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DOCUMENTARY ABOUT HALF-CENTURY ROMANCE BETWEEN TWO MEN WILL HAVE WORLD PREMIERE AT PROVIDENCE GAY AND LESBIAN FILM FESTIVAL.

Film highlights how the two gay men met in the military, how they confronted the troops in their unit and how they struggle today as an unmarried couple in their eighties.

(PROVIDENCE, RI) In 1952 an Army sergeant was cornered and courted, by his commanding officer. Their romance grew and then grew too obvious. Rumors became anonymous tips to headquarters. They avoided court-martial by confronting the entire unit. That pivotal moment cemented Bob and Jack together for the rest of their lives. 52-years later they share how they remained a couple: how they left wives and children, moved to a small town and began a new life, and today how they survive in their eighties.

Now, Bob and Jack's 52-Year Adventure, a documentary about the relationship by filmmaker Stu Maddux, will have its world premiere Friday August 11th, 2006 at 7:15pm as part of the Providence Gay and Lesbian Film Festival. "I think Providence is the perfect place for us to premiere," says Bob Claunch, now 80, from their home in Los Angeles, CA. "With everything going on in Rhode Island and Massachusetts on the gay marriage front, we hope people are encouraged by our lives together. We didn't have it easy but we didn't give up."

"That's what makes the film a good message for single people too", says partner Jack Reavley, 82. "We especially want young people to know that they can have a lasting relationship like we have despite the message out there that you can't."

The Providence Gay & Lesbian Film Festival is a popular sidebar of the Rhode Island International Film Festival. 24 LGBT titles will be screened from August 8-13th.

PREMIERE DATE: Friday, August 11th, 2006

TIME: 7:15pm

LOCATION: Castle Theater 1039 Chalkstone Ave. Providence, RI 02908

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