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Short lecture + Q&A:

- Civil War
- World War I
- World War II
- Vietnam



The Living History presentation from the Charles H. Coolidge National Medal of Honor Heritage Center was like stepping into a virtual time machine! Mr. Steven Thomas, a WWII Living Historian, brought his character to life completely both in costume and in set. Broadcasting over Zoom from a period correct tent complete with a field desk and a field phone, Mr. Thomas had a conversation with the students about the life of an Army Infantry Officer. It was a fantastic discussion of service and sacrifice, leadership and followership. Many of these principles were directly relatable to the current pandemic. The presentation naturally flowed into citizenship and how the country came together to support the effort during WWII, and the changes as a result. I highly recommend the program led by the Center's Director of Education Ms. Hannah Sher. It's on par with everything that has come out of the Charles H. Coolidge National Medal of Honor Heritage Center, simply phenomenal.

-Hixson High School JROTC, Chattanooga, TN

Our students learned so much from their Living History Virtual Class at the National Medal of Honor Heritage Center. They heard from a wonderful Vietnam vet, Lieutenant Bud Alley, who was in the Battles of the Ia Drang in 1965. His message to the students was inspiring and he was wonderfully open to the students' questions. Lieutenant Alley has visited Vietnam in the past few years, so he conveyed a sense of history but also a sense of where matters stand today.

**-Georgetown Day School,
Washington, DC**

