sponsored by REACH. Contact http://visithereach.org/2017-tours/ June 3 National Trails Day and 12:00 to 4:00 PM Old Fashioned Day at Sacajawea State Park and Interpretative Center near Pasco, WA; potluck at 12:00 PM plus games, family events. No Discover Pass needed. June 10-11 Fur Trade Encampment and Symposium at Riverside State Park Spokane House Interpretative Center, Highway 291 Nine Mile Falls, WA.
President Trump Appoints MT’s Rep Ryan Zinke as Secretary of the Interior. An ex-Navy Seal commander, Zinke was first elected to the House in 2014. He has a strong track record on conservation and public land issues. Zinke voted against the Republicans' FY 2016 budget because it sold public lands and resigned as a delegate to the Republican National Convention this past summer because the party platform called for the sale of public lands. Zinke has opposed efforts by House Natural Resources Chairman Rob Bishop (R-UT) to transfer land and by Republicans to move millions of acres of public land from the Forest Service to the states. Zinke has also partnered with Democrats on conservation issues. In October 2015 he was the only Republican to support a Democratic amendment for permanent reauthorization of the Land and Water Conservation Fund used to purchase forest and river access for recreationists. On climate change, Zinke has called for a “prudent” approach. “You know, if you go up to Glacier Park and you have your lunch on one of the glaciers, you will see the glacier recede while you eat lunch. So you know I have seen the change in my lifetime,” Zinke told the Bozeman Daily Chronicle last year. “So something’s going on, and so I think ... you need to invest in all-the-above energy,” he added. Zinke considers natural gas to be the “easiest path forward.” Politico article by K Vogel, M Severns, and R Bade

National Park Service staff recently completed a project in collaboration with The Wilderness Society using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) to analyze the composition of land cover, examine the status of vegetation condition, and identify conservation protections along the 3,700 mile Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail. Ryan M. Cooper and Rachel Daniels of the National Park Service worked with Dr. Travis Belote of The Wilderness Society to quantitatively evaluate ecological conditions and identify the wildest remaining areas along a buffered area extending one mile on each side of the historic expedition route. The results show that while much of the Trail has been altered through agricultural development and land use in the past 210 years, small areas remain relatively wild -- the mountains west of Lolo Pass and the upper Blackfoot River watershed -- and offer visitors the opportunity to experience a landscape with some degree of historical fidelity. The study and results were published in the January, 2017 issue of Natural Areas Journal. For more information, please contact Ryan Cooper at Ryan_M_Cooper@nps.gov. Submitted by Ryan M. Cooper.

LCTHF Members Hike the Hill with the American Hiking Society and the Partnership for the National Trails System. Margaret Gorski, Steve Lee, Jerry Wilson, and Lindy Hatcher met in Washington, DC, from February 12 to February 16, 2017, to educate members of Congress about the Eastern Legacy additions to the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail (LCNHT). They told our members that it will be within their power to make the Eastern Legacy a part of the LCNHT by turning the National Park Service's recommendation to add the three segments along the Ohio River from Pittsburgh, PA, through the Falls of the Ohio to Wood River, IL, into federal law. They also advocated for the North American Energy Security and Infrastructure Act (S.2012) which includes permanent reauthorization of the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). The bill also addresses funding to alleviate the Forest Service’s constant borrowing from its other programs in order to pay for the increasing costs of wildfire suppression. The Forest Service expenditure on fighting wildfires has grown from 16% of its budget in 1995 to 52% in 2015.

Our LCTHF members met with senators, representatives, and their staffs from Idaho, Indiana, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. The staff people were all very attentive and accommodating. They took the time to listen and ask questions. Some of the people with whom we spoke had no idea about the Lewis and Clark Expedition and the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail - but they do now! Submitted by Jerry Wilson
Condolences to the Seabergs

The LCTHF joins Karen Seaberg and family in mourning the loss of Laidacker (Ladd) Mannan Seaberg on January 29, 2017, after a long illness. Ladd was born on June 14, 1946, to Ivan and Blanch Seaberg in Beaumont, TX. He met Karen Cray at Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, OH. Both had been awarded summer jobs at the base as first-place winners with the US Air Force at the National Science Fair. Ladd and Karen married in 1966 and completed their studies at Texas Tech University in 1969. After graduation, Ladd and Karen moved back to her hometown of Atchison, KS. Ladd spent the next 48 years devoted to his family, MGP Ingredients, and the city of Atchison. He was named president of MGP in 1980 and retired as Chairman of MGP’s Board in 2009 owing to his illness, having also served as chief executive officer for 20 years.

A lifetime member of and generous contributor to the LCTHF, Ladd organized the funding, the purchase of the land, and the construction of a walking bridge at the Independence Creek Lewis and Clark Historical Site in Atchison.

