

**First Division Museum Welcomes Scott McGaugh, Author of ‘Battlefield Angels’**

**WHEATON, IL, September 26, 2011** — The First Division Museum at Cantigny Park invites the public to a free lecture by military history author Scott McGaugh on Wednesday, October 5, at 7:30 pm.

McGaugh will discuss his book, *Battlefield Angels: Saving Lives Under Enemy Fire from Valley Forge to Afghanistan*. Released in July, the book is a captivating tribute to the medics and corpsmen who provide aid to wounded soldiers, sailors and Marines when they need it most. In words and pictures, McGaugh will demonstrate how their service is both extraordinary and vital.

McGaugh will share some of the remarkable stories he gathered when researching *Battlefield Angels*, including examples of exceptional valor performed in combat situations. He also will touch on the evolution of battlefield medical care and what may be next.

As marketing director and lead spokesman for the USS Midway Museum in San Diego, McGaugh has appeared on the History Channel, Travel Network, Discovery Channel and other media outlets. He is the author of five books, including the just-published *USS Midway: America’s Shield*. Currently, McGaugh is working on the first biography of Civil War surgeon Jonathan Letterman.

A book signing will follow McGaugh’s presentation at the First Division Museum. Doors open at 6:45 pm. Admission and parking are complimentary. For more information, call 630.260.8187.

The event is part of the First Division Museum’s popular series, *A Date with History*. The monthly programs feature an evening of lively discussion with authors, panelists, historians and special speakers. Information about upcoming programs is online at [FirstDivisionMuseum.org](http://FirstDivisionMuseum.org).

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**About the First Division Museum**

The First Division Museum at Cantigny Park, part of the Robert R. McCormick Foundation, promotes public learning about America’s military heritage and affairs through the history of the Big Red One—the famed 1<sup>st</sup> 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 online at [FirstDivisionMuseum.org](http://FirstDivisionMuseum.org).

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