LCTHF 2018 Annual Meeting to Include River Experience.

As Lewis and Clark were following the Columbia on their arrival to and departure from the Pacific Coast, your 2018 LCTHF meeting planners are including a similar water-level view during the LCTHF’s 50th Annual Meeting in Astoria, OR, from October 7 to 10, 2018. All participants at the annual gathering will board the Portland Spirit for five hours of presentations, lunch, and commentary as we see the landmarks Lewis and Clark saw and hear the stories of then and now.

Reservations at the Holiday Inn Express (503-325-6222), the conference headquarters hotel in Astoria, will be accepted beginning October 16, 2017. The hotel is located right on the Columbia in full view of today’s busy maritime traffic. Our conference meeting room is at the Loft, a ten-minute stroll away and also on the river bank. Please contact Ellie McClure at ellie.mcclure@gmail.com for recommendations on three other nearby hotels and additional Astoria-area overnight options. There is also a campsite nearby. Submitted by Larry McClure

Volunteer Hours and Chapter Reports are due to LCTHF by October 10.

Every October, I send Chapter Presidents and Contacts an Annual Report to fill out and return. The report includes the volunteer hours for your Chapter. I need aggregated Chapter volunteer hour totals to submit to the National Park Service by October 10. If you need help estimating hours, here are some ideas of hours to count: Board meeting time, Board meeting prep, executive committee extra time for additional meetings, president’s planning, secretary’s minute prep, treasurer’s bookkeeping, and committee work time. You can also count trail stewardship, Lewis and Clark events, honor guard time, even time filling out your Chapter Reports!

We also ask for your Chapter Roster. Please note the people who are members of both the LCTHF and your chapter.

If you have any questions on volunteer hours or chapter reports, please call me 888-701-3434 or email lindy@lewisandclark.org. Submitted by Lindy Hatcher

Give a Gift – Get a Gift. Our Amazon gift card promotion will continue for another year. We thank the following gift membership purchasers: David and Joyce Boyd, Sue Buchel and John Wolf, Charles and Alice Crase, Jerry Garrett, Lindy Hatcher, and Barb and Rennie Kubik. They will all receive a $5 Amazon gift card and be entered into our $100 Amazon Gift Card drawing taking place in Astoria, OR, in 2018.

We welcome the following new or renewing gift membership recipients: Jackson Boyd, Josh DeBonis, Jeremy Kratzer, Kristen LeViet, Marty Mohr, John and Joyce Terry, and Thomas Towe.
The Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation Welcomes New Board Members. Jane Knox will be moving up from Board to Executive Committee to serve as Secretary. Barb Kubik, resigning secretary, will fill the rest of Jane’s term through 2018. Lou Ritten will be taking over as Vice President and Jim Sayce, resigning Vice President will fill Lou’s term through 2019. Yvonne Kean will be filling the Treasurer position vacated by John Toenyes. Bud Clark will be joining the Board for a three-year term and Margaret Gorski is rejoining the Board for a three-year term. Please extend a warm welcome to all of our new and returning Board members.

Steve Lee will serve a second term as Immediate Past President on the Executive Committee. Philippa Newfield will serve a second term as President. We thank outgoing Board members: John Toenyes for his years as Treasurer and the work he did with Executive Director Lindy Hatcher in revamping QuickBooks and budgets and service on the Executive Committee. We thank Mark Nelezen for his work on the Finance Committee and Board of Directors.

Ohio River Chapter to Hold Fall Meeting at Historic Locust Grove in Louisville, KY, on October 27 to 28, 2017, in conjunction with the October 26 LCTHF Board meeting. The meeting will begin on Friday October 27 at the Radisson Hotel in Clarksville, IN, with a presentation on Locust Grove by Bud Clark. The field trip on Saturday October 28 will be to the 18th Century Market Fair at Locust Grove. The fair will feature a village market of time-period crafts, a Revolutionary War British and American encampment with a mock battle reenactment, and 18th century music, games, food, and drink. There will be tours of the house which was visited by Lewis and Clark after the expedition as well as the museum and Visitor Center. For more about the meeting, the Locust Grove event, and the Falls of the Ohio area contact Jerry Wilson at: wilsonjkw@yahoo.com. Submitted by Jerry Wilson, Ohio River Chapter Vice-President/Program Chair

