

On The Trail

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River Bend Chapter Announces 204th Anniversary Commemoration of Lewis and Clark's Return Journey

"Capt. Lewis and my Self assended a hill. . . a Commanding Situation"

On Wednesday, September 15th, at 6 :00 p.m., we'll commemorate the 204th year of the return journey at River Bluff Park. River Bluff Park is located at 5th and Beardsley in Kansas City, Missouri. This is down the hill from 8th and Jefferson, the location of our previous commemorations.

We'll begin at 6:00 p.m. with an introduction by Dan Sturdevant, Chapter President. Following the introduction, we'll have readings from the Lewis and Clark journals:

- William Clark's Journal on September 15, 1806.
- John Ordway's Journal on September 15, 1806 .
- Patrick Gass's Journal on September 15, 1806.

Following the readings, we'll have an open mic for interpretations, and conclude the evening with a social and dinner starting at 6:45 p.m.

River Bluff Park overlooks the West Bottoms and the Missouri and Kansas rivers along the Riverfront Heritage Trail route.



River Bluff Park with pirogues in foreground

Directions to River Front Park:

- From downtown Kansas City, proceed to Broadway.
- Drive north on Broadway to the Broadway Bridge entrance.
- Do not enter the Broadway Bridge, but bear to the right and down the hill at the bridge entrance.
- At the stop sign, turn left or west to the park.

- From the north, drive south on 169 Highway/Broadway Extension.
- Cross the Broadway bridge.
- At the intersection at the end of the bridge on Kansas City, Missouri side, turn right.
- Drive two blocks to the park.

Lewis and Clark Book Club to discuss *Wilderness Journey: The Life of William Clark* with author William Foley, October 4

Monday, October 4th at fiveish at The Cafe at Briarcliff Village. The book for discussion is *Wilderness Journey: The Life Of William Clark* by William E. Foley. Mr. Foley will be joining the book club meeting.

No reservations are required. You may email Jil Brown at jbrown032001@comcast.net or call her at 816-331-8528 if you have questions.

The Cafe at Briarcliff Village is located at 4125 North Mulberry Drive, in Kansas City North.

Their phone number is 816.505.5557.

Directions to the Cafe:

- From downtown Kansas City, drive north on 169 Highway/Broadway extension across the Broadway bridge.
- Exit at Briarcliff Parkway.
- Turn left at the bottom of the ramp and proceed under the highway.
- Drive two blocks to Mulberry.
- Turn right and up the hill to the Briarcliff Village Shops.
- Turn right into the shopping area.
- The Cafe is in the middle of the shops.

June 26th Program at Lewis and Clark Park at Kaw Point with Chuck Scott and Dr. Pete Cuppage



Chuck Scott of the Friends of Kaw Point Park (also a name used for the same park) talked about the development of the park and the fine amphitheater in which we were seated for retired pathologist Dr. Pete Cuppage's talk on *Medicine in the American West*.

After the program, a group of 12 enjoyed dinner at the Majestic Steakhouse at 9th and Broadway. Altogether, a fine outing for the Lewis and Clark chapter.



June 17, 2010 photo, showing water at Kaw Point past the statue and towards the amphitheater seats.



Pictured, from left: Chuck Scott, Sharon Scott, Mary Lee Sturdevant, Dan Sturdevant, Ken Hobbs, Terry Hobbs, Diane Pepper, Kay Kelly, Paul Post, Shirley Christian, Elizabeth Castillo, Yvonne Kean.

Dan Sturdevant To Foundation Board

Dan Sturdevant has recently been appointed to the national Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation national board. The next event for the board will be a private board meeting in Omaha, Nebraska in the middle of October. There are four in-person meetings per year, with one meeting in Great Falls, Montana, the headquarters for the Foundation. Please see www.lewisandclark.org for more Foundation information.

From our chapter, we have two members who served on the board, eventually becoming President, Gordon Julich and Karen Seaberg.

