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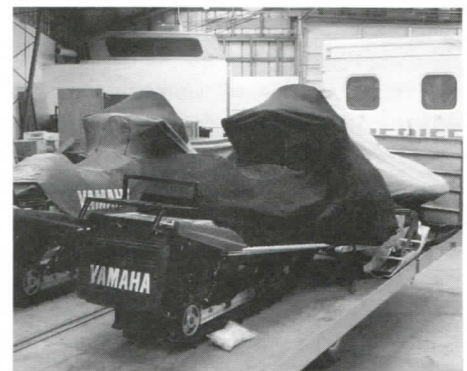
Keith Petersen, *State
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BI-STATE PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAM

Just because safety is probably the last thing on the minds of visitors to Idaho commemorating the Lewis & Clark bicentennial by exploring sites and communities along the Trail doesn't mean somebody else hasn't taken it into consideration. The bicentennial's Bi-State Public Safety Program is proof of that.

The program dates back to the first month of the new millennium. On January 19, 2001, sheriffs from five Idaho counties: Clearwater, Idaho, Lemhi, Lewis, and Nez Perce and three Montana counties: Beaverhead, Missoula, and Ravalli, as well as officials from the Clearwater National Forest (U.S. Forest Service) met to develop a comprehensive safety and law enforcement strategy for the Lewis and Clark Corridor, a region in Idaho and Montana with a land area greater than the states of New Hampshire, Delaware, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Rhode Island combined. Because the Corridor, which includes almost 600 miles of the Lewis & Clark Trail as it winds through the Bitterroot Mountains, cuts across two states, the individuals involved in early stages of the project knew they were breaking new ground.

While mutual aid agreements have long been a part of law enforcement, the cross-jurisdictional nature of the nascent program signified it as something unique in the area of public safety. Says Ravalli County Sheriff Chris Hoffman: "Among law enforcement officials, this program is unprecedented. You don't see eight sheriffs in the state getting together to work on a common project, much less sheriffs in two states." In fact, according to Carol Hennessey, Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist, Clearwater



top: Installation of a radio relay station on Junction Mountain, Clearwater County.

above: Snowmobiles purchased by the Lewis County Sheriff's Office.

left: Interior of new Ravalli County Sheriff's Office pick-up.



National Forest, the program "has been highlighted for its amazing ability to gain common communications and ability to coordinate and cooperate across eight counties in two states." In addition to county and federal government involvement, other agencies also have been involved in the planning effort, including the Idaho State Police, Montana Highway Patrol, and the Nez Perce Tribe. The Idaho Governor's Lewis & Clark Trail Committee oversees the program.

With one to four million visitors expected, and in acknowledgement that existing medical service and law enforcement would be stretched beyond their capability, the sheriffs and Forest Service officials entered into a memorandum of understanding that resulted in a sweeping strategy to address the public safety and law enforcement needs of

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the eight-county area. The strategy would need to deal with natural disasters, search and rescue, fatalities, vehicle accidents, physical injuries, large-scale accidents, and multiple incidents occurring simultaneously. It would need also to identify and outline resource needs, such as ambulances, fire departments, emergency medical technicians, helicopters, hospitals, and clinics. In addition to emergency response, the plan would need to address law enforcement needs, such as personnel, protection of heritage resources, civil disobedience, litter, vandalism, and fee compliance.

The plan the sheriffs and Forest Service officials developed called for a complete redesign of community service, including an evaluation of personnel, equipment, and communications. The goals of the plan were to have safety and law enforcement resources available in small communities near the Lewis & Clark Trail in Idaho and Montana, to have communication resources in place to ensure coordination among counties and states and effective response to emergencies, to ensure that visitors would have access to emergency aid in remote areas, to train and prepare personnel in medical and law enforcement skills, and to reduce the risk of serious injury or fatalities that might occur in remote areas and on rural highways.

One of the biggest concerns the plan addressed was communications. The radio capabilities of the organizations in the plan were, for the most part, based on the use of VHF-high band mobile relays (repeaters) and mountaintop base stations. The exceptions were Lewis and Lemhi counties, which used the UHF band. In fact, replacement of Lemhi County's radio



All-terrain vehicle purchased by the Idaho County Sheriff's Office.

system, identified as the least adequate system then in place, became one of the plan's highest priorities. The planners also developed a general radio communications plan to ensure the adequate allocation of radio channels.

Given the scope of the project, the planners acknowledged that changes would not happen without financial assistance, and Senators Larry Craig of Idaho and Conrad Burns of Montana were instrumental in securing federal funding for the program. During the first year of the planning process, the project received a direct Congressional appropriation of \$500,000; the U.S. Forest Service also donated \$47,000. Since then, the program has received sizeable appropriations: \$2.7 million in 2002, \$1.7 million in 2003, and \$750,000 in 2004.

With the funding provided by the program, officials in the eight counties have built an infrastructure of communication, equipment, and personnel that will enable law enforcement and emergency response officials to meet their obligations to ensure the public safety. Examples of vehicular equipment purchased through the program are fully-equipped ambulances, patrol vehicles, search and rescue vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles, trailers, and a jet boat. Three counties, Clearwater, Lemhi, and Missoula, purchased the wreckage extraction device known as the "Jaws of Life."

Program funding has also been devoted to remedying serious communication deficiencies within the eight-county region. Each of the counties has extensively upgraded their communication systems with the purchases of new equipment, such as radios, repeaters, consoles, satellite phones,

satellite radios, and pagers. The third component of the infrastructure, personnel, has also been addressed through the funding of wages for additional deputy sheriffs.

