

Explore Indianapolis to Find Civil War sites

On July 1, 1862, Governor Oliver P. Morton of Indiana pledged to aid in the call for reinforcements. Morton was having difficulty filling the Indiana quota of troops. Harrison offered: "Governor, if I can be of any service, I will go." Morton immediately asked him to raise a regiment, but felt that it was asking too much for Harrison to go into the field of battle and offered that they would find someone to command the regiment.

Harrison answered that if he made any speeches, and asked men to go, he proposed to go along with them, and stay as long as they did, if he lived that long. In response to this pledge, Harrison volunteered to raise a regiment. The new soldiers put into camp on the west side of Indianapolis and began their drills. Harrison employed a drill master from Chicago using his own funds to train the men. Harrison was given a commission as Second Lieutenant, and two weeks later was promoted to captain.

The men remained in camp drilling for about a month. When the regiment was complete Governor Morton gave Harrison the commission of Colonel. By August 8, 1862, the newly appointed Colonel Harrison raised 1000 recruits.

On August 15, the 70th Indiana arrived in Bowling Green, Kentucky, where Harrison faced the task of turning raw recruits into seasoned troops.

Read more about Harrison and his legacy at presidentbenjaminharrison.org.

The Hunt

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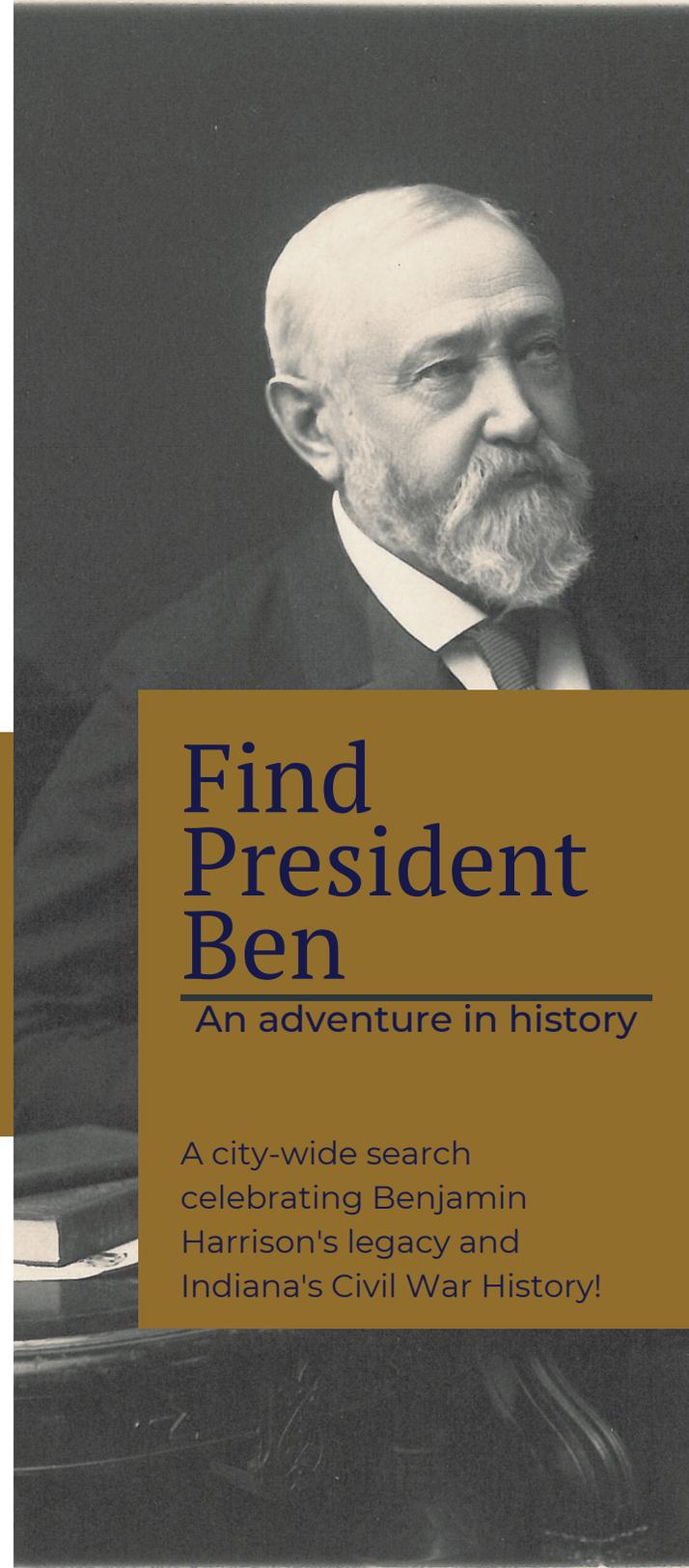


