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Attica will dedicate state historical marker

A public dedication ceremony for an Indiana state historical marker is scheduled for September 18, 2005. The state historical marker honoring Attica's Carnegie Library will be dedicated at 2:00 pm (local time), at 305 South Perry Street in Attica, Indiana.

The text follows for the state marker entitled "Attica's Carnegie Library":

Ladies Library Association of Attica, created 1885, deeded its library building to city; city library opened 1902 with a collection of 1,500 books. Funds from Andrew Carnegie made it possible to build a new library here on land originally owned by Daniel Stump. It opened 1904. Building is Neoclassical design. Tall Crane fountains placed in front. Library underwent major interior renovation 1988; complementary addition completed 1995. Library included in Brady Street Historic District, listed in National Register of Historic Places 1990. One of 1,679 libraries built in U.S. with funds from philanthropist Andrew Carnegie. Indiana built more Carnegie libraries than any other state.

Everyone is invited to attend this dedication recognizing this historically significant building and institution.

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. There are currently eight state historical markers dedicated to Carnegie libraries throughout the state.

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