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Elderhostel at the Eisenhower Center

During September 17-23, the Dwight D. Eisenhower Library in Abilene will host its annual Elderhostel. This year's program is entitled, *Remembering the 1940s*. World War II, the homefront, big band music, radio shows, Christian Dior's "New Look," "Rosie the Riveter," and Hollywood movie classics are just some of the topics covered in this week-long look into the forties. Some walking will be required as participants tour behind-the-scenes of this presidential library and visit the other four buildings on our 22-acre campus. The Eisenhower Center has created an engrossing program of lectures, films, tours, a fashion show, and original archives research that will take participants back in time.

Remembering the 1940s is one of over 8,000 educational programs offered each year throughout the fifty states and ninety countries through Elderhostel, Inc., an international organization based in Boston. The organization began in 1975 with 220 hostellers attending programs in New Hampshire, and has grown to current enrollments of over 160,000. Elderhostels are short-term academic programs for adults 55 years of age and over, interested in expanding their horizons and developing new interests. A spouse or adult companion may accompany an age-eligible participant.

The cost of the six-day program at the Eisenhower Center is \$697 (double room); \$915 (single room). This includes accommodations in a local hotel for six nights, all meals from Sunday evening dinner through Saturday breakfast, five days of classes, guided tours of Abilene attractions, and many extracurricular activities.

Persons interested in attending or wanting additional information should call the Eisenhower Library at (785) 263-6700 or toll-free at 1-877 RING IKE. Registration is through the Boston Elderhostel office and may be made by telephone at their toll-free number 1-800-454-5768, 9 a.m. Eastern Time, Monday-Friday. Registration may also be completed online at www.elderhostel.org. Please be sure to cite the program number #5619.

Those living in the surrounding area may wish to register as commuters at a cost of \$225 which covers meals and all expenses except motel lodging. Commuter registration is made directly through the Eisenhower Library.

open from 9 a.m. -4:45 p.m., daily and closed only Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. For more information, please call 785.263.6700 or toll free 1-877 Ring Ike.