Specific accomplishments of the program to-date include establishment of three emergency call boxes along Highway 12 from Kooskia to Lolo Pass and the development of an evacuation plan for the Lolo Motorway and Highway 12, which was

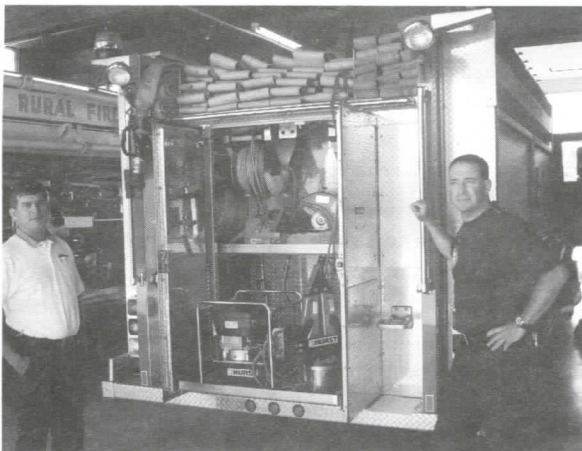


Beaverhead County Sheriff's Office new deputy pick-up.

actually implemented in 2003 when the Motorway was evacuated during a forest fire. Says Sheriff Brett Barsalou of Lemhi County, Idaho, "Because of the Bi-State Public Safety Program, the Trail between Beaverhead County and Nez Perce County is much safer than it was two years ago."

This is no idle claim on Sheriff Barsalou's part. In the spring of this year, Sheriff Barsalou's office coordinated the rescue of two individuals whose plane crashed on Lost Horse Pass. On Saturday, April 17, Tom and Betty Hufford were flying from Whitefish, Montana to Nevada with two other planes when they encountered bad weather. The pilots in the planes accompanying the Huffords turned their planes around and headed back to Montana, but the Huffords continued on. Over Lost Trail Pass, the plane's carburetor began to ice up. Mr. Hufford then tried to turn the plane around, but it lost altitude and dropped almost directly on the Pass, about a quarter mile southwest of Lost Trail Ski Resort, just over the summit on the Idaho side of the border.

While all passengers, including the couple's dog, survived the crash, the Huffords had both suffered serious injuries. Despite a broken leg, Mrs. Hufford, an emergency-room physician, placed a 9-1-1 call on her cell phone, which was received by the Lemhi County Sheriff's dispatch. Because of the remote location of the crash, it took personnel from Salmon Search and Rescue and the Lemhi County Sheriff's Office several hours to reach the accident



Missoula County firefighters show off new extraction equipment.

site, but they did so in equipment purchased through the public safety program.

Sheriff Barsalou says that had it not been for this equipment, including a fully-equipped ambulance and two patrol pick-ups, crews might not have been able to reach the Huffords before hypothermia set in. Says Sheriff Barsalou, "I think if you asked those two people [the Huffords], they would say [the money appropriated for the program] was a good investment." He further explains that the rescue effort went as well as it did because of the improvements in the communication systems among the various parties involved in the rescue, including officials in Beaverhead County, Montana, where the Huffords were taken after being extricated from the plane wreckage. Says Sheriff Barsalou, "This is the very first time in history we could actually talk to the people in Wisdom [Montana]." From Darby in Beaverhead County, the Huffords were "LifeFlighted" to St. Patrick's Hospital in Missoula.

For Idaho, it is no exaggeration to say that the Bi-State Public Safety Program is a lasting legacy of the bicentennial. But its impact goes beyond Idaho. Says Marty Birkeneder, who coordinates the program for the Montana counties, "The program has become a model, not only for cooperation among sheriffs around the country, but specifically for disaster and emergency response." Ms. Birkeneder adds that the project has even caught the attention of the U.S. Department of Justice as a possible model for response to homeland security situations. Says Carol Hennessey of the Clearwater National Forest, "Our ongoing evaluation of this effort is to look at it as a national model that could be applied to similar circumstances in small rural areas across the country." *



Sheriff Brett Barsalou next to Lemhi County's jet boat.

GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE AWARDS \$630,000 IN GRANTS

At its meeting in Salmon in September 2004, the Idaho Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee awarded \$634,721 in bicentennial community assistance grants. This is the fourth year of the grants program, and the Governor's Committee has awarded more than \$3 million in grants and discretionary funds for bicentennial projects during that time. "The most exciting time of the year for the Committee is the time we award the grants," noted Governor's Committee chair Beryl DeBoard of Salmon. "It is gratifying to get funding out to grassroots programs throughout the state. Idahoans who have won our grants have done a remarkable job of stretching the dollars to undertake projects that have transformed communities and prepared the state for this important national commemoration."

Once again this year the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, through its Rural Community Assistance Program, partnered with the Governor's Committee in the grants program.

The following is a list of grantees for 2005:

City of Salmon, three projects: programming for Corps of Discovery II when it is in Salmon; Sacajawea Interpretive Center information programs; and construction of a monument to Grizzly Bear and Salmon at Town Square Park.

Idaho Humanities Council for continuation of the Lewis and Clark speakers bureau and funding to bring distinguished Lewis and Clark scholars to the four Idaho communities that will host Corps II.

Idaho State Historical Society for an exhibit entitled "Lewis and Clark: The Journey in Idaho" to be at the State Historical Museum in Boise in 2005-06. The exhibit will feature original plant specimens collected in Idaho by the Corps.

Lewis-Clark State College for the annual Lewis and Clark symposium, "Lewis and Clark among the Nimiipuu."

Upper Clearwater Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Committee, two projects: programming for Corps of Discovery II when it is in Kamiah, and continuation of the coordinator's position.

Museum of Idaho for an exhibit on Lewis and Clark and the Shoshoni.

Log Cabin Literary Center and Idaho State Library for expansion of the Lewis and Clark "Let's Talk About It" program in Idaho libraries, and two writing workshops on Lewis and Clark.

Boise Cultural Network, two projects: funding for programming at the May 2006 Boise Lewis and Clark community commemoration and for an education coordinator for school groups visiting Corps of Discovery II at that time.

Idaho Botanical Garden for continued funding of the Lewis and Clark Native Plant Garden.

Clearwater County for development of a Lewis and Clark interpretive facility at Clearwater Crossing in Orofino.

Lemhi County Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Committee for Sacajawea Heritage Days in 2005.

Boise Master Chorale to commission a new musical about the Corps of Discovery in Idaho.

Orofino Chamber of Commerce and Friends of the Weippe Library to produce television commercials about Lewis and Clark sites in Clearwater country.

Sacajawea Interpretive, Education and Cultural Institute to develop a video program on the history of the Lemhi Shoshone to be shown in the Sacajawea Interpretive Center, and elsewhere.

