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Virginia War Memorial Hosts 2011 Teacher Institutes Statewide

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA-The Virginia War Memorial and their partners welcome teachers from across Virginia for their *See Freedom Speak* Teacher Institutes this summer. Teachers may choose to attend one of the nine (9) single day institutes that will examine history from World War I to Vietnam. These programs are aligned with the Virginia History and Social Science Standards of Learning(SOLs) and will be targeted for middle and high school teachers at both public and private schools. Institutes will be held on various dates from June through August.

Educators will examine the personal stories from the Vietnam War, the historical invasion of D-Day on the shores of France, and the extraordinary life of General Douglas MacArthur among many topics being offered. The institutes offer an opportunity for teachers from across Virginia to exchange instructional ideas. Additional resources will be available for classroom use that will create an atmosphere in which students desire more information about these history changing events and people. Partners include the National D-Day Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, the National Museum of the Marine Corps, the MacArthur Memorial, the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library and the Valentine Richmond History Center. Guest speakers include William Davis, USMC (Ret.), Director of the MacArthur Memorial; Dr. G. William Whitehurst,

WWII veteran and former Congressman; Colonel Lawrence Wilkerson, Chief of Staff under General Collin Powell; D-Day Veterans; Dr. Walter Griggs, Professor, Virginia Commonwealth University; William Walker, a Vice President of the College of William and Mary, historian and author; Brigadier General Jack Mountcastle, USA (Ret.), former Chief of Army Military History; William Haneke, author of *Trust Not* and Vietnam veteran; and Colonel Dick Camp, USMC (Ret.), author of *Marines at Belleau Woods* and a Vice President of the Marine Corps Heritage Foundation.

All institutes are free of charge with complimentary box lunch and offer Professional Development with five (5) relicensure points to participants each day. Participating teachers are encouraged to secure advance approval from the respective school divisions for relicensure points. Interested teachers should visit the website, www.vawarmemorial.org, for details and registration, or contact Candi Shelton at cselton@vawarmemorial.org or (804) 786-2062.