WA State Chapter Activities: September 29 and 30 – Sacajawea State Park and Interpretative Center Heritage Days near Pasco, WA. September 30 – Lewis and Clark Trail Series 5K Walk/Run and 10K Run for Health Fair at Fort Clatsop: 503-861-4425. October 15 – Laurence Cotton presents America’s Park Maker: Fredrick Law Olmstead at Fort Clatsop Visitor Center Netul River Room at 1:00 PM. November 19 – Gloria Linkey presents A Town Called Seaside at Fort Clatsop Visitor Center Netul River Room at 1:00 PM. February 3, 2018 – Washington Chapter 22nd Annual Meeting at Washington State History Museum, 1911 Pacific Avenue, Tacoma, WA, at 10:30 AM. Submitted by Rob Heacock

Thank You Card Writers Needed! Do you like to write? We have a volunteer job just for you! We need three or four more thank you card writers to help during our upcoming busy season. We supply the cards, stamps, and a basic script that you can work from, if needed. If you are interested in helping LCTHF write handwritten thank you cards for donations and renewals, please e-mail Executive Director Lindy Hatcher for more information at lindy@lewisandclark.org. We look forward to hearing from you.

From the Director’s Desk

We greet you with clear skies in Great Falls after eight weeks of smoke cover.

Some of you may already know that Shelly Kath is moving to North Dakota with her husband Darian after he accepted a job with the National Park Service (NPS) at Knife River Indian Villages. Shelly will continue to work remotely for LCTHF as our Library Technician. We hired Alice Kestler of Great Falls as our Archives Technician to work on the NPS Cooperative Agreement in years three through five. Since Shelly also served as our Administrative Assistant, we are hiring for that part-time position next.

We welcome new We Proceeded On (WPO) Editor Clay Jenkinson of Bismarck, ND, to our team of LCTHF staff and contract employees. If you have articles to submit, or questions on WPO, email them to Clay at clayjenkinson2010@gmail.com. Clay has exciting plans for WPO and encourages all LCTHF member to participate in writing articles, reviewing books, and sending ideas for themes for future issues.

In the last week of September, we will mail membership renewals for roughly fifty percent of our members with October renewal dates. We hope you will renew for another exciting year with LCTHF!

We started working on our Administrative History project, partially funded through an NPS Cooperative Agreement. The Historical Research Associates sent researcher Kayla Blackman to LCTHF headquarters for a week in mid-September. She scanned a variety of materials from our files and archives to initiate work on this project.

We look forward to working with the Portage Route Chapter to continue our new Lewis and Clark Study Group. After a trial run last April, presenters including Hal Stearns and Larry Epstein agreed to help out. We will post quarterly information once the group reconvenes.

We are here to serve you and appreciate your membership and volunteer time! Submitted by Lindy Hatcher
**Chapter Roundup**

**Lewis and Clark at Big Bone Lick:** Members of the Ohio River Chapter, Friends of Big Bone Lick, and staff at Big Bone State Historic Site presented a program at the Boone County Library in Erlanger, KY, on August 25, 2017. Big Bone Lick, located near Union, KY, is officially recognized as a site on the Lewis and Clark Trail. Jefferson specifically directed Lewis to go to Big Bone.

In late September of 1803, Lewis stopped in Cincinnati, OH, and met with Dr. William Goforth to make arrangements to travel to Big Bone. In a letter to Jefferson dated October 3, 1803, Lewis wrote, "On the evening of 1st inst. I again dispatched my boat to meet me at the Big Bone lick to which place I shall pass by land..." Lewis and Dr. Goforth traveled 17 miles by horseback to Big Bone Lick in order to examine the area and arrange for the bones they had found to be shipped to Jefferson. Of note: the shipment made it down the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers to Natchez, but the boat sank and the shipment was lost.

Almost four years later, Jefferson asked William Clark to conduct a dig at Big Bone. Clark, his brother George Rogers, Dr. Goforth, and probably York spent time at the lick searching for bones. Clark wrote to Jefferson: "Sir, I have been employed at this place with ten hands searching for the bones of a mammoth..." Many specimens from this dig are today on display at Monticello. Thanks therefore to Lewis, Clark, Jefferson, and many others, Big Bone Lick is considered "The Birthplace of American Vertebrate Paleontology."  