River Bend Chapter Membership Application

Name _____
 Mailing Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Email _____

National Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation Member? Yes

Signature _____

Return this with your membership payment, made payable to Missouri-Kansas

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Membership levels

- \$5 Full-time student
- \$15 Individual
- \$25 Family
- \$50 Non-profit organization
- \$100 Corporation

Additional donation of \$
Total amount enclosed \$

Annual Dues Due in January

Author Shirley Christian discusses her book at the June meeting of the book club

The Lewis and Clark chapter book club, chaired by Jil Brown, met on June 10th at Wheat State Pizza in downtown Kansas City, Kansas. We discussed *Before Lewis and Clark* with Shirley Christian, the author. It was a most interesting session. Members attending included Don and Mary Jo Gould, James Boyd, Beverly and Deanna Delladio, Diane Pepper, Mary Lee and Dan Sturdevant, Susie Taylor, Pat Murphy and John Murphy, Yvonne Kean, Jil Brown, Shirley Christian, Paul Post, Kay Kelly, Terry and Ken Hobbs, and others.



At Kaw Point: Missouri River on left, Kaw River on the right, and downtown Kansas City, Missouri is in the background. Note the full-bank two rivers.

Pictured: Don Gould, Ken Hobbs, James Boyd, Terry Hobbs, Paul Post, Kay Kelly, Elizabeth Williams, Mary Lee Sturdevant, Mary Jo Gould, Yvonne Kean, Sharon Scott, Shirley Christian, Chuck Scott, Diane Pepper, Susie Taylor, Dan Sturdevant, Beverly Delladio, Deanna Delladio, and Louise Hicks.

Photo courtesy of Gary Hicks



Shirley Christian

After the book club, most book club attendees went to *Lewis and Clark Park at Kaw Point*. This is the site of our annual program where Lewis and Clark came to on June 26, 1804.

Please Welcome Our New Members

Cate Taylor, Independence, Missouri
Martha Noland, Parkville, Missouri

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The Missouri-Kansas River Bend Chapter supports the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation at the local level through events, activities, programs, promotion and protection of the Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail. In addition, the local chapter encourages local interest in the expedition and related historic sites. Please send stories, ideas, and photos to Kyle Carroll, On the Trail Editor.



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National Park Service Announces Trail Meeting

The United States Congress funds the Partnership for the National Trails System, <http://www.pnts.org>, and chapter member Ross Marshall is president of the group. One of our national trails is the Lewis and Clark Trail. The National Park Service is focusing on the Lewis and Clark Trail in meetings around the nation, one of which is shown below. Let's attend.

The Kansas City area meeting will be held Monday, September 13th at the Kansas City, Kansas Library.

Kansas City, Kansas Main Library
7:00-8:30 PM
625 Minnesota Avenue
Kansas City, KS 66101

More information at www.parkplanning.nps.gov/lecl

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Please use our Lewis and Clark local website! It contains valuable information.

<http://www.lewis-and-clark-kansas-city.org/> is our new address. Please link to our site, and encourage other groups and organizations to do so. That improves our standing in search engine results, and will help to direct general questions as to *Lewis and Clark Kansas City* or area to our chapter.

Save the date: April 23 through 25, for Sacagawea Bicentennial Program at Fort Osage

Our chapter is promoting a Sacagawea Program at Fort Osage next April, details to be announced soon. Chapter Member Chick Stessman and his Committee have arranged, through the chapter, for a program and for partial funding towards a fine \$2,000 Sacagawea plaque to be placed at Fort Osage.

Additional contributions from you reading this writing are requested. Tax-deductible donations of \$50 or more would be appreciated, as we need an additional \$1,000 to complete the plaque. Please send your donations to the chapter office. (We are a 501C3 organization.)

Sacagawea stayed overnight at Fort Osage on April 25, 1811.

For membership information, check <http://www.lewis-and-clark-kansas-city.org>, or call the Chapter Chair, Dan Sturdevant, at 816-421-4783

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