



NEWSLETTER

New U.S. Citizens Help Mark Kennedy Library's 25th Anniversary

The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum marked the 25th anniversary of its October 20, 1979 dedication by hosting a celebration of the naturalization of new citizens of the United States.

The ceremony was presided over by United States District Court Judge Nancy Gertner and was followed by a reception for the new citizens and their families, including a birthday cake for the Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum.

In an editorial marking the Kennedy Library's 25th anniversary, *The Boston Globe* observed that, "It is difficult to imagine a better place to begin the American experience than in this living urban museum, humming with the energy to honor public service and inspire new generations."

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In welcoming the new citizens, John Shattuck, CEO of the Kennedy Library Foundation, noted that President Kennedy was himself



New Americans take the oath of U.S. citizenship in Library Pavilion.

the great-grandson of Irish immigrants and that no other ceremony could be more fitting to celebrate his

library than to welcome new citizens from around the world.

"John Kennedy thought deeply about what it means to be an American

citizen," Shattuck said. "And he spoke often about it, especially after he was elected to the highest office in our land. If there is one phrase that captures the essence of his presidency and the meaning of citizenship as he saw it, it is that powerful phrase in his Inaugural Address, 'And so my fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you – ask what you can do for your country.' With that famous line,

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Keeping Faith with Our Mission A Message to Friends and Supporters

The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum marked a milestone this October as it celebrated the 25th anniversary of its dedication.

Since the day of its opening, the Kennedy Library has welcomed more than six million visitors – including 500,000 schoolchildren – from throughout the country and around the world. Over the last quarter century, it has become a major center for the study of mid-20th century American history, as well as one of Boston’s leading cultural and educational institutions.

Throughout its 25 years, the Kennedy Library and Kennedy Library Foundation have sought to keep faith with President Kennedy’s ideals and his belief that one person can make a difference and that every person should try.

There is a clear connection between the challenges of the Kennedy era and those of our own. This is what inspires the work of the Kennedy Library Foundation.

Whether it has been honoring the leadership of the legendary civil rights hero John Lewis; celebrating the political courage of individuals such as President Gerald Ford, U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan, or the peacemakers of Northern Ireland; recognizing the heroism of the Public Servants of 9/11; welcoming the recently freed Nelson Mandela from South Africa; providing Nobel Laureate Oscar Arias with a public forum to call for arms control; hosting literary

scholars to celebrate the contributions of Ernest Hemingway; organizing forums and round-table discussions on such topics as terrorism, civil and human rights, public service, and political participation; or hosting political debates, international conferences and community discussions, the Kennedy Library has served Boston and the nation well by promoting open discourse on critical issues of our time.

As we look to our agenda for the years ahead, we should start by observing that not since President Kennedy’s time has his legacy been more relevant than it is today.

At a time when increasingly large segments of the public feel alienated from politics, the Kennedy call to public service is more compelling than ever. When education, the economy and civil rights are once again the subjects of deep division in our

domestic politics, debates about these issues in the 1960s once again seem relevant. When Americans feel less secure than at any time since the fall of 1962, presidential leadership is as vital to their security as it was during the Cuban Missile Crisis. When the world is once again threatened by weapons of mass destruction, a comprehensive strategy for preventing their proliferation and use is as urgent today as it was when the first Test Ban Treaty was signed. And at a time

when discrimination and intolerance are fueling mass killing and terror all over the world, it is more important than ever, in President Kennedy’s stirring words, to “forge a grand and global alliance... against the common enemies of man: tyranny, poverty, disease, and war itself.”

In short, there is a clear connection between the challenges of the Kennedy era and those of our own. This is what inspires the work of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation.

At the October 20, 1979 dedication ceremony, Senator Edward M. Kennedy observed that:

“This library will be more than just a collection of photographs and objects under glass. It will be a living memorial at many levels. Here in Boston, it will take up the causes of the community, helping to revitalize this section of our city. Across the country, it will reach out to visitors and scholars, summoning young men and women to careers in public life. For the great and humble in other lands, it will be a beacon signaling the message of this nation, a lighthouse bearing witness to Jack’s truth that America at its best can truly light the world.”

Thanks to an energetic and visionary Board of Directors, a dedicated staff, and a legion of supporters who hold the ideals of John F. Kennedy as their own, the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation is keeping faith with that far-reaching mission.

*John Shattuck
Chief Executive Officer
John F. Kennedy Library Foundation*

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Judge Gertner joins in the Pledge of Allegiance led by the son of a new American citizen.

President Kennedy inspired generations of Americans to work harder to make their country and the world a better place.”

In a moving address to the new citizens, Judge Gertner, herself the granddaughter of immigrants, spoke of the obligation of American citizenship.

“Today you enter into a contract with your country,” Judge Gertner said. “It provides you with a protection, hopefully freedom from discrimination, and a place in which to pursue your happiness and the happiness of your children and your children’s children. In exchange, you agree to the obligations of citizenship of this democracy. You agree to vote, to participate in juries, to encourage your children to do so. Even to dissent, to disagree with your government.

“We are not a perfect country, but with your help and participation we will change,” Judge Gertner continued. “We will eradicate discrimination because we so desperately need the participation of all of our numbers, of all of you. This country is a country of immigrants. My grandparents, you, even the Founding Fathers. We came from elsewhere with our language,

our culture, our religion, and our traditions. And we have enriched this country, just as all of you will.”

Members of the crew of the *USS Constitution* (“Old Ironsides”) served as the color guard to mark the special occasion. Soloist Wannetta Jackson sang the *National Anthem* and *America the Beautiful*, and led everyone in a round of *Happy Birthday* to the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library. The 138 new citizens took the oath of American citizenship under the great 24’ x 36’ American flag that graces the Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum’s magnificent glass Pavilion designed by architect I.M. Pei.

The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum annually hosts six naturalization ceremonies sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice, and the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services in the Department of Homeland Security. Approximately 200 citizens representing over 100 countries participate at each ceremony. A generous grant from Citizens Bank Foundation in 2004 allowed for a welcoming reception for new citizens and their families following each ceremony.

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LIBRARY STAFF
HONORED
BY PEERS**

Staff members at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum have been recognized with two Archivist’s Awards, the top recognition offered by the National Archives and Records Administration. The awards were presented by Archivist John Carlin at a ceremony at the National Archives in December.

The Special Events staff of the Public Programs Division was recognized for the extraordinary job they did in serving the public during the week of the Democratic National Convention, when a record number of events were scheduled, elevating the national profile of the Library. The awardees were Heather Joines, Meaghan McCue, Sally Murray, Victoria Tise, and Ryan Woods.

Nina Tisch of the Kennedy Library’s education staff was also recognized for Outstanding Achievement in Promoting Diversity for her efforts in developing a broad range of civic education programs that enabled New England students of diverse backgrounds to discuss contemporary political issues.

Only a handful of Archivist’s Awards were given to Presidential Libraries, and the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum was the only presidential library to receive more than one.

Architect I.M. Pei Returns to His Masterpiece

To help mark its 25th anniversary, the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum hosted a Kennedy Library Forum with architect I. M. Pei on Sunday, September 26. Despite the fact that the Red Sox were playing the New York Yankees that day at Fenway Park, and Boston's weather was a spectacular fall day, more than 700 crowded into the Stephen Smith Hall to hear Pei discuss the evolution and implementation of his architectural design for the Kennedy Library with *The Boston Globe's* Pulitzer Prize-winning architecture critic Robert Campbell.

