



### *Illing Goes to Washington, D.C.*

*5 buses filled with 200 8th grade Illing Middle School students and 35 chaperones recently returned from a 3-day tour of Washington, D.C. Their tour included the Lincoln, Korean, WWII, FDR, Jefferson, MLK, Disabled Veterans, Einstein, Vietnam, and 9/11 Memorials.*

*The group also visited Arlington National Cemetery where a wreath was laid at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier by students who were chosen based on essays that they had written. The wreath layers were Justin Alicea, Ryan Behyn, Sara Guzzi, and Cynthia Maheux.*

*Highlights also included visiting the Newseum, the Capitol, and the Museums of Natural and American History. Some students were also able to meet Sen. Chris Murphy.*

*The Newseum is an interactive museum of news and journalism with behind-the-scenes views of how and why news is made. Its mission is to champion the five freedoms of the First Amendment (freedom of religion, speech, press, petition, and assembly) through exhibits, public programs, and education. It traces five centuries of news gathering through hands-on exhibits.*

