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The Friends of Henrico County Public Library's Tuckahoe Area Library, located at 1901 Starling Drive, Henrico, 23229, will host Virginia author and military historian, John W. Mountcastle, Brigadier General, U.S. Army (Retired) on Saturday, June 5, 2010, from 1– 2 p.m.

Dr. Mountcastle will present "D-DAY IN NORMANDY - A Mighty Endeavor," a history of D-Day, including the preparation, as well as the airborne and seaborne events of the day. Highlighted will be roles that Virginians played in the Allied liberation of Nazi-held Europe.

John W. (Jack) Mountcastle was born and raised in Richmond, VA. Graduating from the Virginia Military Institute in 1965, he began serving as an Army officer in 1966. During his Army career, he commanded tank units at all levels from platoon through armored brigade. He served twice in Vietnam and spent a total of ten years in Germany during the Cold War. He earned an MA and PhD from Duke University and taught Military History at West Point. Promoted to Brigadier General in 1994, he assumed the duties of the Army Chief of Military History in Washington, D.C. He returned to Richmond upon retiring from the Army in 1998. Currently, he teaches Civil War history courses at the University of Richmond. General Mountcastle maintains his interest in leadership studies, and leads professional development programs for military and corporate groups at selected battle areas in the United States and in Europe.

This event is free and open to the public. No tickets are required. For additional information, go to www.henricolibrary.org.