Jacqueline Kennedy played a major role in the selection of I.M. Pei to be the architect of the Kennedy Library. At an early meeting in 1964, Mr. Pei explained to Mrs. Kennedy, somewhat apologetically, that as a young architect he had not yet worked on monumental projects. Though Pei was relatively unknown at the time, Mrs. Kennedy



Kennedy Library Architect I.M. Pei and *Boston Globe* architecture critic Robert Campbell.

nevertheless selected him from a list of candidates that included some of America's best-known architects.

The Kennedy Library Corporation [now the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation] originally commissioned Pei in December 1964 to design a

building for a site adjacent to Harvard University in Cambridge. Delays in freeing the site for construction and local concerns about possible urban congestion resulted in a decision in 1976 to build the library adjacent to the Harbor Campus of the University of Massachusetts Boston on Columbia Point in Dorchester on a site that was donated to the Library Corporation by the University and approved by the state legislature.

During his exchange with Robert Campbell, Pei described the siting of the library and the meaning and importance of some architectural elements.

"When we were offered Columbia Point at that time, next to UMass, we looked at it, and at that time you have no idea what this place was; it was a dump," Pei said. "When we excavated, we found old sinks and old refrigerators and things of that kind. There was actually methane gas coming out of the soil. You could light a match on



I.M. Pei views Boston Harbor framed by his geometric design of the glass Pavilion.

it and then it'd burn. It was that bad, I'm not exaggerating, it's true. So when I looked at it, I said, my gosh, from Harvard Yard to this site? It was quite a comedown. But we didn't give up."

When asked by Campbell how his design process worked, Pei responded, "I had to think about the President, what would he like it to be. I think that's number one. And I had at that time Jackie with me to think about that, to work with. She actually participated in talking about what she would like to see. And she didn't say what it should be, but she did tell me, 'Please don't put Jack in the form of a statue or a bust, because I don't want that, I don't think he would like that.' So, therefore, that's why this pavilion here that you see is empty; there's no statue, no bust, nothing. Just space. But more important than space, the space is very simple space. It frames the view of Boston.... When you come into the Pavilion, you should see nothing. It should be empty with just a flag to say he was President of the United States. And that's all we did. And Jackie Kennedy said, 'That's exactly what I want.'"



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Asked why he incorporated a glass pavilion in his design, Pei said, "Because I love light, I just like light. I think light makes me feel alive, and I think everybody else as well."

Ground breaking for the Kennedy Library building took place on June 12, 1977 and construction was completed in 1979. The Library was

officially dedicated on October 20, 1979 at a ceremony attended by President Jimmy Carter who accepted the privately built library on behalf of the American people.

In describing his architectural concept for the 1979 Dedication Program, I.M. Pei wrote:

"Its openness is the essence. After witnessing the film, after leaving the concentrated exhibition area with its many photographs and memorabilia, people will conclude their visit to the Kennedy Library in a restful place where they can linger, look at the view, and reflect on what they have seen. In the silence of that high, light-drenched space, the visitors will be alone with their thoughts. And in the reflective mood that the architecture seeks to engender, they may find themselves thinking of John F. Kennedy in a different way. In the skyline of his city, in the distant horizons toward which he led us, in the canopy of space into which he launched us, visitors may experience revived hope and promise for the future."



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Kennedy Family Presents Profile in Courage Awards

Caroline Kennedy and Senator Edward M. Kennedy presented Afghan physician and human rights activist Dr. Sima Samar, former North Carolina State Representative Cindy Watson (R), and former Oklahoma State Senator Paul Muegge (D) with the John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award at a May 24 ceremony at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum.

Dr. Sima Samar was honored for the courage she displayed in ignoring death threats and defying the Taliban for 12 years to ensure that Afghan girls and women had access to health care and education.

Former North Carolina State Representative Cindy Watson and former Oklahoma State Senator Paul Muegge were honored for their

courage in standing up to the powerful hog industry in their respective states in order to protect the environment and the health of their constituents.

"Today, we honor three individuals who have acted courageously to better

They have all shown us how one individual's public courage can bring comfort and support to thousands of people.

the neighborhoods and the lives of their fellow citizens," said Caroline Kennedy. "While they have served in different ways, the three people we recognize today have a great deal in common. They have all accepted the risks of standing up to powerful interests when their principles demanded that they act. And they have all shown us how one individual's public courage can bring comfort and support to thousands of people. They are role models for us all."

"Our goal is to honor political courage in contemporary elected officials at whatever level of government they serve," said Senator Edward M. Kennedy.

"We hope that this award will continue to encourage the American people to

value political courage more highly in their elected representatives."

The John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Award is presented annually to public servants who have withstood strong opposition to follow what they believe is the right course of action. The award is named for President Kennedy's 1957 Pulitzer Prize-winning book, *Profiles in Courage*, which recounts the stories of eight U.S. senators who risked their careers to fight for what they believed in. The John F. Kennedy Library Foundation created the Profile in Courage Award in 1989 to honor President Kennedy's commitment and contribution to public service. The Award is presented in May in celebration of President Kennedy's May 29th birthday. The Profile in Courage Award is represented by a sterling-silver lantern symbolizing a beacon of hope, designed by Edwin Schlossberg and crafted by Tiffany & Co.

Dr. Sima Samar has become an international symbol of the steadfast courage required to demand basic human rights for girls and women in Afghanistan. Through the Shuhada Organization, a non-governmental, nonprofit organization she established in 1989, Dr. Samar has opened four hospitals, ten health clinics, and numerous schools that serve girls and women in Afghanistan. She worked undercover in



2004 Profile in Courage Award recipients Dr. Sima Samar, Cindy Watson, and Paul Muegge with Senator Edward M. Kennedy and Caroline Kennedy.

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defiance of the brutally repressive Taliban, the country's ruling military and political force from 1994 to 2001, to operate schools for girls and health clinics for women.

Following the fall of the Taliban in 2001, Dr. Samar was the first woman appointed to a cabinet position in the interim Afghan government when she was named to the newly created position of Minister of Women's Affairs. She now serves as Chair of the Afghan Independent Human Rights Commission.

North Carolina Representative Cindy Watson was the first Republican elected from Duplin County in more than a century. As a freshman legislator in 1995, she became informed about the health risks of waste and stench from local hog farms that caused asthma in children, made walking outside unbearable, and contaminated water wells with E. coli bacteria.

In 1997, Watson co-sponsored legislation to require farmers to better handle hog-waste. When Watson's legislation passed in 1998, she was targeted for defeat by the state's largest corporate hog farmers. In the 1998 primary, despite her incumbent status, Watson lost her party's nomination to Johnny Manning, a hog farmer.

Oklahoma Senator Paul Muegge also put his political career on the line when he authored laws that placed tough new regulations on the corporate swine and poultry industries in Oklahoma. Citing the need for clean air, clean water, and a protected environment to maintain the high quality of life Oklahomans enjoy, Muegge sponsored legislation that would regulate and impose restrictions on hog production. His strong position in the Senate as Chair of the Agriculture and Rural Development



Dr. Sima Simar accepts the Profile in Courage Award's Silver Lantern from Caroline Kennedy and Senator Edward M. Kennedy.

Committee was key to getting the legislation passed in 1998. After a brutal campaign, Senator Muegge was reelected to a third term in 1998 by a mere 67 votes.

