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History Channel Recognizes Millville Veterans' Project

Students from the Millville School District are being recognized by the History Channel for a recent school project that included making trading cards of local World War II heroes.

The Millville project is featured in the channel's Save Our History Educator Manual as a "How To" guide for collecting community members' oral histories. It also received attention from CNN Headline News and several local media outlets this past summer.

"We're thrilled anytime a local school is recognized for outstanding work," said Lucille E. Davy, acting Commissioner of Education. "The Millville school community should be particularly proud because their project can be shared not just throughout New Jersey, but nationwide as well."

The History Channel created the Save Our History Grant Program as part of the Save Our History philanthropic initiative, which is committed to inspiring, motivating and educating local communities on the importance of preserving the past.

The manual can be found online here:

<http://www.saveourhistory.com/educators/manual.jsp>

Students from Millville Memorial High School joined their peers at both the Millville Senior High School and the Port Norris School in Commercial Township on the project, which raised awareness about America's First Defense Airport in World War and recognized veterans for fighting for freedom.

They worked with the Millville Army Air Field Museum, in Cumberland County, on the project. The DOE, which has administered the federal Access, Collaboration and Equity (ACE) program for the last three years, and the History Channel's "Save Our History" campaign sponsored the project.

As part of the Millville project:

- Students designed the trading cards in their ACE classes after-school;
- They created the layout, wrote the text, and designed the "Local Heroes" logo; and
- They worked across the curriculum by covering the following subjects: technology, world history, local history, writing and interviewing skills, and volunteerism.

For specific information about the Save Our History program, please contact Danielle Capogrosso at (212) 819-4827. For additional information about the Millville project, please contact Robert Trivellini of the Millville School District at (856) 327-7588.

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