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PRITZKER MILITARY LIBRARY WELCOMES MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT PATRICK H. BRADY

CHICAGO, IL – For all of the money and development hours that go into best-selling video games, the virtual world still hasn't caught up with what Patrick Brady did with a real-life medevac helicopter in Chu Lai, Vietnam – amazing feats that earned him the nation's highest combat award, the Medal of Honor.

The Pritzker Military Library is proud to welcome Medal of Honor recipient Patrick H. Brady for a special interview with Ed Tracy on Wednesday, November 7, 2007. This program is free and open to the public, with a question-and-answer session to follow the interview. The presentation and live webcast will begin at 6:00 p.m., and a reception for Library members will precede the event at 5:00 p.m. This event will be taped for broadcast on WYCC Channel 20.

Brady's rescue missions defy imagination. His helicopter flew to crash sites that no other vehicle could reach by land or sky. He flew sideways up mountains and through valleys shrouded in darkness and fog, using faint outlines of trees and streams to orient his craft; he spotted faint skidmarks from the air to make a safe landing in a minefield, and kept his copter in the air with a hole blown in the side. In all, Brady's helicopters were riddled by enemy fire more than 400 times, and never went down. Far greater, though, were the numbers of American, South Vietnamese, and North Vietnamese soldiers he rescued in mission after tireless mission, a medic and a soldier who cared deeply about taking care of people and kept in top physical condition to do it.

Maj. Gen. Patrick H. Brady retired from the Army in 1993. He is the current Chairman of the Citizens Flag Alliance, which lobbies for a constitutional amendment to ban desecration of the American flag, and the former President of the Congressional Medal of Honor Society.

Now in its fourth year, *Medal of Honor with Ed Tracy* has featured over twenty interviews with our nation's greatest military heroes and their riveting stories of courage under fire. The fall season includes an upcoming appearance by Medal recipient Walter D. Ehlers.

Seating for this event is limited, so reservations are strongly recommended. Call 312.587.0234 or email events@pritzkermilitarylibrary.net.

For more information, please visit www.pritzkermilitarylibrary.org/events.

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About the Pritzker Military Library

The Pritzker Military Library is a state-of-the-art private research library located at 610 North Fairbanks Court in the Streeterville neighborhood of Chicago, near the Magnificent Mile. The Mission of the Pritzker Military Library is to acquire and maintain an accessible collection of materials and develop appropriate programs focusing on the Citizen Soldier in the preservation of democracy.

The 5,000 sq. ft. facility features over 25,000 historical, reference, biographical and rare books on military subjects, over 800 original antique military posters and prints, and other military artifacts from private donors and the collection of COL (IL) James N. Pritzker, ARNG (Ret.). Since opening in October 2003, the Library has produced over 170 programs including author events, one-on-one interviews with Medal of Honor recipients, and Chicago's only monthly public affairs program on military issues, Front & Center with John Callaway. Evening programs in the Library's McHenry Atrium are presented free of charge in front of a live audience, broadcast live on the internet, and taped for broadcast on WYCC Channel 20, a PBS affiliate. Programs are also available in podcast format at iTunes and Yahoo!, and archived as part of the Library's collection. A complimentary wine and cheese reception for Associate Members precedes each evening program. Books are provided for purchase and signing by The Book Stall. To learn more, please visit: www.pritzkermilitarylibrary.org.

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