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The State Museum of Pennsylvania Presents “Night of the Great Pumpkin” Friday, October 27, 2006

Harrisburg, PA – The State Museum of Pennsylvania, located at Third and North Streets, Harrisburg, presents the tenth annual *Night of the Great Pumpkin* on Friday October 27 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

This year’s family-friendly Halloween event features live nocturnal animals from Clyde Peeling’s Reptiland, “Fire and Ice” by Mad Science and “The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything” Planetarium Show. Pumpkin Patch Crafts, where kids can be creative, is back by popular demand.

Disc Jockey, Chuck Schulz, will play Halloween favorites in Memorial Hall for goblins and guests. Costumed kids can sing and dance while seasonal refreshments are served. Radius, the Museum’s retail shop, will be open and will host guest pumpkin carvers who will demonstrate their decorating techniques. Their handiwork will be exhibited in a Gallery of Jack-O-Lanterns and the completed pumpkins will be raffled off at the end of the evening.

Admission is \$8.00 for adults and children, \$6.00 for Pennsylvania Heritage Society® members. Tickets are available in advance by calling (717) 772-6997. Have your credit card ready. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door, so purchasing your tickets in advance is highly recommended. *Night of the Great Pumpkin* is sponsored in part by the Friends of The State Museum.

For detailed information on *Night of the Great Pumpkin* and other museum programs call The State Museum of Pennsylvania at (717) 787-4980, or visit our website: www.statemuseumpa.org

The State Museum of Pennsylvania is administered by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 12 noon to 5 p.m. Individuals who need special assistance should call (717) 787-6778 or the Pennsylvania TDD relay service at (800) 654-5984.

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