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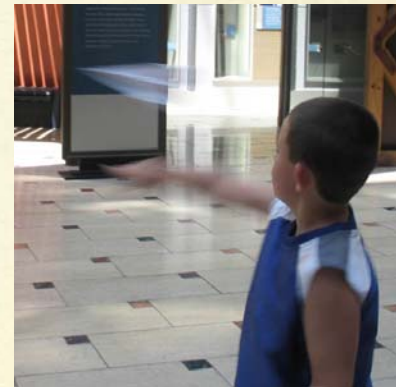


World War II Mail Flies Again

On Friday, May 30, visitors enjoyed an event focusing on the Postal Museum's newest exhibit, Victory Mail. Adults played a quiz game and analyzed WWII ads to understand why mail was written on standardized forms, put on microfilm, and flown to those serving overseas.

Left, Educator Allison Wickens compares a bulky, heavy mail bag with a light, compact roll of microfilm, illustrating why V-Mail saved space and weight on WWII aircraft.

Fold and Fly: Paper planes introduced visitors to the reasons why V-Mail began. Kids experimented with their flyers and wartime cargo while adults discussed the finer points of Victory Mail, exploring ads and images from the 1940s. Dual entry points made this story accessible to different ages.



FOLD SIDES OVER AND THIN FOLD BOTTOM UP AND SEAL
NO OTHER ENVELOPE SHOULD BE USED



Writing V-Mail: Visitors enjoyed exploring replicas of the V-Mail form like this one and keeping one as a souvenir. **Left**, intern Deirdre MacMillan shows off a V-Mail she wrote to a family member.

The Education Dept. uses learning theories to provoke thinking about postal history and philately for diverse audiences.

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