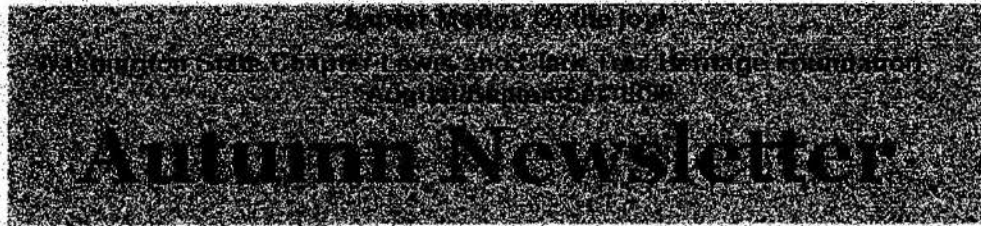


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## Lewis & Clark Expedition



### The Overlooked Overland Route: Joint Meeting with Idaho Chapter at Lewis and Clark Trail State Park

*prepared by Cheryl Essary*

*"For three miles we followed a hilly road on the north side of the [Touchet] creek, opposite a wide bottom, where a branch falls in from the southwest mountains, which, though covered with snow, are about 25 miles distant and do not appear high. We entered then an extensive level bottom, with about 50 acres of land, well covered with pine near the creek, and with the long-leaved pine occasionally on the sides of the hills along its banks."*



Ranger Gary Lentz firing his  
Harpers Ferry 1803 Flintlock

Don't miss a hands-on Lewis and Clark weekend in southeastern Washington at Lewis and Clark Trail State Park, located on a nearly forgotten part of the Trail. On Saturday, September 18, our joint [http://www.vpds.wsu.edu/LCExpedition/Resources/wa\\_n0999.html](http://www.vpds.wsu.edu/LCExpedition/Resources/wa_n0999.html)

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meeting with the Idaho chapter gets underway at noon with a potluck lunch. Throughout the day we'll have a chance to "barter" for such delicacies as parched corn or fry bread. We'll hear a talk by Park Ranger Gary Lentz on the medicine of the expedition, and take a carpool tour of Lewis and Clark campsites.

Located between Waitsburg and Dayton, Lewis and Clark Trail State Park commemorates the overland route of Lewis and Clark through our state. The festivities begin at 12:00 noon with a potluck lunch. You'll need to bring your own food and utensils. If you wish to grill food, bring your own wood. A kitchen shelter with a wood grill and cold water sink has been reserved for us on Saturday and Sunday.

On Saturday, Gary will have a camp set up just across the road from the park, where he will gladly welcome visitors to his Lewis and Clark-era retreat. He has many tools, cookware and weapons in his collection and, upon request, will demonstrate his Harpers Ferry 1803 Flintlock. He will also have several pots of food cooking over the campfire. If you'd like to try elk stew or fry bread (fried in bear fat), you will need to bring something to barter—blue beads, mirrors, sea shells, etc. Read the journals! Chances are the more creative your barter, the bigger your portion of food.

After lunch, we'll all report for "sick call" as Gary fascinates us with a talk on the medical aspects of the expedition. How did they manage without antibiotics and pain pills, anyway?

Beginning around 2:30 we'll depart for a tour of area Lewis and Clark campsites, to be led by local historian George Touchette. George and Gary have been collaborating on regional Lewis and Clark research, and George is also an expert on the Nez Perce Trail. We'll carpool from the park to the Bolles site just west of Waitsburg, then come back east with a stop in Dayton, then on to the Patit Creek campsite. At Patit Creek you will see the lay of the land much as our heroes saw it. From this spot the Indian trail taken by the expedition can clearly be seen. There are local efforts to mark the site with a sign and turnout in time for the bicentennial.

On Sunday, you might want to take in the fun at Waitsburg's Bruce Mansion Days, a fundraising event to help maintain that historic building. Speaking of historic buildings, Waitsburg and Dayton are both full of them. Take a leisurely drive through these towns and picture these stately homes as some of the first built in this corner of the fledgling Washington Territory.

### Dayton/Waitsburg Area: "How to Get There" and "Where to Stay"

Lewis and Clark State Park is located on U.S. Route 12 (State Route 124) approximately 55 miles east of Pasco. For those who wish to camp, there will be plenty of room at the park. The fee is \$7.00 for tents and RVs. There is a heated restroom, but no showers. If you desire other arrangements, please see the following list for Dayton and Waitsburg. Also, Walla Walla is only 30 miles away and offers still more choices.

