



News Release

The Dominion Institute and Minister of Veterans Affairs Canada encourage veterans to share experiences at special event

February 19, 2009 – Toronto – The Honourable Greg Thompson, Minister of Veterans Affairs Canada joined more than 100 veterans spanning three generations at a special Memory Project luncheon today, organized by The Dominion Institute, and encouraged them to share their unique experiences with young people across the GTA.

“This Memory Project event will provide a venue for veterans and Canadian Forces to discuss ways to share their stories in the community. It is important for young people to understand the sacrifices of those who have served for their country,” said Marc Chalifoux, Executive Director of the Dominion Institute.

The event is part of partnership between VAC and The Dominion Institute that will organize more than 2,000 classroom visits for veterans, reaching 500,000 young Canadians, over the next three years.

The Memory Project is the Dominion Institute’s flagship program which connects veterans and students online and in classrooms across the country. The Memory Project Speakers’ Bureau includes more than 1,500 veteran volunteers who have reached nearly one million young people since 2001.

The Dominion Institute was founded in 1997 and has focused its efforts on conducting original research into Canadians’ knowledge of the country’s past and building innovative programs that broaden appreciation of the richness and complexity of the Canadian story. Visit www.dominion.ca for more information.

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Event Details

February 19, 2009
Toronto Police Association
180 Yorkland Blvd
11:30am-2:00pm
Minister remarks – 1:30pm

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