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Worthy of Notice



WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER, LCTHF

2018 DUES: STILL ONLY \$15.00!

Just a reminder to send in your 2018 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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HERITAGE DAYS SEPTEMBER 28 & 29, 2018 SACAJAWEA STATE PARK, PASCO WA

"Towards evening we arrived at a large fork that came into this River from a Northerly direction & was much large than the fork which we descended... The country round where the forks of these two Rivers lay was level & smooth barren plains..." - Joseph Whitehouse, October 16, 1805

Heritage Days, a large and diverse history program, will be held on September 28 –29, 2018. Sacajawea State Park will host the event in the place where the Lewis and Clark expedition arrived at the long-anticipated confluence of the Columbia and Snake rivers.

The Pacific Northwest Living Historians will recreate the October 1805 camp of the Corps of Discovery.

Heritage Days also features performances and displays about a wide range of local history. Visitors will meet interpreters who bring history to life

by sharing the stories of the early explorers, the Native American people they encountered, and the early settlers, while also demonstrating the tools and skills they used in their day-to-day lives.

Friday's programs will mainly focus on interpretation for local school groups from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.; other Friday visitors will be required to display the Washington State Parks Discover Pass, or to buy a \$10 vehicle access pass.

Saturday activities will be less structured and open to the general public, with event hours from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Saturday night features a campfire program with music and story-telling; it begins around 7:30 PM and is open to the public.



PHOTO BY JOHN ORTHMANN

The Washington State Chapter will have an informational booth at Heritage Days, and volunteers are needed! If you can help, please contact Rennie Kubik (see page 2).

Sacajawea State Park is a 284-acre marine, day-use park in Pasco, WA. Contact the park,

or the Friends of Sacajawea State Park, for more information about this event.

Sacajawea State Park & Interpretive Center 2503 Sacajawea Park Rd., Pasco, WA 509-545-2361

www.friendsofsacajaweastatepark.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY RENNIE KUBIK

Washington State L&C members,

I hope you all had a great summer with some wonderful outings, along our favorite trail in spite of all the smoke.

I was the only one who showed up for our Chapter meeting that day at the Cathlapotle Plankhouse in Ridgefield! I do understand it was bloody hot! I ended up that day leading a group of people who enjoy the outdoors. I took them on one of the great hikes available, and I identified different plants and grasses for them. We saw lots of birds, a muskrat, and a beaver on our hike. This group had a lot of energy for each other, they looked at everything from insects to mushrooms!!!

The talk on the Plankhouse was great. The volunteer went over the objects and Native American history in the Ridgefield area. This lasted about 40 minutes with some questions from me!

We have some great meetings coming up. Do not forget Heritage Days at Sacajawea Park in Pasco, WA. on September 28 and 29th! We need volunteers to help staff the chapter booth both days. Call/text/email me if you can help.



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The Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation's 50th annual meeting is in Astoria, OR, Oct. 6 thru Oct.11. This (Continued on page 6)



LEWIS AND CLARK SALT MAKERS OCTOBER 6TH & 7TH, 2018 LIVING HISTORY PROGRAM—SEASIDE, OR

The Pacific Northwest Living Historians will present "Lewis and Clark Salt Makers" on October 6th and 7th in Seaside, OR. This living history program is sponsored by

the Oregon Chapter as part of the 50th Annual Meeting of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. Mike and Bev Carrick, members of both the OR and WA State Chapters, are the principal supporters.

Portraying members of the Corps of Discovery, PNLH interpreters will re-create the laborious process of making salt by boiling sea water. The event is free and open to the public, along with attendees of the 50th Annual Meeting. Find more Annual Meeting information at: www.or-lcthf.org



"George Gibson" - a.k.a. Mark Johnson of the OR and WA State Chapters—carries sea water to the salt-makers fire in 2012

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PADDLE TO PUYALLUP 2018

By Margaret Nelson

In 1989, some Washington Native American tribes decided to sponsor a canoe journey, to strengthen and share their cultures, which met in Seattle. This means that a tribe which had a cedar canoe (or very occasionally sometimes a fiberglass canoe, or some even carved a new cedar canoe) trained a crew or crews for saltwater canoeing and rendezvous at the agreed location for a big meeting of culture sharing.

