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“WORLD WAR II EXPERIENCE” SET FOR MAY 23

Wheaton, Ill., April 30, 2015 — The First Division Museum at Cantigny Park is looking for “recruits” to experience life as a 1st Infantry Division soldier during World War II.

Registration is now open for “Reporting for Duty: The WWII Experience,” on Saturday, May 23. Cost is \$100 per person or two for \$170. The fee includes lunch, personalized dog tag, event T-shirt and extraordinary photo opportunities.

The First Division Museum’s fleet of historic military vehicles will play a starring role during the day with living history actors serving as guides. At a 1940s-era Army encampment, recruits will learn about the vehicles and the weapons used by American and German forces during the war. They’ll also see how medics treated and transported casualties in the field.

The museum’s vintage fleet includes a CCKW Truck, Halftrack, Scout Car, Jeep Motorcycle, Medical Jeep and LCP (WWII landing craft).

Following a WWII-style lunch, recruits will navigate Cantigny Park in the Halftrack and Jeep.

Recruits must call 630.260.8185 to register by May 18. The program will involve a significant amount of physical activity, and the ability to climb in and out of vehicles up to 4 feet high is required. All participants must sign a waiver of liability; those under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

More information about this event and others 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.