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# Worthy of Notice



WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER, LCTHF

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Just a reminder to send in your 2019 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 2, 2019 - TACOMA WA.

The Washington State History Museum in Tacoma, WA is the location for the Annual Meeting of the Washington State Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation on February 2, 2019. The meeting will begin at 10:30 A.M. All members are encouraged to attend, and the public is also welcome.

A general meeting of the membership and elections will be held.

The featured speakers will be Barb Kubik, Steve Lee and Rob Heacock. Barb and Steve will discuss the story of Jean Baptiste Charbonneau, the youngest traveler with the Corps of Discovery. Rob will share a presentation about the huge anchor which

is on display at the Washington State History Museum.

The Chapter Board of Directors will hold a business meeting after lunch, and

all members are welcome to attend.

**Silent Auction:** all attendees are encouraged to bring items to donate for the silent auction, with the proceeds going to the Chapter.

*Elections*: Members will vote for eight positions on the Chapter Board of

Directors:



A slate of nominees will put forth at the meeting, and voted on by the membership.

Are you interested in serving as an officer or director, or do you want to nom-

inate candidates? If so, please contact Chapter President Rennie Kubik, at the email address below, before the meeting.

washingtonstate@lewisandclark.org



PHOTO BY LYN TOPINKA

Detail of Bronze Sculpture of Jean Baptiste Charbonneau with Sacagawea by Heather Soderburg Cascade Locks Marine Park, OR



Left: Washington State History Museum, Tacoma WA

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By RENNIE KUBIK

Dear Chapter members,

It has been a good two years being your president for the Washington State Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. Nick and Kathy Giovanni have resigned as officer's due health issues, so hopefully we will have Chapter members volunteer to take their places as Vice-President and Treasurer. Thank you Nick and Kathy for stepping up in the last few years. They have done great job for our Chapter.

You may get a call asking you to be a Board member. We need a President, Vice-President, and Treasurer.

We will miss Murray Hayes. He was a past President and a Chapter founder, and he was always helping our Chapter with great ideas for programs, field trips, and service projects! Our sympathies to Mary Jill!

I wanted to reflect on our Chapter working in partnership with the Oregon Chapter. We work together well. Our help on the 50th Annual Meeting of the LCTHF was certainly needed and the Oregon Chapter really appreciated us. I ended up being a van driver, getting people to places, field trips, and the airport! I have some great memories doing this task for the meeting.

One - I found the elk by Fort Clatsop! I was able to show meeting goers Roosevelt elk, many who had never seen them in the wild before. We were able to stop and get great photos.

My van group got to listen to Clay Jenkinson, Tony Johnson's father, and David Nicandri talk about Station Camp from start to finish. By the time we were done, there was about 40 people there listening to the history of Station Camp.

The favorite thing was the boat cruise on the Spirit of Portland. This was well liked and we got to see Pillar Rock, from the Corp's landmark we cannot drive to now.

In December, John Orthmann, Hal Stoltz and I presented the Chapter's Boy Scout patches to a hard working troup in Burien, WA! They are the first recipients of our patch and we were pleased to travel to their Dec. 19th meeting to present the patches, and blue bead, to them!

It's been a great two years! Thank you to all of you – John as our editor, Hal for the Scout patches, Chapter members who helped with the 50th Annual Meeting and Sacajawea Heritage Days and our Chapter's officers and Board!

I will continue to be active as past President, working with the new officers helping them with our chapter's education and tasks!

Rennie Kubik

President of Washington State Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation

## CHAPTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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# NOT THE EXPEDITION'S BEESWAX

By Robert Heacock

In the journals of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, there is notation from Sergeant Ordway in the style so familiar to those accustomed to the Expedition and the Moulton Journals:

Sunday 9th March 1806. a little [snow?] & hail this morning and cold. I and 10 more of the party went and brought in the meat of the 2 Elk. Shortly after we returnd Several of the Clatsop Indians came to the Fort with Some Small fish and a little bears wax to trade to us. we bought a fiew & C

The mention of 'bears wax' apparently refers to beeswax, an item that coastal natives would have had some access to, and would think that the Expedition may be interested in.

