

# THE JOHN F. KENNEDY LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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## Senator Kennedy Announces Establishment of Profile in Courage Award

The creation of an award honoring political courage in public officials was recently announced by Senator Edward M. Kennedy and members of the Kennedy family.

The Kennedy Library Foundation held a fundraiser on May 25 to announce the establishment of the award. Among the 300 guests attending the black tie affair were Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, Caroline Kennedy, John F. Kennedy, Jr., Eunice Shriver, Kara Kennedy, and Michael Kennedy. A special performance was given by violinist Isaac Stern.

The award, to be known as the "John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award," is being established

to honor President Kennedy and to promote the quality of political courage in the nation's public officials.

The award derives its name from the book written by President Kennedy when he was a Massachusetts Senator, detailing examples of Senators who risked their careers and the wrath of constituents by taking principled stands for unpopular positions. The book, *Profiles in Courage*, received the Pulitzer Prize for Biography in 1957.

According to Senator Kennedy, the award will be presented annually to the public official or officials, at the federal, state, or local level, who best exemplify the quality of political courage.



*(from left to right) Caroline Kennedy, John F. Kennedy, Jr. and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis at May 25 press conference announcing the Profile in Courage Award.*

*"The energy, the faith, the devotion which we bring to this endeavor will light our country and all who serve it—and the glow from that fire can truly light the world."*

Inaugural Address  
January 20, 1961

The award, which will be administered by the Kennedy Library Foundation, will be accompanied by a \$40,000 cash prize. An independent board will be named by the Foundation to seek nominations for the award and select the annual recipient.

In his remarks during the May 25 fundraiser, Senator Kennedy said that he hoped the new award would encourage the public to value the quality of political courage more highly. "Too often," he said "modern elected officials are captives of public opinion polls. They're reluctant to resist partisan and regional pressures or offend powerful interest groups. We need men and women in elective office willing to speak out and do what is right for the country."

The announcement of the award was timed to coincide with President Kennedy's birthday, which is May 29. The Kennedy family is attempting to shift memorial observances honoring President Kennedy from the date of his assassination in November to the date of his birth. "We want to remember his life," Senator Kennedy said, "not relive his death."

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## A Magical Evening at the Kennedy Library

For the third consecutive year, the Kennedy Library was the place to bring dad to celebrate Father's Day. This year's concert, held on Sunday June 18, attracted thousands of people to the Library's shore to hear Livingston Taylor and the 18th United States Army Band.

The concert-goers arrived early to enjoy homemade picnics or to purchase a picnic at one of the Library's concession stands. After dinner they settled back on blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy a concert under the stars and a spectacular fireworks show.

Livingston Taylor kicked off the festivities with a selection of his well-known songs, including "City Lights" from his recent "Life is Good" release. His easy sound then joined forces with the U.S. Army Band for two songs, "America" and "God Bless America."

Following Livingston's dazzling performance, the 18th United States Army Band filled the air

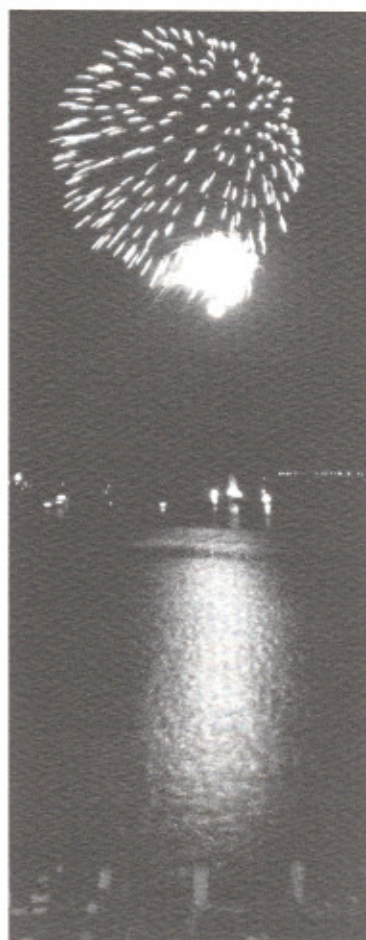
with patriotic and Broadway selections. Among other pieces, they performed an arrangement of Broadway melodies, "The Saint Louis Blues March," and "Stars and Stripes Forever," which they played while the fireworks display began.

The 18th United States Army Band has been stationed at Fort Devens, Massachusetts since November 15, 1948. Aside from representing the U.S. Army, its present mission is to promote and maintain troop morale by providing music for military formations, formal concerts and recreational activities. The 18th Army Band makes over 100 off-post appearances a year in parades, festivals and special ceremonies throughout New England.

