

LEWIS & CLARK EVENTS IN & AROUND OMAHA, NE OCCURRING SUMMER 2004

Exhibit - The Voyage of Discovery: Lewis and Clark's Journey Through Stamps

June 1 – December 31 • 8 am – 5 pm Monday through Saturday, noon to 5 pm Sunday

Location: Girls and Boys Town Stamp Center • 137th and West Dodge Road • Omaha, NE
Description: This exhibit displays stamps that commemorate the Louisiana Purchase and honor Lewis & Clark as well as stamps that picture the natural scenery, animals and plant life encountered by these great explorers. The exhibit is located in the Leon Myers Stamp Center located in the Visitor Center at Boys Town, Nebraska. A brochure will soon be available for download from the website.
Admission: Free
Web Address: www.girlsandboystown.org/products/stamp/
Contact Info: (402) 498-1140 or (800) 625-1400

Exhibit - Rivers, Edens, Empires: Lewis & Clark and the Revealing of America

July 10 – October 3 • Tuesday through Saturday 10 am – 4 pm, Sunday noon – 4 pm

Location: Joslyn Art Museum • 2200 Dodge Street • Omaha, NE
Description: James Ronda spoke at Joslyn on July 10 to launch this fascinating exhibition organized by the Library of Congress in commemoration of the bicentennial of Meriwether Lewis and William Clark's journey of discovery. The earliest explorers, including Lewis and Clark, believed they would find a water passage across the American continent. When a direct water route proved impossible, America focused instead on building a "river of steel," the transcontinental railroad. Told with maps and authentic documents, this show traces more than a century of American exploration and honors the explorers, scientists, and surveyors who made the unknown known.
Admission: \$6 Adults, \$4 Seniors (62+) & College Students, \$3.50 Children (5-17). Saturdays Free.
Web Address: www.joslyn.org
Contact Info: (402) 342-3300

Fontenelle Nature Association: Native American Music Festival

July 23 - 24 • Friday gates open 5:30 pm, Concert 8 pm; Saturday 10 am – 4 pm

Location: Fontenelle Forest Nature Center • 1111 North Bellevue Boulevard • Bellevue, NE
Description: The Native American Music Festival will host two outdoor concerts at Camp Brewster featuring Brule on Friday evening and Indigenous on Saturday evening. In addition, throughout the day on Saturday, the Forest will offer a Family Festival at the Buffett Forest Learning Center featuring Native American entertainment and educational activities.
Admission: Call for details
Web Address: www.fontenelleforest.org
Contact Information: (402) 731-3140

White Catfish Camp Living History Weekend**July 23-25 • 9 am to 6 pm**

Location: Western Trails Center off I-80 at Council Bluffs, IA
 Description: Friday: Bev Hinds 10 am; Dick Williams 2:30 pm. Sat: Gary Moulton 11 am; Matt Jones 1 pm; Butch Bouvier 3 pm. Sun: Winnebago dancers 12:30 pm; Dale Clark 2:30 pm. Sharing the weekend with White Catfish Camp is a Chautauqua on Lewis & Clark at Bayliss Park in Council Bluffs running from 6 pm to 8 pm July 22-24 which will include Darrel Draper, Dick Peterson, Dale Clark, Beverly Hinds and Matt Jones.
 Admission: Free
 Web Address: www.iowahistory.org/sites/western_trails/white_catfish_camp.htm
 Contact Info: (800) 228-4307

Corps II: National Park Service Traveling Exhibit in Omaha, NE**July 24 – 27 • Sat & Sun • Noon – 8 pm, Mon & Tues 10 am – 6 pm**

Location: Lewis & Clark Landing • 6th & Davenport • Omaha, NE
 Description: Corps of Discovery II is a mobile exhibit commemorating the Lewis & Clark exploration of 1803-1806. The Exhibit is led by the National Parks Service and is a collaborative effort of many federal, state and tribal nations and local entities. Corps II offers visitors an introduction to the Lewis & Clark story. It features film, ranger programs and live presentations by historian, leaders of American Indian nations and Lewis & Clark experts, as well as culture and history of the local area.
 Admission: Free
 Web Address: www.lewisandclarkgnet.com or www.nps.gov/lecl
 Contact Info: (402) 661-1804