Clearwater-Snake Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Committee to continue the administrator's position.

Greater Kooskia Area Chamber of Commerce, funds for school field trips to Corps of Discovery II in Kamiah, and to a nearby Lewis and Clark Heritage Faire.

Nez Perce Tribe, funding to produce a brochure on Nez Perce country for the Tribe's national signature event.

North Central Idaho Travel Association for continuation of a Lewis and Clark bicentennial marketing position.

Hog Heaven Muzzleloaders for assistance with travel expenses for living history demonstrations.

Idaho Historic Preservation Council for development of a Lewis and Clark component of the Council's popular "Idaho

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COMMEMORATIVE TREE & SHRUB PACKAGE

The University of Idaho Forest Nursery is commemorating the Lewis & Clark bicentennial with a special package of trees and shrubs native to the Rocky Mountain region. Developed by horticulturist Annette Brusven, the Nursery's Sales & Extension Associate, the package contains a diverse group of hardwoods, evergreens, ground-cover, and shrubs that were selected for their hardiness in residential yards. All the plants in the selection were species that Lewis & Clark actually encountered during their explorations. Plants included in the package are:



Lewis Syringa

GRANTS, *continued*

History Time Machine" program that goes to Idaho schools.

University of Idaho Hampton School of Music, funding to offer a condensed version of the Lewis and Clark opera "Discovering Freedom" to Idaho schools.

Lemhi County Humane Society for a Seaman sculpture at the Society's new dog park at the Sacajawea Interpretive Center.

City of Orofino, funding for city entry welcome signs.

Inland Northwest Council of Teachers of English to provide Lewis and Clark scholars at the Council's annual conference in 2005.

Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Museum, funding to assist the museum in preparing for bicentennial visitors. *

- **Black Twinberry**, a honeysuckle that Lewis and Clark first observed in 1806 in Montana's Big Hole Valley.

- **Golden Currant**, a yellow-flowering shrub with berries that Lewis preferred over those of the red currant.

- **Kinnikinnick**, an evergreen that has a history of medicinal value among Native Americans.

- **Lewis Syringa**, Idaho's state flower. This plant was named in honor of Lewis by botanist Frederick Pursh.

- **Ponderosa Pine**, known as a *long-leafed pine* to Lewis and Clark who collected samples of this tree from the Clearwater River area.

- **Redosier Dogwood**, a shrub that is commonly seen growing next to riverbanks, including the Clearwater River where Clark collected several specimens.

- **Rocky Mountain Maple**, which Lewis discovered on a tributary of the Lemhi River in Idaho.

- **Serviceberry**. Lewis and Clark collected three specimens of the western variety in 1806: one near Rockfort Camp, one along the Clearwater near present-day Lenore, and another along the Lolo Trail.

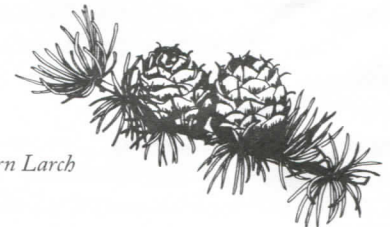
- **Western Larch**. First observed by Lewis and Clark in the Bitterroots in September 1805.

- **Woods Rose**, a hardy rose that handles drought well; Lewis observed this species in October 1804.



Annette Brusven, University of Idaho Forest Nursery, examines a sample of one of the plants included in the Nursery's commemorative Lewis & Clark Tree & Shrub package.

The package includes a fact sheet about the plants and instructions for planting. Cost is \$25 plus tax and shipping. To order, phone 208-885-3888 or email seedlings@uidaho.edu. *



Western Larch

ISHS SUPPORTS PROJECTS

The Idaho State Historical Society is the lead state agency for the bicentennial. Society staffer Keith Petersen serves as the state's bicentennial coordinator, and as state staff liaison to the Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee. Lewis-Clark State College provides office space for the Society's Lewis and Clark Information Center in Lewiston.

In addition to providing professional and technical assistance, the Lewis and Clark Information Center also awards funding for bicentennial projects, enhancing the Governor's Committee grants program. The Center provides \$50,000 annually for the Governor's Committee Bicentennial Community Grants Program and provides additional discretionary funding. In 2004, in addition to the grants program, the Historical Society's Lewis and Clark Information Center provided financial assistance to the following projects:

Moscow School District for a one-day artists' presentation on Seaman at Russell School.

Latah County Historical Society for support of a Hog Heaven Muzzleloaders living history presentation.

Craigmont Community Library to purchase Lewis and Clark books for a children's summer reading program.

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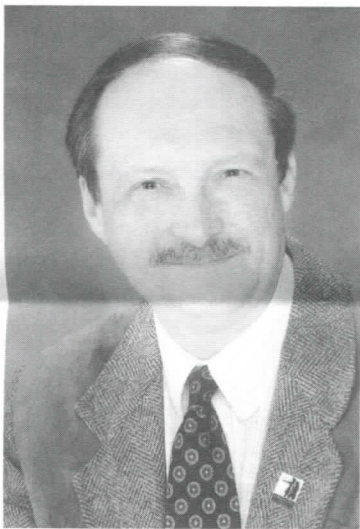
LEWIS-CLARK STATE COLLEGE SYMPOSIUM ENTERS SEVENTH YEAR

Until the bicentennial, the role of the Nez Perce Tribe in the success of the Corps of Discovery, and its interaction with the Corps, had not been fully studied. But that meeting two centuries ago between the two cultures "is a complex topic with multiple aspects worthy of exploration, discussion and reflection," according to Lewis-Clark State College (LCSC) symposium co-coordinator Jerry DeBacker.

