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# NEWS

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## **“Dr. Franklin L. Miles” state historical marker will be dedicated in Elkhart, Indiana**

A public dedication ceremony for an Indiana state historical marker is scheduled for August 25, 2007. The state historical marker recognizing Dr. Franklin L. Miles will be dedicated at 403 W. Franklin Street, Elkhart at 4:00 P. M. Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

The text follows for the state marker entitled “Dr. Franklin L. Miles”:

Born circa 1845 in Ohio. Graduated from Rush Medical College 1874. Moved medical practice from Chicago to Elkhart 1875. Began The Dr. Miles Medical Company 1885 to sell Dr. Miles’ Nervine, Restorative Nerve and Liver Pills, and other medicines; Miles was a Director and President of company. Purchased land here, on corner of Fourth and Franklin, 1900. Began *Dr. Miles New U.S. Weather Almanac and Handbook of Valuable Information* 1902. Incorporated Grand Dispensary Medical Company 1904; sold drugs and diagnosed patients by mail. Moved to Florida 1906; became a farmer. Medical Company’s original corporation was dissolved 1912. Miles died 1929; is buried in Grace Lawn Cemetery, Elkhart.

Everyone is invited to attend this dedication ceremony commemorating Dr. Miles’ contributions to the pharmaceuticals industry.

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 90 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 approximately 500 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 website at [www.IN.gov/history](http://www.IN.gov/history) or call 317-232-2537.

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