



## Jimmy Carter Library & Museum News Release

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### **CELEBRATE THE 4<sup>TH</sup> WITH STORYTELLERS AT THE CARTER LIBRARY** *PATRIOTIC TALES FROM AMERICAN HISTORY--GREAT FOR KIDS & ADULTS*

**Atlanta, GA.-** Celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July with stories of Paul Revere's ride, the bug that got smushed on the Declaration of Independence, the day they wrote the Star Spangled Banner and much more.

Storytellers will bring history humorously alive during an afternoon of flag-flying, tale-telling at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum. These patriotic tales will be fun for the whole family and they are free with your paid admission to the Carter Presidential Museum. The performance is at 2 p.m. in the Presidential Museum theater. Admission to the museum is \$8 for adults; \$6 for seniors, military and students with IDs. Those 16 and younger are admitted free.

In addition to the storyteller performance, visitors will be able to walk into an exact replica of the Oval Office. They will see the actual Nobel Peace Prize awarded to President Carter in 2002. There are exquisite State Gifts on display, as well as photographs and personal items that describe the life and career of President Carter.

This year marks the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Carter Center, founded in 1982 to fight disease and promote peace around the world. In celebration of the Center's anniversary and the accomplishments of President and Mrs. Carter, the Presidential Museum is featuring a special exhibition, "Beyond the Presidency: 25 Years of the Carter Center."

Visitors will see....a preserved Guinea worm, a disease which has been around for centuries and is most often found in Africa and India. Commonly called the "fiery serpent," this parasite can grow up to 3 feet long in humans. The disease, which at its peak affected more than 3.5 million people in 1986, has only 25,000 reported cases today. It will most likely be the first disease since smallpox to be eradicated from the Earth.....A life-size pit latrine and shelter from rural Ethiopia. These simple measures have helped revolutionize disease prevention and improve the quality of life for millions of Africans.....A roving ballot box and a bicycle from China, where The Carter Center has helped 650,000 villagers hold elections. Photographs, videos and other items present a vivid picture of the Carters' work.

You can picnic in the beautifully landscaped 35 acre wooded presidential park, which features two lakes and a Japanese Garden. You can stroll the colorful rose garden.

The Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum is the perfect place to celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup>. For more information, call 404-865-7109 or visit [www.jimmycarterlibrary.gov](http://www.jimmycarterlibrary.gov).