



JULY 2013 HIGHLIGHTS

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SPECIALS

D-DAY IN 3D

Network Premiere Airs Sunday, July 7 from 9-11 PM E/P

On June 6th 1944, just after midnight, the first paratroopers landed on the Cherbourg Peninsula in Normandy. It marked the beginning of D-Day, the largest and most complex military operation in history. But the incredible feat of warfare that was about to commence was only made possible because of an extraordinary invention: 3D aerial reconnaissance photography. This unique perspective on the enemy target gave the Allies the ability to study the terrain, to pinpoint German defenses with unprecedented accuracy, and to form an invasion plan with the best possible chance of victory. As one Allied veteran described it, "the Germans fought the war in 2D, we fought the war in 3D."

PRESIDENTS AT THE BRINK

Two-Hour Special Premieres Monday, July 22 at 9 & 10 PM E/P

PRESIDENTS AT THE BRINK offers a rare and intimate look at the factors and influences that have led the President of the United States and the nation into armed conflict around the world. Through revealing interviews with key players, these two one-hour documentaries explore how Richard Nixon and Bill Clinton came to their decisions.

- **Nixon Premieres Monday, July 22 at 9 PM E/P** Richard Milhous Nixon was a confident leader, but one who agonized over extending the Vietnam War. During one of the most tumultuous times in American history, Nixon had a plan but no solution for mending a divided nation. David Eisenhower, Nixon's son-in-law and the only grandson of president Dwight D. Eisenhower, addresses Nixon's time in office and how, no matter the action taken, a house divided against itself cannot stand.
- **Clinton Premieres Monday, July 22 at 10 PM E/P** William Jefferson Clinton was elected to office at a time when the great communist empire was no longer a threat. However, he faced new crises in Somalia, Haiti, and the Balkans, and later a scandal that damaged his presidency and threatened his legacy. Those who knew him best reveal that Clinton might not have brought to the Oval Office much in the way of foreign affairs experience, but he proves to be a very decisive and powerful Commander In Chief.

DELTA FORCE: TIER 1

One-Hour Special Premieres Tuesday, July 16 at 10 PM E/P

The Army's most elite unit operates more deeply in the shadows than SEAL Team 6. Never officially acknowledged, Delta Force was formed as a new era of terrorism exploded globally. They are America's 911 call against our greatest threats, but their missions are never known to the public unless something goes wrong. Now, former operators reveal never-before-told stories of the unit's operations in Panama, Iran, Somalia, Afghanistan and Iraq. Examine their specialized weapons, training, and get a rare glimpse into current operations. Then, learn why this specialized unit was overlooked for the mission that killed Bin Laden.

THE SHADOW MILITARY

One-Hour Special Premieres Tuesday, July 23 at 10 PM E/P

Critics call them mercenaries. Even supporters refer to them as the "Shadow Military." They are Private Military Contractors and they have long shunned the limelight, despite taking the same risks and making the same sacrifices as their counterparts in the regular Army. In this episode, these soldiers-for-hire provide a rare look into what they do, how they do it, and why the government can no longer wage modern warfare without them.

MARINE FORCE RECON

One-Hour Special Premieres Tuesday, July 30 at 10 PM E/P

Force Reconnaissance Marines are among the world's deadliest warriors. They specialize in sneaking deep behind enemy lines to gather intelligence and often take on the most dangerous roles in America's most ruthless battles. Now, former Force Recon Marines pull back the curtain on their secret world. These Marines push themselves, mentally and physically, to the edge of survival just to qualify for the job. Get an inside look at their extreme training rituals, follow them on deadly stealth missions in Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan, and get a rare glimpse into their top-secret expeditions around the globe.

PREMIERES

AMERICA: FACTS VS FICTION

Series Premieres Wednesday, July 10 at 10 PM E/P

History as we generally know it is full of holes or half-truths, and a mother lode of juicy details have been lost, distorted, covered up or simply ignored along the way. Military Channel's new series, **AMERICA: FACTS VS. FICTION**, is on a mission to set the record straight. Hosted by former Naval officer and actor [Jamie Kaler](#) (TBS' "My Boys"), this series is a wake-up call about the surprising hidden facts behind the most familiar and beloved stories from our nation's and military's past, filling in the blanks, debunking the occasional myth, and exploring why we sometimes get our own history slightly, well, wrong. Examining the past with a fresh perspective, **AMERICA: FACTS VS. FICTION** reveals that the "story" of America is just that – and far more remarkable than we ever thought..

- **Flying Machines premieres Wednesday, July 10 at 10 PM E/P** This episode explores the most famous flying devices throughout history and how this technology changed the world forever. From Apollo 11 to Air Force One, learn how these crafty carriers have drastically shaped our nation's modern military and global operations. Learn how America's most famous flight missions helped our nation achieve some of its largest accomplishments, such as the 1969 Lunar landing, but also explores the drastic influence that flight has over the world.
- **Founding Fathers premieres Wednesday, July 10 at 10:30 PM E/P** Paul Revere has been billed as America's first action hero after his famous "Midnight Ride," however, this heroic journey is not actually what it seemed. This episode examines the numerous historical inaccuracies surrounding our nation's founding, revealing the true colors behind America's most beloved

leaders and their actions. While it is popular belief that George Washington was the first executive leadership in the United States, in reality, our nation initially failed in establishing leadership when acting under the Articles of the Confederation. The truths of America's favorite founders are unveiled in this eye-opening exposé of American history.

ONGOING SERIES

AN OFFICER AND A MOVIE ** TV-14

Premieres Continue Saturdays at 8 PM E/P

Hollywood film and television star and former Navy brat Lou Diamond Phillips hosts Military Channel's hit franchise AN OFFICER AND A MOVIE. Airing Saturday evenings, AN OFFICER AND A MOVIE pairs Phillips with retired and active duty officers who lived through major battles or have an expertise in the conflicts depicted in iconic military flicks. As each film makes its Military Channel premiere, AN OFFICER AND A MOVIE provides expert commentary that can only come from being "on the ground" during the action as these officers reflect on the themes of that night's film and also provide personal insight that puts each movie into a modern context.

- **Great Escape Premieres Saturday, July 6 from 8-11 PM E/P** Joining host Lou Diamond Phillips is MSgt. Brendan O'Connor who earned a Distinguished Service Cross for his service in Afghanistan as a Special Forces Medic. Phillips and O'Connor discuss the 1963 adventure/drama film *The Great Escape*. In the film, which stars Steve McQueen, the action follows Allied POW's as they plan a large escape from a German camp during World War II.

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