Sima Samar, Paul Muegge, and Cindy Watson were chosen as recipients of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation's prestigious award for political courage by a distinguished bipartisan committee of national, political, and community leaders. John Seigenthaler, founder of the First Amendment Center at Vanderbilt University, chairs the fourteen-member Profile in Courage Award Committee. Committee members are Michael Beschloss, author and presidential historian; David Burke, former president of CBS News; U.S. Senator Thad Cochran (R-Mississippi); Marian Wright Edelman, president of the Children's Defense Fund; Antonia

Hernandez, president and chief executive officer of the California Community Foundation; Al Hunt, executive editor of the *Wall Street Journal*; U.S. Representative Nancy Johnson (R-Connecticut); Elaine Jones, director-counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund; Caroline Kennedy, president of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation; U.S. Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D-Massachusetts); Paul G. Kirk, Jr., chairman of the board of directors of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation; U.S. Senator Olympia Snowe (R-Maine); and The Honorable Patricia M. Wald, former judge of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia.

To submit nominations for the 2005 Profile in Courage Award, email your nomination to ProfileInCourage@JFKLFoundation.org

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Tape Reveals JFK's Frustration with Civil Rights Progress

As the nation reflected on the life of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King on January 17, the Kennedy Library Archives declassified a tape recording of a 30-minute White House meeting that took place on May 4, 1963 during which President Kennedy commented on the nation's civil rights struggle. The President's frustration is revealed in his remarks about an Associated Press photograph by Bill Hudson which was published in that morning's papers showing a black citizen of Birmingham, Alabama being attacked by a police dog. President Kennedy describes the civil rights situation as "intolerable" during a meeting he was holding with 20 members of the political organization, Americans for Democratic Action, on the administration's legislative agenda.

The President comments on the shock of the photograph at several points during the meeting and states with aggravation, "I mean what law can you pass to do anything about police power in the community of Birmingham? There is nothing we can do... The fact of the matter is that Birmingham is in worse shape than any other city in the United States, and it's been that way for a year and a half... I think it's terrible the picture in the paper. The fact of the matter that's just what (Police Commissioner of Birmingham) (Bull) Connor wants. And, as I say, Birmingham is the worst city in the south. They have done nothing for the Negroes in that community, so it is an intolerable situation, that there is no argument about."



Birmingham, Alabama police use police dogs to attack civil rights demonstrators during May 3, 1963 protest.

Later in the meeting the President mentions the membership controversy surrounding the Metropolitan Club in Washington, DC. The Metropolitan Club had had a policy of granting honorary membership to all ambassadors posted to Washington. But in the early 1960's when new African nations had been formed and were beginning to send their own ambassadors to Washington, the Metropolitan Club had discontinued the honorary membership policy. Several members of the Kennedy Administration had resigned their memberships in protest.

The President fervently recounts a recent meeting with a newspaperman in which the reporter commented, "Isn't it outrageous in Birmingham?" to which the President replied, "Why are you over there eating at the Metropolitan Club every day? You talk about Birmingham and you're up there at the Metropolitan Club. ...They wouldn't even let Negro ambassadors in." (The reporter) responded by saying, "well, we want to work from

the inside" to which President Kennedy sardonically responded saying "well, your one contribution is that now they won't let white ambassadors in. Most of your novelists that you read every day... they're all over there at the Metropolitan Club." The President summarizes his point of view on civil rights commenting, "I think it is a national crisis."

The following month President Kennedy delivered a nationally televised address on Civil Rights where he refers to civil rights as a "moral issue." President Kennedy's June 11th address to the nation as well as portions of the May 4, 1963 White House meeting may be heard by visiting the John F. Kennedy Library's web page at www.jfklibrary.org

Approximately 90 hours of meeting tapes remain to be reviewed for declassification prior to release. Processing of the presidential recordings will continue to be conducted in the chronological order of the tapes. Additional tapes will be opened in the near future.

A Citizen-Patriot Who Made a Difference

The Board of Directors of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation mourned the loss of its friend and colleague

T. Jefferson Coolidge, Jr. who died on January 5, 2005 at the age of 72.

“Jeff Coolidge was a good man, an outstanding athlete, and a stalwart for the John F. Kennedy Library and Foundation,” said Paul G. Kirk, Jr., Board Chair of the Kennedy Library Foundation. “Civic responsibility and public service were in his blood. Jeff was a guiding force in the early days of the Library’s education mission, and he continued to be as generous with his time and wise counsel as he was with his resources.

“In an article he authored in the *New England Journal of Public Policy* on the impact of ‘spirit’ on our institutional and national life, Jeff wrote eloquently, ‘An institution with vision but lacking a mission has lost its direction; an institution with a mission but no vision has lost its soul.’ Jeff Coolidge, the epitome of the citizen-patriot, brought spirit, direction and soul to his every endeavor,” Kirk said. “His ancestor, Thomas Jefferson, would have been proud.”

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Coolidge was an original member of the Board of Directors who founded the Kennedy Library Foundation in 1984. In 1985 he championed the creation of the JFK Library Corps, one of the first volunteer youth programs in Massachusetts. In the ensuing years, the JFK Library Corps, modeled after President Kennedy’s Peace Corps, went on to recruit more than



Board member Jeff Coolidge (left) joins Board member Tom Hynes and Foundation CEO John Shattuck in welcoming CNN Correspondent Christiane Amanpour prior to her appearance at a Kennedy Library Forum.

800 young men and women from diverse economic and racial backgrounds who collectively contributed thousands of hours of service to their community.

With his wife Gloria, Coolidge remained a generous benefactor, supporting a range of Kennedy Library programs, from free school buses, to the first-ever Presidential Tapes Conference, to a special tribute exhibit on the first anniversary of 9/11.

In 1987, Coolidge started the Thomas Jefferson Forum, a nonprofit entity, to support community service

in high schools. When it was acquired by Tufts University in 1991, the Forum had programs at 42 high schools in Massachusetts. He was the first chair and a founder of the Massachusetts Youth Service Alliance, now the Massachusetts Service Alliance, which administers the AmeriCorps program and other service programs in Massachusetts.

Jeff Coolidge was born in Boston Massachusetts in 1932, graduated from Harvard, AB 1954, and served in the United States Marine Corps from 1954 to 1956. He was a member of the Board of Overseers of Harvard College from 1978 to 1984.

Coolidge was the chairman and chief executive officer of the Coolidge Investment Corporation (CIC), formerly Back Bay-Orient Enterprises, which was engaged in venture capital in Korea and Southeast Asia until 1977. Subsequently CIC was involved in venture startups in food processing and technology.

In addition to serving on the Board of Directors of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, Coolidge served as a Trustee for the Harvard Yenching Institute, and Training Inc. National. He was also a Senior Fellow at Tufts University’s Lincoln Filene Center and a volunteer at the Lynn District Court’s Visitor Information Program and Reinventing Justice Committee.

Kennedy Library Hosts Convention Delegates and Visitors

The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum played a prominent role in the events surrounding, and leading up to the Democratic National Convention (DNC) in Boston last July.

The Kennedy Library's special election year exhibit *Campaign!* proved to be a major attraction for delegates and visitors attending the Democratic National Convention, just as it was for thousands of local residents and visitors to Boston throughout the summer and year.

The beautiful facilities and grounds of the Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum were in also in particularly high demand during the week of the convention as many state delegations



and national organizations hosted receptions, dinners and other special functions at the national memorial to President Kennedy. The Kennedy Library also served as both a backdrop and featured attraction for national and international news organizations broadcasting during the convention.

On July 28, the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation hosted a private breakfast and gallery tour for over 80 leading Americans who were in Boston for the Democratic National Convention. Guests

from around the country came to experience the inspiring exhibits about President Kennedy and to learn about the Library's contemporary programming. The event was hosted by Caroline Kennedy and Board Chairman Paul G. Kirk, Jr., and generously underwritten by AT&T and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW).

