

## PUBLIC INVITED TO "POW PERSPECTIVES" AT CANTIGNY

Program will feature panel discussion with three 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division soldiers who were captured and held by Serbian forces in 1999

- WHEN: Wednesday, September 3, 7:30 pm
- WHERE: Le Jardin Cantigny Park Visitors Center 1s151 Winfield Road Wheaton, IL 60189
- WHAT: The First Division Museum at Cantigny Park presents "Name, Rank, Serial Number: POW Perspectives." The program will feature three former prisoners of war, each a member of the U.S Army's 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division or "Big Red One." Chris Stone, Andrew Ramirez and Steven Gonzales will tell their stories in a panel discussion moderated by Paul Herbert, First Division Museum executive director. The three men were captured by Serbian forces while patrolling the Yugoslav/Macedonian border in 1999. Their story was national news, with the Rev. Jesse Jackson traveling to Yugoslavia to pray with the men and appeal for their release.

The program, part of the First Division Museum's Date with History series, is free to the public, including parking.

National POW/MIA Recognition Day is Friday, September 19.

- **PARKING:** When entering the park, please identify yourself as media. Security will direct you. Parking for media is always complimentary.
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