#### Dayton:

Blue Mountain Motel 509-382-4825  
Dayton Motel 509-382-4503  
The Purple House B&B 509-382-3159  
Weinhard Hotel 509-382-4032  
Chamber of Commerce 509-382-4825

#### Waitsburg:

Waitsburg Inn 509-337-8455

## President's Message: Meeting Reports & The Future

On July 17, the Chapter participated in three activities at the Columbia Gorge Interpretive Center. Don Popejoy led a field trip to historic sites in the vicinity and a hike to the top of Beacon Rock. Rain in the



morning may have reduced participation, but seven people were present for the field trip and three more joined the group at Beacon Rock. The event brought the chapter \$44 in the form of two new memberships, a donation, and contributions for copies of the trip notes prepared by Don. The value of our Web site was illustrated here in that two new members were recruited through contacts through the Internet. In the afternoon, a joint meeting of the Washington, Idaho and Oregon chapters focused on other participants and planning for L&C activities for the bicentennial and the future. There are tens if not hundreds of L&C interests in the Northwest and most have their own objectives. Our Chapter needs to carefully select its activities to find our separate place in this environment. We discussed tri-state cooperation: (1) to organize regional symposia to focus on various facets of the L&C heritage (for example, building on the example of the lecture given that evening by Dr. Gary Moulton); (2) to collaborate in seeking grants to accomplish heritage purposes that others cannot or will not do; (3) to consider preparation of a northwest brochure or guidebook with emphasis on history/heritage vs. tourism efforts. We also briefly discussed methods to approach the native peoples and their sovereign nations to better understand interactions and contributions made toward the success of the L&C expedition. It also was suggested that we need to look at how the L&C expedition relates to the succeeding historical developments in the Columbia Basin. And finally we noted that bicentennial activities need to be evaluated in terms of their contributions to continuity of the heritage.

The evening lecture by Dr. Gary Moulton focused on the botanical collections of the Expedition—the subject of Volume 12 to be published later this year. Dr. Moulton described the collections made by Lewis and the Expedition and the fate of the specimens brought back. Surprisingly enough, most of the specimens still exist and were found through some amazing detective work by the several scientists who have studied them. Work on the comprehensive index for the journals is in progress, and Dr. Moulton has completed his work on this ambitious 13-volume project. He is now working on a one-volume condensation of this edition of the journals—and that work is part of his work plan for his tenure at Fort Clatsop this summer.

Plans for the September 18 meeting were announced during the afternoon. "Doc" Wesselius and Cheryl Essary have worked with Gary Lentz and Muff Donahue to develop an interesting program. This will be a joint meeting with the Idaho chapter. It will feature a potluck picnic at the Lewis and Clark Trail State Park near Waitsburg on Highway 12 with trail food prepared by Gary Lentz (bring your barter), a lecture on the overland portion of the trail nearby, and a field trip to visit sites on the trail. Gary, and perhaps our program committee, will be in period clothing for the event. Some of us plan to arrive Friday evening and camp at the park overnight. I hope to see many of you there.

On a personal note, I recently returned from a trip to Montana that had a number of L&C coincidences. I visited a friend who has a ranch perched on a shelf on the northeast edge of the Highwood Mountains. The ranch porch looks north to the Missouri River where Clark first saw these mountains on 25 May 1805. And on the next day Lewis may have mistaken the Highwoods for the Rocky Mountains when he climbed to a high point nearby. A few days later, we went trout fishing on the Big Blackfoot River between Lincoln and Missoula. On the first evening we camped on Monture Creek not far from where Lewis camped on July 6, 1806—a creek that Lewis originally named for his dog Seaman. There have been questions about that spelling of the dog's name, but Lewis uses that spelling as does Clark's map (p 92, footnotes 11 & 12, p 92; and Fig 4, p 105 of Moulton's Vol 8).

And in a contemporary vein, the nearby small town (population about 50) of Ovando is struggling to survive, and uses a large yellow and black sign with the Foundation silhouette logo to attract tourists to their town. On July 13, 1999, the *Great Falls Tribune* had a story by James Hagenruber headlined "Ovando's Renaissance Key to Its Survival" that said "Meriwether Lewis passed through the site of the town on his return east in 1806, and Fly (community leader and owner of the Blackfoot Commercial Co.) hopes the U.S. Forest Service will build an interpretive center near the town. Fly said this will draw business for the town as tourists will pass through retracing the Lewis and Clark expedition for the bicentennial beginning in four years." Here I do not mean to denigrate the town's effort to survive, but the story makes clear that many view the bicentennial more as an opportunity for economic development than as a continuing Heritage—my principle argument with the bicentennial.



