COMMEMORATION DU 75ème ANNIVERSAIRE DU DEBARQUEMENT AU CHÂTEAU LA CHENEVIERE :

Sept vétérans seront mis à l'honneur lors de diners au restaurant le botaniste du château la Chenevière



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Five-star hotel <u>Château la Chenevière</u>, located in the heart of the D-Day Beaches and close to the Normandy American Cemetery and Memorial, has formed an exclusive partnership with world renown charity The Greatest Generations Foundation to pay tribute to the most significant military invasion in United States history – the 75th Anniversary of D-Day.

Together, The Greatest Generations Foundation will be organising a series of lectures over dinner (*open to the hotel's guests as well as to the general public*) with the heroes of World War II veterans who will share their stories with guests and answer any of their questions. Each table will include a veteran, making sure that diners all get their chance to converse with them while sharing a meal.

American veterans scheduled to be in attendance are: FRANK DEVITA, a 93-yearold sailor who delivered 15 loads of Americans into Omaha Beach, STEVEN MELNIKOFF, 99, combat infantrymen with 175th Infantry Regiment, SAMUEL LINDSAY POPE, 97, combat infantrymen with 116th Infantry Regiment on Omaha Beach, JOE REILLY, 97, parachutist with the 101st Airborne Division; ROBERT GOLDSTEIN, 94, Merchant Marine with the United States Navy and GREGORY J. MELIKIAN, communications operator for Supreme Commander General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

To complement this historic occasion, Château la Chenevière evening with heroes will take place in the hotel's gastronomic restaurant Le Botaniste, where diners will receive a welcome glass of Champagne, a 3-course meal concocted by Head Chef Didier Robin with wine pairing for 190 euros per person.

The event will take place at 7pm every other Thursday, starting from Thursday, 18 April to Thursday, 28 November, including: 18 April, 2 May, 16 May, 30 May, 13 June, 27 June, 11 July, 25 July, 8 August, 22 August, 5 September, 19 September, 3 October, 17 October, 31 October, 14 November and 28 November 2019.

Head chef, Didier Robin, always selects the best ingredients from local farmers and the hotel's vegetable garden for his kitchen. He offers guests a creative "land and sea" or vegetarian gourmet cuisine, inspired by traditional and regional recipes. His high-end cuisine perfectly complemented with a wine cellar featuring over 200 wines selected by the hotel's sommelier.

Some historic background on La Chenevière

During World War II, the area was occupied by the Germans. In 1940, a stewardship unit resided on the property whose facilities accommodated from 70 to 80 horses. Soldiers of the Third Reich also lived on the grounds, and sometimes officers even stayed in the main house. La Chenevière became the German officers; headquarter. They installed telecommunication stations and all their trucks, cars and motorbikes. On the night of June 4th, 1944 Armand Lapierre took part in the "Grande Coupure" in order to destroy German communication lines around la Chenevière before the Allied Landing on D-Day 1944. A memorial plaque was unveiled in Armand's honour on June 4th, 2016, on the hotel's grounds. At the time of the D-Day landings, there were no longer any Germans in the house and the Royal Army Service Corps took residence.

The rate for a dinner with the Veterans is 190 € per person. To confirm the reservation, a 50% deposit is required (please note the deposit is refundable until 30 days prior the event in case of a cancellation).

For all reservation requests, please contact reservation@lacheneviere.com