Submitted by Jerry Wilson

**CA Chapter Member Presents Lecture Series.** Mark Jordan will offer a class on the Lewis and Clark Expedition at Cal State East Bay Concord Campus, 4700 Ygnacio Valley Road, Concord, CA, from 1:30 to 3:30 PM PDT on October 31, November 7, November 14, November 21, and November 28, 2018. For enrollment information please contact Kathleen Bryant, Program Director of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, at 925-602-6776 or by email kbryant@scholarolli.com

Photo: CA Chapter member Mark Jordan in his "presentation costume" for his lectures on the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

Another CA Chapter member, Bob Case, gave a talk on "The Botanical Legacy of the Lewis and Clark Expedition" as part of the Wayne Roderick Lecture Series at the East Bay Regional Parks Botanic Garden Visitor Center in Tilden Park in the hills above Berkeley, CA.

**CA Chapter to Hold Fall Meeting in Golden Gate Park** at the Portside Room in the Stowe Lake Boathouse, 50 Stowe Lake Drive, San Francisco, CA, on Sunday October 15, 2017, from 12 Noon to 5:00 PM PDT. A no-host lunch featuring bison burgers and vegan selections will be available from 11:00 AM. At 1:00 PM, Christopher Pollock will discuss the Golden Gate Park histories associated with Lewis and Clark. At 2:00 PM, National Park Service Supervisory Ranger David Pelfrey will talk about old wooden boats and their preservation as part of his work at San Francisco's National Maritime Historic Park. There will be a CA Chapter Board meeting at 4:00 PM to which everyone is invited after the 3:00 PM break.

Photo: CA Chapter member Mark Jordan in his "presentation costume" for his lectures on the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

**Missouri-Kansas River Bend Chapter members at Kaw Point during their meeting and boat ride on June 26, 2017. Photo by Dan Sturdevant**
Partners Page

Celebrate the National Trails System's 50th Anniversary! In 2018, America will observe the 50th anniversary of the National Trails System Act and the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act and the 40th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail (LCNHT).

The National Trails System Act of 1968 created and protected some of America’s best places for outdoor adventure and history. The LCTHF’s 50th Annual Meeting in Astoria, OR, from October 7 to 10, 2018, will commemorate the LCTHF’s anniversary and those of the National Trails System Act and the creation of the LCNHT.

The 50th Anniversary Celebration of the National Trails System and Wild and Scenic Rivers Acts is scheduled from October 22 to 25, 2018, at the Hilton Vancouver Washington co-hosted by the Partnership for the National Trails System (pnts.org; trails50.org) and the River Management Society (river-management.org). The event will bring together private and public-sector groups and federal agencies dedicated to preserving the nation’s wild, scenic, and historic places.

Share a photo of your favorite trail on Facebook and Twitter. By using the hash tag #FindYourTrail, your post will join the community of national trail users. You can also support the LCNHT: use the hash tag #LewisandClarkTrail. You may share photos on the LCNHT page, https://www.facebook.com/lewisandclarknht, and the PNTS page, https://www.facebook.com/Trails50/. Submitted by Bill Buck, National Trails Guide

Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Staff Sells Over 6000 Senior Park Passes! The LCNHT office in Omaha was a very busy place in late August, just before the “America the Beautiful - the National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass” Lifetime Senior Pass price increase. During the final five days, visitors arrived early each morning to buy their passes and lines formed quickly throughout our Visitor Center and extended outside along the National Park Service Midwest Regional office. During the rush we were proud to say that, with the Midwest Regional Office’s help, everything went smoothly, the staff did a great job. and the long lines moved quickly. This was a wonderful example of National Park Service teamwork.

We also did a count and found out just how busy the Visitor Center was all year in selling senior passes. We sold approximately 618 senior passes in 2016. In comparison, the LCNHT Visitor Center staff sold more than 11,600 senior passes in 2017!

People all across the country also enjoyed the total or partial All American solar eclipse on August 21, 2017. Many traveled to sites along the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail. The trail headquarters office coordinated the distribution of solar glasses to partner sites. More than 4,500 pairs of glasses were distributed to 36 sites along the trail. Several national publications featured the LCNHT as a prime location for viewing the eclipse.

The LCNHT headquarters will begin collecting volunteer hours in the next few weeks. Be sure to report your chapter’s volunteer hours to Lindy at lindy@lewisandclark.org. Reporting hours demonstrates support for the LCNHT and also aids the volunteer budget. Chapters reporting volunteer hours will receive new 2017 volunteer pins. Submitted by Ashley Danielson, LCNHT

The Partnership for the National Trails System (PNTS) Announces Trail Intern Grant Program in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, and US Forest Service. PNTS is offering grants to facilitate the involvement of young adults in our national scenic and historic trails.