Returning to Stevenson from Great Falls for the meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup>, I followed MT Rt 200 which parallels Lewis' overland route in 1806, US Hwy 12 over the Bitterroot Mountains to Lewiston/Clarkston, and then down the Columbia River on WA Hwy 14. These routes cover a part of the trail where the landscape remains similar to that seen by Lewis and Clark and always leaves me in awe of the Expedition's adventure in its travel through the area.

Finally, thank you Penny Hunt for your interest and input concerning focus for the Washington Chapter. I agree with you that the History and our Heritage from the expedition are its most important products. The communication of these to the public, and especially to young people, should be our principal focus. Again PLEASE let me and your Board members have your input! Keep sending those cards, letters and e-mails! They do help!

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## Idaho Chapter: 1999 Lewis & Clark Labor Day Campout

Contact Steve Lee if you are interested or plan to go on this trip and would like to make reservations. He can be reached at: 509-229-3870; PO Box 2264, Lewiston, ID 83501; or by e-mail at [sglee@mail.wsu.edu](mailto:sglee@mail.wsu.edu).

Like last year's Labor Day exploration, this event is organized so non-campers and those with passenger cars can attend. Everyone will "pool" their rigs for day trips since some vehicles may not be suitable for some of the roads.

The Heart of the Lolo Trail with Triple "O" Outfitters: Harlan and Barb Opdahl have a base camp in the center of the Lolo Trail that is reached over Saddle Camp Road (a good gravel road). The camp has several buildings and many tents and they can feed a lot of people. You have the choice of sleeping in

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your own RV, pitching a tent, or using one of the Triple "O"s tents (bring your own sleeping bag). Everyone will eat the outfitter's grub. No cooking or KP! Cost is \$40/day/person for food or \$65/day/person for food and lodging.

**Expedition Agenda: Friday night, Sept. 3:** No planned meals. Campfire and stories while awaiting late arrivals.

**Saturday, Sept. 4:** Travel east to Lolo Pass and Glade Creek camp, observe where they descended on the wrong trail and visit Colt Killed Camp. Proceed back to the Motorway to Rocky Ridge Lookout for a tremendous view of the area. Visit camps such as 13 Mile Camp, Snowbank Camp and others. Back in camp for dinner and campfire. Sunday,

**Sept. 5:** Visit Indian Post Office in the morning. Hike to Lonesome Cove or view peeled trees. While returning to camp, view alternative route theories: Which way did they go? Moccasin Peak or Horseshoe Creek? Back in camp by 3 for an early dinner. After dinner, take an evening horseback ride (\$25) or walk the 3-mile trail that visits the Sinque Hole, Indian Grave Meadow (the probable campsite instead of Sinque Hole) and visit the Smoking Place at sunset. Back to camp for a late snack and campfire. **Monday, Sept. 6:** Head for home. There will be a caravan west over the Motorway to come out at Weippe or Kamiah catching some of the sites on the west side of the Clearwater National Forest. If it is a clear day, a hike up Sherman Peak will be included.

**Finding the base camp:** Travel east on Highway 12 from Lewiston (about 3-1/2 hours) to Mile Post 139 (the green numbered paddles on the side of the road) or about 60 miles east of Kooskia. This is Saddle Camp Road, #107. Turn north (left for those traveling up river). Saddle Camp Road is a good gravel road. Stay on the main road for about a half hour to 45 minutes when you reach Saddle Camp at the junction of the #500 Road. Actually, this is a 5-way intersection. Take the 2<sup>nd</sup> left or Road #587. Proceed about 15 minutes to the Idaho Chapter's camp on the right. They'll have signs to guide you. *This is a good gravel road and the discussion below does not apply.*

**Driving the 500 Road - You and Your Vehicle:** Tires are the greatest limitation on the 500 road with passenger cars. "Highway" tires designed for lightness to obtain good mileage break cords on this rocky road. Other limitations include clearance which usually only affects very low cars. Motorhomes will be swept by overhanging trees and brush and by rocks on tight turns. The road is single lane with turnouts to allow passing, but there are sections of more than one-half mile without any turnouts. Drivers should be able to back ¼ mile comfortably to a turnout using their mirrors. Uphill traffic has the right-of-way. On the expeditions from base camp, we will "car pool" to aid discussions and to reduce congestion on these narrow roads. If you have a large passenger-carrying rig (van, Suburban, etc.), please bring it.

