

### *Pike NHTA Approaches It's First Birthday*

Our Association approaches it's first birthday in October with many accomplishments and with great things to come.

- Our distinguished Board has approved the Association Bylaws, officers, and Board,
- We have begun our legislation efforts, albeit with some frustration because of issues in Washington.
- Our membership includes 2 Life [**Zebulon Pike**,] 2 Corporations [**Carter-Gordon-Mountjoy-Roy**,] a Non Profit [**Vasquez-Smith**,] numbers of Family [**Menaugh-Stout** ,] and Individual [**Sergeant Meek** ] memberships.
- We have published 9 Newsletters with articles which one Board member recently said, "A lot of what I know about Pike, I found in the Newsletter. I look forward to John Patrick Michael Murphy's columns,"
- We have begun our Preservation/ Interpretation lists for each state,
- We have completed our Draft Auto and Hike/Bike Tours, and are now field surveying segments. Our effort coincides with an attempt to lower Federal costs for our legislation,
- We are establishing guidelines for Association publishing. Soon to be available is the Tour Package, and Pike Footprint Collection,
- The **zelulonpike.org** Bicentennial website will soon be legally acquired and contain Association materials {pictures, Newsletters, more Maps, etc.}. It [[zelulonpike.org](http://zelulonpike.org)] is currently available with all sorts of educational materials and new features are augured by January.
- Not-for-Profit status [IRS 501c(3)] was applied for in April with 2 "acknowledgment of receipt" following,
- We are looking forward to a Membership meeting in late March/ April 2009 in Cañon City CO.



### *Seeing Pike Gulch Up-side-down*

One of our Board members [the Superintendent of the Royal Gorge] is now allowing an up-side-down view of Pike's Gulch from the highest suspension bridge in the world- the Royal Gorge bridge in Colorado. Yes, you can bungie jump [like you would want to] off the "solid" bridge Roy Pike recalls driving across in 2006. Roy also recalls the dedication of Telegraph Gulch [where the Incline brings visitors down to the Arkansas River (see our 1st Newsletter, p.1)] in the Royal Gorge to PIKES GULCH. "Pike, you know, climbed up where we now ride up and down. I can recall several Senators in attendance as the Governor's Proclamation was read rededicating Telegraph Gulch to Pikes Gulch."

### *Santa Fe Trail Association Votes to Donate it's Pike Bicentennial Site to PNHTA*

At its Fall Board Meeting in Larned KS, the Santa Fe Trail Association voted to donate it's Pike Bicentennial Site to PNHTA. Many thanks to Joanne VanCoevern [SFTA President] and Dr. Leo Oliva for their efforts on our behalf. SFTA Manager Harry Meyers promises quick handling of the legal work necessary for the website handshake.

### *Pike Auto and Non-motorized Routes*

The Pike National Historic Trail Association has planned Auto and Hike/Bike routes close to the Pike Southwest Expedition footprint. There are actually two Hike/Bike routes in Missouri because of the Lake of the Ozarks and the Truman Reservoir.

Recently the Association's Field Team field surveyed the three routes [Auto & 2 Hike/Bike routes] in Missouri, and 2 segments of the Auto and Hike/Bike routes in Kansas.

Because of the flooding in the Midwest and locating points of Pike interest, five changes were made in Missouri and one in Kansas.

The Team met with Missouri Department of Transportation officials, Missouri State Parks folks, and road engineers in several counties. Area historical experts were contacted for their support and knowledge.

Photographs will be posted on the Association's website, and positions are available on the Survey Team.

*Pawnee war party surrounds our hero* By DAVE PHILIPPS, THE GAZETTE (Colorado Springs) November 22, 2006

On this day 200 years ago, Lt. Zebulon Pike and his small party were marching up the Arkansas River just east of Pueblo when they were surrounded by a Pawnee war party.

In a tense situation, Pike responded with reserve. His good judgment that day might have been the only reason no one was killed. "Marched at our usual hour, and with rather more caution than usual. After having marched about five miles on the prairie . . . Baroney cried out Voila un Savage. When we observed a number running from the woods towards us, we advanced to them and on turning my head to the left, I observed several running on the hill, as it were to surround us; one with a stand of colors. This caused a momentary halt; but perceiving those in front, reaching out their hands, and without arms we again advanced, they met us with open arms, crowding round to touch and embrace us. They appeared so anxious that I dismounted my horse, and in a moment, a fellow had mounted him and was off. I then observed the doctor and Baroney, were in the same predicament. The Indians were embracing the soldiers; after some time tranquility was so far restored, (they having returned our horses all safe) as to enable us to learn they were a war party, from the grand Pawnees, who had been in search of the Tetaus; but not finding them were now on their return. . . .