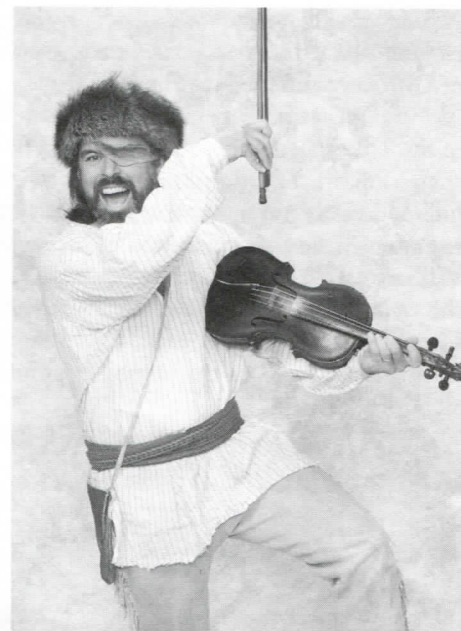
During June 23-25, 2005, LCSC will host the annual Lewis and Clark Symposium. The symposium began seven years ago as a workshop and has evolved over time into a major annual conference with presentations by outstanding national, regional, and local scholars. It is an interactive environment where one can pose questions in small group sessions, visit the rivers that served both the Nez Perce and the Corps, and reflect on the commemoration.

The symposium is a collaborative effort among the Nez Perce, the College, scholars, teachers, artisans, and local historical groups. "We have been fortunate to have received the assistance of many bright, caring, and involved people on our steering committee," stated Kathy Martin, Dean of Continuing Education and Community Events, and a member of the Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee. "The Symposium has grown due to the year-round effort of these people."

Over the first six years, the symposium hosted some of the West's preeminent experts in a wide variety of fields. These experts explored the parallel stories of the Corps and the Nez Perce. Historians who have spoken at the symposium include Alvin Josephy, Gary Moulton, James Holmberg, Stephanie Ambrose-Tubbs, and Landon Jones. Nez Perce perspectives have been addressed by, among others, Horace Axtell, Allen Pinkham, Sandi McFarland, Otis Halfmoon, Aaron Miles, and Phil Allen. Story telling has been done both by tribal members and historical reenactors. One of the most popular features of past symposia has been a mini powwow held as part of the annual field trip.



2005 keynote speaker author James Ronda.



Daniel Slosberg as Pierre Cruzatte.

Presentations have covered the Nez Perce horse, public art commemorating the era, canoe building, food gathering, and salmon's role in Nez Perce culture. Deborah Snyder, symposium co-coordinator, observed, "We have attempted to explore a different sub-theme each year. We've discussed topics as diverse as Jefferson's fascination with the Reformation to blood letting. It has made for some lively conversations at dinner."

The theme of the 2005 symposium is "Cultural changes in place over time." James Ronda will be the keynote speaker. Also appearing this year will be Daniel Slosberg as Pierre Cruzatte, the Corps' unofficial fiddle player. The symposium also will include the annual field trip and a teachers' workshop.

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Friends of the Weippe Library for support of the dedication of the Weippe Discovery Center.

Idaho Botanical Garden for development of the Lewis and Clark Native Plant Garden.

Idaho Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation for support of the annual Lewis and Clark teachers' workshop for Idaho teachers.

Orofino Chamber of Commerce for support of the First Day of Issue Stamp Cancellation Ceremony.

Lewis-Clark State College Center for Arts and History for opening reception of the national traveling exhibit, "The Rivers of Lewis and Clark."

Indian Hills School, Pocatello, for assistance for a fourth grade field trip to view the Lewis and Clark exhibit at the Museum of Idaho.

Programming funds for **Corps of Discovery II Tent of Many Voices** to the communities of Salmon, Kamiah, Boise, and the Nez Perce Tribe.

Development of an **annotated bibliography of LC materials** for Idaho school and public libraries. *

For more information visit www.lcsc.edu/cp/LewisClark/2005. The symposium is partially supported by the Idaho Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee and the Idaho Humanities Council. *



Kinnikinnick, part of the commemorative shrub package, see page 4.

NEZ PERCE TRIBE UNVEILS SIGNATURE EVENT PLANS

On September 29, on a bright, sunny day at the Lewis and Clark Discovery Center at Hells Gate State Park, Aaron Miles, Director of Natural Resources for the Nez Perce Tribe, and Bill Smith, the Tribe's signature event coordinator, unveiled the Tribe's plans for Idaho's only national bicentennial signature event. "The Summer of Peace: Among the Nimiipuu" will involve a wide diversity of events in May and June 2006. The key dates will be June 14-17. The event commemorates the five weeks of friendship shared by the Corps of Discovery and the Nez Perce on the Corps' return trip in 1806.

"Explore and commemorate with us that summer of peace," reads the vision statement of the Tribe's signature event plan, "and the resultant world which followed, in games of friendship, arts of expression, and talk of ideas and cultural re-facing. Explore with us the hills and vales, and mountains and rivers of the great State of Idaho and its neighboring regions, which earth is part of the Nimiipuu's ancestral home, and Meriwether Lewis and William Clark explored. Discover what it means to be among the Nimiipuu and learn the great history and tales of the bicentennial. Our vision is that you will find peace and friendship, and downright fun, as we, the Nimiipuu, invite you to help build a legacy of trust for the future, in the uniting of community and world, and the freeing of hope for all our children."

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June 14 will begin with Lewis and Clark Trail Tribes riding in full regalia to opening ceremonies at Nez Perce National Historical Park. A welcome dance and drum ceremony, along with a presentation of gifts, will follow. That afternoon will witness a First Peoples Contemporary Fashion Show, exhibits on the Nez Perce and surrounding communities today, and tours to significant nearby sites. Corps of Discovery II will be set up at the National Park for the duration of the signature event.

The major focus of events shifts to Lewiston on June 15. The Snake River Challenge will feature boat races from Hells Gate State Park to Chief Timothy Park; Lewis-Clark State College will host the first day of the multi-day Lewis and Clark Symposium; a mural to Weetes will be dedicated at the Lewis and Clark Discovery Center; the Lily Disney Film Festival will be showcased; the first annual

Twisted Hair All-Indian Rodeo will begin; and the day will conclude with a late night blues and jazz festival.

Events move to various places – Moscow, Weippe, Orofino, and Lapwai – on June 16, and include a launching of peace canoes on the Clearwater, a pipe ceremony to open the Clearwater River Challenge featuring a competition of canoe teams, dedication of a new Nez Perce warrior statue, the first annual Idaho Passage Regional Cultural Tourism Conference, an all-Indian softball tournament, a headliner outdoor concert, and a salmon feast.