[Note: The above information was copied from the Idaho Chapter's newsletter.]

**The Lewis & Clark Corner:** Info supplied by Don Popejoy [dpocalc1@aol.com]

**Books of interest:**

Comrades by Stephen Ambrose – 1999

Passage of Discovery: The American Rivers Guide to the Missouri River of Lewis and Clark

by Daniel B. Botkin - July 1999

The Hills By the Headwaters: 1800's History Around the Horseshoe Hills of Gallatin County, Missouri

by Ed Fenlason & Mel Gemmill - 1997

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Clatsop County, Oregon by Emma Gene Miller – 1958

**Websites of interest:**

<http://www.thehistorynet.com/historictraveler/> The History Net

<http://www.his.mt.gov/> The Montana Historical Society

<http://discovery.skywalk.com/MullanRd.html> The Mullan Military Road

<http://www.rutnut.com/nwocta/home.html> Northwest Chapter of the OCTA

**Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Chapter Meetings**

**September 18, 1999:** Joint Meeting with Idaho Chapter, Lewis and Clark Trail State Park between Waitsburg and Dayton. [See article on page 1-2 for detailed information] On Sunday, you can also participate in Bruce Mansion Days, a local festival in Waitsburg.

**February 12, 2000:** Washington State Historical Museum, Tacoma. Lecture by Dave Nicandri (more info in next newsletter).

**Spring 2000:** Horsethief Lake State Park, Klickitat County. Lecture by Martin Plomondon.

**July/August 2000:** Annual LCTHF meeting, Dillon, Montana.

**September 23, 2000:** Bonneville Dam Visitor's Center, Columbia River. Lecture and tour by Don Dinsmore.

Note: If you have suggestions for 2001 meeting sites or activities, contact Doc Wesselius.

**Corner of Discovery: Profiles of our Members**  
*prepared by Cheryl Essary*

A column featuring Chapter members and their comments concerning their interest in the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

Look for more profiles in coming issues!

**Tom Kennedy** of Bothell was bitten by the Lewis and Clark bug in his high school history class. Since then he has explored trail sites in Montana, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. From his travels he has chosen Fort Clatsop as his favorite place because, he says, "the entire National Monument is well-done." Geography and natural history are the aspects of the expedition that interest him most, and he believes that the expedition was a success because every member was important and gave a team effort. The two books he named as his favorites are the ever-popular *Undaunted Courage* and the less-known children's book

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The Dog Who Helped Explore America by R. W. Gustafson. He enjoyed last summer's annual meeting in Great Falls where he "got to meet many fine people who are interested in Lewis and Clark like I am."

**Dr. R. T. Ravenholt** of Seattle came to Lewis and Clark because of his interest in western history. He has traveled the trail from Pittsburgh to Fort Clatsop, and his favorite places are Lemhi Pass and Shoshoni Meadows along the Lemhi River. He has a few favorite books related to the expedition: *The Way to the Western Sea* by David Lavender, *Meriwether Lewis* by Richard Dillon, and *First Across the Continent* by N. Brooks. Since he is a physician specializing in epidemiology, Dr. Ravenholt has a natural interest in the diseases that befell the Corps on their journey. He has a particular interest in Meriwether Lewis, whom he describes as the heart, soul, and mind of the expedition. Dr. Ravenholt not only believes that Lewis committed suicide, but that the underlying cause of his mental derangement was syphilis. He has done extensive research to support his belief, and invites anyone to visit his Web site at [www.ravenholt.com](http://www.ravenholt.com) to see the evidence he has assembled.

## Kudos, Opportunities, Announcements

Congratulations to Membership Chairman **Don Popejoy**: he was elected to the national Board of Directors of the Oregon/California Trail Association. This organization is his other passion besides L and C!

**Don Payne** welcomes member(s) who would like to work with him as part of the **Project Committee**. Contact [don.payne@accessone.com](mailto:don.payne@accessone.com) or 253-838-5906.

**Interested in being involved in our chapter planning? Consider volunteering to serve on the Nominating Committee and/or consider being an officer or serving on the board** for next year. Make your interest known to Murray Hayes. Proposed nominations will be printed in the next newsletter, and the election will be held during our February chapter meeting in Tacoma.

A big thank you to "**Doc**" **Wesselius, Don Popejoy, Cheryl Essary and Dee Coons** for a great job of organizing the July 17 activities in Stevenson!