We found them to be sixty warriors, half with fire arms and half with bows, arrows and lances. Our party was sixteen total. In a short time they were arranged in a ring and I took my seat between the two partizans. Our colors were placed opposite each other, the utensils for smoaking etc. all were paraded on a small seat before us. Thus far all was well. I then ordered a half a carrot of tobacco, one dozen knives, 60 fire steels and 60 flints to be presented them. They demanded ammunition, corn, blankets, kettles &c. all of which they were refused. . . . The pipes lay unmoved, as if they were undetermined whether to treat us as friends or enemies; but after some time we were presented with a kettle of water, drank, smoked, and eat together. . . .

They now took their presents and commenced distributing them, but some malcontents threw them away, by way of contempt. We began to load our horses, when they encircled us and commenced stealing everything they could. . . . I mounted my horse when I found myself frequently surrounded during which some were endeavoring to steal the pistols. The doctor was equally engaged in another quarter, and all the soldiers in their positions; in taking things from them one having stolen my tomahawk, I informed the chief, but he paid no respect except to reply that "they were pitiful."

Finding this, I determined to protect ourselves, as far as was in my power, and the affair began to take a serious aspect. I ordered my men to take their arms and separate themselves from the savages at the same time declaring to them, I would kill the first man who touched our baggage. On which they commenced filing off immediately; we marched about the same time and found, they had made out to steal one sword, tomahawk, broad axe, five canteens, and sundry other small articles. After our leaving them; when I reflected on the subject, I felt myself sincerely mortified that the smallness of my number obliged me thus to submit to the insults of a lawless banditti, it being the first time ever a savage took anything from me with the least appearance of force. . . . Distance 17 miles, killed two buffalo and one deer."

*The Three Missing Parts*

As we have reported 55 % of the Pike footprint [the Pike Southwest 1806-7 Expedition] overlies five current National Historic Trails- Katy Trail/Lewis and Clark/American Discovery, Santa Fe, Old Spanish, El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro, and El Camino Real de Los Tejas [in green on the right.]

The three segments of the 3664 miles in red represent the undesigned segments by the governments of Mexico and the US. They include the Osage [MO]/ Kansas segment, the Colorado segment, and the Durango/Coahuila segment.

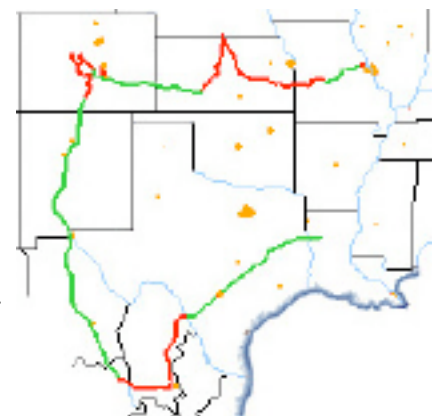
The Association has been concentrating on these three segments, gathering support, exploring, taking photos, discovering and documenting sites, locating knowledgeable, local historians, and visiting with local, county and state authorities.

Should you wish to work in any of the three segments on the above items- let us know.

