

# ON THE TRAIL

## Newsletter of the Missouri-Kansas River Bend Chapter

A local chapter of the Lewis & Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, Inc.

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## Don't miss these upcoming programs!

**Saturday, January 21, 2006**

**Social - 5 p.m.; Dinner - 6 p.m.**

**Dinner and program at**

**Cascone's Italian Restaurant**

**3737 N. Oak Trafficway**

**Kansas City North, Missouri**

Students from Missouri Western State University will present "Lewis and Clark Montana, 1805-2005."

The Lewis and Clark Outdoor Semester program of MWSU, in which students and faculty spent two weeks in September 2005, mostly in Montana. The students will present slides and journal entries and perspectives for today and the future from their journey along the trail. The cost to attend is \$23, which includes dinner. To make your reservation, send a check for \$23 per person to: Steve Black, Treasurer, Lewis & Clark River Bend Chapter, 13A NW Barry Rd., PMB DD, Kansas City, MO 64155.

**Saturday, February 4, 2006**

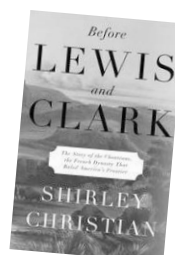
**10:00 a.m.**

**The Discovery Center**

**4750 Troost**

**Kansas City, Missouri**

Shirley Christian, author of "Before Lewis and Clark: The Story of the Chouteaus, The French Dynasty that Ruled America's Frontier," will present the program. We invite you to come here this fine speaker. Following her presentation, you may purchase her book and obtain her signature. Also,



Mike Keeny will present his model of Fort Cavignal, an 18th century French fort on the Missouri River north of present-day Fort Leavenworth. He will be dressed in his French marine uniform. The Discovery Center is an impressive showcase of the Missouri Department of Conservation.

**Saturday, April 8, 2006**

**Guided Bus Tour Along the Lewis & Clark Trail!**

Mark your calendars now! The focus of this bus tour will be the expedition's return trip through this area in September 2006. Stops will include campsites from north of St. Joseph to Kansas City, plus an overview of the entire return trip.

The motorcoach will leave from the parking lot at 8th and Washington streets in downtown Kansas City, Mo. Tour cost is \$45 and includes lunch in St. Joseph, plus maps and handouts. Details will appear in the next newsletter.

Reservations can be made by contacting Ross Marshall at (913) 262-6445 or [rossmarshall@mindspring.com](mailto:rossmarshall@mindspring.com).

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#### Our Mission:

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.

## Kaw Point to receive state award

The WyCo Lewis & Clark Task Force / Friends of Kaw Point Park is the recipient of the Public Service Award presented by the Kansas Recreation and Parks Association for its efforts to develop Kaw Point.

The award will be presented at a luncheon ceremony on January 23, 2006, at the Sheraton Hotel in Overland Park, Kansas.

Congratulations to all who have worked so tirelessly on the Kaw Point project!

## Plans developing for journal readings

Plans are being developed for a "Journals Nightly" series of readings, September 11-15, 2006, between Amazonia, Mo., to Fort Osage, Mo.

Each program will last approximately 45 minutes and consist of:

1. Entertainment
2. Readings from the Journals of the Lewis and Clark expedition writers, as written 200 years ago at or near each site on the Missouri River
3. Narration and interpretation by area historians

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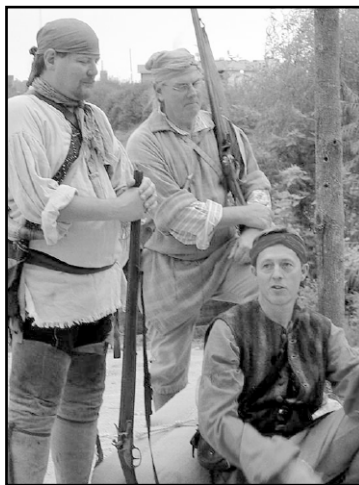
## Recent Chapter Programs . . .

**September 15, 2005**

The 199th anniversary of "Assending the Hill" was commemorated on September 15, 2005, at Case Park in downtown Kansas City, Mo. Presentations were delivered by Dr. Pete Cuppage, Gordon Kemp, Jennifer Scott "When Was Sacagawea Here?" and Steve Kaub, presenting his Newfoundland Maximus, the chapter's honorary "Seaman." Accompanied by a drizzling rain, the program was attended by about 20 people.



*Dan Sturdevant and stiltwalker Steve Ely assume the "pointy guy" stance in front of the Lewis and Clark statue in Case Park in downtown Kansas City.*



*Mike Keeny, Blake Asher and Kyle Carroll presented the re-enactment, "Incident at Kaw Point."*

We look forward to the big commemoration on September 15, 2006, when Jonathan Kemper and others will present the program.

**September 17, 2005**

The boat trip on the Kansas River was enjoyed by many.

Also, Kyle Carroll led the re-enactment "Incident at Kaw Point." About 45 people attended this program.

**October 22, 2005**

"Lewis and Clark Montana 1805-2005" was presented in St. Joseph, Mo., by Missouri Western State University students, based on their September 2005 one-week field trip along the Lewis and Clark Trail in Montana. Dr. Elizabeth Sawin was the instructor. It was a fine program with about 65 people in attendance.



*A small crowd of Lewis and Clark enthusiasts braved a drizzling rain to attend a chapter program in Case Park in downtown Kansas City on September 15, 2005.*