Later that day, the Kennedy Library Foundation and Senator Edward M. Kennedy hosted Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle's luncheon for Democratic Senators and their spouses. The Senators and their guests arrived by boat at the Kennedy Library Pier and were welcomed personally by Caroline Kennedy who was joined by Senator Kennedy. The special guests were later welcomed in the Museum Theater by Caroline Kennedy and Paul G. Kirk, Jr. after which they toured the Museum. A luncheon was held in the Smith Hall where historian Robert Dallek made brief remarks on the Presidency of John F. Kennedy.

Throughout the summer, colorful images of President Kennedy graced the tops of taxicabs, the sides of trolleys, airport and shopping mall dioramas, and national and hotel room magazines as the Museum at the JFK Library targeted a receptive audience of convention delegates and summer visitors to visit the special *Campaign!* exhibit sponsored by AT&T and WCVB-TV 5.



Rob Reiner, Vince Wolfington, Gail Kirk, and Larry David at breakfast hosted by Caroline Kennedy.

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Caroline Kennedy and Senator Edward Kennedy welcome Senator Carl Levin (D-MI).

The Martin Agency of Richmond, Virginia once again donated the remarkable award-winning talent of its top creative team to design another inspiring



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Trolley ads found receptive audience with DNC delegates this summer.

and colorful campaign promoting the Museum.

In one version of the trolley and cab top ads, the Kennedy Library compared

President Kennedy's legacy of providing inspiration and hope to the nation's citizens with the city's passion for the Boston Red Sox. The ad – which ran prior to the Red Sox' world series victory in the fall – read, "Full of More Optimism Than Even a Red Sox Fan." A camera shot of a trolley bearing the ad was broadcast nationally during a Boston Red Sox and New York Yankees game played in Fenway Park during the convention.

In addition to Boston's media market, the Martin Agency was able secure placement of the advertising campaign in *TIME Magazine*, the *Advocate*, *Business Week*, and *The Atlantic Monthly* as public service announcements. WCVB-TV 5, the official Television Media Partner of the Museum at the Kennedy Presidential Library, created free television spots using vintage 1960 television ads from the JFK presidential campaign that have run throughout the year.



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Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle (D-ND) with former U.S. Senator Max Cleland (D-GA) at luncheon sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation.

Archives Opens President Kennedy's "Doodles"

On November 23, the Archives of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library made available a collection of newly declassified material consisting of approximately 50 "doodles" – handwritten notes, reminders and jottings – primarily in President Kennedy's handwriting, made between February 1961 and October 1963.

The handwritten material, most of which is in pencil, was collected and dated by President Kennedy's personal secretary, Evelyn Lincoln, who was a compulsive JFK chronicler. When he left a meeting, President Kennedy would normally leave his papers behind and Lincoln would collect them, labeling them "KS" during his senate years and "KP" when he was president.

The subject matter of the newly released material varies enormously. Many are handwritten notes that read more like statements or drafts. Other doodles outline key words or phrases from a meeting. For example, during a November 15, 1961 National Security Council meeting on Vietnam, the President noted and underlined the



President Kennedy's doodles of his sailboat, *Victura*.

phrase "Guerilla war = 10,000", "Vietnam - what about Cuba" and "2 front war."

In an internationally syndicated story about the newly opened documents, Associated Press reporter Theo Emery refers to another doodle found in the collection:

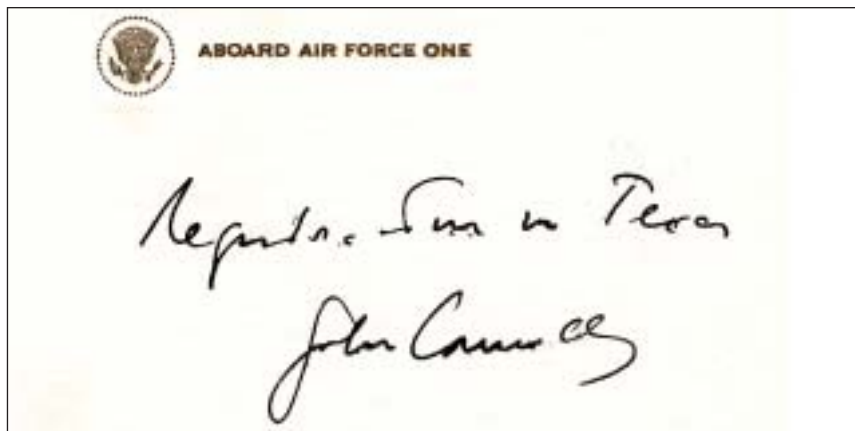
"On Sept. 25, 1963, as President Kennedy hopscotched across the West aboard Air Force One before landing in Jackson Hole, Wyo., he took a fresh piece of stationery and scribbled a note just below the presidential seal. It read, 'Report action in Texas' or 'Request action in Texas.' Below that, he wrote

'John Connolly,' then the Texas governor. Fierce infighting among Texas Democrats would spur the president to visit that state two months later. He was shot in Dallas on Nov. 22 during that trip."

The doodles and notes also provide researchers and members of the public with a look into the personal side of President Kennedy, as indicated by the several sketches of the president's sailboat *Victura*.

Maura Porter, lead archivist of the Kennedy Library Declassification Unit, said the doodles show a side of President Kennedy that won't be seen in the polished presidential documents or official archives of the Kennedy White House.

"I don't think people are going to gain knowledge from these doodles that they didn't have before, but it just adds to this whole picture of John F. Kennedy as a man and as a president," Porter said. "When you see the President's doodle of his sailboat *Victura*, you realize how very much he loved sailing," she said. "He wouldn't doodle something like that unless it was something that was obviously on his mind when sitting in that meeting."



Note made by President Kennedy on September 25, 1963.

May Dinner Sets New Record

The Sixteenth Annual May Dinner celebrated the 25th Anniversary of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum and proved to be the most successful May Dinner to date. Co-Chaired by board members Gerard Doherty and Anne Finucane, the 2004 dinner welcomed over 500 guests and raised a record-breaking \$950,000 from the Kennedy Library Foundation's generous and dedicated friends. The memorable evening included a private viewing of the Museum exhibit *Campaign!*, featuring photographs, film footage, political items, and documents from the 1960 Convention and John F. Kennedy's exuberant presidential campaign.

Caroline Kennedy, Edwin Schlossberg, Senator Edward Kennedy and Victoria Reggie Kennedy hosted the 2004 John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage award recipients: Afghan women's rights advocate Dr. Sima Samar, former North Carolina State Representative Cindy Watson, former Oklahoma State Senator Paul Muegge,



Caroline Kennedy talks with Gary Ginsberg of News Corporation.

and their families. Legacy Champions Ken Feinberg of The Feinberg Group and Gary Ginsberg of News Corporation joined the Profile in Courage recipients for a private greeting with Senator Kennedy and Board Chairman Paul G. Kirk, Jr. prior to the evening's event. At the close of the dinner, soprano Melissa Ericco, star of Broadway musical *Dracula*, and accompanist Clifford Carter, provided a dazzling performance, capped off

by an impromptu sing along with Senator Kennedy.

The annual black-tie May Dinner is the Kennedy Library Foundation's single largest fundraising event. The evening celebrates President Kennedy's May 29th birthday and honors the Profile in Courage Award recipients. Funds raised advance the Kennedy Library's mission of preserving and perpetuating the legacy of John F. Kennedy and educating future generations about the ideals of public service.



Richard and Philip Donahue with 2004 May Dinner Co-Chair Gerard Doherty.



2004 May Dinner Co-Chair Anne Finucane with Caroline Kennedy.



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Richard and Sally Phelps.



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Senator Edward M. Kennedy with Raytheon CEO William H. Swanson.