We saw them pull into Tacoma's Owen Beach during another canoe journey many years ago, but then hadn't figured out where to go for the dancing and other events. This year the local Puyallup nation is the sponsor so we have been more aware and attending events.

Some of these tribes start on the Columbia River in OR, some from British Columbia; some travel by canoe from the west coast of WA, though the Straits of Juan de Fuca and into Puget Sound. On Thursday, July 26, they landed at Alki Beach in Seattle, where they had the usual formal protocol. That means the local tribe meets them and the travelers, while off shore, tell who they are and ask for permission to land in the local tribe's jurisdiction. At Alki, one of our local tribes, the Muckleshoot, took care of them.

On Friday, July 27, they planned a soft landing with no protocol at Dash Point State Park, five miles from our house. This location is just a few miles from the final official end of the canoe journey. They wanted to get all the canoes into an area where they

could easily paddle into northeast Tacoma, rest, pick up the canoes on Saturday and arrive at the formal ending point.

Al and I checked the tide table; low tide was around 11:00 A.M. We went to check out the situation and find a good seat. There were native Americans there waiting for their family canoes, so we were able to find out what would happen and even track the canoes on GPS! The canoes at Alki waited for the tide to turn (rise as it went south, which would help them paddle this way) and started to appear around 2:00 P.M.

First you would see a tiny, tiny dot on the water, then a flash would appear: the wet, wooden cedar paddles, as everyone paddled in unison. Eventually the boat would be visible, and there were lots of them – over the afternoon, 70-80 came in. Often we could see up to 12 canoes offshore, next to Vashon Island, waiting to come in.

Dash Point is a delta and beach. The water is so shallow that at high tide you can walk out about a quarter mile. The first canoes arrived at a low tide, and they wanted to pull them up higher than the high tide so they could go to the off-site camping. There were about 18 paddlers, sometimes more, sometimes less depending on the size of the cedar tree used for the canoe. There were men and women paddlers. A few of the tribes had support boats that traveled with them (a good idea on the ocean and straits). When they wanted to put in a relief paddler, they would do the transfer at sea!

To get the canoes up on dry land, they would try to slide the canoe on seaweed when present. However, it was in scattered patches, so they would usually lift the canoe onto their shoulders and carry it. The canoes are so heavy that they would stop two or three times and put it down before continuing. Then when at the beach they would lift the canoes over the top of beach logs—a dangerous way to crush a foot or hand as the people could not see if someone was having trouble getting over the logs, which can be five feet in diameter on this beach.

As the afternoon wore on, the tide came up. Some canoes waited offshore for this as they wanted to carry a shorter distance. But the later they were, the less room there was to store the canoe. They really packed them in side-by-side and carried them further than anyone would have preferred, due to so many canoes. As more and more canoes came in, it perhaps looked like the old days when people came in for potlatches, or maybe like when the Vikings invaded Britain? We met locals we knew, and native people who were Makahs, Nu-Chal-Nuth (Makah relatives from Vancouver Island) and natives from Oregon, along with the local Muckleshoot, Squamish and Puyallup. There is a list of over 100 canoes and tribes on the event website, so there were lots of people there. Imagine, we think we saw 70-80 canoes come in and the crews would be about 18 -20 on average. Serious boats!

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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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2018 Canoe Journey at Dash Point State Park, July 28, 2018

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Pictures from top:

(top) Canoe coming in;

(above L) Getting closer to shore;

(above R) Samish canoe;

(L) Ten canoes offshore;

(bottom) Cedar bough on prow to wish paddlers a safe journey.







