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Worthy of Notice



WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER, LCTHF

2015 DUES: STILL ONLY \$15.00!

Just a reminder to send in your 2015 dues. If your mailing or email address has changed, please fill out the form on page 7 and mail it along with your check. Your membership helps support the activities of the Washington Chapter throughout the year.

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WASHINGTON CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING FEBRUARY 7, 2015 - TACOMA WA.



will discuss the horses of the Lewis and Clark expedition.

The election of Chapter officers and at-large board members will also be held.

speaker. During the morning session, Doc

at-large board members will also be held. The Chapter business meeting will follow the lunch break.

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The Washington State Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation will hold its Annual Meeting on February 7, 2015. The meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m. at the Washington State History Museum in Tacoma, WA. All members are encouraged to attend if possible.

Doc Wesselius, former President and longtime member of the Washington State Chapter, will be our featured



Doc in the saddle

SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATIONS FOR CHAPTER ELECTIONS

At the annual meeting on February 7th, 2015, the Washington Chapter of the LCTHF will be electing officers and other members of the Board of Directors. Nominations are being compiled by Tim Underwood. The deadline for submitting nominees is January, 30th, 2015. Tim can be contacted through this e-mail account: *yellepit@gmail.net* or by regular mail at...

Tim Underwood 128 Galaxie Rd Chehalis, WA 98532 Positions open for nominations:

President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Director At-Large (4)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY ROB HEACOCK

My wife Melanie always gets a little suspicious when I say that I would like to take her for a 'hike'. This conjures up memories and images (probably based on memories) of large packs, heavy loads of food and water, gear for foreseeable and unforeseeable events, to say nothing of heavy boots, scratchy wool socks, and a lot of huffing and puffing, all with the prospect that there will be great satisfaction at the end.

So with this in mind, allow me to recommend the trip up the Beacon Rock trail as a walk that is suitable for all. And a very pleasant one at that. To think that there could be a gentle trail to the top of such a monolith



with vertical sides that towers more than 800 feet above the Columbia River is a tribute to the builder of the trail, Henry Biddle.

Our October meeting at Beacon Rock State Park was a great event, with the walk to the top as enjoyable as could be. Photos were taken of the 15 star flag (see photos on page 7), and we surveyed the surrounding country with geologic interpretation by Glenn Kirkpatrick. We also had a great perspective of the Bonneville Landslide, where debris slid from Table Mountain and Greenleaf Peak and blocked the Columbia River.

We will have a few centennial events related to Beacon Rock in the next couple of years, and look forward to more pleasant walks up the Biddle Trail.

See you on the Trail.

Robert Heacock

CHAPTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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"THE CORPS OF DISCOVERY" A SPECIAL PRIZE FOR NATIONAL HISTORY DAY STUDENTS BY BARB KUBIK

After several years of collaborative work among various Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation committees, expedition scholars and authors, and regional National History Day judges, the Foundation's board of directors has approved a new partnership with the National History Day program [www.nhd.org].

National History Day was founded in 1974 in Cleveland, Ohio as a way to encourage students in grades 6 through 12 to focus on history, research, and critical thinking. From an initial participation of 130 students, National History Day competitions now see participation from half a million students throughout the United States and its territories.

Students select a topic that they feel best reflects the annual theme. The annual theme, chosen by National History Day, may emphasize science and technology, exploration, community, our rights and freedoms, or other "turning points in history." The theme often reflects a historic anniversary, such as the 1987 theme, "Liberty: Rights and Responsibilities" [the Bicentennial of the US Constitution], or the 2004 theme, "Exploration, Encounter, Exchange" [the Bicentennial of the Corps of Discovery]. The theme for 2015 is "Leadership and Legacy in History" and is certainly applicable to the stories of the Corps of Discovery. Students frequently select amazing people, events, and ideas to explore as their chosen topic, creatively linking their topic to the year's theme. They often "think outside the box" in surprising and personal ways!

Students participate at either the Junior Division [6th through 8th grade] or at the Senior Division [9th through 12th grade]. Their entries may be as an individual or as a group in one of four categories:

- documentary [think a 10-minute PBS special]
- exhibit [think traveling exhibit for a museum, library or interpretive center]
- performance [with costumes, props, music]
- website

Only individuals may choose to enter a research paper of 1500+ words.

The Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation has officially endorsed National History Day, and is listed on the National History Day website's homepage as one of eleven such supporters. Ten of the 11 endorsing organizations are very prestigious history/education-related organizations, including the American Association of State and Local History [AASLH], the Society for American Archivists and the National Center for History in Schools. The Foundation, equally prestigious, is the only topic-specific organization endorsing National History Day.

The Foundation will also offer one of the "special prizes." These prizes are sponsored by topic-specific heritage organizations, historic sites, or families, such as the Naval Historical Foundation [the Captain Ken Coskey Naval History Prize], the Agricultural History Society [History of Agricultural and Rural Life], and the Lombardo family [Immigration History Award]. Each sponsor clearly lays out the criteria [topic, research methodology, age, entry choice] for their award, as well as the "prizes" - cash, publication opportunities, speaking engagements, and etc. These special prizes are awarded by a special panel of judges during the Kenneth E. Behring National Contest in June each year in College Place, Maryland.

The Foundation's special prize will go to an outstanding entry in both the Junior and the Senior Division that

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CHAPTER NAME BADGES

Members of the Washington Chapter can still order name badges. The badges have the same design as the Chapter logo. The price for one name badge is \$17.00; the price for two or more is \$13.50 each.

To order, make checks payable to Awards West - PrintWares, Inc.

Mail checks to: **Tim Underwood, 128 Galaxie Rd, Chehalis, WA 98532**. Print your name the way you want it to appear on your name badge and specify whether you want a pin back or a magnetic back.

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TRAVELLING THE WASHINGTON TRAIL: DISCOVERY TRAIL

ILWACO, WA TO LONG BEACH, WA

"November 19th Tuesday 1805 a Cloudy rainey day proceeded up the Coast which runs from my camp...5 miles through a rugged hilley countrey thickly off the Sea coast to the Comencment of an extencive Sand beech which runs...about 20 miles distance. I proceeded up this coast 4 miles and marked my name on a low pine..." William Clark

Following its escape from the ordeal at Dismal Nitch, the Corps of Discovery was established in a much better situation at Station Camp. On November 18th, Captain William Clark led a party including ten other men to reach Cape Disappointment and discover what lay beyond it.

It was an eventful journey. Rueben Field shot a large "vulter" on the first day out; the huge bird would become the first California condor ever described for science. On the second day, on the ocean shore of present-day Long Beach, WA, Clark would find a 10-foot beached sturgeon, and the skeleton of a whale; he would also carve his name and the date on a tree. The party returned to Station Camp on the 20th with the knowledge that the exposed beaches of the Long Beach peninsula and the rocky headlands of Cape Disappointment did not offer a desirable location for Winter quarters.

The Discovery Trail stretches 8 miles from Ilwaco, Wash., through Cape Disappointment State Park north to Long Beach. You can hike the entire trail or travel segments from one of the many trailheads. Portions of the trail are open to bikes. The trail winds through coastal forest and wetlands at Beards Hollow in Cape Disappointment, then travels along the dunes north past Long Beach.

The trail segment in Long Beach has four key monuments related to the Corps of Discovery's exploration of the area: a 9-foot etched basalt monolith, a gray whale skeleton, a life-size bronze of Clark with sturgeon and Clark's Tree, a 19-foot bronze sculpture noting the most Northwest point the Corps reached on its trip.

Directions:

From Astoria, drive on Hwy 101 North to Ilwaco, Cape Disappointment or the City of Long Beach.

From Washington, drive south on Hwy 101 or west on Hwy 4 to Ilwaco, Cape Disappointment or the City of Long Beach.

Main trailheads are at the west end of the Port of Ilwaco, Beards Hollow in Cape Disappointment State Park, and three trailheads in Long Beach where Sid Snyder Drive, Bolstad Ave and 26th Ave meet the beach.

More Information:

www.funbeach.com or call the Long Beach Visitors Bureau at (360) 642-2400.

Part of this article is reprinted from the website of the National Park Service and the Lewis and Clark National Historic Park. - Eds.