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Presents for a President and First Lady

The Museum at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library unwrapped a special new exhibit on November

26, just in time for the traditional gift-giving holiday season. "Presents for a President and First Lady," a display of 65 state gifts presented to President and Mrs. Kennedy by foreign leaders from around the globe, features a large selection of never-before-seen treasures from the Kennedy White House.

"The exchange of gifts among heads of state is a centuries-old tradition, and remains an important part of modern-day international relations," said Museum Curator Frank Rigg. "President and Mrs. Kennedy delighted in the gifts presented to them by representatives of countries around the globe, particularly items which showcased the fine work of a foreign country's craftsmen. In both the Oval Office and the White House residence, the president and first lady would display such gifts for visitors and family members to enjoy."

Highlights of the new exhibit include:

- An eye-catching 18"-tall silver amphora vase with caraytid handles, detailed with dragon-heads in repoussé and finely chased lines, and a 19"-tall silver tureen with detailed design on a



Louis Ingacioa Pinto, Ambassador of the Republic of Dahomey, presents a state gift to President Kennedy at the White House on April 17, 1961.

dramatic pedestal base were presented to President Kennedy by Norodom Sihanouk, King of Cambodia, on September 25, 1961.

- A mother-of-pearl nativity scene framed in a brilliant, over-sized, pearl-inlay star, given to Caroline Kennedy for her birthday by King Hussein bin Talal, the King of Jordan.
- A tribal mask created by the Kuba people depicting "Ngaady a Mwaash," a royal female ancestor of the 17th century Bushoong Kuba dynasty, presented to President Kennedy by Fwamba Mukengele, the Deputy to the National Assembly of the Republic of Congo, on August 2.

- A stately silver humidor (*sans* cigars), a gift from Soviet Premier Khrushchev to

President Kennedy during their first meeting on June 4, 1961, in Vienna, Austria.

- An Afghan head of Buddha, dating to the 2nd century, presented to President Kennedy by Afghan King Mohammad Zahir at the White House on September 5, 1963.
- A 10th century ceramic bowl, 8½" in diameter, in off-white glaze decorated with bird and scroll design, presented to the President by the Shah of Iran, Mohammed Reza Pahlavi, on April 11, 1962.
- Silver slippers with red-velvet lining adorned with brass crescent and star presented by Hasan al-Rida al Sanusi, Crown Prince of the United Kingdom of Libya, during his state visit to the White House on October 16, 1962.
- An ivory model of an ancient Egyptian barge with a serpent



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motif and a Damascened vase with bands of Arabic inscriptions, medallions, and ornamental work done in repoussé with fine chasing given to President Kennedy by Gamal Abdel-Nasser, President of Egypt.

“Presents for a President and First Lady,” is sponsored by WCVB-TV 5. It is just one of the many exciting and inspiring exhibits visitors can find in the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library. The Museum’s 25 multimedia exhibits and period settings from the White House offer an exciting “you are there” experience, and create a stirring account of President Kennedy’s thousand days in office. Beginning with a 17-minute film narrated by President Kennedy, visitors step back into the recreated world of the early 1960s and witness the first televised presidential debate; accompany first lady Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy on her televised tour of the White House; sit in on press conferences with the President; relive the thrill of Col. John Glenn’s first orbital mission; stroll through White House corridors; witness Cabinet meetings during the Cuban Missile Crisis, and observe the president’s televised address from the Oval Office on the Civil Rights crisis.

“Presents for a President and First Lady,” is being presented in the Museum’s White House corridor and ceremonial room, and runs through November 13, 2005.

CELEBRATING THE RED SOX VICTORY

When the Boston Red Sox cinched the American League Pennant on October 20, Red Sox owners chose the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum to host a victory party the next evening for National and American League owners and fans in Boston for the beginning of the World Series playoff.

To help celebrate the occasion, the Museum at the John F. Kennedy

Presidential Library placed on special, temporary display baseball memorabilia from the Kennedy administration, including the autographed baseball that President Kennedy threw out for the April 8, 1962 opening game between the Washington Senators and the Detroit Tigers and the three annual passes given to the President by the American League Professional Baseball Clubs.



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President Kennedy attends American League Opening Day, 1962. Washington, D.C.

John F. Kennedy New Frontier Awards Honor Two Young Americans for Exceptional Public Service

The John F. Kennedy Library Foundation and Harvard University's Institute of Politics (IOP) announced the first recipients of the John F. Kennedy New Frontier Awards at a presentation ceremony at Harvard University on November 15, 2004.

Senator Edward M. Kennedy and Caroline Kennedy made the presentation of the newly inaugurated awards to Karen Carter, 35, a Louisiana State Representative from New Orleans, and Wendy Kopp, 37, Founder of Teach for America, a national non-profit organization based in New York City. The ceremony in the Kennedy School of Government's John F. Kennedy Jr. Forum was followed by a discussion on public service with the two recipients, moderated by veteran broadcast journalist and IOP Fellow Kathleen Matthews.

The Kennedy Library Foundation and the Institute of Politics created the New Frontier Award to honor young Americans under the age of 40 who are changing their communities – and the country – with their commitment to public service.

The two awards will be presented annually in the fall to exceptional young Americans whose contributions in elective office, and community service demonstrate the impact and the value of public service in the spirit of President John F. Kennedy.

Building on an award presented for a number of years by the Kennedy Library Foundation in honor of the Library's first director, Dan Fenn, the award for younger elected officials will be known as The New Frontier "Dan Fenn" Award.



Senator Edward Kennedy presents New Frontier Award to Representative Karen Carter.

Karen Carter, State Representative, Louisiana

In 1999, at the age of 30, Karen Carter beat out a diverse field of candidates to fill the legislative seat of Louisiana civil rights legend Rev. Avery C. Alexander. Her legislative district encompasses the heart of New Orleans and during her first year as a legislator, her colleagues selected Representative Carter as "Rookie of the Year." She made her mark as a rising star in 2004 when she authored and boldly won passage of a new law to reform the management of the failing New Orleans school system. Her efforts to pass the school reform bill spanned more than two years. While her bill was controversial, Ms. Carter won widespread acclaim for her dogged efforts to take on and win a battle for reform of one of the nation's struggling public school systems. Representative Carter was honored with the John F. Kennedy

New Frontier Award for demonstrating the impact of elective public service through her work to improve New Orleans' public schools, and for serving as a role model to young Americans everywhere.

Wendy Kopp, Founder and CEO, Teach for America

While still an undergraduate at Princeton University, Wendy Kopp outlined her idea for Teach for America in her college thesis. Frustrated by the poor quality of America's public school system, Ms. Kopp decided to create a national corps of energetic young teachers by using funds from corporate sponsors to recruit top college graduates to teach in the nations' most desperate school districts. Since 1990, more than 12,000 exceptional individuals have joined Teach For America, committing two years to teach in low-income rural and urban communities. Teach For America now has 22 regional sites

across the country. Wendy Kopp continues to serve as CEO of the organization she founded in college, and she continues to fight for a more effective education system in the United States. Wendy Kopp was honored with the John F. Kennedy New Frontier Award for elevating the debate about public education in the United States, and for showing young Americans how they can change lives through their own public service.

“I am thrilled to be part of this Award ceremony which honors two women I so admire,” said Caroline Kennedy, President of the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation and a member of the Senior Advisory Committee at Harvard’s Institute of Politics, who made the presentation via satellite. “The New Frontier Award would have special meaning for my father. It brings together two institutions that bear his name and celebrates public service – the way of life he found most rewarding and the noblest undertaking he could imagine.”

