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## Lewis and Clark NHT News Release

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### **Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail Presents Missouri River Recovery Program as part of the Third Thursday Program Series**

Omaha, Nebraska - Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail invites the public to the 2013 Third Thursday Program Series. Mary Roth, civil engineer with the U.S. Army Corps, will be presenting on Thursday, April 18, 2013 6:30 p.m. at 601 Riverfront Drive, Omaha, Nebraska. Admission is Free.

Used socially, economically, historically and culturally, the Missouri River is host to a diverse group of interests and uses. Agricultural, environmental, navigational, recreational and water supply uses will be covered in this program. The presentation will also examine the ways the changes made in the river have impacted the environment.

Due to the changes made in the river's flow, three million acres of natural river habitat have been altered: 51 of 67 native fish species are now rare, uncommon or decreasing, reproduction of cottonwoods, historically the dominant floodplain tree, has largely ceased in the upper and middle basin, and aquatic insects, a key link in the food chain, have been reduced by 70 percent.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, in partnership with Tribal nations, states and federal agencies, local governments, basin stakeholders and the Recovery Implementation Committee, continue working together to develop and implement Missouri River Recovery Program actions. Activities are underway and will continue for decades. Although the river will never be the same wild, dynamic, uncontrolled system it was historically, portions of the system can be revitalized through the Missouri River Recovery Program to meet the needs and interests of all the basin's inhabitants.

This is the second program of the 2013 Third Thursday Program Series. All programs are free of charge. The schedule is as follows:

April 18, 2013  
6:30-7:30 p.m.  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Missouri River Recovery Program

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May 16, 2013  
6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Bev Hinds  
The Life, Death and Four Burials of Sgt. Floyd  
Program appropriate for all ages, families encouraged to attend

June 20, 2013  
6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Daniel Slosberg  
A living history performance in the role of Corps member, musician, and boatman, Pierre Cruzatte,  
Program appropriate for all ages, families encouraged to attend

July 18, 2013  
6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Dr. Richard Fruehling  
Medical Care on the Lewis and Clark Voyage of Discovery

August 15, 2013  
6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Dr. Rudi Mitchell  
The Omaha Tribe, Past and Present

September 19, 2013  
6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Rena M. Hunt  
Lewis and Clark: What was Their Value Worth--Seaman, York, Sacagawea and Pomp Stories

October 17, 2013  
6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Marlene Rivero  
Listen to stories of York's mother, whose son was the only African-American on the Lewis and Clark Expedition.  
Program appropriate for all ages, families encouraged to attend.

*Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail will work in partnership to protect the Trail for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration of all people*

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