

# ATTRACTIONS

Bismarck's Sertoma Park, near the entrance of Dakota Zoo. This impressive display of four different eagles on a ceramic circle is something you don't want to miss on your visit to Bismarck-Mandan. The third sculpture, "Reflections," faces the Missouri River along River Road at Steamboat Park. The reflective sphere surrounded by an eagle represents Mother Earth and reflects the area's natural beauty. For more information, contact Bismarck Parks and Recreation at (701) 222-6455.

## Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center and Fort Mandan

Discover the legacy of the two frontiersmen, Captains Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, at the North Dakota Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center. It is 38 miles north of Bismarck, along the Lewis and Clark Trail and is located at the intersection of U.S. Highway 83 and N.D. Highway 200A in Washburn. The entire Lewis and Clark journey is overviewed so you can experience the heroic and human sides of these explorers and their friendship with the area's Native Americans who helped them survive the winter. View the world-famous artwork of Karl Bodmer who chronicled Plains Indian life and landscapes along the Missouri River. The center has expanded, with a new exhibit gallery telling the story of Fort Clark, the fur trade and the steamboat era. Newly installed in the exhibit area is the display, "Our First Farmers," detailing the agricultural aspects of the American Indians and how their native seeds helped homesteaders and today's modern agriculture. A spacious rest area is provided and there is a gift shop. Two miles west of the interpretive center is the reconstructed Fort Mandan, replicating the quarters of the expedition in 1804 and 1805. Memorial Day through Labor Day, open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Labor Day through Memorial Day, Monday-Saturday 9 a.m. to



5 p.m. Sundays noon to 5 p.m. Adults \$7.50, students (K-college) are \$5. For more information, call (877) 462-8535 toll-free.

## Lewis and Clark Riverboat

Cruise the fabulous Missouri River aboard the 150-passenger Lewis and Clark Riverboat. This all-weather sidewheeler docks at the Port of Bismarck, North River Road, Exit 157, off Interstate 94. Excursion cruises, dinner cruises, sunset cruises and pizza cruises are all available for your enjoyment daily Memorial Day through Labor Day and weekends through the end of September.

Charters and special group rates are available April through October. Fee is \$16 for adults and \$11 for children ages 4 through 11, plus tax. Call (701) 255-4233 for a cruise schedule, reservations or special charter rates or check the Web site at [www.lewisandclarkriverboat.com](http://www.lewisandclarkriverboat.com).

## Railroad Museum

The Railroad Museum, located north of Mandan on Old Red Trail (corner of 30th Ave. N.W. and 37th St. N.W.), houses railroad exhibits and artifacts from the early 1900s. Full-scale railroad cars, handmade models, photographs and uniforms are on display. The museum and gift store are

open daily from 1 to 5 p.m., Memorial Day through Labor Day. For further information, call (701) 663-9322.

## Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site

This site was once home to several villages of Hidatsa and Mandan, with a total population of 3,000 to 5,000 people. These villages are where Lewis and Clark obtained the services of Sakakawea and her husband, Charbonneau. Visible remains of earthlodge dwellings, cache pits, fortification ditches and travois trails are in an extraordinarily fine state of preservation. A visitor center and furnished earthlodge provide interpretation of the site and you can enjoy self-guided history and nature trails. Call (701) 745-3300 or visit the Web site at [www.nps.gov/knri](http://www.nps.gov/knri) for further details.

## Buckstop Junction

Buckstop Junction, an historic town established and designed by the Missouri Valley Historical Society, stands on a 20-acre site on the Missouri Valley Fairgrounds east of Bismarck Expressway. The reconstructed village contains actual buildings

