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**AMERICAN HEROES CHANNEL REVEALS THE TRUE STORIES BEHIND
AMERICA'S MOST AUTHENTIC NATIONAL TREASURES IN NEW SERIES
"SECRETS OF THE ARSENAL"**

*-- Hosted by Veteran Washington Post and Boston Globe Reporter Geoff Edgers,
SECRETS OF THE ARSENAL Premieres Tuesday, December 16 at 10/9c on AHC --*

(Silver Spring, Md.) – This December, American Heroes Channel (AHC) reveals some of America's most important – and often hidden - treasures in the all-new original series, **SECRETS OF THE ARSENAL**. Hosted by veteran journalist Geoff Edgers, **SECRETS OF THE ARSENAL** takes viewers where the public doesn't go: Into museum vaults, guarded storage chambers and the back rooms of private collections. Edgers then tells a story about how much the featured object shaped American history. In **SECRETS OF THE ARSENAL**, that means examining everything from the secret letter that connected an underground spying ring during the Revolutionary War to the double barrel shotgun used by infamous stagecoach robber Black Bart. Edgers, a seasoned reporter, is your guide starting with the world premiere of **SECRETS OF THE ARSENAL**, airing on **Tuesdays at 10/9c starting on December 16.**

"In **SECRETS OF THE ARSENAL**, history leaps out of the textbooks and straight into the living rooms of viewers everywhere," said Kevin Bennett, EVP and General Manager, American Heroes Channel. "Led by Geoff's undeniable enthusiasm, we are taken to the roots of this country's humble beginnings, and are given the incredible opportunity to admire history in its most authentic form."

"I've spent the last twenty years chasing down stories, from Kansas to Cairo," said Geoff Edgers, the show's host and writer. "But it's given me chills to get my paws on these artifacts. I've also developed a newfound appreciation and understanding for the people and events that made our country what it is today."

Each one-hour episode of **SECRETS OF THE ARSENAL** follows Edgers as he journeys throughout the United States in search of four different artifacts that shaped American history. Visiting museums and personal collections, Edgers holds history in the palms of his hands and learns the powerful, emotional and compelling stories behind each relic.

In the premiere episode, Edgers travels the nation in search of stories that hinge on a smoking gun. From the Wild West to World War II, this episode highlights four stories of incredible heroism in extraordinary circumstances. Artifacts featured in this episode include: a rifle used in a classic shoot-out between a veteran lawman and a cross-eyed bandit; a trophy pistol stolen from a German U-Boat and hidden for more than 75 years; a double barrel shotgun owned by America's most prolific stagecoach bandit, Black Bart; and a revolutionary tactic by "father of American artillery" Samuel Ringgold that changed the course of the Mexican-American War.

SECRETS OF THE ARSENAL is produced by Red Rock Films for American Heroes Channel with Brian Armstrong as executive producer. For American Heroes Channel, Max Culhane is executive producer, Sara Kozak is senior vice president of production, Kevin Bennett is general manager, and Henry Schleiff is Group President, Investigation Discovery, Destination America, American Heroes Channel, Discovery Fit & Health and Discovery Family Channel.

About Geoff Edgers

Geoff Edgers is on staff at The Washington Post, where he is the national arts reporter. Before that, Edgers served as a staff arts and culture reporter at The Boston Globe and contributed to *GQ*, *Spin*, *Salon*, and *Wired*. Edgers has starred in and produced the PBS documentary “Do It Again,” a film about his quest to reunite the rock band, the Kinks, and hosted and starred in the Travel Channel series, “Edge of America.” He co-directed the 2014 television documentary, *5 Runners*, which followed a group of runners who were crossing the finish line at the Boston Marathon when the first bomb exploded. Edgers has also written children’s books on The Beatles, Elvis Presley and Stan Lee.

Edgers lives in Concord, MA. with his wife, Carlene Hempel, a writer and journalism instructor, and their two children, Lila and Cal.

About American Heroes Channel

American Heroes Channel (AHC) is a network from Discovery Communications that tells timeless stories in which a challenge appears – be it a situation or a villain – and a hero arises. Currently in 60 million homes, AHC provides a rare glimpse into major events that shaped our world, visionary leaders and unexpected heroes who made a difference, and the great defenders of our freedom. For more information, please visit AHCtv.com, facebook.com/AHCtelevision, or Twitter.com/AHC_TV. American Heroes Channel is part of Discovery Communications (Nasdaq: DISCA, DISCB, DISCK), the world’s #1 nonfiction media company reaching more than 2.7 billion cumulative subscribers in 220 countries and territories.

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