Now in its third year, the Father's Day concert has become an eagerly anticipated summer event in Boston. It is not only a special way to treat dad to an evening out, but also a neighbor-



*Folksinger Livingston Taylor and the 18th United States Army Band.*



*Fireworks over Boston Harbor.*

hood gathering celebrating the dynamic community of which the Library is a part.

The Third Annual Father's Day concert was sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation in cooperation with WMJX-FM, The Harbor Point Apartment Community, The Boston Globe, and the Bayside Exposition Center.

## Library Welcomes Two World Leaders

### *Prime Minister Brian Mulroney*

**C**anadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney began his May visit to the United States with a breakfast in his honor hosted by Senator Edward M. Kennedy at the Kennedy Library.

Prime Minister Mulroney was in Boston to accept the Herter Award from the World Affairs Council before going on to Washington, D.C. to meet with President Bush and officially open the new Canadian Embassy.

One hundred fifty people attended the Kennedy Library breakfast at which Senator Kennedy presented Prime Minister Mulroney with a bust of President Kennedy. Senator Kennedy spoke of the great ties between United States and Canada and noted that during his brother's



*Prime Minister Brian Mulroney of Canada.*

first trip to Canada as President in 1961, President Kennedy also remarked on the warm bonds that unite our nations. "Geography has made us neighbors," the President said in an address before Parliament in Ottawa, "history has made us friends, and economics has made us partners."

In addressing the breakfast guests, Prime Minister Mulroney spoke of his great admiration for

President John F. Kennedy. "Long after critics grow mute, the accomplishments of this gifted young man from Massachusetts will continue to grow, as history grants them both perspective and permanence," the Prime Minister said. He concluded his remarks by saying, "As long as freedom flourishes and flowers grow, he will be remembered with affection."

### *Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto*

**O**n June 8 the Kennedy Library was the host to another distinguished visitor, Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto of Pakistan.

Prime Minister Bhutto, a 1973 graduate of Radcliffe College, was in Boston to deliver the

commencement address at Harvard University. Her week-long visit to the United States began in Washington, D.C., where she met with President George Bush and addressed a joint session of Congress. This was her first visit to the United States as Prime Minister.

Senator Kennedy, the host of the dinner held in Prime Minister Bhutto's honor, spoke of the extraordinary courage which Prime Minister Bhutto has exhibited in Pakistan. He referred to her as "the leader of the world's newest democracy, a true champion of justice and human rights." Senator Kennedy went on to say, "With vision, wisdom and courage, she has picked up her father's fallen standard and brought liberty to her people. Long may it flourish."

Prime Minister Bhutto ended her remarks by paraphrasing President Kennedy: "Let the word go forth from this time and place, to friend and foe alike, that the torch has been passed to a new generation of world leaders." A moving close to an evening paying tribute to one of the world's youngest leaders.

### *Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto of Pakistan.*



## The John F. Kennedy Library Distinguished Foreign Visitors Program

In recent years, the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation has frequently hosted distinguished foreign leaders at the Kennedy Library. Recent guests have included the President of Portugal, Mario A. Soares, the Prime Minister of Ireland, Charles J. Haughey, the Prime Minister of Canada, Brian Mulroney, and the Prime Minister of Pakistan, Benazir Bhutto.



*(from left to right) Mr. John J. Cullinane, Mrs. Diddy Cullinane, Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and Senator Edward Kennedy at the June 8th Dinner.*

Because of the success of these occasions and their importance to the New England community, the Library Foundation has decided to formalize these arrangements by creating a "Distinguished Foreign Visitors Program." As a result of the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Cullinane, the program will be adequately funded, and the Cullinanes have agreed to serve as its co-chairpersons.

With this newly approved program in place, the Kennedy Library will be able to plan more effectively for visits by foreign leaders. In turn, the new program will enhance the foreign policy ideals for which President Kennedy stood.

## Foundation Welcomes New Board Members

The Kennedy Library Foundation is pleased to announce the addition of six members to its Board of Directors.

**Robert E. Riley** is the Executive Vice President of the Prudential Investment Corporation and Chairman of the Prudential Reality Group. Previously, Mr. Riley had been Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Prudential Asset Management Company. A 1947 alumnus of Boston College High School, Mr. Riley graduated from Holy Cross College in 1951 and earned his M.B.A. from the Harvard Business School in 1953.

**Sherry H. Penney** is the Chancellor of the University of Massachusetts at Boston. She was appointed Chancellor in September 1988. In 1982 Dr. Penney became the first female Vice Chancellor of the State University of New York. Between 1976 and 1982, Dr. Penney served as the Associate Provost at Yale University. She earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Albion College and a Master of Arts from the University of Michigan. Dr. Penney received a Ph.D. in American History from the State University of New York.