South Dakota Tourism has a noteworthy brochure & map—**Lewis and Clark: The South Dakota Adventure**, available by calling 1-800-732-5682 or e-mail at [sdinfo@goed.state.sd.us](mailto:sdinfo@goed.state.sd.us) You also can rent a travel tape at Information Centers along I-90 &

I-29 to listen to stories about the Corps of Discovery as you drive the trail in South Dakota.

During the banquet at the Foundation meeting in Bismarck, a group of Washingtonians had a discussion (following our Washington chapter meeting the night before) and came up with "**O! the joy**" as a **suggested motto** for our chapter. We've inserted it in the masthead on page 1 of this edition. We'd like to know your reaction or give us another suggestion.

The **Dayton Historic Depot** is having its train celebration on Sept 18.

Your chapter received it's **official charter** from the Foundation during the annual meeting in Bismarck!

### **Book Review**

**Seaman: The Dog Who Explored the West with Lewis and Clark** by Gail Langer Karwoski;  
illustrations by James Watling; paperback, 183 pp; Peachtree Publishers, March 1999  
Reviewed by Tracy Hayes



This is a simply written book about a Newfoundland dog who helped the Corps of Discovery in many ways during their expedition. Seaman chased away harmful animals, caught game for food, helped the men hunt, carried supplies, and lifted the explorers' spirits on what seemed to be impossible days of travel. Following along with Lewis and Clark, this dog always gave everyone on the expedition strength, hope and the urge to keep going on the hardest times of their long journey. Seaman's presence in the book also made it very pleasurable to read.

The book was a little slow in the beginning, but once they were on their way across the west, it picked up a little. I can truly say I enjoyed reading it. Some chapters also had a lack of detail which really made me want to get done with it, but everything always got back on track within their next experience on the trip. Something that was included in the book which I really liked was the captions to the pictures; since they were little phrases out of the journals of either Lewis or Clark, it was really nice to be able to know what their point of view was.

I also found it very educational. I would definitely recommend the book to fourth and fifth graders because I know that those are the grades when most people learn and study in school about Lewis and Clark and their great expedition. The Corps of Discovery had a lot of encounters with different Indian tribes. Those were the parts which I found most interesting to read; but all in all, the whole book was very intriguing.

*Tracey Hayes is the grand-daughter of our President, Murray Hayes.*

## Washington Chapter Meets in Bismarck

*submitted by "Doc" Wesselius*

The chapter meeting was held the evening of 8-2-99 and focused on a roundtable discussion of future opportunities for a chapter project. Along with Bicentennial celebration projects, other topics discussed were: Columbia River Water Trails Guide - a combined project with WA & OR that has been initiated; Daughters of the American Revolution - assistance has been given and more help is required; individual members purchase of the Foundation's new curriculum and resource guide, "An American Legacy: The Lewis & Clark Expedition", for their school district; a major Northwest project, with Oregon and Idaho, to produce a guidebook for the L&C Trail in the three states; an interactive video project for two interpretive centers at state parks—Fort Canby & Sacajawea.

The consensus of members in attendance was that the chapter must be involved in the bicentennial celebration but should focus on long-lasting projects that will be relevant after the bicentennial observance. It was also stressed that the chapter must initiate plans immediately to solidify definite plans for the projects (watch for more info in next newsletter). A suggestion was made to have members submit designs for a chapter logo for review at future meetings; more information will be forthcoming.

**Note: Please see President's Message on page 1 for a report on the July 17 board meeting/workshop and activities in Stevenson.**





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**(thanks, Jay Rasmussen!)**

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## Opportunity Knocks

Have you had any funny/scary/educational experiences while traveling a portion of the Lewis and Clark Trail? Do you have a special interest in some aspect of the Expedition? Have you ever thought about doing some writing? Why not share with your fellow members? We're always looking for stories, articles, etc. for your newsletter. We also welcome newspaper clippings about any L&C Trail aspect to keep our members up-to-date. And send in your "recommended reading" ideas to share with members. Contact Pam Andersen at 2374 Crestline Blvd NW, Olympia, WA 98502.

