



THE ROBBINS HUNTER MUSEUM

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Oh! Oh! Oh! It's a Lovely War

GRANVILLE, OH: Sunday, November 11, marks the 100th anniversary of the armistice that ended the fighting on land, sea, and air in World War I.

The Robbins Hunter Museum invites you for an afternoon of remembrance honoring the men of Denison University and Licking County who gave their lives during this conflict, “the war to end all wars.” The program will take place at the museum, 221 E. Broadway, Granville, 1-3PM.

Dr. Thomas Wortham, Professor Emeritus and Former Chair of the Department of English and American Culture, UCLA, will be the featured speaker beginning at 1:30PM. Titled, “Oh! Oh! Oh! It's a Lovely War: From Marching Songs to Elegiac Verse, Music and Poetry of the First World War,” his illustrated lecture will include period sound recordings. Wortham's expertise and delightful style of delivery promises an informative afternoon that honors the history of Licking County during this tragic time.

As a part of the special exhibition, artifacts will be on display in the sitting room that honor and remember these men and their brave deeds, according to Ann Lowder, Director. The mantel displays a WWI Victory medal and sword which belonged to Ensign Arthur Jankowski, father

of Allen Jankowski, longtime Granville resident. Two period government recruitment posters, donated by collector Dave Bingham (Granville resident and Denison alumnus), hang on the wall. A large tree in the center of the room is adorned with replica Victory medals bearing the name of each fallen hero and his hometown. Poppies and facsimiles of period letters complete the interpretation. A smaller tree bears a medal for each Denison student who perished during the conflict, she added.

Joining the events will be a color guard from American Legion Post 398 of Newark. They will present colors and play Taps at the conclusion of the program.

In addition, the museum's annual holiday exhibition, "Experience the Magic," will be open on Sunday afternoon. The Museum is open 1-3PM and admission is free for members and all veterans and active service members and their families. Lecture is \$8 for non-members, free for members, veterans, and service members.

The Robbins Hunter Museum, located at 221 East Broadway in Granville, is one of America's most beautiful examples of Greek Revival architecture, Lowder says. "Its mission is to inspire appreciation and understanding of the architecturally significant Avery-Downer House, its collections, and the stories of those who lived here."

For more information, go to www.robbinshunter.org.