Columbia-based film maker contributes to documentary film featuring veterans
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Michael and Jim Herring during last year’s fishing trip. Their relationship is featured in V- Day 11.11.11. Marty Dashiell, a Columbia based film maker, is one of dozens of notable contributors to a new documentary honoring veterans, V- DAY 11.11.11. This featurelength non-profit film highlights the unique stories of the men and women who protect our country.

V- DAY 11.11.11 is unlike other films of its kind in that the veterans profiled span every age, gender, branch of the military and wars served to tell the collective experiences of being a veteran. Dashiell captured the memorable father-son relationship of Jim Herring, Special Forces North Carolina National Guard solider, and his son, Michael. The father and his son spent 11.11.11 fishing and bonding on the historic Veterans Day; they speak of the effect being in the military has on families and relationships.

Cameras followed veterans across the country in their communities on the momentous November 11, 2011, Veterans Day and beyond for a glimpse of the lives of these individuals. Film makers around the United States donated their storytelling skills in-kind to share the incredible stories of these ordinary citizens performing extraordinary feats. Screenings of the film will take place across the country this summer and fall.

“Our goal was to provide a way for living veterans and the families of fallen veterans to speak about things they generally prefer to keep to themselves, and to provoke the kind of thought and reflection that Veterans Day is all about,” said Director John C. P Goheen, Army veteran and faculty member at Loyola University Chicago.

Dashiell is an awardwinning photojournalist and producer with 20 years experience in broadcast television. He has produced and shot hundreds of programs for ESPN over the last 15 years. Dashiell serves as the founder and owner of KCHD – High Definition Production.

V- DAY 11.11.11 has been partially funded by The Tawani Foundation and with support from Loyola University Chicago; MissionVision Productions; Moots Productions; Network Nirvana; Terranova Pictures; LLC; Pat Woodard Productions; and the World Witness Project. About V- DAY 11.11.11 V- DAY 11.11.11 is a feature-length documentary that examines what it means to be a veteran in America by telling the stories of some of the men and women who dedicate their lives to our country.

Cameras followed these individuals on November 11, 2011, and beyond for a glimpse into the lives of those who protect and defend our country. Weaving together these profiles and stories from all across the US, the audience witnesses what it means to serve in both peace time and at war.