The grants will be available to both federal agency partners and PNTS non-profit member group organizations and affiliates. The application period is open from September 1 to October 15, 2017. The grants will be awarded by December 1, 2017. Please go to pnts.org for more information.

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Submitted by Ashley Danielson, LCNHT
Oregon Chapter President Mark Johnson Presents the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation’s (LCTHF) Distinguished Service Award to Roger Wendlick at Beacon Rock State Park on August 12, 2017. In conferring this award, the LCTHF recognizes the duration and breadth of Roger’s activities in support of the Lewis and Clark “cause” over the course of three decades. Roger is a book collector, author, and interpreter of the stories for young and old alike. He has also played a major role in coordinating legacy projects including the rejuvenation of Pomp’s grave and the identification of Lewis and Clark sites. "I felt honored beyond belief today when Mark presented the award to me," Roger said. "I want to thank all who nominated me for this amazing award. I will continue to research the journals to ensure correctness in history for our future generations." Photo by Larry McClure

Roger Wendlick said in an interview that he was honored to receive the LCTHF’s 2017 Distinguished Service Award which "adorns [his] living room book shelf for all to see." According to Roger, his real interest in "America’s Epic" began with "a fluke." His grandmother passed away in late 1975 shortly after his departure for a year-long sojourn in Europe. Upon his return in November of 1976, he learned of her death and also that his mother had kept the souvenir plate bought by Grandma at Portland’s 1905 Lewis and Clark World’s Fair commemorating the centennial of the expedition as a memento of his grandmother.

"In 1980," Roger said, "I thought it would be fun to collect more stuff from the fair as a hobby. This was the beginning of a venture that would unknowingly change my life." He started going to antique malls, garage sales, auctions, and second-hand stores in search of anything from the fair. In 1984 Roger purchased his first antiquarian set of books, the 1904-5 Thwaites Edition of the Original Journals of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. "It was at this time," Roger said, "That my direction changed to books instead of trinkets" and the rest, as they say, is history...

Oregon Chapter Presents “A Convenient Situation to Make Salt” - William Clark at the Tualatin Heritage Center, 8700 SW Sweek, Tualatin, OR, adjacent to the Tualatin Police Department on September 23, 2017, at 2:00 PM. Tom Wilson, retired National Park Service ranger at Fort Clatsop, reviewed the history of salt and discussed the reenactment of Lewis and Clark’s salt-making in present-day Seaside. The program was presented in cooperation with the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. Jacobsen Salt provided samples of its salt harvested on the Oregon Coast. Submitted by Mark Johnson

The LCTHF is Saddened to Report the Loss of Joe Mussulman. One of the Lewis and Clark world’s most remarkable scholars, Joe died quietly in his sleep on September 10, 2017, in Missoula, MT. He was 88 years old.

Musician, musicologist, actor, writer, scholar, and antiquarian, Joseph Agee Mussulman was born in East St. Louis on November 20, 1928. He and his wife JoAnne moved to Missoula in the 1950s, where he assumed a tenured position as the Music and Choral Director at the University of Montana.

Joe is best known for his indefatigable work as the founding editor of the website Discovering Lewis and Clark, which went online in 1998 just three years after the advent of the Internet. Discovering Lewis and Clark almost immediately became the most historically reliable, most comprehensive, and most important Lewis and Clark website. While the majority of the articles were written by Joe himself, the site also featured work by a wide range of scholars.

Joe is survived by his daughters Claudia and Ellie and their families. They live in Missoula. Submitted by Clay Jenkinson

The LCTHF Joins the Family in Mourning the Loss of Long-time Member Agnes Soutar Brooks of Phillips, ME, on September 11, 2017. Agnes was the wife of LCTHF member Richard (Dick) Brooks for 60 years. Born on December 19, 1936, Agnes grew up in Rockaway Beach, NY. After Agnes and Dick’s marriage in 1957, they lived in Sudbury, MA, where Agnes worked as a secretary for the Sudbury Public Schools for more than 20 years. She is survived by her beloved husband Dick, her children Richard Brooks Jr. of Yarrow Point, WA, Eric Brooks (Doreen) of Ashland, MA, Wendy (Brooks) Leacu (Michael) of Wayland, MA, and Matthew Brooks (Nora) of Portland, OR, and six grandchildren. Agnes was an avid gardener, loved attending meetings of the LCTHF, and enjoyed her West Highland terriers Bonar and Lily. A memorial service will be held in Farmington in early October.
Twenty Ways to Love the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