Clark's Tree sculpture, Long Beach WA



Capt. William Clark sculpture, Long Beach WA

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LEWIS & CLARK: WINTERING THE PACIFIC

A LIVING HISTORY EVENT LONG BEACH, WA JANUARY 17, 18 & 19, 2015

On January 17th through 19th, Veteran's Field in downtown Long Beach, WA will come to life as the City of Long Beach and the Pacific Northwest Living Historians (PNLH) present the "Lewis & Clark: Wintering the Pacific" program.

Visitors will take a step back into 1805 and experience a glimpse into the life of the Lewis & Clark Corps of Discovery. The living history interpreters of the PNLH will make camp on Veteran's Field in downtown Long Beach, as they portray the people of the Corps in an unscripted, interactive Chautauqua-style program. This cultural event will offer visitors the chance to engage and interact with members of the Corps, as they would have appeared during their Winter stay on the Pacific Coast.



Pacific Northwest Living Historians

These "explorers" will also demonstrate some of the daily duties required during their voyage. They will tell visitors about their labors and adventures, the people they met on their journey, and the dangers and hardships encountered. Just be surprised if they are puzzled by automobiles and cell phones!

The camp will be open to spectators on January 17-19 from 10am-5pm, and on the 19th from 10-2pm. Moccasin making, hide tanning, tent making, salt making can be expected. January 17-19, 2015. And best of all, the event is FREE!

Veteran's Field is located in downtown Long Beach on 3rd Street S., between Oregon Street S. and Washington Street S., directly East of the Long Beach Police station. It is just a stone's throw from "Mark of Triumph," the heroic bronze monument by Stanley Wanlass which depicts the William Clark making his mark on a tree, while Meriwether Lewis looks on.

A SPECIAL PRIZE FOR NATIONAL HISTORY DAY STUDENTS (CONT.)

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best utilizes primary sources, including maps, journals, letters and oral histories to "explore" such Corps of Discovery-related topics as cartography, diplomacy, trail sites, natural history, expedition members, or tribal history and leaders. The winner is each division will receive a cash prize of \$1,000!

In Washington State, regional competitions begin in February. The state competition is in May. If chapter members would like to learn more, log onto **www.nhd.org** or the Washington State Historical Society's website. If chapter members would like to volunteer to judge during a regional or state-wide competition, please contact Mark Vessey at:

mvessey@wshsh.wa.gov.

THE ADVENTURES OF LEWIS & CLARK

THE MOVIE THAT NEVER WAS (PART X):

THE REST OF THE CAST

Sometimes, a great performance by a fine actor in a supporting role, even if they appear in just one scene, can turn a good movie into a great one. The following actors make brief appearances in our imaginary film, but we believe they would be memorable.

<u>James Stewart as Thomas</u> <u>Jefferson.</u> Stewart and Henry



Stewart

Fonda (our Lewis) were roommates as young Broadway actors, costarred in a

handful of movies, and remained friends the rest of their lives. As we envision Stewart playing the brilliant, yet somewhat eccentric Jefferson against Fonda's dutiful and eager-to-please Meriwether Lewis, we wish these good friends and great actors had collaborated one more time.

<u>Jane Darwell as Lucy</u>
<u>Marks.</u> One of the greatest and most prolific character actresses in the Golden Era of Hollywood, Darwell gave an unforgettable, Oscar-winning, performance as the mother of Fonda's "Tom Joad" in *The Grapes of Wrath*



Darwell

(1940). She is also remembered for prominent supporting roles in *The Ox-Bow Incident* (1943, also with Fonda), *Gone*

with the Wind (1939) and Mary Poppins (1964). We would like to see her support Fonda again in the role of Lewis' mother.

Joanne Dru as Julia Han-

cock. In Red River (1948) and She Wore a Yellow Ribbon (1949), the lovely Dru



Dru

played strong, smart characters beside leading man John Wayne (our Clark). We like her as William Clark's bride-to-be.

Walter Brennan as Dr. Ben-

jamin Rush.
A 3-time
Academy
Award winner, Brennan
proved that he
could play any
type of role:
country



Brennan

bumpkin, big-city sportswriter, kindly preacher, or cold-blooded killer. Who better to play early America's most prominent physician, and signer of the Declaration of Independence?