This connection opens the door to a fascinating and important topic, the long established activity of the Spanish trade galleons between Manila, Philippines and Acapulco, Mexico.

The Oregon Historical Quarterly Special Issue on the Oregon's Manila Galleon (Summer 2018 Volume 119 Number 2) is a landmark compilation of the investigation, decades in the making, of Oregon's 'Beeswax Wreck'. Many reference sources were used including locations in Seville, Madrid, other locations in Spain, Manila, Mexico City, and several locations in Western

states. It was compiled by seven contributing authors, led by Scott Williams and Cameron La Follette.

Northern Oregon coast local legends abound on the topic, with tales of Asian hardwood washed up on shores, beeswax pieces large and small in local museums and private collections, fine porcelain, some made into arrow points, and even tales of buried treasure on Neahkahnie Mountain. The center for these finds is the Nehalem Bay area.

After becoming established in South America and Central America, the Spanish aimed to control trade and its resultant

February 23rd program on the beeswax wreck & Lewis and Clark at West Linn, OR. See page 8 for details

economic and political power. They turned to Asia, a long sought after goal of most nations of the day. Manila gave the Spanish a foothold and access to various goods from large markets of China, Japan and Southeast Asia.

Ferdinand Magellan first visited the Philippines in 1521. The Spanish subsequently became established in Manila in 1565, and the first return voyage was made that year. Utilizing Pacific Ocean currents, they established a jealously guarded trade that spanned 250 years in what was

the first global system of commerce.

The galleons, locally built of tropical hardwoods, were large vessels designed for large, valuable cargos. They also had large crews, necessary for voyages that could last 6-8 months or more. Economic disaster was likely when one of the annual ships was lost, as on the westward return the ships were loaded with payment for the prior years' cargo.

Beeswax was a common cargo and was used for candles and religious purposes and by the wealthy. Since other countries did not have trade in beeswax, early surmises were that lost ship was of Spanish origin. The recent research shows that the 1693 wreck was of the galleon *Santo Cristo de Burgos*, and even lists names of officers, crew and their role, and passengers.

The Santo Cristo de Burgos first left Manila in 1692, but storm damage to rigging led to a near disaster and the ship returned to the Philippines. Subsequent inquests took their toll of time and effort, and resulted in a demoralized staff. The ship departed the Philippines again in 1693, but prematurely to avoid fallout from 1692 troubles, and 30 crew and also gear and goods were left on shore. Seasonal storms were still likely in trying to clear the Philippine archipelago, and then navigating the tem-

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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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# DR. MURRAY LAWRENCE HAYES

Murray Hayes passed away peacefully December 16, 2018, with family, in the home he loved. Murray was born in the family home in Fort Collins, Colorado, on July 17, 1929, to Murray E. and Margarite Honnold Hayes.

With the help of a Naval ROTC scholarship, Murray graduated from the University of Colorado with a distributive major in Mathematics, Physics and Economics. During the week after graduation, he married a fellow Coloradoan, Frances Catherine Wasinger, on July 4, 1952. He began his naval career immediately as a commissioned officer on a destroyer in the Pacific Ocean during the Korean War. Later, he trained and became a submariner for the remainder of his four years of active service.

Murray attended Colorado A&M, and completed a Masters degree in Fisheries Management. He later received a PhD in Zoology from Colorado State University.

He took a position as Biometrician with the US Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, part of the US Fish and Wildlife. Becoming head of the department, and then Regional Director of all Fisheries Research in Alaska, while living in Ketchikan and Kodiak, Murray taught mathematics at the Community Colleges, and was an active member of the school board in Ketchikan.

Transferring to Seattle for a sabbatical year to do research as an Adjunct professor at the University of Washington, Murray later moved to the NW Fisheries Center in Seattle. A large grant to coordinate energy related fisheries research led to his reassignment as Director of Resource Assessment in Conservation Engineering.

The extension of jurisdiction for all countries from three miles

to two hundred miles from their shores, brought with it the Fisheries Conservation and Management Act, leading to extensive reorganization of all NW Fisheries management. For treaty negotiations, Murray worked with nations including Canada, Japan and Russia,



travelling with delegations as scientific advisor.

