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**Minnesota Produced Documentary Prepares To Send WWII Veteran To France**

*“As Promised - Return to Fénétrange” will follow a Minnesota WWII veteran as he returns to France to fulfill a promise made 67 years ago.*

**Minneapolis, MN** – Lino Lakes, Minnesota author Lee Burtman and Fridley, Minnesota independent filmmaker Troy Antoine LaFaye are working together on a documentary titled, “*As Promised - Return to Fénétrange*” which is based on the book by Burtman, “*Fighting For Delphine*”, the memoir of 86-year-old World War II veteran, Ken Krueger of Blaine, Minnesota.

As with most independent films, since there is no backing from a studio, network or distributor, LaFaye and Burtman need raise the funds to produce and promote the documentary on their own. So far, \$3,500 has been raised through private donations and fundraising events, but an additional \$11,500 is needed to cover travel, lodging and other production-related expenses while in France. The producers are trying to cover those cost prior to leaving the US on May 24th. Donations and business sponsorships are being accepted via the project website at <http://www.aspromised.net>.

Based on a sixty-seven year old promise Ken Krueger made to a young French girl named Marguerite Klein, “*As Promised – Return to Fénétrange,*” will document Ken’s journey back to France, as he retraces his footsteps as a motor messenger in World War II from the beaches of Normandy to the small town of Fénétrange where he met, fell in love with and became engaged to Marguerite. Army bureaucracy, Marguerite’s adversarial father and the end of the war would all conspire to prevent the wedding from ever taking place. Ken received his orders to go home, but not before he promised his fiancée he would return as soon as he could. He would never fulfill that promise – until now -- to add a final chapter to his memoir, which will begin with the words... I came back.

LaFaye and Burtman will accompany Ken back to France on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and will spend 3 weeks gathering footage for the documentary before returning to Minnesota. The estimated completion date of the project is mid-2012.

For additional information, a promotional video and more on the “*As Promised – Return to Fénétrange*” website at <http://www.aspromised.net>.

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