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“Sacrifice and Valor: East Tennesseans in World War II” **A Veterans Day Brown Bag Lecture by Jerome Melson**

PROGRAM: *Sacrifice and Valor: East Tennesseans in World War II, A Brown Bag Lecture by Jerome Melson*

DATE: 12:15 p.m., Monday, November 11, 2013

LOCATION: East Tennessee History Center
601 South Gay Street
Knoxville, TN 37902

ADMISSION: FREE | Attendees are encouraged to bring a “brown bag” lunch



(Knoxville, TN) On Monday, November 11 the East Tennessee Historical Society will present a special Veterans Day Brown Bag lecture at the East Tennessee History Center by Jerome Melson who will discuss the contributions of East Tennesseans in World War II. Both on the homefront and abroad, Medal of Honor winners or average Joes and Janes, sacrificed for the cause of freedom. They continue to inspire today’s generation with their sense of duty and legacy of valor. Enjoy the Veterans Day Parade in downtown Knoxville which starts at 10:40 a.m. The lecture will begin after the parade has concluded at 12:15 p.m. All veterans and their families are invited to receive free museum admission to the Museum of East Tennessee History on Veterans Day from 9:00-4:00.

Jerome Melson is a scholar of World War II and has a special interest in Tennesseans who fought in the conflict. He currently serves on the ETHS Board of Directors and is a native of Madisonville. Melson graduated from the University of Tennessee College of Law with honors in 1988, after which he worked both in Washington and Knoxville as a staff assistant and field representative to U.S. Congressman John J. Duncan. He is an attorney for Monroe County, the Industrial Development Board of Monroe County, and as City Attorney for the cities of Madisonville, Vonore, and Lake City, Tennessee.

The program is sponsored by 21st Mortgage, and free and open to the public. The lecture will begin at noon at the East Tennessee History Center, 601 S. Gay Street, Knoxville. Guests are invited to bring a “Brown Bag” lunch and enjoy the lecture. Soft drinks will be available. For more information on the lecture, exhibitions, or museum hours, call 865-215-8824 or visit the website at www.EastTNHistory.org.

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