

## Idaho Chapter

### Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

# Newsletter



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### FINAL PLANNING MEETING SCHEDULED

We are in the home stretch of preparation to host the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation's national meeting! Our last general meeting of chapter members is now scheduled for Saturday, June 2. This is after several date changes, the latest one because we inadvertently scheduled on Memorial Day Weekend, which some folks didn't like. We hope you can make it to the meeting June 2, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in Port 1 of the Ramada Inn in Lewiston. We will break at noon for on-your-own lunch (please patronize Ramada Inn - they are giving us the meeting room gratis!). Following that, because of a wedding reception, we will re-convene in the Quiet Bar to finish off business no later than mid-afternoon.

The entire meeting will be to go over every detail of the convention with a fine-tooth comb. So, please, please, please do your homework if you are responsible for any part of the week and come prepared to give us a good report on your progress. Ideally, be as ready as if the convention started the next week! If you can not attend, please contact me, or anyone who is going, to fill us in on how you are coming with your assignment.

### GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE

Congratulations to our state treasurer, Lydia Edwards, for her recent appointment by Governor Andrus to the Idaho Lewis & Clark Trail Committee. Lydia is a decendent of Private Frazier and is active in the Foundation.

#### Idaho Chapter Officers

James R. Fazio, President  
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#### Governor's Committee

John Barnes, Boise

Ruthann Caylor, Boise

David Crowder, Boise

Lydia J. Edwards, Boise

James R. Fazio, Moscow

#### Board of Directors

David Crowder, Boise

James Herndon, Blackfoot

Harlon Opdahl, Pierce

J. Wilmer Rigby, Salmon

Paul T. Schneider, Salmon

Would members of the governor's committee please plan to meet over lunch between sessions of the chapter meeting on June 2. Among other matters, we need to be a bit more formal about our responsibilities and select/elect/appoint or otherwise grace someone with the honor of being chair and spokesperson for the group.

### REGISTRATIONS ARE COMING IN!

We are not yet at the magic number of 300 needed to break even financially, but with 160 registered as of April 8, we are well on the way. Judy Space reports that she receives more each day and that many of the "regulars" are still to be heard from. If you haven't sent in your form yet, please do so as soon as possible. Happily, all post- and pre-meeting events have enrollments, but all have room for more. The most popular to date are the "Snake River Jet Boat Adventure," "Clark's Trip Down the Salmon River," and the "Lolo Trail Car/Camping Trip." Also, 16 of the 90 rooms we have blocked out at Ramada Inn are still available.

### PLEASE SPARE US EMBARRASSMENT

Despite our plea in the registration packet, we still have folks calling or writing to ask for exceptions. The most common reasons, in past years and this year, are: they want to drive their own car instead of ride the bus; they will provide their own food; they want to attend just part of the program (other than the banquet for which this provision has been made); they want to bring the whole family and that gets expensive, etc. We are completely sympathetic with the reasons. Unfortunately, for fairness as well as practical reasons, we must be hard-nosed about requiring that all participants -- even those of us serving on committees or spending our own money on the many extras that go into planning -- pay the full price. Also, with the complex routing and confined spaces we will be dealing with during the travel portions, we can not allow private vehicles to follow the busses, except those being used in an official capacity to transport microphones, food, etc.

### OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

June 23, -- Pre-national meeting bus trip. This is for members who will be serving as bus interpreters or who have a part in coordinating some aspect of the field trips, especially on Tuesday. Please contact Chuck Raddon by June 1 to let him



know whether or not you are going. He MUST have a count. Meet for departure at 8 a.m. sharp at the front door of the Ramada Inn in Lewiston for a very long day going over the entire Tuesday route! Bring a lunch and beverage, and plan to return late in the evening.

July 21-22 Lewis & Clark/Nee-Mee-Poo National Historic Trails Take Pride in America Project. Sponsored by the Clearwater National Forest, this weekend event is a chance to volunteer for work on trail improvement. For information or to sign up, contact Dennis Griffith no later than May 1 at 208/926-4275.

### IDEAS WANTED FOR 2004-2006

The Foundation's Bicentennial Committee is seeking ideas for the 200th anniversary of the expedition. Some great ideas are already in the works, ranging from a commemorative postage stamp to re-enactments. But what about here in Idaho? If you have an idea for events or other projects unique to our area, please drop me a line. I'll start a file, as well as pass along your idea to John Montague who is compiling these ideas from the chapters.

### HOYLE PUBLISHES BOOKLET

Chapter member Bob Hoyle, Jr. has published a 20-page booklet, *Lewis and Clark Routes Between the Bitterroot Valley and the Columbia River*. The publication consists of maps and explanations on a day-by-day basis. For more information, please contact Bob at 611 19th Ave., Lewiston, ID 83501.

