

Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

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President's Corner



Dear Chapter Members,

If you are like me, you are the kind of person who stops to read roadside historical markers, lingers at interesting displays in museums, and even reads the president's letter in publications such as this one. Sometimes, you will recall a nugget of information from your trove of trivia and make an unexpected connection.

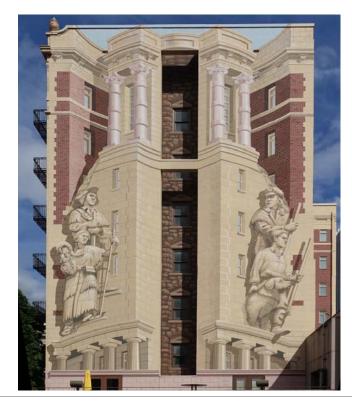
I had a moment like this on a recent trip to Hawaii. I was walking through the hotel lobby when I noticed a window display of ancient Hawaiian artifacts. I read the placards with interest, but

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OHS L&C Trompe L'oeil Murals Restored

Rising 8 stories above downtown Portland on the side of the Oregon Historical Society's headquarters, large murals trick the observer's eve into seeing a 3-D structure. Depicting an Oregon Trail theme on one side and a Lewis & Clark theme on another, the 1989 Richard Haas masterpiece was restored in 2016 by Dan Cohen, and rededicated by both artists in May, 2017.

Trompe l'oeil murals at OHS depict L&C figures.



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Bullets in a Tree at Fort Clatsop, as reported in 1874

From the *Albany Register*, April 4, 1874:

The Astorian says: "On chopping an old trunk of a fir tree in the vicinity of Fort Clatsop, a few days ago, Mr. W. H. Smith discovered some bullets, and obtained them, which had been deposited there by Lewis and Clarke. The trunk indicated that the tree was 120 years old, and it was 69 years ago these bullets were shot into it. About fifteen or twenty years ago the tree had been struck by lightning."



Oregon Chapter Name Badges

Send \$10 and your name (as you want it to appear) to Ellie McClure, 17760 S.W. Cheyenne Way, Tualatin, OR 97062 Ellie.McClure@or-lcthf.org



CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

EXPLORE MORE!

Thelma Haggenmiller leads Explore More!, a series of chapter trips which include a Lewis & Clark connection but also help members learn about other historical and cultural events that happened since that time.

Watch this newsletter, your mail, your e-mail, and especially the chapter website for more information and details.



Intrepid chapter members visit *Tsagaglalal*—"She Who Watches", the famous pictograph, in an Explore More event in April, 2017.

Beacon Rock Picnic — August 2017

At the mid-summer chapter picnic 10 members cooled off and explored the physical landmark that the Corps first called "Beaten Rock", in Washington State on the Columbia River.

The chapter's board held its meeting as well.



Chapter members enjoy the summer picnic at Beacon Rock.

2017-18 Chapter Events — Check the Website!

September 23, 2:00: Talk on the Corps' saltmaking with Tom Wilson at Tualatin Heritage Center (8700 SW Sweek Drive, Tualatin; park at police station next door). December 2: Holiday potluck at Tualatin Heritage Center) with Prof. Doug Deur.

October 7–10, 2018: National foundation meeting in Astoria.

Watch your e-mail and visit our website for more details on all upcoming events: www.or-lcthf.org



Honoring Roger Wendlick



Roger Wendlick receives LCTHF's Distinguished Service Award from Oregon chapter president Mark Johnson at Beacon Rock in August.

Roger Wendlick was honored by our foundation's Distinguished Service Award, announced at its annual meeting in Billings in July, recognizing his deep and wide support for the Lewis & Clark "cause" over the years—as a book collecting, author, interpreter of the story for young and old alike, and coordinator of legacy projects such as the Pomp gravesite renewal.

Chapter Board

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Please contact Mark Johnson (e-mail address below) with interest in Chapter service.

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There is far more L&C information available on our website!

Please check it for the latest updates on Chapter activities and for photos of our events.

We're sending fewer postcards, so watch the website for updates.

Pepper ... And Salt

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL



"828,000 square miles for \$15 million—as is?"

President's Corner ... continued

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one item, a rounded stone of "no particular merit", caught my eye. It was called an 'ulu maika, used in a bowling game where the stone was rolled between two sticks.

What might this have to do with Lewis & Clark?

I recalled talking with the late R. J. Brown of St. Helens about a similar game, which he had made a replica of to show children during the Bicentennial. William Clark wrote about it on 12/9/05, while staying at a Clatsop village of four lodges, perhaps near the mouth of the Necanicum R.

..the other game is with round Pieces of wood much the Shape of the [blank] Backgammon which they role thro between 2 pins...

When I got home, I kept thinking about it, so I did a little Internet research on 'ulu maika.

It turns out that these stones are very characteristic, and even used by archaeologists as markers indicating the extent of Hawaiian culture in the Pacific islands. We know that Hawaiians were often engaged as deckhands for decades before Lewis & Clark's arrival on the Pacific Coast.

Could the game that William Clark described be evidence that Hawaiians had lived among the



An 'ulu maika.

Clatsop Tribe?

It is a question I would like to ask **Doug Deur** when he speaks to us at our holiday gathering on December 2.

Your most humble and obedient servant,

Mark Johnson

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2018 Annual Meeting

Calling for volunteers!

Larry McClure seeks help in the following areas:

Graphics layout for promotional materials

Writing short articles for *The Orderly Report* to encourage attendance.

Recommending travel routes featuring sites of interest from the south and east.

Help plan banquet decorations and centerpieces.

Contact him at

Larry.McClure@or-lcthf.org with your offers to help.

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Stewards of the Trail in Oregon



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The next national meeting: October 7-10, 2018 in Astoria, Oregon see www.lewisandclark.org Please check your label and renew your membership if the "Paid Through" date is before 2017. Annual dues are \$10 for individuals, \$5 for students, & \$16 for households. Your prompt response will save your Chapter volunteers work and postage. Thanks!



Welcoming Superintendent Jon Burpee at OHS - June 2017

The Washington and Oregon and Chapters hosted a Saturday afternoon reception at the Oregon Historical Society to welcome Jon Burpee, the new superintendent of the Lewis and Clark National Historical Park.

Chapter president Mark Johnson introduced Jon, who spoke about his career path and joy in returning to the Pacific Northwest. Chapter secretary Ted Kaye described the historic links between Fort Clatsop and OHS, then introduced OHS executive director **Kerry Tymchuk**, who spoke about the Society's collections and exhibits.

Participants then enjoyed a cake reading "Welcome, Jon". Outside the event room was the recently-restored L&C-themed 8-story-high trompe l'oeil mural on the side of the building. The event was a great opportunity for us to continue our partnership with both the Historical Society and Fort Clatsop.



Speaking at a reception his honor, the new superintendent of the Lewis & Clark National Historical Park, Jon Burpee, describes the career path that brought him back to the Pacific Northwest.