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EXHIBITS AND AUTHOR LECTURE

ATLANTA, GA.- DON'T MISS SEEING THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES' EXHIBIT "SCHOOL HOUSE TO WHITE HOUSE: THE EDUCATION OF THE PRESIDENTS" AT THE CARTER PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY. WITH SCHOOL PHOTOS, REPORT CARDS AND ESSAYS WRITTEN BY FUTURE PRESIDENTS, IT IS A FASCINATING EXHIBIT THAT THE WHOLE FAMILY WILL ENJOY.

THE LAST DAY OF THE EXHIBIT IS JANUARY 4TH. IT IS THE PERFECT FAMILY OUTING DURING THE HOLIDAYS. IN ADDITION TO THE "SCHOOL HOUSE" EXHIBIT, YOU'LL SEE AN EXACT REPLICA OF THE OVAL OFFICE, EXQUISITE STATE GIFTS, HISTORIC PHOTOS AND DOCUMENTS TRACING PRESIDENT CARTER'S CAREER AND THE ACTUAL NOBEL PEACE PRIZE AWARDED TO PRESIDENT CARTER.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 22ND FOR A SPECIAL EVENING DEALING WITH CAREGIVING. THE CARTER PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY WILL JOIN WITH THE CARTER CENTER MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM AND THE ROSALYNN CARTER INSTITUTE TO PRESENT AUTHORS NELL CASEY (AN UNCERTAIN INHERITANCE) AND ANNE LANDSMAN (THE ROWING LESSON). FOLLOWING SHORT READINGS BY BOTH AUTHORS THERE WILL BE A DISCUSSION ABOUT CAREGIVING. THE READINGS WILL BE IN THE CARTER CENTER'S CECIL B. DAY CHAPEL AT 7 PM. IT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT NO CHARGE. DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 pm.

TODAY, THIRTY MILLION PEOPLE LOOK AFTER FRAIL FAMILY MEMBERS IN THEIR OWN HOMES. THIS NUMBER WILL INCREASE DRASTICALLY OVER THE NEXT DECADE—AS BABY BOOMERS TIPTOE TOWARD OLD AGE; AS SOLDIERS RETURN HOME FROM WAR WOUNDED, MENTALLY AND PHYSICALLY; AS A GROWING NUMBER OF AMERICANS FIND THEMSELVES CAUGHT BETWEEN THE NEEDS OF ELDERLY PARENTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN; AS MEDICAL ADVANCES EXTEND LIVES AND HEALTH INSURANCE FAILS TO COVER THEM. NELL CASEY'S "AN UNCERTAIN INHERITANCE" OFFERS BOTH LITERARY SOLACE AND GUIDANCE TO THE PEOPLE WHO FIND THEMSELVES WITNESS TO—AND PARTICIPANTS IN—THE FADING LIVES OF THEIR INTIMATES.

"THE ROWING LESSON" IS A NOVEL DESCRIBING HOW A FAMILY DEALS WITH HOW A FAMILY DEALS WITH THEIR FATHER AS HE IS DYING. THE LOS ANGELES TIMES WRITES "SCENES IN HER FATHER'S HOSPITAL ROOM ARE RICH WITH FAMILY DYNAMICS, AND HER DESCRIPTIONS OF THE DYING PROCESS ARE UNIQUE AND GRITTY".

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