The signature event culminates on June 17 with a Nez Perce Children's Creation Story Pageant and a reenactment of the great council of Nez Perce and Corps of Discovery at Kamiah; award ceremonies for the Summer of Peace Games – a wide diversity of athletic events and games that will have been ongoing for several weeks – photography, quilt making, children's storytelling and All Idaho Tribal Arts competitions, and an official farewell. *

EDUCATION PROJECTS BRING BICENTENNIAL TO STUDENTS

Summer school at Lincoln High School in Idaho Falls was exciting in 2004 as the school offered a history course unlike any it had previously done.

The first week of the course was spent at Lincoln High School where the students learned the history of Lewis and Clark and the Indian tribes they encountered along the way.

The second week was spent in the Salmon area, where the students camped at a site very close to one occupied by Clark nearly 200 years earlier. The students explored the area, kept diaries, took samples of flowers, and visited locations – such as the "pyramids" – described in the journals. While in the area, the students wanted to do something that would help other people appreciate the bicentennial. After consulting with the Lemhi County Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Committee, they undertook the task of cleaning up the area around the monument that marks Sacajawea's birthplace.

They found that they had much in common with the journal keepers of 200 years earlier – including a dislike for mosquitoes that seemed to bother the Lincoln explorers as much as their predecessors.

Upon returning to Idaho Falls, the students developed a PowerPoint presentation that they have given not only to other Lincoln students, but also to students in other schools. Each day while in the Salmon area, the students would read and discuss the Lewis and Clark journals and compare their own journals with the explorers'. They found that they had much in common with the journal keepers of 200 years earlier – including a dislike for mosquitoes that seemed to bother the Lincoln explorers as much as their predecessors.

The Lincoln High School Lewis and Clark experience is but one of several educational programs the Idaho Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee has helped to fund.

In December 2004, 30 Idaho teachers spent time at Fort Clatsop learning about the Lewis and Clark story in the third annual teachers workshop sponsored by the Idaho Chapter of the Lewis and Clark Trail Foundation. Earlier workshops were held in Salmon and at Lolo Pass.

In Moscow, Russell Elementary School hosted artists Dennis Sullivan and Frances Conklin of Cottonwood as they brought their dramatic "Seaman: A Chain of Events" sculpture and spent a day working with Russell students learning about Lewis and Clark, Seaman, and art.

Pocatello's Indian Hills School received funding to send all its fourth graders on a one-day September 2004 field trip to the Museum of Idaho in Idaho Falls to visit the "Discovering Idaho: The World of Lewis and Clark" exhibit.



Armenia Miles making a doll for one of the Nez Perce parfflesches.

The Nez Perce Arts Council developed twin sets (one men's and one women's in each set) of traveling parfflesches with approximately 20 hand-crafted artifacts in each parfflesche representing Nez Perce life at the time of contact with Lewis and Clark. The parfflesches, along with Lewis and Clark trunks and a Lewis and Clark traveling exhibit developed by the Idaho State Historical Society, are currently traveling to schools, Scout groups, and other organizations throughout Idaho.

One of the Governor's Committee's long range goals when it planned for the bicentennial in the 1990s was to foster educational efforts. With the dedicated efforts of people throughout the state, Idaho is meeting that goal. *

IDAHO PUBLIC TELEVISION AND THE BICENTENNIAL

For nearly 10 years, Idaho Public Television has researched the history of the Lewis and Clark expedition in Idaho and produced materials about how the trek has affected the state and its people. "Idaho Public TV cameras have captured events at symposia, commemorations, and dedications," notes general manager Peter Morrill. "We have also gathered historians and trail experts for discussions of the journey and its route through Idaho. And our crews have been out in the snow, wind, and rain along the Trail with first person reenactors."

As a result of these efforts, Idaho Public TV has produced a significant body of work and made it available for Idahoans and others around the nation.

"Echoes of a Bitter Crossing: Lewis and Clark in Idaho" was produced in 1997. This regional Emmy Award winning one-hour documentary probes the explorers' time in Idaho, where they faced bad weather, lack of food, and difficult terrain. Researchers, historians, Native Americans, and the Hog Heaven Muzzleloaders bring the historic trek alive.

"Dialogue with Ken Burns and Stephen Ambrose" came out in 1997 when host and producer Joan Cartan-Hansen interviewed the two Lewis and Clark experts for Idaho Public TV's statewide public affairs program.

"The Journey of Sacagawea" was a 2003 co-production of Idaho Public TV and independent filmmaker Lori Joyce of Idanha Films. This one-hour film, partially funded by the Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee, seeks to find the woman behind the historical icon and shows how cultures and events may have shaped her. The rich oral history of the Lemhi Shoshone, the Mandan/Hidatsa, and the Nez Perce carry her story beyond the sparse comments found in the journals.



The Journey of Sacagawea

Academy-Award winning actor George Kennedy narrates "Lewis and Clark: Crossing the Centuries." This one-hour special, also partially funded by a grant from the Governor's Committee, premiered in 2004. It follows the Lewis and Clark route from St. Louis to the Pacific and examines changes to the land and people during the last 200 years.

"Lewis and Clark: Moments in Time" is a series of 35 sixty-second video pieces that follow Lewis and Clark's path using words from the journals paired with images of reenactments and views of the country described. The pieces air between programs on Idaho Public TV throughout the bicentennial and were partially funded by the Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation.

A DVD of all 35 "Moments in Time" and "Lewis and Clark: Crossing the Centuries" was provided free to all fourth grade teachers in Idaho public schools. Idaho Public TV's three Lewis and Clark specials and "Moments in Time" have a website that are part of the larger Idaho Public TV website, www.idahoptv.org. This expands the video experience.

And Idaho Public TV's excellent bicentennial programming will continue when, on February 17, 2005, "Lewis and Clark Among the Tribes" premieres. Using expedition journal excerpts and interviews with historians and Native Americans, the program explores how those already living in the West perceived the Corps. *

READING AND WRITING LEWIS AND CLARK

Thanks to a partnership between the Log Cabin Literary Center and the Idaho State Library, two statewide projects, "Reading Lewis and Clark" and "Reading and Writing Lewis and Clark" will provide statewide programs during 2004-06. The projects have been partially funded by two grants from the Idaho Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee.