LCTHF Missouri-Kansas Riverbend Chapter Hosts Neal Bedlan, Chief of Interpretation for the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail (LCNHT). Chief Bedlan presented “National Park Service Planning in 2017 for the LCNHT” on January 28, 2017, in Kansas City, MO. He discussed the identification of “high potential historic sites” along the LCNHT which provide the opportunity to interpret the historic significance of the trail during the period of its major use. The selection of the sites is based on historic significance, presence of visible historic remnants, scenic quality, relative freedom from intrusion, recreational opportunity, and vicarious experience – the ability to have an experience similar to the historic one in a recreational setting. Examples in the MO-KS area include Fort Osage, Fort Atkinson, and Blackbird Hill.

Chief Bedlan is also working on a communication plan to unite the visitor centers along the entire length of the LCNHT. Ashley Danielson has been hired to be the volunteer coordinator. She will ask people for ideas to post on social media such as where to bike on the trail this summer. This will increase awareness of the LCNHT and of the importance of getting out on the trail for recreation. Also at the meeting, Mary Lee Sturdevant received the “Perseverance” award for her continued devotion to the chapter's activities and members. Submitted by Dan Sturdevant

LCTHF extends a special “Thank You!” to Mike Gates/D.A. Davidson & Co Great Falls, MT

As our first $5,000 sponsor of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation in 2017.

Your Advertisement could be here! The LCTHF is offering business card-sized ads in The Orderly Report (TOR) for $50 per ad. Contact LCTHF Executive Director Lindy Hatcher for more information. We offer discounts for members, Chapters, and repeat advertisers, and dual advertisers in both We Proceeded On and TOR."

Left to Right: Julissa Busser and her mother Jolene Busser of Kansas City, MO, at the MO-KS Riverbend Chapter Meeting. Yvonne Kean, President of the MO-KS Riverbend Chapter, and Neal Bedlan, Chief of Interpretation, LCNHT. Photos by Dan Sturdevant.
Volunteers for Discovering Lewis & Clark® Needed

In a joint venture with the Lewis & Clark Fort Mandan Foundation, our foundation has been actively managing Joe Musselman’s Discovering Lewis & Clark® website for more than a year. The site has been re-organized, legacy code replaced for more than 2000 pages, and the design updated to work better with mobile devices and tablets. As we focus more on the site’s content, we are seeking volunteers in these areas:

- **Corps biographies**: The following members need pages - George Gibson; Silas Goodrich; Hugh Hall; Francois (William) Labiche; Jean Baptiste Lepage; Hugh McNeal; John Potts; John Shields; William Werner; Joseph Whitehouse; John Robinson; John Newman; Moses Reed; and La Liberte. Examples of the biography writing style can be found at [http://www.lewis-clark.org/channel/353, The Enlisted Men]. Can you write one or more articles?

- **Typists**: There are at least 12 images that contain a large amount of text. Can you type that text into a document?

- **Copy editing** is an ongoing process. Essentially all 2400 pages would benefit from another set of eyes. Do you have a talent for copy editing?

For these projects, you won’t need any computer skills other than being able to use email with attachments and a word processor (Microsoft Word or similar). If you can help or need more information, please contact Kris Townsend at webmaster@lewis-clark.org.

Lewis and Clark Story Has International Appeal

In the last TOR, I mentioned that 80% of the traffic to our foundation website at [http://lewisandclark.org] is from outside the United States. Most of that traffic is to our Lewis and Clark wiki that provides a basic, simple English version of the Lewis and Clark story.

For several years now, I have given a living history-style presentation at the Mukagowa Institute in Spokane, a private high school for Japanese girls preparing to go to college in the United States. Here is what I have learned from that experience:

- The Lewis and Clark story tells a tale of uniquely American history, values, Indian nations, animals, plants, and of course, geography.

- Because the Lewis and Clark story is so important to Americans, it is commonly assigned to English as a second language (ESL) students.

- Any person learning a new language typically works at a fourth-grade reading level. ESL instructors know that the Lewis and Clark story has several good children's books.

- Our wiki is written at about a fourth-grade level, making it accessible to ESL students. Based on the usage of our website, it is a reasonable conclusion that the wiki is being assigned as reading or "Googled" by students who are learning English as a second language. One fact is certain: we serve a truly global audience!

How to Send emails Without Sharing Everybody's email Address

To protect member privacy, it is our foundation’s best practice, and also common courtesy, to use the Bcc box instead of the To box when sending informational emails to large groups. For example, when sending announcements to everybody in your Chapter, the addresses should be placed in the Bcc box. The To box is appropriate when sending email to individuals or small groups and a reply is desired to continue the conversation.

