

Lewis and Clark Chapter Master Naturalist Program



April 16, 2015
6:00pm – 8:00pm
IDGF Regional Office

Officers:

Billy Wilson – Chair of Steering Committee

Carol Ebbs – Treasurer

Karen Loeffelman – Secretary

Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

5:00pm Steering Committee Meeting

Present: Billy Wilson (Committee Chair), Carol Ebbs (Treasurer), Karen Loeffelman (Secretary), David Eberle, Gary and Nora Pearson

Carol gave a Treasurer's report to the Committee. Our curriculum binders were delivered – we received 20 binders, but have 24 members, so more will have to be ordered. The cost of each binder was \$28, which was \$2.75 more for each binder than was originally estimated. The total cost of the binders thus far is \$560, \$12.87 was spent on ordering checks for the Chapter and \$35 has to remain in savings to keep the account open.

The next scheduled meeting dates for the Chapter and Steering Committee were discussed. Although we only have the May 14 Chapter Meeting details (Hells Gate State Park tour) worked out, we also scheduled meetings for May 1 and May 27. Details on presenters will be worked out by Billy and Jen. Karen Loeffelman agreed to give a brief presentation on May 27 on her observations of the kestrel nest boxes in the Park.

Dave Eberle reported on the scheduling of the Idaho Master Water Steward certification training. Since over 8 members expressed an interest in attending this educational opportunity, Dave was able to work with the presenter and schedule him to offer the training at the Lewiston Fish and Game office from 9am-5pm on June 27. Members will need to provide their own lunch – we will probably need to have a “working lunch” to fit in the training in one day. The cost per member for this program and certification is \$20. We will pass out information on how to register for the event as soon as it's available.

The next Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for 5pm at Hells Gate State Park before the May 14 Chapter meeting. Dave Eberle volunteered to lead the Steering Committee if Billy was absent. Billy will check with Jeff Smith about possibly waiving the \$5 entrance fee to the park for members for that evening. Karen suggested possibly printing Idaho Master Naturalist Volunteer placards for the dashboards.

Chapter Meeting Minutes

Members present: Billy Wilson (Steering Committee Chair), Carol Ebbs, (Chapter Treasurer), Karen Loeffelman (Chapter Secretary), Alice and Rod Campbell, David Eberle, Heath Fuller, Ashley Kerr, Jason Muhlenkamp, Gary and Nora Pearson.

6-7pm **Rocks, Minerals, and Geology**

David Eberle provided numerous rock and mineral samples with their identified names. Basalt and quartzite make up approximately 60% of the rock in the local area. Dave gave an excellent slide presentation on how the basalt lava flows (17 million years ago) and the glacial flows (17,000 years ago), helped shaped the Idaho we know today. We broke into small groups to discuss how this all affected what we see today. Two references Dave presented were: [2 Minute Geology](#) lessons on YouTube and [HUGEfloods.com](#).

7:00pm **Chapter Business**

Carol passed out the Idaho Master Naturalist Curriculum Binders to members that were present.

Billy went over the vote count for YES or NO to raise the fees for our Chapter by \$25/person. This increase will help to offset the increased costs for the Curriculum Binders, as well as other items that were discussed previously. 10 members voted YES to increase the fees and 2 voted NO. The ayes have it and the motion to increase the Chapter fees by \$25/person was carried. There is no deadline for this additional payment, whenever it is convenient to get a check to Carol. With the payment for the initial 20 binders, there is approximately \$317 in the Chapter checking account.

Future meeting times and topics were brought up. We have meetings scheduled for May 1, May 14 (Hells Gate State Park) and May 27. Days of the meetings are being rotated because not all members can make all nights. It's not expected that all members attend all meetings. We are trying to present as many opportunities as possible.

Our Chapter now has a Facebook page – [Lewis and Clark Master Naturalist](#). Thanks to Brittney Hauptert for setting that up. You don't have to have a Facebook account to access the page. So please visit and give us a Like!

Just a brief update on the Dworshak Hatchery tour held on April 14. For those of you that couldn't attend, there are numerous volunteer opportunities there. Contact Jill Olsen, the Volunteer Coordinator, at 208-476-4591.

For those attending the Lower Granite Dam tour this Sunday, April 19, carpooling will be available from Clarkston. Contact Connie Grant for times to meet (this may have changed) and to RSVP if you haven't already.



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- Lower Granite Lake
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- Lake Herbert G.
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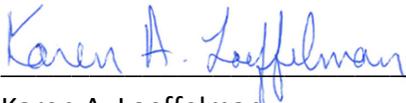
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7:30pm Wrap-up

Our next Chapter meeting is scheduled for May 1 from 6-8pm at the Fish and Game office.
Topic to be determined. Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Minutes submitted by:



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