1. Join the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) or upgrade your current membership.
2. Purchase a gift membership for friends, colleagues, and family.
3. Join your local chapter. Go to www.lewisandclark.org to locate a chapter near you.
4. Bring a friend to a meeting or a trail preservation activity.
5. Like us on Facebook. Share our posts with your friends.
6. Review us on Yelp.
7. Register at www.smile.amazon.com. Select the LCTHF as your designated non-profit and shop online. We will receive 0.05% of your eligible purchases!
8. Donate items for the live and silent auctions at our annual meetings and your chapter’s events.
9. Volunteer to serve on one of our committees. Awards, Eastern Legacy, Education and Scholarship, Financial Affairs, Friends and Partners, Governance, Library and Archives, Membership, and Technology are just a few of the active committees.
10. Write an article for your chapter newsletter, The Orderly Report, We Proceeded On, or your local media about the LCTHF, local efforts to steward the trail, or the journey's stories.
11. Distribute membership brochures to your local library, museum, and state park.
12. Follow us on Twitter and re-tweet.
14. Write to your elected officials. Tell them of the work the LCTHF does to steward the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail in your area. Tell them of the importance of the federal agencies' work - National Park Service, US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, US Fish and Wildlife Service - in caring for and protecting the trail!
15. Talk with the LCTHF’s librarian about donating books and articles to the William P Sherman Library and Archives.
16. Visit our headquarters in Great Falls, Montana.
17. Help a young man earn your chapter’s Boy Scout patch about the expedition. Follow the links on our website - www.lewisandclark.org - to view your chapter’s Boy Scout patch requirements.
18. Ask our staff about ways to help the office: volunteer, donate office supplies and equipment, etc.
19. Purchase a children’s book about the expedition, the tribes in your area, or another related topic. Donate the book to your local school library, public library, or museum’s library.
20. Love us twice . . . purchase a book for a local library from our silent auction or from your chapter’s silent auction.

Submitted by Barb Kubik

Headwaters Chapter Dedicates Interpretive Relief Map funded by grants from the LCTHF Bicentennial Trail Stewardship Endowment, the Headwaters Chapter, and the Missouri Headwaters State Park on July 29, 2017. The relief map marks the area of Clark’s arrival at the three forks of the Missouri River on July 25, 1805. At the dedication Dave Andrus, Missouri Headwaters State Park Manager, spoke of the importance of having the new relief map in place and the park service’s appreciation.

Gayle Clifford cut the ceremonial ribbon.

The relief map plans were laid out by Geoffrey Wyatt of Wyatt Design, Helena, MT, using GPS coordinates. The GPS plans were sent to Casey Steinke of Top Signs and Graphics, Helena, MT. Casey used computer programs to cut the map and then fine-tuned the details by hand and painted the map.

The interpretive relief map shows the surrounding area as well as the Missouri Headwaters State Park. Of additional special interest is the location of the Drouillard fishing access east of Three Forks, MT, and the Madison Buffalo Jump southeast of Three Forks. Signage on the map tells of the Lewis and Clark Expedition’s arrival at the headwaters and the Native Americans who were living in the area. The LCTHF and the other contributors are acknowledged.

The Headwaters Chapter and the Missouri Headwaters State Park partnered in sponsoring the breakfast and program. Dr Shane Doyle, Crow Tribe member and MSU professor, spoke on “Ancient Tribal Traditions of the Gallatin Valley.” Members of the Headwaters Chapter in attendance were Pierce Mullen, Lois Roby, Virginia Holman, RG Montgomery, Jackie Montgomery, Beth Merrick, Bonnie Hammer, and Gayle Clifford. Tom Elpel of the LCTHF Jefferson River Canoe Chapter spoke on Jefferson River land acquisitions by that chapter. Submitted by Gayle Clifford
Library Update

We are working on processing our archival collections. If you have served on our Board, Executive Committee, or a Committee, we would love to have any records you kept sent to the office to add to our collections. The William P. Sherman Library and Archives has a backlog of oral history interviews that need to be transcribed. **We are looking for volunteers to aid us in that transcribing.** We have a style guide and examples we can provide you with. The interviews are all run through Dragon transcription software. We are looking for people to help get them formatted and corrected. This is a task that can be done without having to come in to the national headquarters in Great Falls, MT. The Dragon transcription and the audio recording of the interviews can be e-mailed to you. If you are interested in volunteering contact Shelly: shelly@lewisandclark.org.