Discovery Expedition of St. Charles Encampment at Plattsmouth, NE**July 25 - 26 • Open to the public Noon to 7 pm Sunday and up until their departure at Noon on Monday**

Location: Plattsmouth Marina • 1 mi north of US 34 Missouri River Bridge • Plattsmouth, NE
 Description: The Discovery Expedition of St. Charles is currently following the river trail of Lewis & Clark, camping at sites which paralleled those visited by Lewis and Clark 200-years ago. Traveling in handcrafted replicas of Lewis and Clark's keelboat and pirogues and wearing authentic period dress, crew members portray specific individuals from the original expedition. Crew members also include several descendents of members of the original expedition. The public is invited to bring their own dinner to "break bread" and visit with the Discovery Expedition, whose pot-luck-style dinner will be provided by the Shallow River Society. Some programs by the Discovery Expedition that will be webcast over the Internet along the Iowa/Nebraska corridor include: Brownville (7/15), Nebraska City (7/22), Omaha (7/29), Fort Atkinson (8/5), Macy (8/19), in Nebraska, and Onawa (8/12) and Sioux City (8/20), in Iowa. Webcasts are usually at 12:30 p.m CDT. Check their website (www.lewisandclark.net) for details.
 Admission: Free
 Web Address: www.lewisandclark.net
 Contact Info: Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce, 402-296-6021

Exhibit - Lewis & Clark Diorama**July 25 – August 31 • Mon., Wed. – Fri. 9:00 am – 4:00 pm; Saturday & Sunday 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

Location: Washington County Museum • 102 North 14th Street • Ft. Calhoun, NE

Description: The oldest county museum in Nebraska, the Washington County Museum features a Lewis and Clark diorama, prehistoric artifact and Native American handiwork. Between July 25 and August 31, the Museum will offer a display of painting by Creighton's John Thein. The subject matter depicts images of Lewis & Clark and the Missouri River.

Admission: Call for details

Web Address: www.newwashcohist.org

Contact Info: (402) 468-5740

Discovery Expedition of St. Charles Encampment at Bellevue, NE**July 27 • Encampment open to the public 9 am - 6 pm**

Location: Haworth Park • Mission Avenue & Payne Dr. • Bellevue, NE

Description: The Discovery Expedition of St. Charles is currently following the river trail of Lewis & Clark, camping at sites which paralleled those visited by Lewis and Clark 200-years ago. Traveling in handcrafted replicas of Lewis and Clark's keelboat and pirogues and wearing authentic period dress, crewmembers portray specific individuals from the original expedition. Crewmembers also include several descendents of members of the original expedition. Some programs by the Discovery Expedition that will be webcast over the Internet along the Iowa/Nebraska corridor include: Brownville (7/15), Nebraska City (7/22), Omaha (7/29), Fort Atkinson (8/5), Macy (8/19), in Nebraska, and Onawa (8/12) and Sioux City (8/20), in Iowa. Webcasts are usually at 12:30 p.m CDT. Check their website (www.lewisandclark.net) for details.

Admission: Free

Web Address: www.lewisandclark.net

Contact Info: Sarpy County Tourism at 1-800-GOSARPY or (402) 332-5771

In The Footsteps Of William Clark**July 27 • Day Cruise times: 10 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, & 4 pm. Special evening Dinner Cruise 6:30 pm**

Location: Lewis & Clark Landing • 6th and Davenport (Board behind Rick's Boatyard Café)

Description: Cruise aboard the River City Star on the 200th anniversary date of when William Clark came ashore at this area in 1804 to examine the mounds of earth he thought were remains of an Otoe Indian village. Douglas County Historical Society is featuring Bud Clark, descendant of William Clark, re-enactors, and speakers Fred Hannah, Fr. Don Doll, and Orv Menard with hour long day trips and a special evening dinner cruise.