Senator Kennedy presented Carter and Kopp each with a ship’s navigational

compass in a wooden box bearing the inscription: “We stand today on the edge of a New Frontier... I believe the times demand new invention, innovation,

President Kennedy issued a call to all of us to do something for our country, but he especially encouraged young men and women to meet his challenge.

imagination, decision. I am asking each of you to be pioneers on that New Frontier. – John F. Kennedy.”

“President Kennedy issued a call to all of us to do something for our country, but he especially encouraged young men and women to meet his challenge,” said Senator Kennedy.

“Whether it was running for office, serving in the Peace Corps or helping in one’s own community, he often said that ‘one person can make a difference and everyone should try.’ Today we honor two outstanding young women who not only tried, but also succeeded in bettering the quality of education for their fellow citizens.”

A distinguished bipartisan committee of political and community leaders selected Carter and Kopp based on their contributions to the public and

their embodiment of the forward-looking public idealism to which President Kennedy hoped young Americans would aspire. The John F. Kennedy New Frontier Award Committee for 2004 was co-chaired by John Shattuck, CEO, John F. Kennedy Library Foundation, and Phil Sharp, Acting Director, Institute of Politics. Committee members were: Jennifer Armini, former Communications Director, MassINC; Melanie Campbell, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer, National Coalition on Black Civic Participation; Dan Fenn, former Director of the John F. Kennedy Library; Trey Grayson, Secretary of State, Kentucky; Jackie Jenkins-Scott, President, Wheelock College; Elaine C. Kamarck, Lecturer in Public Policy, Kennedy School of Government; Rachel Kaprielian, State Representative (MA), 1999 Recipient, Dan Fenn Award; Larry Kessler, Founding Director, AIDS Action Committee; Vivien Li, Executive Director, Boston Harbor Foundation; Susan Page, Washington Bureau Chief, *USA Today*; and Eli Segal, Founding CEO, AmeriCorps.

To submit nominations for the 2005 New Frontier Award, email your nomination to NewFrontier@JFKLFoundation.org



Senator Edward Kennedy presents New Frontier Award to Wendy Kopp.

Kennedy Library Forums Draw Growing National Audience

The Kennedy Library Forums series continued to attract national attention this summer and fall with lively and timely public discussions, often broadcast on radio and television, with leading politicians, historians, journalists, civic leaders and community activists from across the country.

Washington Post columnist David Broder, former White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers, and national political commentator Mark Shields discussed the role of political advertising in presidential campaigns at a May 3 forum moderated by former presidential advisor David Gergen.

On May 16, former Kennedy Library historian Sheldon M. Stern discussed his book, *Averting the Final Failure*, a narrative account of the secret ExComm meetings among President Kennedy and his most trusted advisors during the Cuban Missile Crisis in



New York Times columnist Maureen Dowd.

a conversation with *Boston Globe* columnist Brian McGrory.

On May 17, the 50th Anniversary of the landmark *Brown v. Board of Education* ruling rejecting “separate but equal” education for the races, Ernest

Green, a member of the Little Rock Nine, Yale professor Drew Days and Harvard Professor Gary Orfield discussed Brown’s legacy with Georgetown Law Professor Sheryll Cashin.

On the eve of the Democratic National Convention in Boston, the Kennedy Library and the National Democratic Institute cosponsored a standing-room only forum on “Foreign Policy and the 2004 Campaign” with former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and Senate Foreign Relations Committee Member Joe Biden (D-DE). The July 25 forum was attended by officials and representatives of many foreign governments who were in Boston to observe the Democratic Convention.

Later that week, television and film producer Norman Lear (*All in the Family*, *Sanford and Son*, *Maude*) engaged in a discussion moderated by U.S. Representative Barney Frank (D-MA) on how Lear has used the



Senator Robert Byrd (D-WV) and Dick Gordon, host of WBUR’s *The Connection*.

medium of television to bring issues of free speech, civil rights, and civic involvement into American homes over the last three decades.

On September 20, Jason DeParle, *New York Times* senior writer and author of *American Dream: Three Women, Ten Kids, and a Nation's Drive to End Welfare*, joined David Ellwood, Dean of Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government and co-author of *Welfare Realities: From Rhetoric to Reality*, Ron Haskins, Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institute, and William Julius Wilson of Harvard's Kennedy School of Government to discuss American policies regarding the poor in the Kennedy Library Forum, "Welfare Reform: Did it Work?"

Former JFK advisor and historian Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., veteran political analyst Kevin Phillips, and journalist Tom Wicker discussed the legacies of our wartime presidents in a lively forum with former presidential adviser David Gergen of Harvard's Kennedy School of Government on October 4.

The following week, the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum welcomed Senator Robert Byrd of West Virginia on October 12 for a public discussion moderated by Dick Gordon, host of WBUR's nationally syndicated *The Connection*. Senator Byrd, one of 21 Senate Democrats who voted against the October 2002 resolution that gave President Bush congressional



Ernest Green, Drew Days, Gary Orfield and Sheryll Cashin discuss *Brown v. Board of Education*.

authorization to attack Iraq, discussed his recent book about the presidency and America since 9/11 entitled *Losing America: Confronting a Reckless and Arrogant Presidency*.

On October 18, Alice Rivlin, a MacArthur Fellow and Senior Economic Advisor at the Brookings Institute; Robert Reich, former Secretary of Labor under President Clinton and Professor of Social and Economic Policy at Brandeis University; and Glenn Loury, Professor of Economics at Boston University, discussed the state of the economy with *Boston Globe* Pulitzer Prize winning correspondent Tom Oliphant in a forum on "The Economy in the 2004 Campaign."

Political cartoonists Mike Peters of the *Dayton Daily News*, Mike Luckovitch of the *Atlanta Journal*

Constitution, and Dan Wasserman of the *Boston Globe* presented an engaging and entertaining show-and-tell about their craft at an October 24 forum on "The Art of Political Cartoons" moderated by Scott Simon, host of NPR's *Weekend Edition Saturday*.

Another capacity crowd attended the Kennedy Library Forum on October 26 at which Pulitzer Prize winning *New York Times* columnist Maureen Dowd discussed her book, *Bushworld*, and shared her observations on the presidential race.

On November 8, Valerie Hemingway, the confidante of Nobel Prize winning author Ernest Hemingway, and author of *Running with the Bulls*, discussed her years traveling with Ernest and Mary Hemingway at a Kennedy Library Forum on "Life with the Hemingways." The Kennedy Presidential Library is the

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major repository of Ernest Hemingway's papers and artifacts.

The Kennedy Library hosted a public forum on "What's Happened to the News?" on December 6. Ben Bradlee, long-time *Washington Post* executive editor, and friend and neighbor of John F. Kennedy, and Don Hewitt, creator of *60 Minutes*, Executive Producer, *CBS News*, and producer of the nation's first televised debates between Vice President Richard Nixon and Massachusetts Senator John F. Kennedy, discussed how print and broadcast news have changed over the last 40 years. Meredith White, former Executive Producer at *ABC News* and former Senior Editor at *Newsweek*, moderated the forum.

"The Crisis in Darfur" was the subject of a Kennedy Library Forum on December 9 when Rev. Gloria Hammond of Bethel AME Church, Dr. Jennifer Leaning of Physicians for Human Rights, Alex de Waal of Harvard's Global Equity Initiative, Eric Reeves of Smith College, and William Schulz, Executive Director of Amnesty International, discussed the ongoing crisis in the western region of Sudan where fighting has claimed the lives



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Washington Post Executive Editor Ben Bradlee.

of thousands of people and displaced an estimated 1.65 million people. NPR/PBS journalist Gail Harris moderated the Kennedy Library Forum.