Top left & right photos: decorated canoe prows;

Middle: Many shoulders needed to lift and carry a cedar canoe;

Bottom left and right: carrying and storing the canoes to and above the high tide line at Dash Point beach







2018 Canoe Journey at Dash Point State Park, Text by Margaret Nelson, photos by Allen H. Nelson Copyright Allen and Margaret Nelson 2018

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (CONT.)

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will be a great meeting with a lot different presentations, a cruise on the Columbia River, and great field trips on both sides of the river.

The Oregon Chapter can always use more volunteers- contact Larry McClure at Larry.mcclure@gmail.com or (503) 476-4882.

We'll try to squeeze in a chapter meeting one evening!

We're looking for ideas for exceptional programs & field trips for 2019--- ideas, let me know! - Rennie

2018 ANNUAL CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES (PART 2)

Continued from the Worthy of Notice April issue.

Sacajawea Heritage Days:

John Orthmann reminded the chapter of their obligation to help with Sacajawea Heritage Days, September 28-29 at Sacajawea State Park in Pasco, WA. Volunteers are needed to help with the school tours, the demonstrations, and the displays, including the chapter's display. Bonnie Chew has the display board; she noted the board needs some work, including upto-date, large-size color photos.

Future Programs:

Programs are the responsibility of the vice-president. The chapter discussed a variety of possible programs for FY 2018 with Nick Giovanni. It was noted there will be two fall meetings, Sacajawea Heritage Days and the 50th annual meeting:

--an Oregon Chapter-sponsored workparty/volunteer training for the 50th annual meeting, followed by one of the meeting's proposed speakers [spring/summer]

- --Rob Heacock's program re: the Astorians
- --Sacajawea Heritage Days

Ben Bierley grave:

Rob Heacock reported the Greenwood Cemetery in Spokane is willing to work with the chapter re: a new headstone for Ben Bierley, one of Patrick Gass' grandsons. Bierley is buried in the un-endowed part of the cemetery, so there is no upkeep nor care. Rob has researched headstones, and learned we can purchase one for \$650.

It was moved and seconded we authorize Rob to purchase a new gravestone for Bierley's grave. The motion passed. It was moved and

seconded we apply for a Trail stewardship grant to help underwrite the costs of the grave stone. The motion passed.

It was moved and seconded we have a chapter meeting in Spokane, to clean the grave site and to install the new headstone. The motion passed. It was suggested we try to find as many of the Gass descendants in the northwest as possible, and invite them to the ceremony. Nik Taranik agreed to help with that task.

Map Project:

Rob Heacock has acquired a replica 1803 map by Nicholas King, similar to the one the Corps of Discovery used. Rob proposed the chapter reprint this map, and sell it as a chapter fund-raiser.

He told the chapter:

we can download a highresolution copy of the map from the Library of Congress because of the map's age, it is a

part of the public domain, and not copyrighted

we can get the map reprinted on heavy, high-quality paper for about \$5.25 each

we should include a brief paragraph re: the history of the map, and its importance to the Corps of Discovery

we could sell the map to interested individuals, and to various interpretive center/museum stores.

It was moved and seconded we "proceed on" with this project. The motion passed.

The approval of the motion led to a discussion re: taxes, wholesale vs. resale prices, marketing to various museum-type stores, and etc. It was agreed the motion would be withdrawn until we could get the answers to some of our questions. Linda Underwood agreed to look into the taxes. Rob agreed to continue conversations with museum stores re: their interest in the map as a sales item.

Newsletter:

John Orthmann told the chapter the newsletter, "Worthy of Notice" will be offered electronically to all chapter members; chapter members wanting a print copy will have to request it. It was agreed we should check our membership list for the correct emails, and make sure we have both emails of our couple members. It is John's plan to produce the next newsletter in print, and then go electronic.

