Vietnam Panel Discussion at Cantigny August 7

WHEATON, IL, July 29, 2013 — Forty years ago, the last U.S. combat troops were withdrawn from Vietnam, closing a controversial chapter in our country’s military history. To mark the anniversary, the First Division Museum at Cantigny Park is hosting a Vietnam Veterans Panel on Wednesday, August 7, at 7:30 pm in the Cantigny Visitors Center Theater.

Three veterans will recount their experiences upon returning from the Vietnam War. Speaking will be Jim Kurtz, Jerry Sheeman and Regis Snyder, each of whom served in the Army’s 1st Infantry Division (the Big Red One). The men will discuss what it was like coming back to America, how they were received by the general public and how they managed the transition back into civilian life. A question and answer session will follow the panel presentation.

It will be a lively discussion and there is no charge to attend. Parking also is complimentary. For more information, please call 630.260.8187.

The event is part of the First Division Museum’s popular series, A Date with History. The monthly programs feature an evening of lively discussion with authors, panelists, historians and special speakers. Information about upcoming programs is online at FirstDivisionMuseum.org.

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About the First Division Museum
The First Division Museum at Cantigny Park, part of the nonprofit Chicago-based Robert R. McCormick Foundations, promotes public learning about America’s military heritage and affairs through the history of the “Big Red One”—the famed 1st Infantry Division of the U.S. Army. It stands in tribute to all who have served our country in the armed forces. The museum’s main exhibit hall transports visitors to the trenches of World War I, the beaches of World War II and the jungles of Vietnam. Outside, tanks are displayed from every era, along with personnel carriers and artillery. The Robert R. McCormick Research Center, open to the public, houses the museum’s library, archival and photo collections. Visit the First Division Museum at Cantigny Park online at FirstDivisionMuseum.org.

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