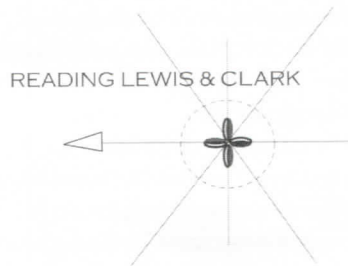
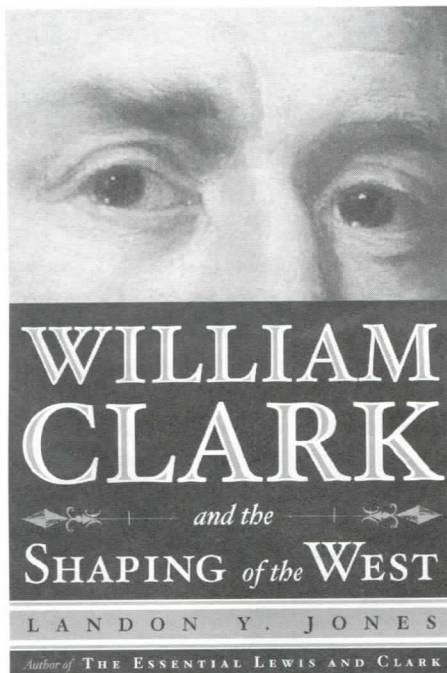
According to Josephine Jones, project administrator, readers at twenty local libraries around the state will select five books per "reading Lewis and Clark" series to read and discuss with scholars. The program is similar to the Governor's Committee Library Initiative program that held book discussion series in Salmon, Kamiah, Orofino, and Lewiston libraries in 2002-03.

Every series features core readings, James Ronda's *Lewis and Clark Among the Indians*, and Landon Jones' *Essential Lewis and Clark* and *William Clark and the Shaping of the West*. Groups then choose three of six other titles to discuss with visiting Idaho scholars. The books comprise a circulating library purchased by the Idaho State Library that will be available for its "Let's Talk About It" program for many years to come. In 2004 libraries in Caldwell, Coeur d'Alene, Rupert, Sandpoint, and Mountain Home hosted the series, and in 2005 the series will be in Orofino, Idaho Falls, Hansen, Kimberly, Preston, and Twin Falls. For more information about local library book discussions, visit www.lili.org/read/letstalk/themes-books/LewisandClark.htm.

Landon Jones will read from his new biography of William Clark and discuss it with audiences in Sandpoint, Coeur d'Alene, Boise, Twin Falls, and Idaho Falls in March 2005. Jones is a former managing editor at *People Magazine* and a contributor to *Life*, *Time*, and *Money*. He is also the author of *Great Expectations: America and the Baby Boom Generation*, which was nominated for an American Book Award.

Two accredited writing workshops will be conducted at Lewis and Clark sites in Idaho in the summer of 2005 for graduate and undergraduate students and Idaho public school teachers. Groups will be small and facilitated by a professional teaching writer who specializes in Lewis and Clark. Participants will camp or lodge nearby and convene daily to explore Lolo Trail or Lemhi Pass, discuss their ideas, and write.

For more information about Landon Jones' tour or the writing workshops contact Josephine Jones at the Log Cabin Literary Center, jjones@logcablit.org, 208-331-7850. *



LEWIS AND CLARK BIBLIOGRAPHY AVAILABLE

In 2001, the Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee began its Library Initiative to assist public and school libraries along the Trail. As part of the Initiative, the Committee has purchased nearly \$14,000 worth of books, videos, and CDs; has acquired special "canoe" bookshelves; and initiated a discussion series about Lewis and Clark books in public libraries in Salmon, Kamiah, Orofino, and Lewiston. It also supported the Idaho State Library's "Let's Talk About It" program, allowing it to expand to include a Lewis and Clark book discussion component.

Because many librarians had asked for help in deciding which Lewis and Clark materials to purchase, the Committee hired historian Carole Simon-Smolinski to develop a bibliography of recommended materials. Copies of the recently-completed bibliography, *Lewis and Clark: An Annotated Bibliography of Recommended Titles for Libraries*, have been sent free to every library in Idaho.

The annotated bibliography lists only materials currently in print, is geared toward a generalized collection, and highlights 18 titles strongly recommended for a basic Lewis and Clark collection. The bibliography, one of the most up-to-date available, is divided into sections: Adult Non-Fiction, Children's and New Readers' Books, Cookbooks, Fiction and Poetry, Idaho Specific, Travel, Music, and Videos and DVDs.

The bibliography would also be useful for private collectors because it would help keep them up-to-date with the recent increase in Lewis and Clark-related publications. To get a free copy, contact Keith Petersen, Lewis and Clark Information Center, 415 Main Street, Lewiston, ID 83501, 208-792-2249, keithp@lsc.edu. Please provide your postal address when requesting a copy. *

CHALLENGE COST SHARE PROGRAM BENEFITS IDAHO

The National Park Service awarded nearly \$4.6 million nationally in its Challenge Cost Share Program in 2004. The program provides matching support to projects that educate people about the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail or help to preserve the Trail. Funding is also available for bicentennial projects. Idaho received nearly \$140,000 in funding in 2004 for the following projects:

- \$10,000: Idaho Chapter Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation for a three-day teacher workshop for 35 teachers, the third year of this program to introduce Idaho teachers to the Lewis and Clark story.
- \$5,000: Nez Perce Tribe St. Louis Warriors Project for a memorial to honor four Nez Perce warriors who traveled to St. Louis in 1831 seeking information about Christianity.
- \$30,000: Hog Heaven Muzzleloaders, to allow team members and artifacts to travel to public events to increase understanding about Lewis and Clark.
- \$2,000: Idaho Botanical Garden, to develop a Lewis and Clark native plant garden at the Botanical Garden in Boise.
- \$15,000: Idaho State Historical Society, to support the Boise Cultural Network during its Lewis and Clark commemoration in May 2006.
- \$20,000: Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, to develop interior and exterior interpretation at the Department's Lewis and Clark Discovery Center at Hells Gate State Park in Lewiston.
- \$20,000: Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, to provide an interpretive trail and overlook at the Glade Creek Lewis and Clark campsite on Lolo Pass.
- \$10,000: Lewis-Clark State College, to record interviews with Nez Perce elders.
- \$25,000: Nez Perce Tribe's bicentennial canoe project to assist with dugout canoe construction to perpetuate a Nez Perce art demonstrated to Lewis and Clark 200 years ago. *