Admission: Day Cruises \$10 / Evening Cruise \$60

Web Address: www.rivercitystar.com

Contact Info: (402) 455-9990 or (402) 342-7827

Discovery Expedition of St. Charles Encampment at Omaha, NE**Thursday, July 29 • Encampment open to the public 9am - 5pm**

Location: N.P. Dodge Park • 11005 John J. Pershing Drive • Omaha, NE • 1.1 mile north of I-680 •
When you turn onto Dodge Park Road, follow the road to the picnic pavilion area.

Description: Meet the crew of "The Discovery Expedition of St. Charles, Missouri" camped at the north end of the Marina at N. P. Dodge Park. These hardy folks are tracing the river trail of Lewis & Clark. They're coming upstream on a full-size keelboat and two pirogues, dressed in period clothing, providing the public a view of life 200 years ago. Visit Interpretive Exhibits and tour the boats with the crew members. Some programs by the Discovery Expedition that will be webcast over the Internet along the Iowa/Nebraska corridor include: Brownville (7/15), Nebraska City (7/22), Omaha (7/29), Fort Atkinson (8/5), Macy (8/19), in Nebraska, and Onawa (8/12) and Sioux City (8/20), in Iowa. Webcasts are usually at 12:30 p.m CDT. Check their website (www.lewisandclark.net) for details.

Admission: Free
Web Address: www.lewisandclark.net
Contact Info: (402) 444-5947

Fort Calhoun's Lewis & Clark Celebration: First Council Festival**July 31 – August 1 • Saturday 10 am – 9 pm, Sunday 9:30 am – 7 pm**

Location: Locations throughout Fort Calhoun, NE

Description: Activities in Ft. Calhoun & Blair will include: the Lewis & Clark Diorama Exhibit at Washington County Museum (listed separately); the William Clark Birthday Picnic and dedication ceremonies at West Market Square Park; a 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning breakfast with the members of the Otoe-Missouria tribe at Dana College (reservations only); and an entertainment stage at Ft. Calhoun Baptist Church. Demonstrators will share the art of lace making, spinning, carving, and China painting along 14th Street; and there will be a black powder shoot at Ft. Atkinson. Call or check the website for more details.

Admission: Free (see website for meal prices)
Web Address: www.newwashcohist.org/festival.asp
Contact Info: (402) 468-5740

Nebraska Lewis And Clark Bicentennial Commemoration: Corps Of Discovery Festival**July 31 – August 3 • Saturday: 10 am – 6 pm, Sunday: 12 pm – 6 pm, Monday & Tuesday: 10 am – 4 pm**

Location: Fort Atkinson State Historical Park • Madison Exit Off Hwy 75 • Fort Calhoun, NE

Description: The “Corps Of Discovery Festival” will feature a large, air-conditioned tent housing an educational stage with a variety of nationally recognized Lewis and Clark experts including Dr. James Ronda, Dayton Duncan, Dr. Gary Moulton and Matthew Sitting Bear Jones. Noted authors will be holding book signings in the Washington County Historical Society Tent (see <http://www.newwashcohist.org/books.asp> for a schedule). Throughout the festival, rare historical documents with the signatures of Lewis, Clark and Jefferson will be on display at Ft. Atkinson State Park Visitor Center, adjacent to the festival grounds. Descendants of the American Indians who participated in the first tribal council, the Otoe-Missouria tribe will have a major role in the Corps of Discovery Festival. Tribal members will offer presentations on the history, culture and traditions of the tribe throughout the four-day event. A wide variety of hands-on and educational activities for children will be available, and a keelboat replica where visitors can step onboard. On August 3rd at 10:15 am, the US Mint will launch the new L&C nickel from the keelboat. **Free shuttles** will be available to transport guests of the Corps Of Discovery Festival to and from the neighboring Lewis & Clark events (websites with schedules for each of these events can be found elsewhere in this document):

