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Catherine M. Lewis to Present Lecture on Eisenhower and Golf

Catherine M. Lewis, associate professor of history at Kennesaw State University, Georgia, will present a lecture based on her new book *“Don’t Ask What I Shot”: How Eisenhower’s Love of Golf Helped Shape 1950s America*, at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday morning, March 29. Dr. Lewis will speak on the growth of golf, cultural aspects and influences in the 1950s, and Eisenhower’s key role in promoting the sport. The title of the book is from a lapel pin worn by President Eisenhower.

The lecture will be in the Visitors Center auditorium at the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum. Following the lecture, Dr. Lewis will sign books that will be for sale that morning. There will also be drawings for door prizes. This program is sponsored by Don’s Tire Center in Abilene, Don & Betty Nebelsick.

According to President Dwight D. Eisenhower, “Golf...is a sport in which the whole American family can participate—fathers and mothers, sons and daughters alike. It offers healthy respite from daily toil, refreshment of body and mind.”

In commenting on President Eisenhower, Arnold Palmer noted that “Any time you have a person in the position of President Eisenhower, who was so enthusiastic about golf and had the press paying attention to his many excursions on the golf course, it was going to make people aware of the game and how much he enjoyed playing it.” And Mark Frost, award-winning author of *Grand Slam* and *The Greatest Game Ever Played* says, “*Don’t Ask What I Shot* is a fascinating examination of one of golf’s pivotal decades and the remarkable president who did more to popularize the game than any other in history.”

In addition to teaching at Kennesaw State University, Dr. Lewis is a curator and special projects coordinator at the Atlanta History Center where she has curated more than thirty exhibitions. She has also authored or coauthored six books.

To make reservations, please call the Eisenhower Library at 785-263-6700 or toll free 1-877-RING IKE. The Dwight D. Eisenhower Library is one of twelve Presidential libraries operated by the National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, D.C., and was recently named one of the 8 Wonders of Kansas.