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MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT JAMES E. LIVINGSTON TO DISCUSS "NOBLE WARRIOR" AT THE PRITZKER MILITARY LIBRARY

CHICAGO – In one ferocious battle after another, without a moment's rest between the defense of a key bridge and an assault on an enemy-held village, Echo Company had lost almost two-thirds of its Marines. But when another company of Marines radioed in desperate need of help, one relentless leader drove Echo forward again to answer the call.

The Pritzker Military Library is proud to welcome Medal of Honor recipient James E. Livingston for an interview with Ed Tracy on Thursday, April 7th. Livingston will discuss his new autobiography, *Noble Warrior: The Life and Times of Maj. Gen. James E. Livingston, USMC (Ret.), Medal of Honor*. Admission is free for Pritzker Military Library members, and \$10 for non-members. The presentation and live webcast will begin at 6:00 p.m. It will also be recorded for later broadcast on WYCC-TV/Channel 20.

His tactics were skillful; his leadership fearless. Captain Livingston had been injured twice by grenade fragments in the battle at Dai Do, near the Cua Viet River in Vietnam, but he refused medical treatment and never even slowed down. On May 2nd, 1968, he led charges under heavy fire across rice paddies, into enemy trenches, and through several bunkers, driving back an enemy force of far superior size to rescue the stranded Marines. At last, hit by machine gun fire and unable to walk, Livingston refused evacuation and remained on the front line until the last of the survivors were safe. He received the Medal of Honor at the White House on May 14th, 1970.

Rising to the rank of Major General in 1991, Livingston took command of the newly-formed Marine Forces Reserve in New Orleans, Louisiana. Now retired, he continues to lead as a board member of several business and volunteer groups, including the Red Cross, the Boy Scouts, the National World War II Museum, the Medal of Honor Foundation, and has testified before Congress on behalf of early intervention for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder.

Please note: Seating for this event is limited, so advance reservations are strongly recommended. Call 312.374.9333 or email events@pritzkermilitarylibrary.net. While we will attempt to seat all who wish to attend, we can only guarantee a place for attendees with a reservation.

Education professionals in Illinois may earn 1.5 Continuing Professional Development Units (CPDUs) for attending this event.

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About the Pritzker Military Library

The Pritzker Military Library is a non-partisan, non-profit research institution located at 104 S. Michigan Ave., in Chicago's historic Monroe Building. Admission is open to the public.

Since opening in October 2003, the Pritzker Military Library has produced over 300 programs including events with award-winning authors, interviews with Medal of Honor recipients, and Emmy-nominated panel discussions on military issues. All programs are presented in front of a live audience, webcast live on the Internet, and recorded for later broadcast on WYCC-TV/Channel 20, a PBS affiliate. Programs are also available for download as audio podcasts.

Winner of the 2009 National Medal for Museum and Library Service, the Pritzker Military Library features a collection of books and films on subjects covering the full spectrum of American military history, along with military-themed posters, photographs, medals, uniforms, and other artifacts from private donors and the collection of the Library's founder, Colonel (IL) J.N. Pritzker, IL ARNG (Retired).

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