Ron and Shelly Corner: The library is looking for a copy of: *Atlas of Lewis and Clark in Missouri*, by James Harlan and James Denny published by the University of Missouri Press, 2003. To see other books on our wish list email library@lewisandclark.org. **Submitted by Shelly Kath**

Library Fundraiser

**Hey LCTHF Members!** The Library Committee is offering you a chance to put on your Lewis and Clark thinking cap to come up with the answer to the puzzler.

Which Lewis and Clark guy lost everything in an earthquake?

If you think you know the answer, put it on a sticky note along with your name, attach the note to a $5 bill, and send both to Lindy Hatcher at LCTHF, PO Box 3434, Great Falls, MT 59403. All proceeds will go to the William P. Sherman Library. The correct answers will be put in a pot for a drawing and a photo of the winner will be featured in the next issue of TOR. Please submit ideas for future puzzlers to Shelly at shelly@lewisandclark.org. Giddy up folks! We want to see how many know the answer to this puzzler. **Submitted by Ella Mae Howard**

We Proceed Online - LCTHF Website Travel Page Editor(s) Needed

The LCTHF website’s travel area at [www.lewisandclark.org/travel](http://www.lewisandclark.org/travel) provides some of the Web’s most up-to-date pages that help the tourist find Lewis and Clark historic sites/sights. We need help in maintaining and improving these pages. Tasks include:

- Periodically check links.
- Find more areas of Lewis and Clark interest.
- Obtain digital images.

All work can be completed using a web browser and email. Web programming and travel to actual areas are not required, but knowledge of a region is preferred. Ideally, we can use three to five volunteers, each focusing on a different region. If you are interested or want to know more about this initiative, please contact Kris Townsend at webmaster@lewisandclark.org. **Submitted by Kris Townsend**

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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 philgor@aol.com and Lindy Hatcher at lindy@lewisandclark.org by December 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-December, 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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Educate Your Senators and Representatives about Our National Trails. As our members of Congress begin to consider the FY 2018 budget, it is crucial for us to help them understand that trails:

1. **Are a good value.** Volunteers contribute millions of hours and supporters donate millions of dollars to trail maintenance and protection. Federal funding is thus leveraged to do substantially more work than the dollars allocated.

2. **Are an economic engine.** Studies show that 1.8 million Americans’ jobs depend directly on trails and the recreation that takes place on scenic and historic trails.

3. **Are enjoyed by millions of Americans.** More than 42 million Americans hiked regularly in 2016; almost 9 million went mountain biking; and millions more went horseback riding, birding, and backpacking along our nation’s trails.

We must carry our message about the value of trails to our elected officials and ensure that they allocate adequate funding for the nation’s scenic and historic trails. *Reprinted from* The Paperless Trail

Portage Route Chapter Sponsors Lecture Series on **Thomas Jefferson** and his role in the Lewis and Clark Expedition at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center (LCIC) in Great Falls, MT, at 7:00 PM. **October 3 – MacKenzie: First Across the Continent.** Talk by Historian Lee Ebeling on MacKenzie’s trek across North America 12 years before Lewis and Clark. His book was an important catalyst in spurring Thomas Jefferson to action. **October 10 – Blueprint for Discovery.** Talk by Jeff LaRock, interpretive specialist at the LCIC, on Thomas Jefferson’s response to the purchase of the Louisiana Territory and how he outlined his vision for the Lewis and Clark Expedition. **October 17 – Thomas Jefferson, Lewis and Clark, and the Corps of Discovery.** Talk by Historian Hal Stearns on Jefferson as the chief architect of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. **October 24 – “Thomas Jefferson’s Slaves.”** Film on the conditions and daily life of Thomas Jefferson’s slave community before and after his death. **November 11 – Bill Barker Brings Thomas Jefferson to Life.** Jefferson portrayer at Colonial Williamsburg, Barker has dedicated his life to educating the public about Jefferson. *Submitted by Norman Anderson*