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Photo: Letters for Soldiers Mailbox

Honor Memorial Day: Send a Soldier a Letter from the Laurel Museum

Laurel, MD...As Memorial Day approaches how can you honor soldiers who have given their lives? Send a soldier a letter. As the Laurel Museum's current World War 1 exhibit "Laurel's World War 1: From Here to Over There" demonstrates, active duty military love to get mail. The exhibit includes letters home from soldiers who clearly missed their families and loved to hear about what was happening back home. With that in mind, the exhibit has created a special area for writing letters to soldiers serving today.

Visitors – both adults and young people --can write a note, draw a picture or both for a soldier, and drop it in the "Letters for Soldiers" mailbox. The Laurel Museum supplies the paper and pen. Laurel's American Legion Post 60 will mail it for free it to servicemen.

Letters go to all branches: Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard. They can just say Thank You, share an experience, or be a picture of a favorite place—whatever the writer/artist wants.

"What better way to remember those who fought and in some cases died for America during World War 1 than to tell those currently serving that we appreciate them and the risks they take on our behalf," stated exhibit committee member Karen Lubieniecki

Located at 817 Main Street, The Laurel Museum is open Wednesday and Friday 10-2; Sundays 1-4 p.m. (Note: The Museum is not open Memorial Day, May 29). Admission is free. "Laurel's World War 1: From Here to Over There" will run through December, 2017. Group tours and access to the Laurel Historical Society John Brennan Research Library are available on request. Contact; info@laurelhistoricalsociety.org, 301-725-7975 or visit www.laurelhistoricalsociety.org. ##