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Transcripts of the Kennedy Library Forums are available on the Kennedy Library website at www.jfklibrary.org.

WBUR 90.9 FM, a National Public Radio (NPR) affiliate in Boston, serves

as the exclusive radio sponsor of the Kennedy Library Forums. In addition to providing promotional on-air announcements for each upcoming forum, WBUR rebroadcasts each Kennedy Library Forum on Sundays at 8 pm. Audio recordings of the forums are also available by visiting the website of WBUR 90.9. at www.wbur.org. To hear past forums, double click JFK Forums under Quick Links on the WBUR Home Page. The Kennedy Library Forums also participates in the WGBH Forum Network which offers video streams of the Kennedy Library Forums at www.wgbh.org/forum. Additionally, many forums are broadcast nationally by C-SPAN television.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR PROGRAM

The Kennedy Library Foundation's Distinguished Visitor program hosts influential speakers at the Kennedy Library who have played significant roles in American public affairs, as well as heads of state and other leaders who have fostered international understanding. In May, Raytheon Corporation renewed its sponsorship of the Kennedy Library Forums' Distinguished Visitor Program. Raytheon joins Boston Capital, Corcoran Jennison, and Nixon Peabody, LLP in supporting this program, which enriches civic discourse on issues at the heart of contemporary democracy. See related story on page 25.



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Television and film producer Norman Lear.

Students Hold Presidential Debates

Every election year, the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum hosts a non-partisan program to engage approximately 1,000 high school students in the current presidential or gubernatorial election and to educate them about the positions of the two major parties on important current issues. The full morning program culminates in a debate between representatives of the Republican and Democratic Parties.

“Teachers whose students have participated in the past have given us very positive feedback about how the program engaged their students,” said Nina Tisch, Education Specialist.

Twenty-seven schools participated in the five debate sessions in the first weeks of October. On each of these days, approximately 200 students, from a mixture of urban, suburban, and rural

school districts discussed and debated the issues that were of concern to them and their communities. In the curriculum materials the Kennedy Library Education Department developed to help teachers prepare their students for the debate, attention was given to highlighting the differences between the Republicans and the Democrats at the national level.

Students met first in small groups to discuss issues with their peers from other communities around New England and develop a list of questions to ask of the morning’s two debaters, representing the Republican and Democratic parties. The entire group then reconvened for the main debate. Students asked questions of both debaters who answered by giving a basic explanation of their party’s position on that issue and responding

to the remarks of their Democratic or Republican counterpart.

Among party leaders participating in this year’s presidential debates were Senator Jo Ann Sprague (R) v. Senator Steven Tolman (D); Senator Jarrett Barrios (D) v. Avi Nelson (R); George Bachrach (D) v. Peter Torkildsen (R); Peter Forman (R) v. Philip Johnston (D); and former Governor Jane Swift (R) v. Warren Tolman (D).

Later in the month, the Kennedy Library served as the state election headquarters for the 2004 National Student/Parent Mock Presidential Election. Massachusetts students voted at each of their respective schools and reported their results to the Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum on October 28. The Kennedy Library volunteered to serve as the Massachusetts state headquarters as part of a national campaign to help combat voter apathy among the country’s youngest citizens and to introduce students to the importance of voting.

The National Student/Parent Mock Election makes students and parents aware of the power of their ballot by actively involving them in a full-fledged campaign and national election. The voting results for 70,756 elementary, middle and secondary students throughout Massachusetts were reported to the Kennedy Library by the 290 participating groups between October 28 and November 1, 2004. In addition to voting for presidential candidates, students also voted for Congressional candidates and issues that were most significant to them.



Students discover the importance of political participation.

John F. Kennedy in WWII Exhibit opens May 21

The Museum at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library will mark the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II this year with a special exhibit on John F. Kennedy's military service in the U.S. Navy in the Solomon Islands in the South Pacific. The new exhibit opens May 21.

"Many young Americans of all backgrounds volunteered for military service in 1941, including young John F. Kennedy," said Museum Curator Frank Rigg. "To honor their service, and to commemorate their sacrifices in the 60th anniversary year of the end of World War II, we are presenting this special exhibit as a tribute to all the enlisted men, women and junior officers who, like Kennedy, went in harm's way to serve their nation."

Commanding the motor torpedo boat PT 109, JFK along with his crew participated in the early campaigns in the Allies' long struggle to roll back the Japanese from their conquests throughout the island chains of the Pacific Ocean. The role of the small but fast PT boats was to attack the Japanese shipping known as the "Tokyo Express" that supplied Japanese troops in the islands, and to support U.S. Army and Marine Corps attacking the Japanese on shore.

Among the items featured in the exhibit will be Kennedy's own scrapbook of snapshots showing him and his young comrades in arms, the actual logbook of the PT 109, Kennedy's Navy uniform, the coconut shell on which he scratched a message that brought rescue for his crew after PT 109 was rammed by a Japanese destroyer, framed photographs from the war



First Lieutenant John F. Kennedy.

that Kennedy displayed in his Senate office, and many other personal documents and artifacts. The exhibit will take visitors into this formative period of JFK's life, an experience he shared with so many other young men of his generation, and an experience that shaped their characters and the character of our nation for much of the remainder of the 20th century.

The Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum will offer veterans of all branches of the military free admission from opening day on Armed Forces Day, May 21 through July 4. Admission is free to Veteran's of all branches of the military on Veteran's Day, November 11. Servicemen and women in uniform are always admitted free to the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum.

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NEW MEMBERSHIP RATES

With appreciation for the generosity of our members – and in recognition of the 25th Anniversary of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum – the Kennedy Library Foundation will be increasing our membership rates to sustain and expand the Library's vital work and programs in the coming years.

Effective April 1, 2005, the new membership rates will be as follows:

Individual – \$40

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Contributor – \$100

Benefactor – \$250

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President's Circle – \$1000

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PRESIDENTIAL SUITE

Boston's Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel has named eight of its suites after prestigious Boston cultural institutions, including the John F. Kennedy Library and Museum (Suite Number 641). In a recent review, the *Boston Herald* called the suite, "the epitome of romance Boston-style." The suite features framed images of JFK and his family, a bust of President Kennedy, and even a Harvard Football in the closet.

9/11 Fund Head Honored as a Distinguished American

On the eve of the third anniversary of September 11th, Senator Edward Kennedy presented Kenneth Feinberg with the Kennedy Library Foundation's Distinguished American Award for his outstanding service to the nation and to September 11th victims and their families as head of the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund.

Mr. Feinberg participated in a Kennedy Library Forum, "Recovering from 9/11" moderated by Jack Rosenthal, president of the New York Times Company Foundation and founder of the 9/11 Neediest Fund. The Kennedy Library Forum was re-aired nationwide on CSPAN Radio and on NPR affiliate WBUR 90.9.

In describing the contribution of Feinberg, Foundation Board Chair Paul G. Kirk, Jr. spoke of the "unimaginable responsibility of one individual as Special Master of the Compensation Victim's Fund — with a finite amount of money, to have to wrestle and decide the questions, the moral questions, the ethical questions, the legal questions, the economic questions that relate to the value of a lost human life and be able to explain that decision to the survivors — an unimaginable responsibility."

In presenting the Distinguished American Award, Senator Edward M. Kennedy said, "At a time when so many are asking what the country can do for them, it's hard to think of a more perfect example of someone who asked what he can do for our country. When the 9/11 Fund was created, you said, 'I can do that,' and you did. And the whole country is very grateful for what this son of Brockton accomplished."

"It's hard to articulate what it means to get an award from this institution,"



Ken Feinberg accepts the Distinguished American Award.