In retirement, Murray raised prizewinning chrysanthemums as a member of the Evergreen Chrysanthemum Society, and practiced the art of designing Bonsai, showing the results in Seattle and Sequim through 2017.

Another much enjoyed activity was membership in the national and state Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation. With other members, Murray travelled to many corners of Washington, Montana and Oregon, camping and exploring known campsites of Lewis and Clark on their western trail.

Murray was preceded in death by his wife, Frances; his parents, Murray and Margarite; his sister, Lois; and brother, Richard.

He is survived by long-time partner, Mary Jill Klay; his children, Murray (Sheila) Hayes, Carl Hayes, John (Penny) Hayes, Joseph (Bunny) Hayes, Susan Hayes, George Hayes; and his many grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.

There will be no memorial services, but in the summer of 2019, his ashes will be scattered on the waters of his favorite bay in Alaska.

Excerpted from The Peninsula Daily News, Jan. 4.

Murray was a founding member of the Washington State Chapter, and served as the 2nd Chapter President during 1999-2000. He served on the Board of Directors until 2015.

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pestuous North Pacific Ocean.

The routes taken by the Spanish galleons would utilize the North Pacific Current eastward in a Great Circle route that took them near the Aleutian Islands, aiming for Cape Mendocino, California. The ships would then sail down the coast to Acapulco, Mexico utilizing the California Current, a total journey of about 9,000 miles. The return westward utilized the North Equatorial Current. So it is not surprising that the northern Oregon coast was the final resting place of a stray galleon, only 30 miles from Fort Clatsop.

#### Sources:

The Journals of the Lewis and Clark Expedition Volume 6 – Edit by Gary E. Moulton - University of Nebraska Press. 1990

Oregon Historical Quarterly Special Issue on the Oregon's Manila Galleon (Summer 2018 Volume 119 Number 2), by the Oregon Historical Society. 2018

# DONAL HOWLAND WILKINSON 1964–2018

Donal Wilkinson, 54, passed away on Dec. 4, 2018, at his home on the Rose Creek Nature Preserve in Pullman. Donal was born on Nov. 29, 1964, in Providence, R.I., the son of Susan (Hayes) Wilkinson and James Howland Wilkinson. He grew up in Kinnelon, N.J., playing outside, enjoying Boy Scouting, playing football, camping and traveling by motorcycle and sailboat around the northeast. Don graduated from Kinnelon High School in 1983. After traversing the country and following the Grateful Dead for a summer, he joined the Navy and served as a cryptologic technician aboard the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy. There he met his lifelong best friend, Larry Volpe, who went on to have uncountable adventures with Don.

After seeing much of the world in six years of Navy service, Donal was honorably discharged and moved to California. He attended DeAnza College and received a bachelor's degree in Native American studies. He later attended Sonoma State University, receiving degrees in environmental studies and marine biology. He lived in Oregon and settled in Moscow, before moving to Washington earlier this year.

Donal was truly a jack of all trades and a master of many. Above all else, he was a teacher, which shone through in many of his occupations. Over the course of his life Don was a horseman, landscaper, teacher, tutor, carpenter, EMT in Hubbard, Ore., campus ministry director at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Palouse, founder and director of Adventure Learning Camps and Learning in Nature and a writer and poet. He was tireless in his volunteer work, ranging from working for environmental causes, political activism, Boy Scout troop master, a volunteer firefighter, supporting the work of his Unitarian Universalist community, mentoring for the Idaho Drug Free Youth Organization and

leading the Latah Brigade.

Donal had a remarkable passion for living life to the fullest. He had a wonderful sense of humor — his puns were renowned. His energy and curiosity were boundless. Don was committed to conservation and



protection of the Earth and he spent most of his life outside, reveling in nature. He loved history and learning and took every possible opportunity to saturate himself in both. He had an ardent interest in the history surrounding the 19th century fur trade and was very active in Hog Heaven Muzzleloaders and mountain man rendezvous. Donal was an avid reader and collector (everything from guns to historical memorabilia to American Indian artifacts to train collectibles to ducks). He loved music, movies and football — especially the Dallas Cowboys.

