

Presidential Library Opening

A presidential event deserves presidential treatment, and that is exactly why this important job was entrusted to us. For Bill Clinton's Presidential Library inauguration we were asked to make sure that everything went perfectly, and except for the weather, it did.

For this event, planning for the set-up involved more than just the customer. Designers, heating and air conditioning crews, and other vendors were consulted with, as well as the Secret Service and Bill Clinton's personal assistant. We had one supervisor there for the almost twenty day set-up, as the Secret Service would deal with only one representative from our company.



The event required 42,450 total square feet of fabric structures, with 15,000 sq. ft. of this housing the presidential luncheon. Three former presidents, along with President George W. Bush, enjoyed a lunch in this elaborately decorated structure. With 15,000 square feet of liner and ten 28-light chandeliers, the structure was worthy of the important guests that attended.



Approximately 28,000 square feet of flooring was put down at the site, with rain and mud as constant obstacles. A total of 3,456 square feet of staging was used to create the platform that would hold important dignitaries. Upon this staging a 30 x 30 square foot tent was erected late in the evening the night before the event. At 6:30am the next morning, at the customer's request, the tent was taken back down as a result of an optimistic weather forecast.

Unfortunately, the day was literally dampened by a steady downpour of rain. However, guests were able to celebrate and enjoy the luxurious, temperature-controlled spaces provided by our crew that had toiled for weeks to please a demanding customer looking for perfection. Perfection is what they received.