7-27 to 10-16-1806 Segment 1 Osage / Kansas

11-17 to 1-28-1806 Segment 2 Colorado

5-10 to 6-2-1807 Segment 3 Mexico



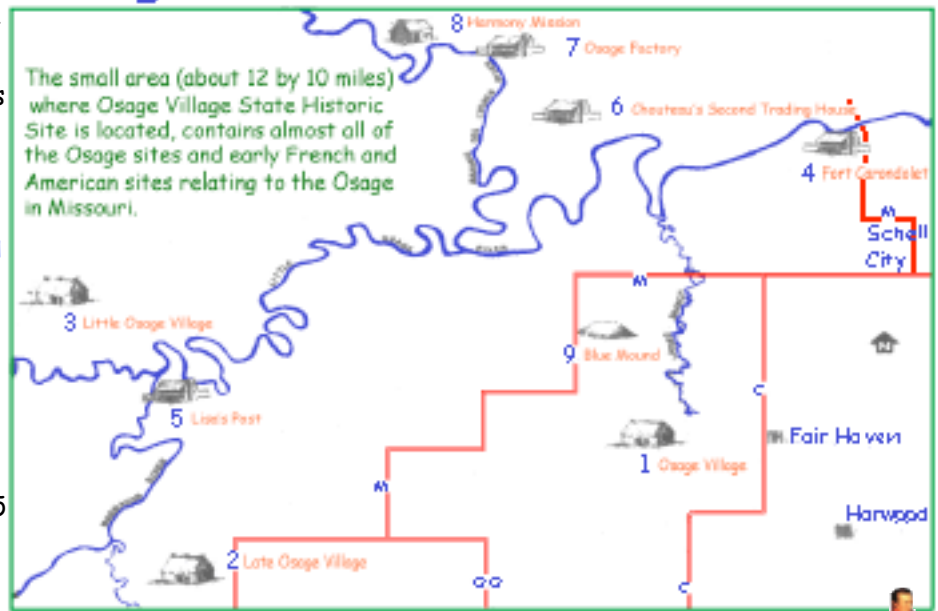
*Articles in Future Newsletters*

- Living in the Wet Mtn. Valley @ Horn Creek
- Zebulon Pike: Father and Son
- Dr. Robinson
- Pike and General Stephen Kearney, Alexander Donophan

- Bloomer girl: the First Female to Climb Pikes Peak and Emma Powell's climb
- More on the Osage
- A Mexican View of Pike from Chihuahua

Pike's first mission on the SW Expedition was to return 51 Potawatomi-captured Osage Indians to their villages in current-day Bates and Vernon Counties in SW Missouri. We located the villages where Pike visited from 9-25 thru 10-6-1806. [Pike probably saw marked with his picture.]

## Osage Locations in SW Missouri



### 1. **Osage Village Site** 1673 - 1775 [Brown Site]

The earliest known Osage Indian village in western Missouri is located on 2300 Rd., north of Earhart Rd. near Fair Haven in Vernon Co. MO. The Little and Big Osage lived here from before the first French or British recording in 1717. The Little Osage began moving 115 miles northeast to the Missouri River in 1715. The Big Osage continued to live on this hill perhaps until as 1775.

2. **Late Big Osage Village Site** 1775 - 1827 [Carrington Site] Located off of Missouri M 5 miles northwest of Walker MO [Vernon Co.,] the Big Osage village site was occupied from about 1775 until they moved to Oklahoma beginning in 1823.

3. **Little Osage Village Site** 1775 - 1827 [Hays Site] This village was located north of the Little Osage River near Arthur [US71] in Bates Co. The Little Osage lived here when they moved back from the Missouri River until they began moving west to Kansas in 1823.

4. **Fort Carondelet** 1795 - 1802 [Halley's Bluff] Archeologists puzzle over the fort's location built in 1795 by Auguste and younger half-brother Pierre Chouteau It is believed to have been located on the Osage River's Halley's Bluff, northwest of Schell City on Missouri M in Vernon Co. MO. The fort was occupied for 7 years. In 1802, Manuel Lisa was granted Chouteau's trade monopoly with the Osage when the French regained control over the Spanish. A number of houses were associated with the fort. The militia at the fort and others apparently settled in the vicinity of the fort. In 1806, Zebulon Pike noted 10 houses east of the original location of the fort.

5. **Lisa's Post** 1802 - ~1822 In 1802, Manuel Lisa built his trading post halfway between the Big and Little Osage villages and near the confluence of the Little Osage and Marmaton rivers [Earhart Rd. & 1775 Rd/61st.] Lisa continued his Osage trade after the Americans no longer recognized his priority and by 1822, he abandoned the post.

6. **Chouteau's 2nd Trading House** ~1808 - ~1827 Sometime after 1808, Pierre Chouteau built a second trading house southeast of Papinsville in Bates Co. MO. This appears to have been a relatively small operation, since Chouteau was already trading with a large number of Osage on the Neosho and Arkansas rivers in northeast Oklahoma.

7. **Osage Factory** 1821 - ~1827 In the spring of 1821, a trading post was built on or near the present site of Papinsville in Bates Co. MO. The post was an extension of Fort Osage [Fort Clark] 75 miles north on the Missouri River since the Little Osage had moved away from the vicinity of the fort. This trading post lasted only a few years until the Osage left the area.

8. **Harmony Mission** 1821 - ~1827 This Presbyterian Mission to the Osage was built in 1821 northwest of present-day Papinsville near Missouri B and N in Bates Co. MO. The mission consisted of shared buildings including a church, school, grist mill and 10 houses. Like the Osage Factory, the mission existed only a short time before the Osage moved west to Kansas in 1827.

9. **Blue Mound** Burial Site 1673 - 1824 Many prominent Osage chiefs were buried on this conspicuous hill 1 3/4 miles northwest of the Osage Village [or Brown site,] east of Missouri M and north of Dalton Rd. in Vernon Co. The most notable was Pawhuska (or White Hairs), who fought for the US, was the last to be buried here in 1824.

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