BICENTENNIAL BROCHURES

The Idaho Governor's Lewis & Clark Trail Committee is re-printing one of its most popular brochures and will soon introduce a new one. In 2002, as part of its Museums Initiative, the Governor's Committee, along with the Idaho State Historical Society and the North Central Idaho Travel Association, produced the full-color *Idaho Museums Along the Lewis & Clark Trail* brochure. With descriptions of 11 historical museums located along or adjacent to the Lewis & Clark Trail in Idaho and a list of points of interests worthy of additional exploration, the brochure has proven so popular that it will be re-print in the spring of 2005.

Melissa Rockwood of Moscow's Rdesign, who designed the *Idaho Museums Along the Lewis & Clark Trail* brochure, will also design the Governor Committee's newest full-color brochure, *Idaho Lewis & Clark Commemorative Events, 2005 - 2006*. Special Projects Coordinator Julie Monroe is coordinating production of this brochure,



which will provide information about Idaho's signature event, "The Summer of Peace: Among the Nimiipuu", as well as Corps II events in Kamiah, Salmon, Boise, and Clarkston, Washington, and community commemorations, such as the Weippe Camas Festival,

Sacajawea Heritage Days, and the Boise Lewis and Clark Commemoration. The brochure will also include information about Lewis-Clark State College's annual Lewis & Clark Symposium, the Idaho State Historical Society's *Lewis and Clark: The Journey in Idaho* exhibit, and additional points of Lewis & Clark interest within or near the community hosting a commemoration. The events brochure will be available mid-March 2005.

For more information about the brochures or to receive copies, please contact Keith Petersen, Lewis and Clark Information Center, 415 Main St., Lewiston, Idaho, 83501; 208-792-2249, keithp@lsc.edu. *

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE RELEASES NEW STAMPS

The U.S. Postal Service selected the Pink House Recreation site in Orofino to release three new Lewis and Clark bicentennial stamps. The ceremony took place on May 14, 2004 – 200 years after Lewis and Clark set out on their expedition. Dignitaries from Idaho and the Postal Service unveiled the stamps with the Clearwater River as a background. Pink House is just downstream from Canoe Camp, where the expedition members made their dugouts in 1805 to continue their journey down the Clearwater, Snake, and Columbia rivers.



Idaho was one of 11 Trail states that hosted the first-day of issue ceremonies simultaneously on May 14. One stamp features Lewis, one Clark, and another features both explorers gazing into unmaped territory.

More than 500 people attended the Orofino event on a beautiful sunny day. They lined up for hours to purchase first day of issue cancellations and other Postal Service souvenirs, and along the way, helped

the Orofino Post Office to its best sales day ever.

The event was hosted by the Orofino Chamber of Commerce, and special thanks go to Sandy Medley for her hard work in coordinating the effort. The Idaho Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee surprised Sandy with a souvenir bicentennial license plate at a Chamber of Commerce meeting in the summer to thank her for her many hours of work on the program. *

BICENTENNIAL NEWS BRIEFS

- More than 400 people attended the gala opening of the **Museum of Idaho's** 10,000 square-foot exhibit on Lewis and Clark on February 16, 2004. The exhibit ran through September 6, and the Museum – located in Idaho Falls – then installed a smaller exhibit on the Corps of Discovery and the Shoshone people they met in the Lemhi Valley. The initial exhibit, one of the largest Lewis and Clark installations in the nation, featured a Shoshone village of the type Lewis and Clark might have seen; replicas of the four different types of boats used by the expedition; the American Rivers national traveling exhibit, “Discovering the Rivers of Lewis and Clark”; artifacts from the Clark family loaned by William Clark's descendant Peyton Clark; examples of plant specimens observed in Idaho by the expedition; and artifacts from the Lewis and Clark centennial Worlds Fair in Portland.

- The Idaho Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee has published a brochure entitled “**Lewis and Clark Traveling Trunks**” that lists contents, contact information, and ordering information on more than a dozen traveling Lewis and Clark and Nez Perce trunks that are available to schools, groups, organizations, libraries, and museums. Trunks featured in the brochure have been produced by the Idaho State Historical Society, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Army Corps of Engineers, National Park Service, Nez Perce Tribe, and other entities. Governor's Committee special projects coordinator Julie Monroe compiled the brochure because of the increasing number of inquiries received about traveling trunks. Each trunk is different, focusing on particular aspects of the expedition or the people they met along the way. All make for outstanding teaching tools. Those looking for “hands on” learning experiences can request a copy of the brochure from the Lewis and Clark Information Center, 415 Main St., Lewiston, Idaho, 83501, 208-792-2249, keithp@lsc.edu. Also available from the Idaho State Historical Society is a new brochure, “**Bring the Lewis and Clark Expedition to Your Com-**



A Shoshone village of the type Lewis and Clark might have seen, Museum of Idaho Lewis & Clark exhibit.

munity.” The brochure details the Lewis and Clark traveling trunks, the Nez Perce trunk, and traveling exhibit available from the Society, and what you need to do to request one or more of these items. Contact the Idaho State Historical Museum at 208-334-2120 for a copy.

- The Circle of Tribal Advisors to the National Council of the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial has published *A Guide to Visiting the Lands of Many Nations and the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial*. The *Guide* provides answers to frequently asked questions from those who visit tribal reservations, and gives points of interest and information on lodging, attractions, museums, and so forth. Copies of the brochure are available from the Lewis and Clark Information Center, 415 Main St., Lewiston, Idaho, 83501, 208-792-2249, keithp@lsc.edu.