- Fort Calhoun’s Lewis & Clark Celebration: First Council Festival
- Corps II: National Park Service Traveling Exhibit at Dana College in Blair, NE
- Discovery Expedition of St. Charles Encampment at Boyer Chute NWR near Fort Calhoun, NE

Admission: Free

Web Addresses: www.lewisandclarkne.org/se_festival.php

Contact Info: (800) 228-4307

Nebraska Lewis And Clark Bicentennial Commemoration: First Tribal Council**July 31 – August 3 • 8:00 pm**

Location: Elmwood Park • 808 South 60 Street • Omaha, NE

Description: The “First Tribal Council” will feature "Ink and Elkskin", a dramatic interpretation of the first official meeting between the Lewis and Clark Expedition and the Oto and Missouri tribes. The performance will feature a cast of 18 professional actors including several Native Americans, as well as portions of an original piano concerto composed by Philip Glass and performed by Paul Barnes and R. Carlos Nakai. Officials and members of the Otoe-Missouria tribe (which now resides in Red Rock, OK) will be part of the opening ceremonies.

Admission: Free

Web Address: www.lewisandclarkne.org

Contact Info: (800) 228-4307

Discovery Expedition of St. Charles Encampment at Boyer Chute NWR near Fort Calhoun, NE**July 31 – August 3 • Sat. 10 am – 6 pm, Sun. 12-6 pm, Mon. & Tues. 10 am – 4 pm**

Location: Boyer Chute • County Road 34 • Fort Calhoun, NE

Description: The St. Charles Corps of Discovery II is currently following the river trail of Lewis & Clark, camping at sites which paralleled those visited by Lewis and Clark 200-years ago. The Corps will be stopping at Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge during the four days of the Nebraska Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commemoration at Ft. Atkinson where shuttles will provide visitors with an opportunity to visit the encampment that will include a full-size keelboat, two pirogues, and crew members (many of which are descendents of original members of the L&C Expedition) dressed in period clothing. Some programs by the Discovery Expedition will be webcast over the Internet Those programs originating from along the Iowa/Nebraska corridor include: Brownville (7/15), Nebraska City (7/22), Omaha (7/29), Fort Atkinson (8/5), Macy (8/19), in Nebraska, and Onawa (8/12) and Sioux City (8/20), in Iowa. Webcasts are usually at 12:30 p.m CDT. Check their website (www.lewisandclark.net) for details on these webcasts.

Admission: Free

Web Address: boyerchute.fws.gov/lewisandclarkevent.htm

Contact Info: Nebraska Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission (800) 426-6505 • (402) 471-3368

Corps II: National Park Service Traveling Exhibit at Dana College in Blair, NE**July 31 – August 4 • 9 am – 5 pm**

Location: Dana College • 2848 College Drive • Blair, NE

Description: Corps of Discovery II is a mobile exhibit commemorating the Lewis & Clark exploration of 1803-1806. The Exhibit is led by the National Parks Service and is a collaborative effort of many federal, state and tribal nations and local entities. Corps II offers visitors an introduction to the Lewis & Clark story. It features film, ranger programs and live presentations by historian, leaders of American Indian nations and Lewis & Clark experts, as well as culture and history of the local area.

Admission: Free

Web Address: lewisandclarkgnet.com or www.nps.gov/lecl/CorpsII/Corps2Schedule04.htm

Contact Info: (402) 661-1804

William Clark's 34th Birthday Party**August 1 • 4 – 6 pm**

Location: West Market Square Park • 15th & Monroe • Ft. Calhoun, NE

Description: The William Clark Birthday Party will feature an outdoor picnic, which commemorates the 34th birthday William Clark enjoyed at the location exactly 200 years ago. The picnic will feature historic food, a beer garden and jam session.

Admission: Historic meal \$15. – chuck wagon \$9. – chuck wagon under 16 years \$4.50

Web Address: www.blairchamber.org/Lewisandclarkfest.html

Contact Info: Blair Area Chamber of Commerce (402)-533-4455
blairchamber@huntel.net