Other Business:

Barb Kubik reported Lauren Danner has given the chapter a number of Corps of Discovery-related books for use as we wish. Several of the books are currently on the silent auction table. Lauren also gave the chapter her back issues of **We Proceeded On** for our use. After some discussion, it was moved and seconded we give the **We Proceeded Ons** to the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation for their use. The motion passed. It was suggested the president send Lauren a thank you card for her generous gift.

John Orthmann told the chapter Hal Stoltz has relinguished responsibilities for the Boy Scout patch. Hal's health is not good, and he does not feel he can continue his work with this project. It was the chapter's consensus we continue the Boy Scout patch with a new coordinator.

Respectfully, Barb Kubik

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On Saturday, the last to arrive would need their whole crew present early to be able to move their canoe into the water. Eventually they paddled down to NE Tacoma for the formal request to land, and permission to do so from the Puyallup. This took at least 7 hours. Canoes had to be trailered out there, and crews transported to their camp. Then after they got cleaned up, they came back to Chief Leschi School, at the Puyallup reservation, for the salmon dinner.

The Puyallup invited "everyone" to dine (we had been invited to the Friday dinner as well). They expected 5,000 people! They had a huge, huge tent set up with tables and folding chairs. We figured it could seat 1,000. Since the Puyallup have a casino and hotel, and host banquets there, they were able to prepare the food at their commercial kitchens and bring it here in heated or refrigerated trucks.

As elders, we did not have to stand in line, but our plates were brought to us at the table! Each plate had salmon, bison, Dungeness crab, clams, potatoes, corn, and macaroni salad - and if you could still eat, Indian fry bread! And it all was a gift

from the Puyallup people to all the guests! What generous hosts! When we left the tent, people were still in line the entire length of the tent.

We then went to the protocol tent. Every day at 9:00 AM and 8:00 PM, they began their program. The tribes that had to travel the farthest got first booking, and the home tribe got the last. So many tribes were involved that they had to do this all week!

I have no idea how many hours each segment was allowed, but they went for the least four hours on Sunday morning.

Al and I had enough time outdoors on Friday and Saturday; since the program would not begin until everyone was fed and it was already 8 P.M., we went home intending to return Monday morning.

The Puyallup tribe had a brilliant idea and put the protocol on the internet, live, so we can watch it from home at http://paddletopuyallup.org/. Great! We hoped to see tribes we know and tribes we have only heard of. It was nice to meet the people from different tribes, both far away and right here in Washington.

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☐ Please mark if address has changed.

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

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DATES TO REMEMBER

September 28 & 29, 2018 (Friday & Saturday): – Heritage Days at Sacajawea State Park near Pasco, WA. Lewis & Clark living history camp & much more. Sponsor, Friends of Sacajawea State Park (see page 1).

October 6-7, 2018 (Saturday & Sunday): - Lewis and Clark Salt Makers, living history event, Seaside, OR (see page 2).

October 7-10, 2018 (Sunday—Wednesday): – Foundation 50th Annual meeting in Astoria, Oregon (visit www.or-lethf.org for more information).

October 21, 2018 (Sunday): 1:00 PM – In Their Footsteps Lecture Series: Carol Lucas, "'Altho' no regular botanist' - Jefferson's Reference to Lewis." Netul River Room, Fort Clatsop Visitor Center, LCNHP.

October 22-25, 2018: (Monday-Thursday)- 16th National Trails System Conference, Vancouver, Washington (visit www.pnts.org for information).

November 18, 2018 (Sunday): 1:00 PM – In Their Footsteps Lecture Series: Christopher Hodges, "John Colter, Servant of the Corps." Netul River Room, Fort Clatsop Visitor Center, LCNHP.

February 2, 2019 (Saturday): 10:30 AM – Washington Chapter 23rd Annual meeting at the Washington State History Museum, 1911 Pacific Avenue, Tacoma, Washington.

September 21-25, 2019 (Sat.—Wed.): – Foundation 51st Annual meeting in Saint Louis, Missouri.

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