- The Idaho Botanical Garden broke ground on its new **Lewis and Clark Native Plant Garden** on April 22, 2004. The Lewis and Clark Garden will be developed in phases and will feature plant species described



Moving earth to make way for the new Lewis & Clark Native Plant Garden at the Idaho Botanical Garden in Boise.

by expedition members while in Idaho. In addition to the plantings, there will be water features, a central meeting area, and interpretive signage to tell the Lewis and Clark story. For more on the Garden plans, contact that Idaho Botanical Garden at 208-343-8649.

- The **City of Kendrick** dedicated its new bicentennial kiosk on May 29, 2004. The four-walled kiosk, which sits in a corner of the city park, features hand-made ceramic tiles depicting the four seasons of the Nez Perce calendar, created by artist Betty McMahon. Interpretive panels feature Kendrick history, places to visit in the area, and background on Lewis and Clark when they camped at nearby Arrow Junction in both 1805 and 1806.



Artist Betty McMahon's hand-made ceramic tiles grace Kendrick's Lewis and Clark Kiosk.

- The Idaho State Historical Society has produced a new traveling exhibit, “**Lewis and Clark and the Corps of Discovery: The Journey that Changed History.**” The exhibit consists of four double-sided panels that summarize the expedition and its significance. A special feature is two panels that provide an in-depth look at Lewis and Clark's 93 days in Idaho. The exhibit consists of flexible graphic panels that roll out of small floor bases and secure in position with collapsible poles. The system is the lightest and easiest to assemble traveling exhibit the Society has ever produced. The exhibit may be split up into three free-standing modules to make an easier installation for small

spaces. Those interested in bringing the exhibit to their communities should contact Teresa McRoberts at the Society, 208-334-2120.

- **"The Journey of Sacagawea,"** produced by Idanha Films and Idaho Public Television, was nominated for a regional Emmy Award in the Northwest Chapter in the documentary/cultural history category. The Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation awarded a grant to Idanha Films to help market the award-winning film to a national Public Broadcasting System audience. "The Journey of Sacagawea" is now available as a PBS home video. The program had previously received major funding support from the Idaho Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee. To obtain a copy, contact Idaho Public Television, www.idahoptv.org (click on video sales) or call 877-224-7200.
- **"The Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commemoration...Making a Difference for Idaho"** has been updated. It details the \$3.1 million the Idaho Governor's LC Trail Committee and the Idaho State Historical Society have invested through October 31, 2004, in bicentennial projects throughout the state. The report is broken down by communities. If you would like a copy, contact Keith Petersen at 208-792-2249, keithp@lsc.edu.
- The **Weippe Camas Festival** enjoyed another successful run in May 2004. Nez Perce Drummers and Dancers and the Hog Heaven Muzzleloaders appeared; Sandi McFarland, Dianna Mallackin and Gwen Carter gave presentations and demonstrations on Nez Perce foods and kinship; and Captains Lewis (Tim McNeil) and Clark (Craig Rockwell) met hundreds of Festival celebrants over the Memorial Day weekend. Utilizing a grant from the Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee, the Camas Festival Committee purchased a sound system and stage curtains for the Community Hall, which is the location of the Camas Festival presentations. The sound system and curtains will serve as a bicentennial lasting legacy, enhancing years of community presentations not only during the Camas Festival, but also at other community events.
- Governor's Committee funds also assisted the **Idaho Falls Symphony Society**. The Society invited composer Jeannie Donaldson to compose a short musical for



Weippe Discovery Center.

children so the Symphony could take the program to fourth graders in eastern Idaho schools as part of its annual Musical Ambassadors to the Schools Program. Donaldson composed "Sacajawea and the Corps of Discovery." The Sacajawea musical will link the Musical Ambassadors performances to fourth grade history curriculums as the students learn about Lewis and Clark. The program is expected to reach 900-1200 students each year.

- The **Idaho congressional delegation** was once again successful in securing funds for the bicentennial in Idaho. Working at the request of the Idaho Governor's Lewis and Clark Trail Committee, the delegation earmarked \$900,000 for continuation of the Bi-State (Montana and Idaho) Bicentennial Public Safety program, and \$1.1 million for continuation of the Governor's Committee community projects program. The Governor's Committee uses the latter funds for its grants program, the Museum Initiative, and discretionary funding to support bicentennial programs. Many thanks to Senators Larry Craig and Mike Crapo and Congressmen Butch Otter and Mike Simpson – as well as their hardworking staffs in Idaho and Washington, D.C. – for their continued efforts to support the commemoration in Idaho.
- Lewis-Clark State College (LCSC) has produced **"Walking on Sacred Ground,"**



Senator Larry Craig and Mayor Norm Steadman at the dedication ceremony for the Weippe Discovery Center, 2004.

a new video. Produced for the U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service, and Nez Perce Tribe, the video tells the story of the Nez Perce Trail from the perspective of members of the Tribe. It also examines Lewis and Clark's use of the Trail, and the Trail's history in the last 200 years. LCSC produced two versions of the video. A 15-minute version discusses the cultural significance of the Trail and is used to encourage trail stewardship among those who visit the Trail. A longer version goes into more detail on the history and cultural significance of the Nez Perce Trail. For more information contact Jason Goldhammer at LCSC, 208-792-2106. ★

UPCOMING BICENTENNIAL MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Camas Festival, Weippe, May 27-29, 2005. Contact Marge Kuchynka, 208-435-4362.

Lewis-Clark State College annual Lewis and Clark Symposium, "Lewis and Clark Among the Nimiipuu," Lewiston, June 23-25, 2005. Visit www.lsc.edu/cp/LewisClark/2005.

Sacajawea Heritage Days, including the visit of Corps of Discovery II, Salmon, August 12-21, 2005. Contact Angie Hurley, 208-756-1188.

Corps of Discovery II visits Kamiah, September 16-26, 2005. Contact Ruth May, 208-926-0855.

Corps of Discovery II visits Clarkston, Washington, October 1-9, 2005. Contact Lauren Danner, 360-586-0219.

Boise Lewis and Clark Commemoration, including the visit of Corps of Discovery II, May 20-29, 2006. Contact Madeline Buckendorf, 208-454-3435.

"The Summer of Peace: Among the Nimiipuu" Idaho's national bicentennial signature event hosted by the Nez Perce Tribe, May and June 2006.

Serviceberry, part of the commemorative shrub package, see page 4.



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