

Vernon Historical Society Fall Program

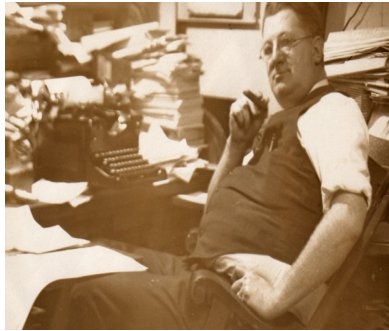


“Remembering World War II”

A program with an exhibit of artifacts from our collection and
a video of readings from letters written to
the editor of the *Rockville Journal*

December 7th, 2021 will be the 80th anniversary of the attack on the naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii and the subsequent entry of the United States into the Second World War.

This global war left its mark on an entire generation. Young men and women left home to serve in the military while those on the “Home Front” pulled together to help in the war effort.



Local newspaper editor Stephen Von Euw made sure that local residents in military service received a free copy of the Rockville Journal no matter where they were stationed. Grateful readers appreciated the news from home and wrote back to him. Von Euw saved those letters.

In 2010 the Vernon Historical Society presented a program with volunteers reading from the letters accompanied by a PowerPoint show with photographs of the writers. With the upcoming anniversary of the start of the war, it was time again to share the stories of war as seen by our soldiers from Vernon and Rockville. Students from the Drama Club at Rockville High School gladly lent their voices to the readings. The PowerPoint show has been converted to video.

On Sunday October 3rd at 2pm, the premier showing of the video production of “Boosting Our Morale: Soldiers’ Letters to the Rockville Journal During World War II” will take place in the Society’s meeting hall. For those who can’t attend, the film will be posted on the Society’s YouTube page after the premier.

An exhibit of posters, uniforms and artifacts from the Society’s collection will be on display in the meeting hall from mid-September until the end of October. Visitors can see the exhibit on Thursdays from 10am to noon and from 2pm to 4pm and on the 4th Sunday of September and the 2nd and 4th Sunday of October from 2pm to 4pm.

For more information about the program and the exhibit, please call the Society at 860-875-4326 or email us at vernonhs@sbcglobal.net

