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First U.S. Army History Book Debuts at Fort Gillem Headquarters and at Soldier of Year Competition in College Park

FORT GILLEM, GA. – The U.S. Army Center for Military History will debut ***A Command Post at War, First Army Headquarters in Europe, 1943-1945*** in First U.S. Army's present day headquarters at Ft. Gillem at 10 a.m. on Friday, April 27. Dr. David W. Hogan, Jr., author and historian, will be on hand to discuss what he learned about First Army during World War II. His retrospective delves into the formation of the First Army command post in England, and the headquarters' painstaking preparations for the invasion of the Continent. The volume then discusses the command post's critical role as the primary American field headquarters during D-Day and the battle for Normandy, the drive across France and its dogged efforts to repel Hitler's last great effort in the Ardennes. First Army supervised the capture of the Remagen bridge and led the final push across central Germany to meet the Soviets. Few staffs could match First Army's diligence and attention to detail. In the end, the First Army headquarters played a key role in the campaign that finally overthrew Hitler's Germany.

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## 2-2-2 Book Debut

Joining the Dr. Hogan, a living history soldier, from Fort McPherson's museum staff, will wear a World War II uniform to add color to the presentation, and will also exhibit military items of the era.

Later at 12:30 p.m., Dr. Hogan will greet patrons at Fort Gillem's main exchange for two hours.

On Saturday, April 28, Dr. Hogan will speak with soldiers at the First Army Soldier and NCO of the Year competition at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel on Sullivan Road. Nearly 120 soldiers from First Army's twenty-seven state, three territory, area will be competing at tough military boards for top honors as best soldier and noncommissioned officer for half of the United States.

Dr. Hogan, a graduate of Dartmouth College, has M.A. and Ph.D degrees from Duke University, and is a U.S. Army Center of Military History historian.

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**You may interview Dr. Hogan or any of our fine soldiers. Please contact:**

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