Victor McLaglen as George

Rogers Clark. If you have seen McLaglen and Wayne together in She Wore a Yellow Ribbon, Rio Grande (1950) or The Quiet Man (1952), this casting



McLaglan

(1952), this casting needs no explanation. If you haven't...see them...right away. The tough, Oscar-winning English actor is perfect as the old Revolutionary War hero.

Andy Devine as the keelboat builder. We concede that this

final character
played a
very minor role in
the grand
tale of the
expedi-



Devine

tion. But just imagine the rotund, scratchy-voiced actor as the lazy, boozy craftsman behind Capt. Lewis' barge. We can't resist the idea.

NEXT NEWSLETTER: THE FULL CAST!

BJORNSTAD ICE-AGE FLOOD VIDEOS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Geologist Bruce Bjornstad has posted a series of four videos called Floodscapes on YouTube, showing views of four ice age flood locations from an unmanned aerial vehicle. Bjornstad is the author of the *On the Trail of the Ice Age Floods* guidebooks, and was a featured speaker at the Foundation's 46th Annual Meeting in Richland, WA. Here is the web address:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLkm7PPpYbul9pMDmDqLDs3pXpaESFK9FY

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LEWIS AND CLARK TOUR FROM WEIPPE PRAIRIE TO ASTORIA PLANNED FOR APRIL

A motor coach tour from Weippe Prairie in Idaho to Astoria, Oregon, is scheduled for April 21 - 27, 2015, Tuesday through Monday. The tour will offer an in-depth look at Lewis and Clark Expedition across Idaho, Washington, and Oregon. Historians John Caskey and Dick Jensen will guide the journey along the Columbia River. Travelers will see the landscape and learn first-hand how Lewis and Clark traveled and what they learned. The tour will also include stops at the Hood River Apple Festival, the Hood River Aeroplane and Auto Museum, the Astoria Seafood, Crab, and Wine Festival, and the McMinnville Aviation and Space Museum. The tour package includes admissions, hotels, 13 meals, transportation and tour guides. An RSVP by Mar 01 is reguired. For more information and reservations, call Inland Empire Tours at 509-747-1335.

BEACON ROCK PHOTOS





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Chapter Membership

\$15.00 per year (Jan - Dec) for any person, family, firm, association, or corporation. Please make check payable to:

Washington State Chapter LCTHF, inc Mail to: Layne Corneliuson 19033 102nd Ave SE Renton, WA 98055

Dues are kept as low as possible to encourage wide membership. Please consider making 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: \$49.00 per year, Family: \$65.00 per year. Membership includes the quarterly magazine WE PROCEEDED ON. Submit dues to LCTHF, inc. P.O. box 3434, Great Falls, MT 59403

^{*}Optional –will be included with membership roster

DATES TO REMEMBER

January, 17, 18 and 19, 2015: (Saturday to Monday) **Lewis & Clark: Wintering the Pacific** is a living history event presented by the City of Long Beach and the Pacific Northwest Living Historians. Veterans Field (less than one block East of main street) in downtown Long Beach, WA. Saturday and Sunday program times are 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Monday times are 10:00 am to 2:00 p.m. (See page 5 for more information.)

January 31, 2015: (Sat.) **Living in the Shadows**, an exhibit exploring the historic interaction between the people of Washington State and an ever-changing volcanic landscape through native legends, scientific discovery, environmental management and disaster preparedness, opens at the Washington State History Museum in Tacoma, WA.

February 7, 2015: (Sat.) 10:30 AM - **Washington Chapter meeting** at the Washington State History Museum in Tacoma. 1911 Pacific Ave, Tacoma, WA 98402. Doc Wesselius is featured speaker. (See page 1 for more information.)

April, **2015:** WA Chapter Spring field trip and meeting. More information to come.

May 29, 2015: (Fri.) Confluence Project dedication at Chief Timothy Park, Clarkston, WA.

August 1 - 5, 2015: (Sat. - Wed.) LCTHF 47th Annual Meeting, Kansas City, MO.

Visit our Washington Chapter website... www.wa-lcthf.org

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The mission of the LCTHF is to stimulate appreciation of the Lewis and Clark Expedition's contribution to America's heritage and to support education, research, development and preservation of the Lewis and Clark experience.