## News and Activities from Near and Far

- In an attempt to prove his thesis pinpointing the spot where William Clark stood nearly 200 years ago, Glen Kirkpatrick, 49-year-old amateur historian, led 24 Lewis and Clark buffs up Tillamook Head in mid-June. On January 9, 1806, Clark wrote in his journal, "I beheld the grandest and most pleasing prospects which my eyes ever surveyed." Restoration of Clark's trail over Tillamook Head has been proposed by the Foundation's Oregon chapter, which will request \$900,000 in federal funds for the project. (excerpt from *The Oregonian*, date unknown)
- The Pacific County 1999 Visitors Guide features a multi-page write-up by member Rex Ziak about the Lewis and Clark campsites of November 1805 near McGowan, Washington. Rex and other Pacific County citizens have organized the Pacific County Friends of Lewis and Clark, a non-profit organization. It's mission is "to determine the best means of setting forth for the general public an historically accurate accounting of the Corps of Discovery's eighteen days on the north shore of the Columbia River estuary and the Pacific Ocean on November 8-25, 1805." Financial support (\$15 for individuals, \$35 for families, \$50 for businesses, and \$100 for patrons) can be sent to them at P.O. Box 1059, Long Beach, WA 98631 [see related item below]
- The transportation budget approved by the State Legislature included \$2 million toward relocation of US Hwy 101 near Lewis and Clark's Station Camp between the Astoria Bridge and the Chinook Tunnel. Preliminary plans call for the highway to run behind the McGowan church, about 200 yards inland of the shore of the Columbia River, and the creation of a "linear park" as much as a mile long containing interpretive monuments and signs describing the explorers' stay at the site. (excerpt from *The Chinook Observer*, 5/26/99)
- In May, authors Stephen Ambrose and Dayton Duncan lobbied Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt to consider designating the 149-mile-long National Wild and Scenic portion of the Missouri River as a national park. Although he agrees that more money and protection are needed to preserve the stretch from Fort Benton to Fort Peck Reservoir, he is not ready to create a national park in the area. He will be making a recommendation to the president and Congress on increased funding for the area and how it should be administered; suggestions on the table include the national park designation, including the area in the Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge, or designation as a national conservation area. (excerpt from *The Great Falls Tribune*, 5/23/99)
- Time and again, while in present-day South Dakota, the journals refer to the incredible number of buffalo. Today these magnificent animals are making a comeback on the Great Plains. You can see herds at the Lower Brule and Crow Creek Indian Reservations and at the Triple U Buffalo Ranch (home to the buffalo herd that starred in "Dances with Wolves." Tours are available at each location, but please call ahead. Lower Brule: 605-473-5399; Crow Creek: 605-245-2327; Triple U Ranch: 605-567-3624.



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### News and Activities from Near and Far (contd.)

- The National Trust for Historic Preservation named the Travelers' Rest site near Lolo, Montana, as one of America's 11 most endangered historic places, a designation meant to attract attention and, most critically, money. Travelers' Rest may benefit, despite the \$1 million or more needed just to begin buying land. During the 11 years of the most endangered list, not one site named has been lost. Ernie Deschamps' 15-acre hobby farm, the site of the L&C campsite, is square in the path of development in a high-growth area south of Missoula. (excerpt from *The Oregonian*, 6/17/99)
- The nation's newest coin, a gold-colored \$1 piece bearing the image of Sacajawea is expected to be in circulation by early 2000. The new coin will replace the Susan B. Anthony, which went into circulation in 1979. "Sacajawea played an unforgettable role in the history of our nation," First Lady Hillary Clinton said. "Every day this coin will remind us we are a nation of many cultures." On the new coin, Sacajawea looks over her shoulder directly at the observer. Every other coin in use -- the penny with Abraham Lincoln, the nickel with Thomas Jefferson, the dime with Franklin Roosevelt and the quarter with George Washington -- shows the subject in profile. In another departure from tradition, Sacajawea's infant son, Jean Baptiste, sleeps on her back. It is the first depiction of a child on a circulating U.S. coin. The coin will be gold-colored and will have smooth edges so it can be easily distinguished from the similarly sized quarter. Its metallic composition has not been decided. (excerpt from *Oregon Live*, 5-5-99)

### LCTHF Meeting at Dillon, MT in 2000

The Camp Fortunate Chapter invites us all to visit Big Sky Country next year. The meeting's theme is "From Canoes to  
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Horses." The meeting is scheduled for Sunday, August 13, through Wednesday, August 16, 2000. Preliminary field trips include: Lemhi Pass; Salmon, ID; Jackson Hot Springs; Beavers Head Rock; Clark's Lookout; and landmarks south to Camp Fortunate—approximately 250 miles of the L&C Trail. Western Montana College facilities are being utilized for the breakfast buffets, luncheon and Awards Banquet. Check your November newsletter for more info about accommodations. It would be wise to make your plans early.

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