

In brief

Book drive supports troops, veterans

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STEVENSVILLE —To honor Veterans Day, Stevensville's Postal Connections has launched a drive to give paperback books to servicemen and women around the world, veterans in need and patients in VA hospitals.

Through Nov. 11, Postal Connections, 5707 Red Arrow Highway, is partnering with Operation Paperback to gather gently used paperbacks. Postal Connections in Stevensville will accept donations from local residents, businesses and community members. Suggested genres include action, bestsellers, biographies and memoirs, fantasy, history, horror, mysteries, science fiction, true crime and children's books for military families. Educational and home-school material is also welcome.

"The response to last year's donation drives was overwhelming. We received more than 5,000 book donations from communities across the country," said Fred Morache, CEO of Postal Connections. "It really was inspiring to see the communities rally together in support of the nation's veterans and active duty troops."

In addition to overseas locations, Operation Paperback provides books to wounded warrior programs and veterans hospitals across the U.S. and USO centers at U.S. airport transit points. The organization has more than 19,000 volunteers from all 50 states.