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MEDIA ADVISORY

FRIENDS OF THE NATIONAL WWII MEMORIAL TO HOLD 4TH ANNUAL TEACHERS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

SUMMARY:

Nearly 60 educators will be making the journey to Washington, D.C. next week for the Friends of the National World War II Memorial (Friends) 4th Annual Teachers Conference at Georgetown University Hotel and Conference Center. The 5-day conference will take place from Tuesday, July 16 to Saturday, July 20, 2019. The theme for this year's conference is "Industry and Innovation During World War II".

WHO:

- Nearly 60 teachers and educators from across the U.S. and Canada
- Friends' Chairman Josiah Bunting III
- World War II veterans, including Tuskegee Airman Colonel Charles McGee; POW Ewing Miller; and D-Day veteran Lincoln Harner
- Members of Congress
- Film director Gregory Cooke
- Authors Patricia Pearson and David Taylor

WHAT:

The conference will feature sessions by fellow educators and other experts familiar with WWII history; a breakfast with members of Congress at the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center; tours of sites of WWII significance; personal discussions with WWII veterans; and a remembrance ceremony at the WWII Memorial. During the conference, participants will be exposed to a broad spectrum of WWII history resources and tools aimed at educating current and future generations about the everyday men and women whose character, courage, creativity, determination, and innovation not only led to the winning of the war, but also transformed America. Participants will also take part in a film screening of *Invisible Warriors: African American Women in World War II* with director Gregory Cooke.

WHERE:

Georgetown University Hotel and Conference Center, 3800 Reservoir Rd NW, Washington, DC 20057

WHEN:

Tuesday, July 16 to Saturday, July 20, 2019

*Media can RSVP to attend the teachers conference to Thalia Ertman of Friends of the National World War II Memorial at tertman@wwiimemorialfriends.org, as well as request the full conference agenda.

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