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A city-wide search
celebrating Benjamin
Harrison's legacy and
Indiana's Civil War History!





1.Camp Morton (marker)

Seat of war preparation in Indiana. April, 1861, 36 acres at old Indiana State Fairgrounds became housing & training site for 10,000 Indiana raw recruits & a confederate POW camp.

Question: Who erected the the marker in 1962?

1900's North Alabama Street, Indianapolis



2.Indiana Silent Victors

Plaque honoring Indiana Volunteers, framed by 2 soldier statues.

Question: Total Number of Indiana Volunteers

Monument Circle



3.Camp Sullivan

Honors General Jeremiah Sullivan. Site of marshalling center during the Civil War.

Question: Inscription above "eagle logo" on the marker reads:

"Children of the _____"

Military Park (corner of West & New York Streets)



4.Oliver P. Morton Statue

In 1861, Morton promised President Lincoln 300,000 Indiana infantry troops to come to the rescue of the country.

Question: The plaque on the back side reads:
"Morton was known as the

Great _____ Governor"

Capitol and Market Streets

5.Tribute on Georgia Street

In 1861, Morton promised President Lincoln 300,000 Indiana infantry troops to come to the rescue of the country.

Question: Who was Benjamin Harrison's grandfather?

Georgia and Capitol

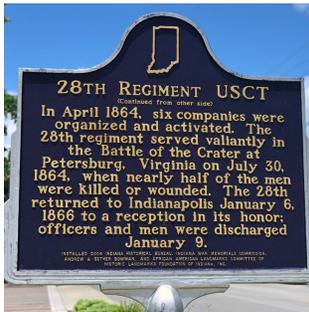


6.Camp Fremont

Honors Gen. James Fremont. Enrollment site of Indiana's only black Civil War regiment. 28th US Colored Troop formed on wooded ground southeast of the Indianapolis.

Question: What year was the regiment organized?

McCarthy and Virginia Street



8.Harrison's Tomb

On August 8, 1862, he commissioned full Colonel and assumed command of the 70th Regiment Indiana Volunteers. In February of 1865, Harrison was Brevetted Brigadier General following his courageous and distinguished leadership.

Question: Engraving on tombstone is : "Lawyer and _____"

Crown Hill Cemetery, 700 W. 38th St.



9.Camp Robinson

One of the larger soldier training camps. Site of the 11th Regiment Indiana Infantry Zouaves. They were the 1st Indiana regiment to go to the front.

Question: Total Number of Indiana Volunteers

Monument in the woods of Riverside Park, north of Municipal Gardens.

7.Oliver Morton's Tomb

As 14th Governor of Indiana, he was the first Governor to be born in Indiana.

He served in that capacity during the Civil War and was a staunch supporter of Abraham Lincoln.

Question: What was Oliver Morton's wife's Name?

Crown Hill Cemetery, 700 W. 38th St.



10.Benjamin Harrison Statue

An attorney, prominent statesman, and the only President (1889-1893) from Indiana. Was brevetted Brigadier General for his bravery during the Atlanta Campaign.

Question: Inscription on base of the statue is "Great Lives Do Not _____"

University Park- On New York (between Penn and Meridian)