**Jill Conway** is at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology as a Visiting Scholar in the Program in Science, Technology and Society. Between 1975 and 1985 she was the President of Smith College and prior to that Dr. Conway was the Vice President for Internal Affairs at the University of Toronto. Dr. Conway has been the recipient of seventeen Honorary Degrees and has numerous publications to her credit. She received her Ph.D. from Harvard University in 1969 and her Bachelor of Arts from the University of Sydney in 1958.

**Walter Connolly** is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Bank of New England Corporation. He was chairman of a Hartford-based bank, Connecticut Bank and Trust Company, between 1970 and 1985, before CBT merged with the Bank of New England Corporation. Mr. Connolly joined CBT in 1961 as their vice president in charge of the investment portfolio and municipal finance department. He grew up in Brookline, Massachusetts and graduated from Yale College.

**John Campbell** is the President of Plymouth Rock Broadcasting Co., Inc. (WPLM, WPLM-FM) and the Campbell Sports Network. He serves on the Board of Directors for the Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank and is on the Board of Overseers for the Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine. Mr. Campbell previously worked in public relations for the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), northeast region. He attended Bridgewater State College.

**Congressman Richard Neal** has joined the Foundation Board of Directors as a national trustee. He is a member of the United States House of Representatives serving the Second Congressional District of Massachusetts. Congressman Neal has served in the Congress since January of 1989. Before assuming his new position, he was the mayor of Springfield, Massachusetts.

## Nigel Hamilton Begins Biography of President Kennedy

by D. Leo Monahan

**N**igel Hamilton, the 1989 John F. Kennedy Scholar at the University of Massachusetts, Harbor Campus, is currently working on a complete life of President Kennedy, scheduled for publication upon the 75th anniversary of the President's birth in 1992.

Hamilton, a 44 year-old British author, is engaged in archival research at the Kennedy Library and is conducting a series of 300 interviews across the United States—the largest oral history undertaking related to President Kennedy since the Library's own series, conducted in the 1960's.

During a recent interview, Hamilton said that he finds it ironic that while John F. Kennedy is frequently revered and undoubtedly recognized as one of the most prominent figures to adorn the American political stage, there is no definitive biography on his life.

"The idea is to chart Kennedy's life from the moment he takes his first breath to the last one. There have been complete biographies of Joseph Kennedy, Sr. and of Bobby and Ted, but there has never been a complete bio of Jack," Hamilton said.

As Hamilton spoke, a stack of cassette tapes rested on his desk, the fruits of several hours of interviews with Dave Powers, the curator of the Kennedy Library and confidant of President Kennedy.

Powers is one of Hamilton's best resources, but he is eager to probe more obscure subjects,



*Biographer Nigel Hamilton.*

such as former grammar school classmates of President Kennedy.

According to Hamilton, Kennedy's undergraduate years were a period of extensive personal growth. Hamilton submits a summer during which Kennedy spent time in England as a turning point in his life. When Jack returned to school, it was with a new sense of purpose.

"That's when he woke up to the fact that he had remarkable ability, and that he would use the ability for a good purpose."

Periods of self-realization are common among successful men, Hamilton observes. As an example, he cites General Montgomery, the autocratic British

World War II hero and subject of Hamilton's critically-acclaimed biographical trilogy. "The two men are similar in some ways," Hamilton says, adding that each possessed a "crystal clear mind" capable of reducing complex problems to simple terms.

Kennedy's senior thesis at Harvard, entitled "While England Slept," is regarded as a formidable account of England's World War II experience, and evidence of Kennedy's myriad skills. "Jack Kennedy could have been anything he wanted in life," Hamilton says.

Hamilton's fascination with Kennedy does not arise entirely from third-person accounts. As an undergraduate at Cambridge University in England and an aspiring journalist, Hamilton interned as a Washington Post reporter in the summer of 1963. He was assigned to the White House beat.

Hamilton recalls a confident and somewhat pretentious young man suddenly feeling chagrined in the presence of Kennedy's White House coterie. "I was coming from an elite background at Cambridge at a moment in my life when I thought I was very intellectual," remembers Hamilton. "But being around these people made me feel very ignorant. I mean, even sitting around the tennis court, they'd be discussing China. They really were 'The Best and the Brightest,'" he added, alluding to the David Halberstam book on the Kennedy White House.

