## Title of program:

Women's History - the Hello Girls of WWI

#### **Branch Name:**

Alexandria

# Was the program:

Virtual

## Short overview of the program: Briefly describe the content, including the name and title of any speakers.

For International Women's Day the Alexandria branch featured a historian from the US Army Museum at Fort Belvoir who talked about the "Hello Girls" of WWI. These women operated the US Army switchboards in France during WWI. They were highly successful and made vital contributions to the success of Gen Pershing's campaign. The program encompassed the inception of the Corps, recruitment, the uniforms, and particulars of their service.

### Please include any other information you deem important:

This program was by Zoom and drew audience members from all over the Northern Virginia area. The audience was highly-engaged and immensely enjoyed the program. The US Army Museum at Ft. Belvoir wants to be better known in North Virginia, so I think it is likely they would provide other speakers.