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

Name of Creator: Rebecca West, Director of Operations and Membership, LCTHF Staff records.

Inclusive Dates: 1998-2005

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Collection Number: AR 031

Name and Location of Repository:
William P. Sherman Library and Archives Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, Great Falls, MT

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

Language:
The contents of the collection are primarily English language documents.


Biographical/Historical Note:
The Badger State Chapter was formed after Jim Gramentine discovered there were more than 30 members of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation living in Wisconsin. An initial meeting in November 1998 showed enough interest to form a chapter and Bylaws were drafted in 1999. Even though the Badger State Chapter is located in a non-trail state, the members are actively involved in the National Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation events including annual meeting attendance and serving on the board, taking Lewis and Clark Field trips, has members from other states, and promotes a partnership with Boy Scouts to encourage interest in Lewis and Clark. The membership in 2003 included a relative of Meriwether Lewis and another of Patrick Gass. The Chapter has published a newsletter from May 2003 up to 2020, which includes excerpts from the journals, history, and happenings of the group. The Wisconsin Chapters purpose is to promote public interest and education in the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

Scope and Contents:
This collection contains paperwork from the files of Rebecca West, Director of Operations and Membership, Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation from 2007-2009 and other LCTHF staff. The collection will ideally grow when the Badger State chapter sends in their own records which should be incorporated into this collection.
The papers include documents from the beginning of the organization such as the bylaws and initial start up grant. They also include correspondence and newsletters of the organization. Additional newsletters and contact information may be found online at http://lewisandclark.org/chapters/badger-state/.

**Arrangement:**
The papers are arranged by topic.

**Acquisition Date:** circa 2009

**Acquisition Source:** Rebecca West, Director of Operations and Membership

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**Related Materials:**
RG 003 Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation Records.
AR010 Headwater’s Chapter Records
AR037 Flathead Chapter Records
AR042 Philadelphia Chapter Records

**Separated Materials:** None.

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Container List

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