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LOLO MOTORWAY GATHERING

Our recent "rendezvous" on August 6th and 7th was a great success! The accommodations at both Lochsa Lodge and the Powell Campgrounds made great jumping off places for 2 days of memorable tours. Thanks to the hospitality and leadership of our President Chuck Raddon and his wife Penny, we all enjoyed our tours and our stay. On Thursday, we began our trek by heading to Montana over Lolo Pass to explore sites at Howard's Creek. We proceeded on to site, then the Lolo Pass visitor's center and lunch at Packer Meadow, followed by a stop at Glade creek. The last stop for the day was up on the Lolo motorway with a stop at Rocky Point Lookout. The view was spectacular! Through the day, we were fortunate to have Gene Eastman point out trail sites. We had a wide diversity of explorers spanning many generations, including long time "Clarkys" and grandchildren, even a rescue dog. A return to camp included plans for a campfire visit which included a light show of thunder and lightening.

New recruits joined the Friday trek which included visits to 13 Mile Camp, Snow Bank Camp, Spring Hill, Indian Post office and Devils Chair. Following the get together, several traveled on to the Annual Meeting in Great Falls. It was a very successful rendezvous!

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Clarky's at Howard's Creek August 7, 2008

From this mountain, I could observe high ruged mountains in every direction as far as I could See. William Clark, September 1805



LOLO MOTORWAY

Some reflections of the 2008 Lolo Motorway "Trail Monitoring Project"

The monitoring project is a great opportunity to assist in gathering information that could help in making important decisions that have long-term impact on our amazing public lands. In my estimation, the intent of the LCTHF, as sponsor of the monitoring project and administered by the US Forest Service; is to observe, record and photograph known historical sites and other established Forest Service Campgrounds in the area of the Motorway. The data collected each year may be used partly to review any decisions affecting future access or protection concerns in the area.

This year's project, led by Kris Perry with Clearwater Forest, took place August 12-14, with volunteers from Idaho and Montana. The entire crew was composed of volunteers Norm Jacobson and Tom Schenart from Missoula, MT. and Gene Eastman from Weippe, and Gib Floyd from Kuna, ID. Additional leadership was supplied by Gale Tucker and Betty McMahan from Clearwater Forest. (see photo on right)

The crews were each assigned to cover separate segments of the Lolo Motorway. As well as collecting data, it was interesting as we traveled along to discuss various trail issues and other historical and geographical locations we encountered. I believe Kris, Betty, and Gayle are to be commended for their regular promotion of good trail stewardship in their contacts with the public who use this National Treasure.

Wendy Raney, the Trail Stewardship Director for the LCTHF would welcome your questions or input at <u>wraney@lewisandclark.org</u>.

Happy Trails, Gib Floyd



<u>October 29, 2008</u> Southern Idaho Meeting: Boise, Idaho (See Article Next Page)

February 7, 2009: Celebrate Pomp's birthday time and location to be announced

<u>May spring meeting</u> on the campus of Lewis and Clark State College in Lewiston

<u>June rendezvous</u>: Salmon, Idaho and Lemhi country

National Meeting 2010: LCSC in Lewiston

We need help! Ideas and volunteers! Please contact any chapter office!

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JOIN US FOR A FALL MEETING IN BOISE OCTOBER 29, 2008

Business meeting to follow speaker

Idaho History Center, 2205 Old Penitentiary Road, Boise, Idaho Speaker Ken Reid-Idaho State Archaeologist "We amused ourselves shewing them the power of magnetism:"

Geophysics and the Search for Sergeant Ordway in Hells Canyon, Idaho

Come hear this fascinating talk! Each of the ten streams that enter the Snake River from the east between the Salmon and Grande Ronde has been identified at one time or another as the place where Sergeant Ordway and two companions bartered for salmon to provision the Lewis and Clark party camped at Kamiah in the spring of 1806. Two seasons of Bicentennial survey, mapping, remote sensing, and testing have narrowed the location to Cougar Bar. Here geophysics (magnetometry, resistivity, conductivity, radar) anticipated, and testing confirmed, the dimensions, floor plan, hearth alignment, and historic metal artifacts of an early 19th century Nez Perce fishing lodge.

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Lolo Motorway trip-Packer's Meadow

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Birthday Party

We'll celebrate Pomp's birthday on Saturday Feb 7 in Lewiston or Clarkston next year (Site to be arranged). We'll have a celebration of Pomp's life, and depending on weather we'll visit some of the L&C sites around town. Pomp is of course, Sacajawea's son. At a short business meeting we will discuss the 2010 Foundation's annual meeting which we are hosting. Our bylaws call for election of officers in odd numbered years. If you would be willing to serve we can use some help. In particular we are looking for someone to head up our web information. The site (http://www.lewisandclarkidaho.org/) is hosted by the Idaho Department of Tourism, but they need help assembling information.

Future meetings

We are planning a June 2009 meeting in Salmon, Idaho. If you are willing to help give Chuck a call.

Also, if you would like to receive this newsletter *in color* by email, please email either Chuck or Janie-we will add you to our email list.

PLEASE JOIN US AT THE IDAHO HISTORY CENTER IN BOISE ON OCTOBER 29TH AT 7PM

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