## Odds & Ends

### Fundraising Begins for JFK Statue

**O**n Tuesday, April 25, a public fundraising drive was launched to install the statue of President John F. Kennedy on the front lawn of the Massachusetts State House in Boston. Senator Edward Kennedy and Caroline Kennedy joined Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis and the statue's sculptress, Isabel McIlvain, to announce the fundraising effort.

The John F. Kennedy Memorial Commission is responsible for raising the funds needed to erect the statue. The Commission was established by the Massachusetts Legislature to create a suitable Massachusetts memorial to President Kennedy. Chaired by

State Senator W. Paul White and State Representative John F. MacGovern, the other members of the Commission are Massachusetts legislators and citizen appointees of Governor Dukakis.

McIlvain, who was selected following a nationwide search for a sculptor, is a resident of Concord, Massachusetts, and a member of the fine arts faculty of Boston University. Her eight foot bronze sculpture depicts President Kennedy, hand in pocket, in a forward motion.

The statue of President Kennedy is scheduled to be dedicated on May 29, 1990, which would have been the President's 73rd birthday.



*(From left to right); Governor Michael Dukakis, Isabel McIlvain, Caroline Kennedy and Senator Edward Kennedy launch fundraising drive for JFK statue.*

### Congratulations to the Corps' 1989 Graduating Class

**T**he Foundation's public service program for middle and high school students, the JFK Library Corps, had its largest graduating class this spring. Many of the twenty-two students who graduated have participated in the Corps since its founding in 1985. We are proud to present the names of the 1989 graduating class of JFK Library Corps members.

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Reco Blair	Kerri O'Keefe
Mark Buhlman	Guy Sampson
Winnie Cazeau	Christopher Shaw
Frank Floyd	Ben Taylor
Melanie Kalakidis	Annie Truong
Anne Kuriakose	Marybeth Walsh
Lyne Marcellus	Peter Wendler
Gene Nicolas	Nelson White
Melissa Morales	Molly Wilson
Dewayne McWilliams	

Some of the schools they will be attending include Bard College, Boston University, University of California, Columbia University, Harvard University, Magill University, Maine State, University of Massachusetts, Northeastern University, Salem State University, Syracuse University, Trinity College, Tufts University, U.S. Naval Academy and Wellesley College.

Many of the members cited their volunteer service with the Corps as one of the most rewarding experiences of their high school years and as the one in which their respective colleges were most interested in hearing more about.

**Found in the Museum...**



**T**his silver vase was presented as a state gift to President John F. Kennedy by Gama Ardel Nasser, President of the United Arab Republic of Cairo, Egypt.

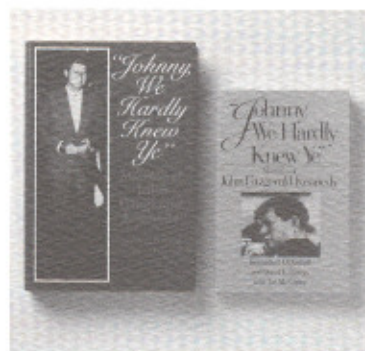
The vase stands 17" high and has all-over ornamentation consisting of alternating bands of Arabic inscriptions, medallions and strapwork.

**At the Museum Store**

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## Friends of the Hemingway Collection Hold First Event

**O**n behalf of the Friends of the Hemingway Collection, Patrick Hemingway formally presented the log of the "Pilar" to the Library at a reception for the public, press and members of the Friends on May 17. The Friends purchased the log at auction and donated it to the collection. An exhibit on the "Pilar" can be seen in the Hemingway Room through the middle of September.

The next Friends event will be on September 27, 1989, the sixtieth anniversary of the publication of *A Farewell to Arms*. An exhibit on *A Farewell to Arms* will also be opened in the Hemingway Room and will run through June 1990.

For further information on this event or the Friends, please write the Friends of the Hemingway Collection, John F. Kennedy Library, Columbia Point, Boston, MA 02125, or call (617) 929-4540.



*Patrick Hemingway, the son of Ernest Hemingway, presents the log of the "Pilar" to Charles Daly, the Director of the Kennedy Library.*

## Kennedy Library Events

### Sunday, July 2

**Harborfest Celebration**  
A free outdoor concert featuring the Bo Winiker Swing Orchestra. Begins at 6:00 p.m. Please call (617) 436-9986 for more information.

### Saturday, August 5

**FamilyFest 1989**  
On the grounds of the John F. Kennedy Library. Begins at 12 noon. Free and open to the public. Parking available at the University of Massachusetts/ Harbor Campus. Please call (617) 436-9986 for more information.

## Museum Hours

Daily, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Closed Thanksgiving,  
Christmas, and New Year's Day.

Reservations are required for all events. For further information, please call the Kennedy Library at (617) 929-4500.

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