



Bringing a Powerful Lesson in for a Landing by Grayson Eady

George Walton students experienced the past with an afternoon full of interactive learning as a part of this quarter's Vietnam intensive, "I Did It for You." A local group of Vietnam veterans landed their battle-worn 1968 Huey Helicopter on Keith Henderson field after lunch and brought along a World War II era military police Jeep. Students rotated between walking around and through the helicopter, exploring the Jeep and listening to veterans who flew in Vietnam. Senior Kaitlyn Rutledge said, "Having the veterans bring in the helicopter and police Jeep really brought our Vietnam study to life. I have never had such a great hands-on learning experience as I did sitting in the pilot's seat of the Huey helicopter. I am truly grateful."

The afternoon afforded students the opportunity to speak with veterans after touring the helicopter, with the veterans telling war stories, describing their role in Vietnam and explaining the significance of helicopters in the war. Senior Noah White said, "To meet the people who lived what we have learned about in class for the past couple weeks was very eye opening." The event marked a spectacular continuation of the Intensive.

If you would like to see Grayson's photos from the event, please click [here](#).

