

September 19, 2014; Friday—Star Party Extravaganza. Join the Central Montana Astronomy Society in the parking lot to learn more about our night sky and come indoors for special programming and refreshments. 6:00-9:00 pm FREE! *



October 10, 2014; Friday—Star Party. Join the Central Montana Astronomy Society in the parking lot to learn about our night sky. 6:00-10:00 pm FREE! *

October, 2014—Voices in the Shadows. Each year, the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center presents our premier living history event, Voices in the Shadows. Join our staff for a trip through the darkened exhibit hall by candlelight and encounter characters from the past. Tours begin every fifteen minutes, starting at 7:00 p.m. Tours are limited to 16 visitors each -- advance registration is required. The program is free, but visitors are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the Great Falls Community Food Bank. Dates to be announced. FREE!

November 14, 2014; Friday—Star Party. Join the Central Montana Astronomy Society in the parking lot to learn about our night sky. 6:00-10:00 pm FREE! *



**Star Parties: Join the Central Montana Astronomy Society from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. monthly (during the winter) for a star-gazing experience with telescopes set up for public viewing. Star Party Extravaganza is run once yearly (in September) from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.*

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Since 1998, the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Interpretive Center has brought to life the indomitable spirit of human achievement. Explore 6,000 square feet of hands-on exhibits, view introductory movie by acclaimed filmmaker Ken Burns and Dayton Duncan, or take an optional audio tour in any of five languages. The Center is managed by the USDA Forest Service.



Fees

- \$8 adults (16 and older).
- \$6 scheduled group tours (restrictions apply).
- Free for children 15 and under.
- \$2 school group programs (reservations required, call the Center for a list of offerings).
- Annual, Senior, Military, and Access Passes are honored and sold.

Visit as often as you'd like each year, enjoy a discount in the Portage Cache and get a quarterly newsletter by becoming a member of the LC Foundation:

Individual Member \$35 & Family Member \$55

<http://www.lewisandclarkfoundation.org/>

www.facebook.com/lewisandclarkfoundation

Gift passes also available; call for details.

Hours of Operation

February 23 - May 22, 2014

Tuesday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sundays, noon—5 p.m.

Closed Mondays

May 23, 2014 - September 30, 2014

Open daily 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

October 1, 2014 - Feb 21, 2015

Tuesday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Closed Sundays & Mondays

For more information on events and fees, call

(406) 727-8733 or visit our website at

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/lcnf/learning>

or email us at:

Mailroom_R1_Lewis_and_Clark@fs.fed.us

or

Visit us on Twitter: [@FSLCICOFFICIAL](https://twitter.com/FSLCICOFFICIAL)

Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, & New Year's Day

FREE Days in 2014

You may enter the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center free of charge on the following days.

Apr 13, May 4, Jun 7, Sep 27,

Nov 8, and Nov 11

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Daily Programs: Orientation Videos shown at the top of the hour from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (winter) or 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (summer) – **The Journey of Lewis and Clark** by Ken Burns (30-minute general orientation program) & **Confluence of Time and Courage** by Gray Warriner (20-minute presentation on the Great Falls portage of 1805).

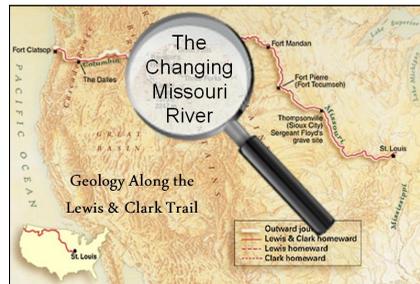
Interpretive Talks are offered at the bottom of the hour from 10:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Individual programs last approximately 20 minutes each. Please check with the Front Desk for each day's specific topics.

 **April 4, 2014; Friday—Star Party.** Join the Central Montana Astronomy Society in the parking lot to learn more about our night sky. 6:00-10:00 pm FREE! *

April 13, 2014; Sunday—Museum Sunday Sampler. Every year in April, the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center joins with our fellow members of the Great Falls Museums Consortium to present the Museum Sunday Sampler. Take part in the Museum Treasure Hunt and enter the drawing for a prize from one of the Consortium museums. Experience the museums of Great Falls. 12:00-5:00 p.m. FREE!



April 26, 2014; Saturday - The Changing Missouri River. Back by request. Join Interpreter Mary Ellen Ertle for the geologic journey of the Missouri River from Cretaceous to Modern times. 2:00 p.m. FREE!



