



## Hours of Operation

The Dole Institute is open to the public  
 9 - 5, Monday-Saturday and Noon - 5 on Sunday.  
 Closed: Thanksgiving, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.  
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## DIRECTIONS



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# Kansas' Newest Landmark



*"You don't have to storm a beach  
 to be a hero. Heroes come in all  
 colors and creeds. They speak with  
 many accents. They pray in many  
 tongues. But this much they have  
 in common: they put service above  
 self. They assure our safety by  
 forgetting their own."*

Senator Bob Dole

Remarks at Dole Institute  
 Groundbreaking  
 October, 2001



## *State of the Art Exhibits*



With its video and other displays, its stirring World Trade Center Memorial and Memory Wall honoring Kansas World War II veterans, the Dole Institute on KU's West Campus is a must-see while in Lawrence.

Service is the defining theme of the Dole Institute, a theme illustrated in exhibits that illustrate a century of Kansas history and culture. These include the time-worn cigar box in which Dole's Russell neighbors deposited their change to begin the Bob Dole Fund, eventually accumulating \$1,800 to help defray the cost of the returning soldier's numerous post-war operations.

## *September 11th Memorial*

On leaving the lobby, visitors enter Hansen Hall. At one end, the world's largest stained-glass American flag provides a breathtaking backdrop to two ten-foot steel columns retrieved from the World Trade Center in New York, and placed here as a permanent memorial to the victims of September 11. Between the columns a large exhibit case contains Senator Dole's World War II uniform, a silent reminder that every generation of Americans can be "the Greatest Generation."

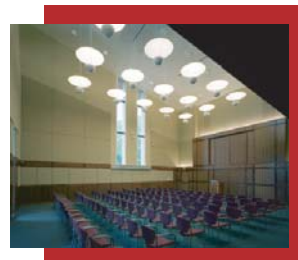


## *The Darby Gallery and Russell Window*

Visitors entering the impressive limestone structure will find themselves in a lobby whose floor contains a 19 x 12-foot stone map of Kansas. The same gallery features a soaring stained-glass "Russell Window," emblematic of small towns throughout the state and made possible through the personal generosity of Senator Dole and dedicated to the memory of his parents. An exhibit here introduces visitors to the first 19 years of Dole's life, including his undergraduate career at KU, and culminating in his December 1942 Army enlistment.

## *A Classroom for Democracy*

The Dole Institute is many things: a research center for scholars, a public forum to debate and discuss issues of importance to the people of Kansas, and a lively classroom of democracy where thousands of schoolchildren can watch a multi-screen tour of the legislative process, narrated by Senator Dole, beneath a large scale replica of the Capitol in Washington D.C.



## *Other Features*

- Spectacular 3300 square foot Hansen Hall - capable of seating 250 theatre-style or 120 for lunch or dinner
- 120- seat Simons' Family Media Center
- Northeast Kansas' only satellite uplink
- Adjacent to the Lied Center for the Performing Arts
- Plentiful free parking
- No admission fee



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## *Dole Archives*

The Institute also houses the Dole Archives, whose 4000 boxes reflect Senator Dole's extensive legislative career, his national campaigns and his post-1996 activities, including creation of the World War II Memorial on Washington's Mall and efforts to promote peace in the Balkans.

The largest collection of its kind, the Dole papers offer current and future researchers a unique window on American politics and policymaking in the second half of the twentieth century.