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## President's Message:

Greetings! Finally, I have time to sit down and put a newsletter together. <I apologize for missing the September WON newsletter.> I must admit that I have had a very busy summer and I hope your summers' have been good and adventurous as well. But, I have spent no time considering Lewis and Clark. However, a belated anniversary weekend down the north Oregon coast took us to several LC sites; the newly-reconstructed Fort Clatsop, the nearby Netul Landing Trail, and the Fort-to-Sea Trail (Beware of the Bull!). These sites worked wonders to "restart" my enthusiasm in the Lewis and Clark story. Hopefully, now that the waning days of the bicentennial have passed, most members will renew an interest as well. We continue to have the same challenges before us as previous, so our task has not diminished with the passing. It has only increased with a view toward the tri-centennial. Knowing that we will not be around for it, we need to make sure there is a solid foundation to support current and future knowledge of the Corps. We, as a chapter, need to make sure that the Lewis and Clark story in the Pacific Northwest and the associated sites are preserved and documented for the future. Equally important is the education of the public about the story and its importance and contributions to America's history. If we don't, we will certainly lose, if not most, at least key portions of the story and the Trail. (Working in the public schools has opened my eyes to the gross lack of adequate and correct information concerning the Expedition. New texts continue to reproduce incorrect and a definite minimum of reference to the Corps, less than what we had years ago!)

The upcoming November meeting in Ilwaco is being piggy-backed on the popular "Ocian In View" program to give members the chance to hear speakers, take tours or visit sites on their own. Within the area there are great sites for your perusal. Sites include Cape Disappointment State Park, the Discovery Trail to Long Beach, Station Camp and the newly-rebuilt Ft. Clatsop and the Fort-to-Sea Trail across the river offer opportunities to reconnect with the Story. You are encouraged to attend the "Ocian In View" events as well as to seek your own venues between times. (See page 3 for a more detailed description of the weekend's events.)

The chapters have been contacted by WPO editor Wendy Raney concerning a program called the "Lewis and Clark Challenge." This is a wellness and fitness program funded by the National Park Service to promote better health and getting out to explore LC sites at the same time. Basically, teams of 4 collect 'miles' by hiking, walking, paddling, biking, etc. as well as through good nutritional habits. Miles can also be accumulated by exploring new portions of The Trail and/or Trail maintenance. The program has already begun and runs through August 31, 2008. Prizes are available! If you are interested, I have flyers, or you can look in past WPOs or Orderly Reports or check on the foundation's website.

Finally, I would like to thank Dorothy Gonsalves of Bellingham for her generous donation of a recently published Lewis and Clark plant book by Scott Earle and James Reveal. It is a beautiful volume with good information and color plates. It will make a wonderful item for our raffle or auction. Speaking of books, we now have the book collection of late member Harry Hubbard. The collection includes a complete first-edition set of the Moulton Journals in mint condition. Our special thanks to Ruth Hubbard and her family for considering the chapter. They will be used for the greater knowledge of the Corps in the future.

I hope to see many of you in Ilwaco on November 10<sup>th</sup> at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center at Cape D. Please plan to attend this eventful weekend.

Regards, Tim

## May 2007 Chapter Field Trip "Long bad Rapid"

(NOTE: The following synopsis was prepared for us by Rob Heacock, who arranged the trip for May. Thanks Rob. Ed.)

Saturday May 5, the Washington Chapter met at 10:00 AM at the Franklin County History Museum in Pasco with about twenty people in attendance. After a presentation on the local history and a review of the handout materials, we met at Sacajawea State Park and Interpretive Center for lunch, and enjoyed the local setting at the confluence of the Snake and Columbia Rivers. Not to be missed also is the newly re-dedicated Sacajawea Interpretive Center, an impressive exhibit with displays of the Expedition. We then traveled past the one room school house of the Star School District to the Kahlotus area, where we traveled down Devil's Canyon, an aptly named Ice Age Flood feature. After a rest stop and car consolidation at Windust Park on the Snake River, we traveled to Burr Canyon and viewed Pine Tree Rapids and the area of the October 14, 1805 canoe mishap and campsite. We then walked to local features that were possibly mentioned on Captain Clark's map of the area.

Sunday, we walked from Big Flat Habitat Management Unit to view to the October 15, 1805 campsite at the head of Fishhook Rapids, and Captain Clark's possible land route as he walked around the rapids. Bureau of Land Management July 1879 cadastral survey maps enabled us to view the area as it was prior to being inundated by the slack waters of Lake Sacajawea behind Ice Harbor Dam.

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## Fall Chapter Meeting

The Fall chapter meeting will be held, as mentioned on page 1, at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center at Cape Disappointment State Park in Ilwaco on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. We will meet in the meeting room on the main floor at 10:00 for a short business meeting before Ranger Jon Schmidt presents a program on the recent changes that have taken place at the Center and give us an idea of what may happen in the future. It is most likely not going to be a very long meeting since the hope is for members to attend the events of the 'Ocian In View' program for the weekend. As mentioned on page 3, there are many things that you can do in connection with OIV, either as part of their program or on your own – or both! Or, you can just enjoy the beach itself.

