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Week of May 8, 2017

**Dispatches From  
The Eisenhower Memorial Commission**

## Groundbreaking is A Go!

On Friday, President Trump signed H.R. 244, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, which provides \$45 million for construction of the Eisenhower Memorial! A hearty "Thank You" to our Congressional Commissioners for achieving this milestone. With this funding in hand, we can now look forward to breaking ground on the Eisenhower Memorial this September. Stay tuned for more news to come!

For a full summary, read the [Washington Business Journal's article](#).



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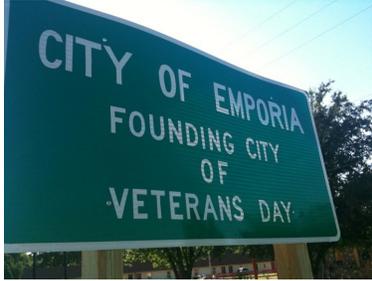


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## A Night for Ike in Emporia, Kansas



On Sunday, April 30, residents of Emporia, Kansas, organized an evening to celebrate the life and legacy of Kansas' favorite son, Dwight Eisenhower. The event was hosted by the Emporia State University (ESU) Young Republicans in

conjunction with faculty and staff, and sponsors, including American Legion Post 5, Boy Scouts of America, Lyon County Republicans, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1980, Disabled American Veterans, and Lyon County Historical Society.

The evening featured Dr. Loren Pennington, ESU History Professor Emeritus, who portrayed Eisenhower in public appearances in 1989 and Dr. Greg Schneider, history professor at ESU, who helped organize the event because he felt it was important that the current population not forget Eisenhower's leadership and legacy as a statesman and look to his legacy as a blueprint for overcoming issues we face today.

The event organizers graciously plan to donate a portion of the proceeds from the event to the construction of the Eisenhower Memorial. We thank all of these proud Kansans for their grassroots support and initiative!

Read more and listen to event remarks [here](#).

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## ***Ike and McCarthy: Hits the Road***

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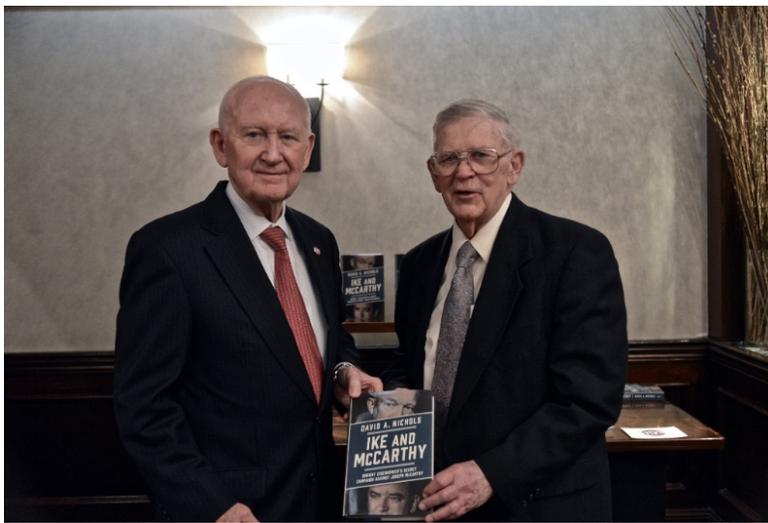
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EMC Executive Director, Carl Reddel, with author and historian, Dave Nichols, at the City Club of Washington book event, image courtesy of Samuel Ledger

A few weeks ago, EMC was privileged to welcome Kansas' leading Eisenhower historian, Dave Nichols, while he was in Washington to present his groundbreaking findings on Eisenhower's behind-the-scenes destruction of Joseph McCarthy. In a series of engaging presentations at the Politics and Prose bookstore, City Club of Washington, and the National Archives, Dave made the compelling case against the myth that Eisenhower passively approached the dangerous onslaught of McCarthyism. Dave's recently published [Ike and McCarthy: Dwight D. Eisenhower's Secret Campaign against Joseph McCarthy](#) rewrites the history of this episode in Eisenhower's presidency, providing us lessons in leadership for today.

## Ike's Timeless Legacy

### In Remembrance of V-E Day



- Rep. Dennis Moore (D-KS)
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*"The New York Times," 8 May 1945*

Today we celebrate Victory in Europe (V-E) Day, commemorating the 72nd anniversary of the end of World War II in the European theater. We salute all those whose served and sacrificed in the Great Crusade, at home and abroad.

The Eisenhower Memorial was conceived by and has continuously been led by World War II veterans, including the co-sponsors of the EMC's enabling legislation, the late Senators Daniel Inouye and Ted Stevens, Chairman Emeritus Rocco C. Siciliano, and Finance Chair Bob Dole. Time is of the essence to build the Memorial so that our World War II generation can visit in their lifetimes and we can honor them as a nation for a final time. By breaking ground this fall, we remain on track to dedicate the Eisenhower Memorial by 2020, the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II. Onward and upward!

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*As we celebrate Victory in Europe let us remind ourselves that our common problems of the immediate and distant future can be best solved in the same conceptions of cooperation and devotion to the cause of human freedom as have made this Expeditionary Force such a mighty engine of righteous destruction.*

- Supreme Commander Allied Expeditionary Force,  
General Eisenhower, Victory Order of the Day, May 8, 1945

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## Dedication of the Eisenhower Presidential Library



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Paul Laxalt

*General Eisenhower at the dedication of his presidential library, Abilene, KS, 1 May 1962, image courtesy of the Eisenhower Presidential Library*

On May 1, 1962, Eisenhower attended the dedication of the [Eisenhower Presidential Library](#) in his hometown Abilene, Kansas. We salute all our friends at the Library, which has been a fundamental supporter and partner in the national memorialization of Abilene's hometown hero, Dwight Eisenhower.

The Eisenhower Library is one of thirteen presidential libraries administered by the [National Archives](#), preserving the documents, images, films, and artifacts that provide context of the times in which Eisenhower lived and served the nation and offer a window into how he operated as General and President. And yet, the Eisenhower story is still unfolding through new interpretations and groundbreaking research thanks to declassification of records and new discoveries. The final chapter is yet to be written, but the first drafts begin in the Library's archives in the heartland of America.

To learn more about the dedication of the Eisenhower Library and other significant milestones during Eisenhower's administration, visit the [E-Memorial Interactive Timeline](#).

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## Test Your Ike'spertise

**Trivia Question:** In what two European towns was the act of military surrender signed by Nazi Germany on May 7/8, 1945? We even give you a hint with the image below.

(See answer below)

Joe Lieberman

Blanche L. Lincoln

Ray McGrath

Frank Murkowski

Jim Slattery

Todd Tiaht

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David Abshire (1926 - 2014)

Erskine Bowles

Nicholas F. Brady

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C. Boyden Gray

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Ed Meese

William Webster

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Above: German officers sign unconditional surrender  
 Below: Allied leaders at the signing  
 France, 7 May 1945, image courtesy of the [FDR Presidential Library](#)

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- Harold Burson
- Barbaralee Diamonstein-Spielvogel
- Tom Hanks
- Norman Lear

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- Andy Demetriou
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**Trivia Answer:**

The act was signed in Reims, France, on May 7 and Berlin, Germany, on May 8.

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