

## The Center for American War Letters

**(COWL)** is a unique and extensive manuscript collection of war letters from every American conflict, beginning with handwritten missives composed during the Revolutionary War and continuing up to emails sent from Iraq and Afghanistan. These personal, war-related correspondences are a vital record of the collective memory of the American people, as witnessed and articulated by service members, veterans, and their loved ones, who experienced these wars firsthand. Through its **Million Letters Campaign**, founder Andrew Carroll is seeking to preserve at least one million war-related correspondences from every conflict in U.S. history.

“These letters and emails help us to honor and remember the troops, veterans, and military family members who have served this nation. These are their words, their stories, their voices,” says Carroll, “and no one can tell their stories better than they can. I also hope this project will encourage service members and veterans to write letters to their loved ones about their experiences, even if they relate to events that happened years or even decades ago.” Original letters are preferred, but photocopies and scans are also gladly appreciated. We are also interested in letters from the home front, as the spouses, children, parents, siblings, and other loved ones of troops make enormous sacrifices, too, and their stories and voices should be preserved as well. Contact the center at:

COWL

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Website: [www.warletters.us](http://www.warletters.us) and email at [warletters@chapman.edu](mailto:warletters@chapman.edu)

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The Senior Resource Center aims to provide residents in Southern Virginia Beach educational seminars, physical activities and social interaction needed to live their lives to the fullest.

This is a collaborative effort with the City of Virginia Beach.

The Senior Resource Center is a 501 (c) (3) corporation, incorporated in the Commonwealth of VA. Contributions to the SRC are tax deductible.

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