### BARNES TO HEAD IDAHO HERITAGE TRUST

Chapter member John Barnes of the Idaho Dept. of Parks and Recreation is wearing a new hat these days!

One of the projects of the centennial's Lasting Legacy Committee was to help establish a trust fund to promote the values of conservation and historic preservation beyond our 100th year. The result was creation of the Idaho Heritage Trust, a non-profit corporation that will work toward the goal of identifying, protecting and interpreting the state's historical and natural resources for future generations. John is currently half time director of IHT while also continuing in his old job. He will soon move into the directorship on a full-time basis. In his new position, John will be able to continue his interest in the Lewis & Clark Trail and perhaps even help with some of its needs for protection, management and interpretation. For a colorful flier about the IHT, contact John at the Department of Parks and Recreation, Statehouse Mail, Boise, ID 83712.

**Bus Interpretation,** *Bill Malcolm and Steve Evans, Co-chairs.*

Bus 1.	<i>Bill Malcolm</i>	Bus 5.	<i>Ben Aitken</i>
Bus 2.	[Volunteer Needed]	Bus 6.	<i>Merle Wells &amp; Marcus Ware</i>
Bus 3.	<i>David Crowder</i>	Bus 7.	<i>Larry Jones</i>
Bus 4.	<i>Carol Smolinski</i>	Bus 8.	<i>Bob Hoyle &amp; Jack Markley</i>

**Bus Stop Safety Assistants**

*George Watkins, Wilber Rigby [Two more volunteers needed]*

**LCSC Liaison,** *Deanna Vickers*

**Name Tags & Registration Packets,** *Bird Goodwin and Jack Markley.*

**T-Shirts, Hats and Logo Art,** *Chuck and Penny Raddon*

**Liaison with L & C Trail Centennial Event,** *Diane Coons and Butch Alford.*

**Exhibit Night and Reception,** *Barb Opdahl, Bob Boston and Roy Weaver.*

*Cowboy Poetry, Ben Aitken  
Wash. Centennial Trail Run, Ralph Rudeen  
Movies, Priscilla Wegars*

**Tuesday's All-Day Field Trip,** *Bob Boston, Chuck Raddon, Duane Annis  
and a cast of millions!*

**Wednesday's Field Trips:**

*Nez Perce NHP & Pow Wow, Marie Myers, Sandi McFarland,  
Roy Weaver, J. Fazio  
Whitebird, Marie Myers  
Clearwater River Float, Barb & Harlan Opdahl*

**Meals, Refreshments,** *Barb Opdahl and Bob Boston*

**Banquet,** *J. Fazio, Bob Doerk, Barb Opdahl, Bob Boston*

**Speaker Liaison,** *Steve and Connie Evans*

**Liaison with Governor Andrus,** *Steve Lee and Bird Goodwin*

**NOTE:** This is not a complete list. Among the folks not shown include speakers and coordinators of the various pre- and post-meeting events. We will try to develop a more complete list for use at our next meeting.

## FAZIO TO SWITCH TRAIL STATES

Immediately following the national meeting this summer, I will be moving to Lincoln, Nebraska to accept a 3-year appointment as director of The National Arbor Day Foundation's new educational institute. We will retain our house in Moscow and my professorship at the university, but for all practical purposes I will be working full-time for the Foundation. Although I welcome the new challenge and the opportunity to work on behalf of trees and environmental stewardship with an organization of 900,000 members, the decision to move to flatland was not easy! My family and I are very sad about leaving Idaho and our many friends throughout the state, even though it may be temporary. I will especially miss my involvement with Lewis & Clark matters and, in fact, delayed the start of my new position by two months so I could fulfill my obligations as program chair of the national meeting. However, as of August 2, vice president Duane Annis will take over the chapter presidency as specified in our bylaws. I am glad we made such a good choice for the vp and I know Duane will be a capable and enthusiastic leader. I think he will find that with the assistance of Judy Space, the governor's committee, and our many dedicated members, the job will be a pleasure. Please give Duane all the support you can in keeping the chapter growing and moving ahead.

## ASSIGNMENT REMINDERS

Here is a partial list of who's who and what-needs-to-be-done as we near national meeting time. Please contact J. Fazio or the individuals involved if you have questions or would like to help on any of these projects.

**Registration Chair, *Judy Space.***

**Assisting at registration Sunday and beyond:**

*Dick and Pat Barrett, Ruthann Caylor.*

**Developing and producing daily guide booklet:**

*David Crowder, Larry Jones, Steve Lee, Ruthann Caylor*

**Bus Captain, *Chuck Raddon.*** Bus contracting, trip scheduling/timing, general bus management.