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Annual Holiday Reception

ABILENE, Kan. - The Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum opens its doors for the annual holiday reception on Dec. 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Visitors Center Auditorium. The reception is free of charge and open to the public. Free admission to the museum will be offered throughout the day and the gift shop will be offering a special 10% discount all day for holiday shoppers.

The program will begin with a recognition of all the volunteers who generously donate their time at the Eisenhower Presidential Library. Included in the volunteer recognition will be a re-presenting of the National Archives "Weidman Outstanding Volunteer Service Award" to Elinor Wiley Haas. The award will officially be given to Haas at a public ceremony in D.C. on Dec. 4.

In honor of Pearl Harbor Day, a short 4-minute video clip showing the attack of Pearl Harbor will be played followed by a moment of silence in remembrance. The video clip will be shown before the orientation film for visitors throughout the morning.

The Eisenhower Presidential Library is once again pleased to welcome the Abilene Municipal Band for their holiday concert. To add to the holiday spirit, the center has decorated for the season. A holiday village is on display in the Visitors Center Auditorium and a 15' tree had been decorated in the Library lobby.

The decorations were provided through the generous financial contributions of the Eisenhower Foundation. Design and installation assistance and decoration contributions were also provided by McKee and Son Landscaping of Salina, Kan.

"We'd like to see this become an annual tradition for families to visit the Eisenhower Center during the holidays," say Karl Weissenbach, director. "The buildings on our campus are beautiful and adding the holiday decorations just gives visitors one more reason to visit us."

Building space is also available for rent to host meetings, conferences, and holiday parties. Space is still available for this year and reservations are being taken for next year as well.

For more information about events at the Library or if you would like to rent building space, please call 785-263-6700 or toll free 1-877-RING IKE. The Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum is one of twelve presidential libraries operated by the National Archives and Records Administration. To learn more, please visit www.eisenhower.archives.gov.

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