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TREAT DAD TO BARBECUE AND *SPORTS*
THIS FATHERS DAY AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER
Includes admission to Sports: Breaking Records, Breaking Barriers exhibit

Philadelphia, PA (May 30, 2006) – Hot dogs, hamburgers, and sports – what more could a dad ask for! Treat dad to his fill of barbecue food and sports fun during the National Constitution Center’s first annual Fathers Day Barbecue on Sunday, June 18.

Families can purchase a special Fathers Day package that includes a fun-filled barbecue on the Rooftop Terrace, provided by Max and Me Catering, as well as admission to the museum, including the new *Sports: Breaking Records, Breaking Barriers* exhibit. The package costs \$21.95 for adults and children ages 13 and up, and \$13.95 for children ages 4 to 12. Children 3 and under are free. The barbecue will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 215.409.6700.

Hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs, chicken, and Italian sausage with peppers will be served hot off the grill. Other delicious menu options include potato salad, coleslaw, watermelon, and cake to satisfy everyone’s summer cravings.

Following the barbecue, families can tour the main exhibition at the National Constitution Center, as well as the new summer exhibit *Sports: Breaking Records, Breaking Barriers* - perfect for the sports fan dad!

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ADD ONE/FATHERS DAY AT THE NCC

From May 26 through August 20, 2006 the National Constitution Center is hosting ***Sports: Breaking Records, Breaking Barriers***, a Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition that tells the stories of 35 athletes and their performances in 17 different sports. The exhibit also features an exclusive National Constitution Center created section, *Local Legends*, as a tribute to hometown heroes who have made a difference in the Philadelphia sports community.

Sports: Breaking Records, Breaking Barriers is free with regular museum admission of \$9 for adults and \$7 for seniors ages 62 and up, children ages 4-12, and active military personnel. Children ages 3 and under are free. Group rates are also available. For ticket information, call 215.409.6700 or visit www.constitutioncenter.org.

Sports: Breaking Records, Breaking Barriers was developed by the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History and the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES). Audi is the exclusive national sponsor of the exhibition.

The Constitution Center's showing of the *Sports* exhibit is sponsored in part by the *Philadelphia Daily News*. The *Daily News* has a longstanding tradition for excellent sports coverage by an award-winning staff. *Daily News* sports writers also are seen each weekday on *Daily News Live* from 5-6:30 p.m. on Comcast SportsNet. The show is currently in its ninth season.

Located at 525 Arch Street on Philadelphia's historic Independence Mall, the National Constitution Center is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the U.S. Constitution and the ideas and values it represents. Opened on July 4, 2003, the Constitution Center is a museum, an education center, and a forum for debate on constitutional issues. The museum dramatically tells the story of the Constitution from Revolutionary times to the present through more than 100 interactive, multimedia exhibits, film, photographs, text, sculpture and artifacts, and features a powerful, award-winning theatrical performance, "Freedom Rising".

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