May 4, 2014; Sunday—16th Anniversary. Join the staff and partners of the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center to celebrate 16 years in operation. Honor Guard and much more. 12:00-5:00 p.m. FREE!

May 8, 2014; Thursday— Archeology Program. Join

Mark Bodily, Forest Archaeologist and Heritage Program Manager for the Helena and Lewis & Clark National Forests, to learn about the various cultures that inhabited the North Creek Shelter, Utah over the past several thousand years. This presentation will share the basic findings as revealed by radio carbon dating, sedimentation rates, faunal remains, and the chipped stone. 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. FREE!



June 7, 2014; Saturday—Sulphur Springs Trail Hike. Join a member of the Interpretive Center staff for a guided hike over the Sulphur Springs Trail. Water from Sulphur Springs proved vital in treating Sacagawea's illness during the 1805 portage at Great Falls. Hear more about this unique site and the flora and fauna of the Missouri River corridor. Join a member of the Interpretive Center staff for a guided hike over the Sulphur Springs Trail. This is a moderately challenging 3.6 mile hike, about 3.5 hrs. Children welcome with adults (No Strollers). Wear good hiking footwear; bring raingear, water/snacks, insect repellent, sunscreen, binoculars and camera. Cancelled for heavy rain or lightning! Potential hazards: ticks, poison ivy, prickly pear cactus, and rattlesnakes. Meet at *Gibson Park* at 10:00 a.m. for a 10:15 a.m. departure to the Sulphur Springs Trail. 10:15 a.m.-2:00 p.m. FREE!



June 20-22, 2014; Friday, Saturday, and Sunday—Lewis and Clark Festival. Join us for the annual Lewis and Clark Festival, this year in Gibson Park. Program venues will be near the bandstand (special programming, music area, local artisans, and food area); near Vinegar Jones cabin (Lewis and Clark Honor Guard); and in the area south of the garden (Native American demonstration area). Some events will also occur in the open area at Elks Riverside Park. Opening ceremony is scheduled to be at the "Alive at Five" event on Thursday, June 19 with live media coverage. A Children's Camp is scheduled for June 20 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Programming includes a presentation by Dr. Gary Moulton at the bandstand on the evening of June 21. Kite demonstrations will take place in Elks Riverside Park on June 21 and 22 from 1:00—3:00 p.m. Three float trips will be offered through Missouri River Outfitters. General hours for the public are 12:00—5:00 p.m. on Friday, 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. on Saturday, and 11:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. on Sunday. Call 406-452-5661 for details.



June 26, 2014; Thursday—Riverside Voices. Join a member of our staff or a special guest presenter for a lively 45-minute program on the banks of the Missouri. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket and dress for conditions. Programs are normally held in our outdoor amphitheater, but will move indoors in the event of inclement weather or program requirements. 7:00 p.m. FREE!

July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 2014; Thursdays—Riverside Voices. Join a member of our staff or a special guest presenter for a lively 45-minute program on the banks of the Missouri. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket and dress for conditions. Programs are normally held in our outdoor amphitheater, but will move indoors in the event of inclement weather or program requirements. 7:00 p.m. FREE!



July 12, 2014; Saturday—Sulphur Springs Trail Hike. Join a member of the Interpretive Center staff for a guided hike over the Sulphur Springs Trail. Additional trail hike on August 9. See August 9 for details. FREE!

August 7, 14, 21, & 28, 2014; Thursdays—Riverside Voices. Join a member of our staff or a special guest presenter for a lively 45-minute program on the banks of the Missouri. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket and dress for conditions. Programs are normally held in our outdoor amphitheater, but will move indoors in the event of inclement weather or program requirements. 7:00 p.m. FREE!



August 9, 2014; Saturday—Sulphur Springs Trail Hike. Join a member of the Interpretive Center staff for a guided hike over the Sulphur Springs Trail. Water from Sulphur Springs proved vital in treating Sacagawea's illness during the 1805 portage at Great Falls. Hear more about this unique site and the flora and fauna of the Missouri River corridor. This is a moderately challenging 3.6 mile hike, about 3.5 hrs. Children welcome with adults (No Strollers). Wear good hiking footwear; bring raingear, water/snacks, insect repellent, sunscreen, binoculars and camera. Cancelled for heavy rain or lightning! Potential hazards: ticks, poison ivy, prickly pear cactus, and rattlesnakes. Meet at the Interpretive Center parking area at 9:00 am to caravan or 9:30 am at the trailhead near Morony Dam. 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. FREE!