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News Release

Arsenal Appreciation Day at the Colonel Davenport House

The Colonel Davenport Historical Foundation (CDHF) welcomes all Arsenal employees and their families on Thursday, July 15, 2010, from 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. to the Colonel Davenport House for free tours of the house. The Davenport House is located on the North end of Arsenal Island.

Employees will receive a 10% discount on gift shop items. A shuttle service by antique cars will run from Building 60 on Arsenal Island to the Colonel Davenport House that day. Employees are asked to please bring a photo ID. For more information, visit www.davenporthouse.org.

Due to the Moline bridge entrance to Arsenal Island closed due to construction, attendees are asked to please use the entrances in Rock Island, IL, or Davenport, IA. Visitors, ages 16 and older, must show a U.S. photo I.D. at the entrance to the Island. Due to this closure, the house's regular hours are changing for this season--Thursday and Friday - Open 11 am-3 pm; Saturday and Sunday - Open 12-4 pm.

About the CDHF

The Colonel Davenport Historical Foundation (CDHF) is a nonprofit volunteer group that works to preserve Colonel George Davenport's former home and share his story with the community. The Colonel Davenport House, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, was built in 1833-1834 and is on the North end of Arsenal Island in the Quad Cities. Colonel Davenport was the first permanent white settler in the Quad Cities and built the first house in the area. The Foundation relies on volunteers to maintain and operate the house. It is open for tours from May to October, Thursday-Sunday from 12-4 p.m.

MEDIA NOTE: All media must be escorted while on Arsenal Island.