We hope you will plan to attend as we would like to get members back into the LC mindset. It will be a good time to ask questions and have discussions with other members who may have some experiences at sites you are interested in along the PNW section of The Trail.

See you there. And bring your cameras, too. The view from the meeting room window is nothing short of spectacular!!



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## 'Ocian In View!'

This year's Ocian In View program will be November 9-11, 2007 beginning Friday evening at the Ilwaco Heritage Museum. At 7:00 PM, author Jane Kirkpatrick will present an interesting program on "Marie Dorion, The Second Woman West." The program will explore the similarities and differences between the two native women. Ms. Kirkpatrick has written several books concerning the fur trade and pioneering life, especially focusing on Mrs. Dorion. She will also be available following the presentation for signing books.

On Saturday evening, also at 7:00 - after a seafood dinner at the museum put on by the Chinook Tribe for \$15.00 - Dr. Doug Wilson will be speaking at the high school about the Chinookan Fur-trading site at Lewis and Clark's Station Camp. A Chinookan site, Lewis and Clark camp, a cannery town and now, a part of a National Historical Park, Station Camp has revealed many interesting artifacts spanning these time periods of human use. Dr. Wilson will help aid our understanding of the site by "painting a picture" of the activities that took place there both before and after Lewis and Clark.

Rounding out the weekend's presentations on Sunday at 2:30, Gary Lentz will present "Into the Sunset...Farewell to Sgt. Gass." Based on his ever-popular portrayal of Sgt. Gass, Gary will advance the story of the longest-lived Corps member by discussing the post-Expedition life of Patrick Gass and offering the audience the opportunity to ask questions of the older Mr. Gass. Along with period clothing and other items of the time, this should be a very interesting view of life after Lewis and Clark. The program will be at the Ft. Columbia State Park theatre near Station Camp. Come see the park and listen to Gary Sunday afternoon.

Other activities planned for the weekend besides the Chinookan dinner Saturday include an open house at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center at Cape D, the Cape D Confluence site, the Knappton Cove Heritage Center open house, the Ft. Clatsop rebuild near Astoria and the bus tours guided by local historian Jim Sayce. The tours, lasting about 3 hours, will begin at 9 AM and 1 PM at the Ilwaco Heritage Museum. The cost is \$30 and pre-registration is highly recommended because of limited seating. Contact the museum at 360-642-3446, or you can mail a check to the museum at IHM, P.O. Box 153, Ilwaco, WA 98624. Be sure to pick which time slot you wish to take.

For further information, you can contact Carol Zahorsky, PR for the Long Beach Visitors Bureau at 360-446-3645 or at [carol@zahorskypr.com](mailto:carol@zahorskypr.com). You may also contact Una Boyle, Ex Dir. of the Long Beach Visitors Bureau at 1-800-451-2542 or [una@funbeach.com](mailto:una@funbeach.com). Come have fun at the beach!

### Membership Renewals;

It is that time when we need to think about renewing for 2008. The cost is the same as last year, \$15. Use the form below and send your remittance in to Rob, soon. Thanks.

#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL

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*\*Optional - will be included with membership roster*

#### Chapter Membership

\$15.00 per year (Jan - Dec) for any person, family, firm, association or corporation.

Please make checks payable to:

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Dues are kept as low as possible to encourage wide membership. In addition, members are encouraged to make supplemental donations to help support the organization.

Please mark if address has changed.

**NOTE: If you have recently renewed your membership, thank you. Please disregard this notice.**

The above dues are for the Washington State Chapter only. Bylaws recommend that Chapter members be current members of the National Foundation. Annual dues are: Individual, \$49 per year; Family, \$55 per year. Membership includes the quarterly magazine *We Proceeded On*. Send Foundation dues to: Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, Inc. P.O. Box 3434, Great Falls, MT 59403



## Washington State Chapter Events

**Nov. 9-11, 2007** -- "Ocian In View!" This annual event will take place ion the Ilwaco area with many good venues to choose from again this year. Plan on attending this wonderful weekend experience concerning Lewis and Clark and related topics.

**Nov. 10, 2007** -- The 2007 Fall chapter meeting will take place at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center at Cape Disappointment State Park out of Ilwaco. The meeting will begin at 10:00 and last until noon-ish so members can attend other events of "Ocian In View!" Jon Schmidt will be our guest speaker. Jon has been a ranger at LCIC for several years and is quite knowledgable about al the local goings-on at the center. It should be an interesting morning. Bring your foul-weather gear just in case!

**Feb. 9, 2008** -- (Tentative) Annual Chapter Business Meeting in Tacoma. This is the meeting where we need as many members as possible to attend to help plot a course for the next year. Please hold this date open for our meeting.

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