All email programs have a Bcc address field, but it is typically hidden until you enable it. For example, [Figure 1](#) shows the Macintosh Mail and Windows Outlook commands that enable the Bcc box. Once displayed, simply enter the email addresses into the Bcc box instead of the To box. The exact method to display the Bcc box depends on which application or website you use to view your email. If you are an advanced user with saved email groups, just place that group in the Bcc box instead of To box as in [Figure 3](#).

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**Figure 1**: Macintosh Mail. **Figure 2**: Windows Microsoft Outlook. **Figure 3**: Email Group Bcc box.
Library Update

**LCTHF’S SHERMAN STUDY GROUP**

Join us for the Sherman Study Group! The Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation’s (LCTHF) William P. Sherman Library and Archives is hosting a new Lewis and Clark Expedition study program.

We will meet on Tuesdays in April from 6:00 to 8:00 PM MDT at the William P. Sherman Library located at the LCTHF office in the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Great Falls.

For more information visit lewisandclark.org and click on Events, call (406)454-1234 or email library@lewisandclark.org.

Each week will feature a different discussion leader on a Lewis and Clark related topic followed by an open group forum.

April 2017 Sherman Study Group topics include:

- April 4: *Lewis and Clark in the Bitterroots* by Darian Kath
- April 11: *Arrival at the Marias and on to the Falls* by Don Peterson
- April 18: *Sulpher Springs: Healing Waters* by Shelly and Darian Kath
- April 25: *Third in Command, John Ordway* by Michael Howard

Programs are free of charge and light refreshments will be provided.

Our goal is to gather anyone with a keen interest in history who would like to share in the amazing Lewis and Clark story. We hope you will come, learn, share, and repeat. Programs will be scheduled on a monthly basis based on participation in April. For more information, visit our event page on Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/events/423392494719624/](https://www.facebook.com/events/423392494719624/).

Submitted by Shelly Kath

**Partner’s Page Continued**

**The International Trails Symposium will be held in Dayton, OH, May 7-10, 2017.** Every two years, American Trails sponsors the International Trails Symposium to bring together trail and greenway advocates, managers, planners, and users, as well as tourism and business interests. The symposium is the largest gathering of all trail interests – professionals, managers, and users who believe their combined voices are the best way to strengthen trails for everyone.

The meeting will feature educational sessions on trail issues; internationally prominent speakers; a state of the art exhibit hall; information and interactive mobile workshops; and plenty of networking opportunities.

For Symposium details, follow this link: AmericanTrails.org/2017. Go to: [https://www.regonline.com/builder/site/?eventid=1895752](https://www.regonline.com/builder/site/?eventid=1895752) for registration.

**National Trails Day is Saturday, June 3, 2017.** Lace up your hiking boots, grab your paddle, air up your bike tires, and enjoy the great outdoors! Visit [http://nationaltrailsday.americanhiking.org/](http://nationaltrailsday.americanhiking.org/) to list your chapter’s event or find a trails event near you. Help connect more people to trails!

**National Park Week is April 15 to 23, 2017.** Join in celebration our National Parks! The National Park Service is partnering with the National Park Foundation to present National Park Week 2017. Visit any National Park free of charge the weekends of April 15-16 and April 22-23. This is a great opportunity to *Find Your Park* and discover all of the exciting wonders they have to offer. Click here to find a park near you: [http://findyourpark.com/](http://findyourpark.com/).

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From the TOR Team: If you would like to include your Chapter’s events and articles in our next issue, please email your information to Philippa Newfield at philigor@aol.com and Lindy Hatcher at lindy@lewisandclark.org by June 1, 2017, and put “TOR” in the Subject Line. 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 TOR due out in mid-June, 2017.

We mail TOR to members who do not have email addresses and any members who ask to receive TOR via mail. If you wish to save a tree and receive TOR electronically, please give us your email address.

Respectfully,  
Your TOR Team: Philippa Newfield and Lindy Hatcher

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image on the screen and hear the word spoken in the Otoe language. Matthew “Sitting Bear” Jones, a retired University of Nebraska professor and member of the Otoe Nation who has been involved in preserving the Otoe language and the story-telling tradition, was also consulted.

The official opening of the exhibit, designed and built by the Robert Bodnar Company of Omaha, was in January 2016. Funding was generously provided by the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, Hugh Hunt, and the Blair Area Community Foundation. The new exhibit has been very popular with visitors since its opening. The Boy Scouts use the exhibit for their “Indian Lore” merit badge. School children find this exhibit especially engaging because of the incorporation of hands-on materials including try-on military uniforms and clothing and a life-sized cutout of Meriwether Lewis. The Washington County Historical Museum is located in Fort Calhoun, NE. Submitted by Julie Ashton