Feinberg said on receiving the Distinguished American Award from Senator Kennedy. "This institution is a very, very special place. It is far from just bricks and mortar. There are thousands of libraries in this country. To get a public service award from the beacon, the spirit of public service in this country, this Library, I can't begin to tell you what it means. I hope that by accepting this award, I fulfill in some small way the mandate of this institution, and that I've tried to be guided by this institution and what it stands for beyond just walls and hallways."

The Distinguished American Award was launched in the fall of 1991 to mark the thirtieth anniversary of the Kennedy administration. The Distinguished American Series invites men and women who have played significant roles in American public affairs to share their insights and experiences with the public. Past recipients of the Distinguished American Award include former Presidents George H.

W. Bush and Bill Clinton, James Farmer, Betty Friedan, John Kenneth Galbraith, Henry Kissinger, Marian Wright Edelman, Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., George Reedy, McGeorge Bundy, Mary McGrory, Archibald Cox, Helen Thomas, and Congressman John Lewis.

Kenneth R. Feinberg established the Feinberg Group, LLP, in 1993, a law firm which specializes in mediation, arbitration and negotiation. Earlier, he served as Chief-of-Staff to Senator Edward M. Kennedy and Assistant United States Attorney in New York City.

Feinberg has mediated and arbitrated over 1,000 cases during the past 15 years, including some of the nation's most visible public disputes, including the September 11 Victims Compensation Fund, Agent Orange, the closing of the Shoreham Nuclear Plant on Long Island, and the arbitration involving the valuation of the Zapruder/Kennedy assassination film.

Students Share Top Honors in National Essay Contest



Will Schmidley of Little Rock, Arkansas, and Avram Sand of Teaneck, New Jersey, were honored

on May 24 by Caroline Kennedy and the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation for their prize-winning entries in the national John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest for High School Students.

The annual Profile in Courage Essay Contest invites students from across the nation to write an essay about a political issue at the local, state or national level and an elected official in the United States who has acted courageously to address that issue. The contest is a companion program of the Profile in Courage Award. The essay contest is sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation and generously supported by Fidelity Investments. The two winners each received a \$3,000 first prize.

A total of 2,208 essays were submitted by high-school students from across the nation.

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"Congratulations to Will Schmidley and Avram Sand on their award-winning essays and to the thousands of young people who submitted essays," said John Shattuck, CEO of the Kennedy Library Foundation. "The essay contest fittingly honors President Kennedy who believed deeply in the power of the individual and the promise of our nation's young people. It is gratifying to see how readily



Essay contest winner Avram Sand is congratulated by John Siegenthaler, Chairman of the Profile in Courage Award Committee, and Victoria Reggie Kennedy.

students today can identify and understand acts of political courage and their importance in our democratic society."

"Fidelity's commitment to civic responsibility is a long, proud tradition," said Doug Reed, senior vice president of Regional Management and Public Affairs for Fidelity Investments. "We

are pleased to support this contest to encourage student leadership and civic engagement. This contest is in line with our commitment to education, literacy and civic involvement."

Will Schmidley's essay described the political courage of George Ryan who served as governor of Illinois from 1999 to 2003. Schmidley cited Governor Ryan's courage in imposing the nation's first

death-penalty moratorium and altering his personal belief about capital punishment once he became aware of flaws in the Illinois justice system.

In his winning essay, "Bernard Confer: Courage Within His Community," Avram Sand described the political courage of the president of the board of education in Teaneck, New Jersey, who in the early 1960s sought to rectify racial imbalance in the town's schools by creating an integrated central sixth-grade.

Will Schmidley, an 18-year-old senior at Pulaski Academy in Little Rock, Arkansas at the time of the award ceremony, is now a freshman at Dartmouth College. He is the son of Eugenia and James Schmidley of Little Rock, Arkansas. Avram Sand, a 16-year-old junior at Marsha Stern Talmudical Academy in New York City at the time of the award presentation, is the son of Arlene and Michael Sand of Teaneck, New Jersey. Schmidley and Sand were the guests of the Kennedy

family and the Kennedy Library Foundation at the May 24th Profile in Courage Award ceremony. They shared the stage with the 2004 Profile in Courage Award recipients and later joined them for a private luncheon with members of the Kennedy family.

The winning students' nominating teachers were Bill Topich of Pulaski Academy and Geoffrey Cahn of Marsh Stern Talmudical Academy. They each received a John F. Kennedy Public Service Grant in the amount of \$500 to be used for school projects that encourage student leadership and civic engagement.

Fidelity Investments has renewed its generous support for the essay contest in 2005. Fidelity first began its sponsorship of the national essay contest in 2001, and has helped to extend the vision and impact of the program by providing in-kind staff

support to promote the essay contest as well as technical assistance for the development and management of the contest website at www.jfkcontest.org.

Students and teachers who participate in the Profile in Courage Essay Contest also benefit from two other generous in-kind donations. HarperCollins Publishers has donated copies of *Profiles in Courage*, President Kennedy's Pulitzer Prize winning book, and Hyperion Books has donated copies of Caroline Kennedy's *Profiles in Courage for Our Time*, a book of 13 essays honoring the recipients of the Profile in Courage Award since its establishment in 1989. Copies of the two books have been distributed to teachers and schools to enrich classroom teaching and curriculum projects, as well as to encourage students to enter the Profile in Courage Essay Contest.



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NEW GRANTS TO YOUTH OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

A

new grant from the Boston Globe Foundation will deepen the impact of the Kennedy Library's

Joseph Moakley Public Speaking Institute for low-income and first generation high school students. The Gillette Company renewed its underwriting for "Setting National Priorities: The Federal Budget," a workshop program that introduces high school students to economic priority-setting. The Boston Red Sox Foundation made a generous award to help underwrite the Kennedy Library Foundation's youth outreach and education initiatives.

Connell Limited Partnership, The Coolidge Family Fund, Filene's, and The Presidents' Heritage Foundation are generously supporting free transportation to classes in the Boston Public Schools and schools on the North Shore attending education programs at the Kennedy Library.

The Kennedy Library's civic engagement efforts have received vital funding from The Walter H. and Phyllis J. Shorenstein Foundation and the Hunt Alternatives Fund. The Boston Foundation provided a third year of generous support to expand Kennedy Library programs serving the communities and schools of Boston.

Burton Berinsky Photos Capture JFK on the Campaign Trail

The Museum at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library has put on display a collection of Burton Berinsky photographs of John F. Kennedy campaigning for the presidency in 1960.

“These stunning black and white images capture the enthusiasm of the young candidate and the crowds of Americans who cheered him on,” said Deborah Leff, Director of the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum. “We are delighted that Mr. Berinsky’s family allowed us to display these remarkable photographs that so beautifully capture the youth and vitality of John F. Kennedy as he crisscrossed America.”

Burton Berinsky, a native of Dorchester, Massachusetts, traveled with Kennedy during his tours of the northeastern United States. Berinsky was a staff photographer for the International Ladies’ Garment Workers’ Union. David Dubinsky, president of the union, was an early and staunch supporter of JFK and assigned Berinsky to cover the campaign in the northeast for posterity. Because of his special and constant access, Berinsky



BURTON BERINSKY

1960 Democratic Presidential Candidate John F. Kennedy on the campaign trail.

was able to uniquely capture the enthusiasm and excitement generated by the Kennedy campaign.

The photographs are part of *Campaign!*, a special exhibit featuring new film footage, photos, archival

documents, photographs, and memorabilia from Massachusetts Senator John F. Kennedy’s campaign for the presidency in 1960. *Campaign!*, which runs through May 15, 2005, is sponsored by AT&T and WCVB-TV 5.

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