

Andrew Carroll

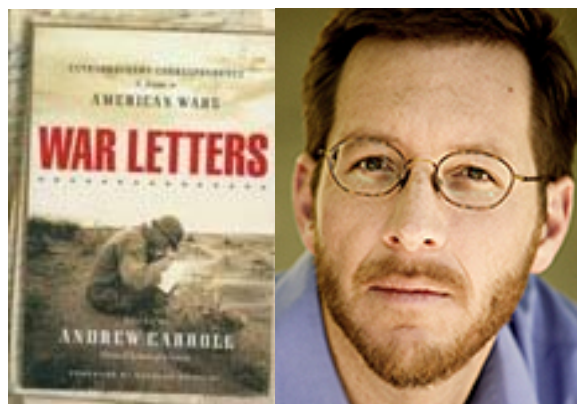
The Legacy Project: Writing the Wartime Experience

coming to Eastern Illinois University

Thursday, January 26, at 7:00 pm in Lumpkin Hall 2030

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In 1998, Andrew Carroll founded the Legacy Project, a national, all-volunteer effort to honor and remember those who have served this nation in wartime by seeking out and saving their letters. From this project came Carroll's bestseller *War Letters*, the compelling correspondence of American military men and women, as well as the PBS documentary of the same name. The book features 200 previously unpublished letters from the Civil War, World Wars I and II, Korea, Vietnam, the Persian Gulf, Somalia, and Bosnia. Studs Terkel said of the collection, "These war letters are deeply moving, more revelatory and more powerful than any dispatch from the front. It's the truly felt history of what war is all about." This book came on the heels of Carroll's national bestseller *Letters of a Nation: A Collection of Extraordinary American Letters*. In 1993, Carroll co-founded with the late Nobel Laureate Joseph Brodsky the American Poetry & Literacy Project, a nonprofit organization that distributes hundreds of thousands of free poetry books throughout the country to promote literacy.