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# NEWS

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## W.H. Harrison and Lewis & Clark state historical marker will be dedicated in Vincennes, Indiana

A public dedication ceremony for an Indiana state historical marker is scheduled for October 6, 2006. The state historical marker honoring William Henry Harrison and the Lewis & Clark Expedition will be dedicated at 5:30 pm (local time), 6:30 pm (Indianapolis time), at Grouseland, the William Henry Harrison House, located at 3 West Scott Street, Vincennes, Indiana.

The text follows for the state marker entitled "William Henry Harrison and the Lewis & Clark Expedition":

Harrison became Governor of Indiana Territory 1800; he administered government of District of Louisiana 1804-1805. In Vincennes, he served as a contact during the expedition; surviving records document his support and his involvement in decisions about western Indian chiefs visiting Washington. In 1806, on their way to the Falls of the Ohio and then Washington after the expedition, Lewis and Clark stopped in Vincennes; Lewis wrote from Vincennes on October 30 to Secretary of War Henry Dearborn. The expedition explored lands of the Louisiana Purchase and the Pacific Northwest, 1803-1806.

Everyone is invited to attend this dedication recognizing Indiana's role in the Lewis & Clark Expedition.

Historical markers commemorate significant Indiana individuals, places, and events, and they help communities throughout Indiana promote, preserve, and present their history for the education and enjoyment of residents and tourists of all ages. Via the Internet, that history reaches a worldwide audience. For more than 80 years the Indiana Historical Bureau, an agency of the State of Indiana, has been marking Indiana history. Since 1947, the marker format has been the large roadside marker, which has the familiar dark blue background with gold lettering and the outline of the state of Indiana at the top. There are more than 470 of these markers across the state.

For a digital version of this release and further information about this marker, the state Historical Marker Program, and other resources about Indiana, visit the Indiana Historical Bureau Web site at [www.IN.gov/history](http://www.IN.gov/history) or call 317-232-2537.

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