Donal was always generous with his time, energy and love. Each day he reached out to his friends and family through long, handwritten letters, homemade cards and postcards. He was the first one to drop everything to help someone in need.

Don is survived by his mother, Susan Wilkinson of Lebanon, N.H.; his sister, Thea Crawford and her husband, Tim Crawford of Grantham, N.H.; his niece, Hannah Varley, of Grantham; his partner and best friend, Sarah Vanderkraats of Moscow; as well as countless friends and extended family.

Donations can be made in his name to Idaho Drug Free Youth; or the National Suicide Prevention Hotline — 1-800-273-TALK (8255).

Kimball Funeral Home of Pullman has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to www.kimballfh.com.

Donal showed up in our Hog Heaven Muzzleloaders group (Eastern WA & Northern ID) about 8 years ago and immediately became an active member bringing Boy Scout groups to our rendezvous events. A few years ago his scouts were filmed in Dr. David Peck's video production "Or Perish in the Attempt". Donal quickly became interested in my medical presentations and I saw in him a replacement for me in fourth grade Rendezvous for Lewiston schools. He also became a favorite of the Benton City Schools Environmental week at Camp Wooten along the Tucannon River, where Donal taught the Jr High students Fur Trade era skills. Last fall he attended the Fur Trade Symposium at Bismarck, ND and helped me display and discuss over 100 medicines, many of which he helped me bottle and label. I was recovering from health issues during the 50th Annual Meeting in October of this year. In my stead, Donal presented a Power Point about the "Medals and Money of the Lewis and Clark Era" and by all reports did an outstanding job. He was looking forward to contributing short "Kids Korner" articles for WPO when unknown events caused him to take his own life. He gave so much of himself to so many others we are all devastated here in Hog Heaven country.

- John Fisher

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# Washington State Chapter Awards Patches to Cub Scouts of Burien, WA Pack 240





On December 19, 2018, Washington State Chapter President Rennie Kubik was joined by Hal Stoltz, John Orthmann and Scout Leader Cheech Schafer to present our Chapter BSA Scout Award Patches to seven Cub Scouts. The young members of Cub Scout Pack 240 in Burien, WA earned their patches by putting together booklets displaying what they have learned about the Lewis and Clark expedition. Barb Kubik embellished each patch by adding blue beads (not shown in the above-right photo).

The Chapter's Scout Patch Award program offers this award to Boy Scouts or individual members of youth groups, as they complete projects which relate to the Lewis and Clark Trail and story.

More information on the BSA Patch Program can be found at: http://wa-lcthf.org/patch/index.php

# WASHINGTON STATE PARKS DISCOVER PASS AND 2019 FREE DAYS

The **Discover Pass** offers access to millions of acres of state recreation lands in Washington, including:

- More than 100 developed state parks
- More than 350 primitive recreation sites, including campgrounds and picnic areas
- Nearly 700 water-access points
- Nearly 2,000 miles of designated water and land recreation trails
- More than 80 natural areas
- More than 30 wildlife areas

#### **State Park free days**

Washington State Parks offers several "free days" when a Discover Pass is not required to visit a state park. Following are the 2019 State Parks free days:

Jan. 1 — First Day Hikes; New Year's Day

Jan. 21 — Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

March 19 — State Park's birthday

April 20 — Spring day April 22 — Earth Day

June 1 — National Trails Day

June 8 — National Get Outdoors
Day

June 9 — Fishing Day

Aug. 25 — National Park Service

#### Birthday

Sept. 28 — National Public Lands Day

Nov. 11 — Veterans Day Nov. 29 — Autumn day

Please note, free days apply only to day use (not overnight stays or rented facilities). June 8 and 9 are free days on lands managed by State Parks and Fish & Wildlife (a pass is still required on lands managed by DNR). A Discover Pass is still required to access lands managed by the Washington State departments of Natural Resources and Fish & Wildlife on all other days. Sno-Park permits are still required on free days at designated Sno-Parks during the winter season.

