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**MONTELEONE WELCOMES PEGGY POST FOR A SPECIAL
CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY ETIQUETTE LUNCHEON**

NEW ORLEANS (October 31, 2008) – Although the holidays are “the most wonderful time of the year,” they can also be a minefield of manners meltdowns as people rush through shopping malls, prepare elaborate meals, and open potentially disappointing presents with not-so-favorite relatives. The holiday season can be an especially challenging time with small children, who don't know that they may hurt Grandma's feelings when they say, “Yuck! I hate fish!” or “I already have this doll!”

Peggy Post, great-granddaughter to world-famous Emily Post and the country's number 1 expert on etiquette, is coming to the Hotel Monteleone for the *Children's Holiday Etiquette Luncheon* to teach children aged 4-7 about gift giving etiquette and the importance of holiday table manners. She will also read from her latest illustrated children's book, *Emily's Christmas Gifts*.

Emily's Christmas Gifts serves as a reminder of how to keep the holiday spirit alive. In **Emily's Christmas Gifts**, young Emily tells young readers how much she loves giving gifts, and that the most important ones don't go under the tree. In her words, “These are the gifts of kindness and consideration. Even though they don't cost a cent, everyone appreciates them.”

The lunch will be hosted by Peggy Post at noon on Saturday, November 22nd and will benefit the New Orleans Public Library. Following lunch, Mrs. Post will sign copies of *Emily's Christmas Gifts*. Books will be available for sale, thanks to Borders Bookstore.

The cost for the luncheon is \$30 per adult and \$15 per child, and proceeds from the luncheon will go directly to the New Orleans Public Library's recovery efforts to rebuild and expand our public libraries. For reservations, call the hotel directly at (504) 681-4452.

Since 1886, the Hotel Monteleone (www.hotelmonteleone.com) has proudly stood as one of the first landmarks in the famous French Quarter. The hotel is the Quarter's largest full-service hotel, featuring 600 comfortable, luxurious guestrooms and suites. Hotel Monteleone is within walking-distance of some of New Orleans most famous attractions and is conveniently located 11 miles from the Louis Armstrong International Airport. Hotel Monteleone is a three-time AAA Four Diamond award-winner, and has won **Successful Meetings Magazine's** Pinnacle Award twenty times.

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