

Programs for Veterans and Service Members and their Families From DE State Library Office

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Wednesday, October 24

Services to Veterans and Military Families

Presented by the Delaware Commission of Veterans Affairs. Find out how DCVA provides assistance to Delaware vets and their families. 6:30 pm

Wednesday, November 7

The USO and You

Presented by USO Delaware. Learn about the services that the USO offers to veterans and military families. 6:30 pm

Claymont

October 1, 2012- November 11, 2012

Thank a Veteran This Holiday

Join us in thanking our active duty soldiers this Veterans Day. We will be collecting cards and handwritten notes and drawings to send to our troops starting in October and ending Veterans Day. Your letter will arrive in time for the holidays so Christmas messages are appropriate. **All Ages**

Thursday, October 8, 2012

Delaware Humanities Forum Presents: The Lady Was a Spy:

Female Operatives in World War II

Throughout World War II, a group of fearless and committed patriots risked their lives to achieve victory in Europe. They were the women of Britain's SOE (Special Operations Executive) and the United States' OSS. Women such as Virginia Hall, considered America's greatest female spy, and Christine Granville, Churchill's favorite spy, were crucial to the war effort, yet their stories as well as others' have only recently been revealed. "The Lady Was a Spy" focuses on the lives and experiences of these brave women, many of whom died in completing their missions, to highlight their unconventional contributions to victory in World War II. **Registration required. Adults 1pm**

Kirkwood

Saturday, November 3rd

Red, White, & Blue Salute!

A creative story time featuring stories about military families, military music and the opportunity to write a short note to the women and men serving in our Armed Forces. **Ages 4-10. 10:30 am**

Woodlawn

Tuesday, September 11

The Life & Times of Caesar Rodney

Dick Pack from the Delaware Humanities Forum will help us commemorate Patriot's Day with this memorial of a rather elusive historical character. Caesar Rodney is most remembered for his famous journey to Philadelphia to cast the deciding vote for independence. This first-person portrayal in period costume will show you what you didn't know about the life of Delaware's famous native son. **Registration required. 7pm**

Wednesday, November 7

Vietnam Mailbag

When American troops in Vietnam answered the call to correspond with a young reporter four decades ago, they could not have envisioned the enduring relevancy of their war letters. Nancy Lynch from the Delaware

Humanities Forum discusses and reads selected war letters from her book, **Vietnam Mailbag, Voices From the War: 1968-1972**, based on her popular newspaper column, “Nancy's Vietnam Mailbag.” She is accompanied by Vietnam veteran Rick Lovekin, a Huey helicopter door gunner, Cobra crew chief and frequent letter writer to Nancy, who shows slides from Vietnam set to 1960s music. **Please register. 7pm**

Elsmere

Monday, November 5

One Woman’s Journey in “This Man’s Army”

“I’ll shoot you myself, first”, was Army Lieutenant Eugenia Thornton’s battalion commander’s unsolicited “reassurance” that no harm would come to her at enemy hands if her position was overrun by North Korean soldiers. She survived this battalion commander (and many more like him) to retire two decades later as one of a dozen high ranking women in the Army. Meet Colonel Thornton and learn if that Bronze Star she earned on Desert Storm was worth going without a bath for six months! Sponsored by the Delaware Humanities Forum.

6:30pm