## **BOB CLARK RETIRES FROM WSU PRESS**

By Barb Kubik

On behalf of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation [LCTHF], I would like to extend our best wishes to Bob Clark as he retires as the Editor-in-Chief for WSU Press.

Bob worked as our own editor for **We Proceeded On**, the LCTHF's quarterly journal. As an editor and a historian, Bob brought his own sense of style and fairness to **We Proceeded On**, while at the same time, shepherding the journal through the many steps of publication at WSU Press.

Serving as an editor is no easy task. On any given day, Bob sent manuscripts to the LCTHF's Editorial Advisory Board and volunteer proof readers for their careful consideration and review. Some of the authors wrote from years of experience as historians, naturalists, authors and editors, with flair and polish; other authors were new to the stories, to the high standards the

LCTHF and Bob maintained, and the concepts of journal quotes, illustrations and references. Each article deemed "worthy of consideration"



Robert A. Clark

needed illustrations, from the brush of careful artists, the pen of William Clark, or the camera of the author.

Bob's audience, the members of the LCTHF and discerning readers of **We Proceeded On**, set their own high standards for subject matter, authorship, references and illustrations. Once published, some articles met with acclaim and praise. Others' did not, and Bob accepted the praise and the criticism with equal aplomb. His shoulders must indeed be wide and his mantra calm!

In addition to his work as our editor, Bob often had a vendor's table at the LCTHF's annual meetings. WSU Press catalogs, **We Proceeded On**, and a selection of pertinent materials from the Press and other sources, were always available for meeting attendees and their guests to peruse and purchase.

On behalf of the LCTHF, thank you Bob . . . for your work on our behalf, for your guidance to a new group of scholars, historians, and story tellers, and for allowing us, the Editorial Advisory Board, to work with you to produce the organization's journal, **We Proceeded On**.

# We Proceeded On

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL

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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:

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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; Student, \$30.00 per year. Membership includes the quarterly magazine WE PROCEEDED ON.

Submit dues to LCTHF, Inc. P.O. box 3434, Great Falls, MT 59403

<sup>\*</sup>To receive Worthy of Notice newsletter delivery by e-mail.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**February 2, 2019** (Saturday): 10:30 AM – Washington Chapter 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual meeting at the Washington State History Museum, 1911 Pacific Avenue, Tacoma, Washington (see page 1).

**February 17, 2019** (Sunday): 1:00 P.M.—In Their Footsteps Lecture Series – Five Common birds of Astoria presented by Barbara Linnett. Fort Clatsop, Netul River Room.

**February 23, 2019** (Saturday): 1:00 P.M. - Presentation by Cameron Lafollette on the Manila Beeswax Galleon wreck of 1693 and it's connection to the Lewis and Clark Expedition. West Linn Public Library, 1595 Burns St, West Linn, OR. More information on the Oregon Chapter website: http://or-lcthf.org/

March 17, 2019 (Sunday): 1:00 P.M. - In Their Footsteps Lecture Series – End of the Stone Age: George Ramsey presented by Aaron Webster. Fort Clatsop, Netul River Room.

**April 14, 2019** (Sunday): 1:00 P.M. - In Their Footsteps Lecture Series – The Astorians – Vision and Desperation in the Pacific Northwest presented by Robert Heacock. Fort Clatsop, Netul River Room.

May 19, 2019 (Sunday): 1:00 P.M. - In Their Footsteps Lecture - TBA. Fort Clatsop, Netul River Room

**July 13-14, 2019** (Sat.-Sun.): 10 A.M.—Lewis and Clark Living History, presented by the Pacific Northwest Living Historians. Knappton Cove Heritage Center, Naselle, WA.

**September 21-25, 2019** (Sat.—Wed.): Foundation 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO.

**September 27-28, 2019** (Friday & Saturday): Heritage Days at Sacajawea State Park and Interpretive Center, with Lewis & Clark living history camp, Native American dance & displays, Mountain Man encampment and more. No Discover Pass needed on Saturday. Sponsored by Friends of Sacajawea State Park.

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

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