Monticello Web Site Adds Lewis and Clark Features

The official start of the national bicentennial commemoration of the Lewis and Clark Expedition will be held at Monticello on Jan. 18, 2003. Organized by the Thomas Jefferson Foundation in partnership with the National Council of the Lewis & Clark Bicentennial, the event will mark the 200th anniversary of President Jefferson’s letter to Congress requesting funds for an expedition to the West.

As part of the preparations for the bicentennial activities, a number of pages devoted to Jefferson and Lewis and Clark have been added to Monticello’s Web site: www.monticello.org.

Among the features on these illustrated pages are an essay on Jefferson’s long fascination with the American West, a chronology of his involvement with Western exploration, the texts of his letter to Congress and his instructions to Lewis, a bibliography, a calendar of events, and links to other relevant sites on the Internet.

Additional features, including maps, will be added to the site as the bicentennial draws nearer.